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Dear Amy,

I think you are right about how "different" kids are treated in school and how angry and frustrated it makes them. If you experienced it, you know. I printed off your letter and mailed copies to Tom and my parents, since they don't have e-mail. I've started printing off all family e-mail and sending it to Tom.

I haven't heard any more from Tom since he told me about his girlfriend.

Carol has been working as a temp for the state since last Friday. The work is pretty boring.

We took our first canoe ride of the season on Sunday. We went from our back yard to Delta Mills - the usual trip. Our redbuds have been in bloom for a week, so we are about one month behind South Carolina. The leaves on the maples just came out in the last 3 days.

We saw "Cookie's Fortune", the latest Robert Altman movie. It was OK, but nothing special. I expect special from Robert Altman. We also rented another recent movie of his that had very limited distribution: The Gingerbread Man. It was from a John Grisham book that I've heard little of. It had a great cast - Robert Downey, Kenneth Brannagh, Robert Duvall, Embeth Davidz (yum) - but it was bad - a "thriller" that wasn't believable. I think Altman has smoked too much dope for too long. I'd like to see the new movie "Election". Sounds good.

Love, Dad