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My dear Dr. E.

It is with mixed feelings that I write this letter after hearing about your retirement from NW college. I'm happy of course because you now will have time to enjoy all the activities and events that you love so much, but at the same time NW and the Playhouse will not be the same without you as a teacher there.

I know what you are saying as you read this - no one is indispensable! It is true, however you come the closest to it of anyone I have ever met. My happiest experiences through my school years will always be working for you, Cinderella, Heidi, trips, U. of Minn., our long talks, Alpha Psi Omega, and of course the fantastic Choral Readers.

How could we ever have known in those first years to what heights the Readers would go? Or will we ever forget the many episodes such as blackout curtains, football players + rehearsals, see-through blouses and long skirts, comments from the choir people, hidden apples on the '62 trip, and numerous

other things which always kept life exciting
and hectic. I brought all of these the Readers
remained strong and grew to the respected
position they now hold. There is
nothing in this world that I would
compare with the thrill and privilege I had to
be a Choral Reader under your direction.

We worked and played hard, but you
always showed us we could do more. We
enjoyed ourselves fully, and hope that we
gave inspiration and pleasure to the people
who heard us.

Continued success for the future,
and a loving thank you for all the
things done for me during my school years.

all my love
Judith Bloembergen
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