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Dear Beth:

In February, 2010, I published my second book of oral history interviews. The title of this book is *Desegregating Cary*. Its focus is on Cary's contribution and leadership to the desegregation process for all of Wake County, the state and beyond in the early 1960s.

Following publication, on October 25, 2010 I held a panel discussion about the book at the Page-Walker Hotel in downtown Cary. Those on the panel were five of the main contributors to the book: Charlie Adams, who's father developed and implemented the plan to desegregate Cary High School in 1963; Lucille Evans Cotton and Gwen Matthews, two of the first six black students to enter Cary High; Deborah Wright, who was one of the first four black students to desegregate Swift Creek Elementary School in 1965; and Carolyn Rogers, one of the first three black teachers at Cary Elementary School in 1969. The five panelists were candid, honest, and talked about their experiences with passion and wisdom. This was a very powerful and moving event.

The discussion was video-taped and the recording converted to a DVD. I have enclosed a copy here for the Southern Oral History Program. It is my hope that this 92-minute DVD will be posted on your website so many people can experience this dynamic history.

Sincerely,

Peggy Van Scoyo



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