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Dear Nancy:

On behalf of Common Ground Speaker Series, please accept our sincere thanks for three phenomenal talks. Since our Series was founded almost nine years ago, we have hosted the "best and brightest" voices in parent education and we now definitely count you among them!

You'll be pleased to learn that you received the highest rating in our audience surveys. We'd like to share with you a few of the specific comments our parents made:

- Excellent speaker. I especially appreciated her communication strategies. I am definitely guilty of talking too much and listening too little with my children. She inspired me to try a whole new approach without making me feel guilty or discouraged about past mistakes.
- Nancy was phenomenal! It was great to hear from a parenting expert who has obviously "walked the walk." Her suggestions were firmly rooted in common sense and compassion.
- Nancy may be the best parent ed speaker I've ever heard. She is wise, funny and practical. I just wish I'd heard her years earlier!

In the days since you appeared, we have heard more rave reviews from parents who happen to catch us on the school parking lot or in the sports bleachers. As you know, Common Ground Speaker Series represents 10,000 families in the Bay Area and your appearances certainly have created a "buzz" of information- sharing based on the wise parenting strategies you shared. Your sense of humor and obvious respect for struggling parents were duly noted and greatly appreciated.

On a personal note, both Faye and I would like to thank you for your warmth, flexibility and professional demeanor. You were a delight to host. Please do not hesitate to use us as a reference, if the need should arise.

We hope to see you and your magnificent hubby/manager (!) on this coast again soon.

With warm regards,

Barbara and Faye

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