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September 2010

Upcoming Events

September 8: *New Member Orientation to be held in the Chamber Board Room from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. Doughnuts and coffee will be served. Call the Chamber at 252-438-8414 or e-mail membership@hendersonvance.org to attend.*

September 9: *Meet Me in the Street" featuring The Embers 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. along Breckenridge Street in Downtown Henderson. For information, call the Chamber at 252-438-8414.*

September 25: *Franklin-Granville-Vance Smart Start, Inc. will present a Family Fun Day and Ducky Derby from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. along Breckenridge and Garnett Streets in Downtown Henderson. Food, games for children and information booths with many resources for families will be available. At 2:00 p.m., see the first Ducky Derby. Proceeds go to FGV Smart Start for programs that serve families with young children, ages 0-5 years. For sponsorship opportunities, contact Garry Daeke at 252-433-9110.*

September 30: *Business After Hours hosted by Kittrell Job Corps Center and the Vance County Arts Council at their location at 233 S. Garnett Street. The event will take place from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m. Call the Chamber at 252-438-8414 to confirm your attendance or for information.*

October : *Chamber Summit discussing "Staying the Course in Tough Economic Times". Specific date and details to be announced.*

October 12: *2010 Business EXPO to be held at the VGCC Civic Center from 2:00 until 7:00 p.m.. For information or to be an exhibitor, contact the Chamber at 252-438-8414 or e-mail membership@hendersonvance.org.*

October 14: *Business After Hours hosted by Vance County Farm Bureau at their location on 158 Bypass in Henderson. Event will be held from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.*

December 3: *"Christmas with The Embers" Presented by CenturyLink - concert to be held at 7:00 p.m. at the VGCC Civic Center. For more information, contact the Chamber at 252-438-8414.*

Embers Concert September 9

The third and final Meet Me in the Street for 2010 is scheduled for Thursday, September 9 and will feature The Embers. The free concert will take place along Breckenridge Street beside The Bullpen Sportsbar from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Presenting sponsor for each of the three events this year is Harris Incorporated of Henderson and Budweiser.

The second concert was held Thursday, July 22 and featured The Band of Oz. The event was well attended in spite of temperatures in the upper nineties. "This band is always a hit", said Chamber President Bill Edwards.

George's Restaurant and Community Workforce Solutions served up pizza and hot dogs respectively while Coca-Cola and Harris Incorporated took care of their thirsts.

Local sponsors for the events include: Gold sponsors BB&T, Maria Parham Medical Center and Toyota of Henderson:

Silver sponsors AA Self Storage, AAA Gas & Appliance Co., Early Falsom Properties, NCOLNET, P & G Pet Care, Progress Energy, Satterwhite Point Marina and Servpro; Bronze sponsor Jack H. Hughes, Jr., Attorney; Media sponsors The Daily Dispatch, US 98.3 and WIZS (AM 1450); and Contributing sponsors For Your Occasion Party Rentals, Franklin Brothers Nursery & Greenhouses, Inc., KARTS, Rural Health Group at Henderson, Mike Brooks Productions, Quick Print, Bobbitt Signs and US Cellular.



Volunteers and staff employ a little extra protection from the sun as the heat index climbed to 110 at the July 22 Meet Me in the Street Concert which featured Band of Oz.

Embers Return in December

For the fourth consecutive year, The Embers will return to Henderson with a sit-down concert called "Christmas with The Embers". The concert will take place on Friday, December 3 at 7 p.m. in the Vance-Granville Community College Civic Center.

There is a limited number of tickets available for purchase at the Chamber office or from any Chamber board member. Prices are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children.

The Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce coordinates the event which is brought to you by Presenting Sponsor CenturyLink, Platinum Sponsors Progress Energy and P&G Pet Care, Gold Sponsor Walmart Distribution Center and Silver Sponsor Maria Parham Medical Center.

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Thanks to Donor Businesses

The Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the 38 businesses who recently donated items for the 2010 new teacher packages. The Chamber businesses listed below participated by taking the opportunity to include their promotional items or coupon in the gift bags given to new teachers at this year's New Teacher Orientation.

This annual opportunity is offered exclusively to Henderson-Vance County Chamber members. If your business is interested in taking part in next year's drive, contact Sylvia Edwards at the Chamber at 438-8414 or info@hendersonvance.org.

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The Teacher Store
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Area Agencies Partner for School Supply Drive

The Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce, United Way of Vance County/Volunteer Center and Vance County Schools coordinated a school supply drive on Friday, August 20. Businesses and residents drove through the parking lot of Chick-fil-A on Dabney Drive in Henderson to donate new school supplies for local area school children in need.

Assisting with the drive was Chick-fil-A, The Daily Dispatch, US 98.3 and WIZS. Both radio stations conducted live remotes from the event which ran from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m.

The volunteers collected a generous amount of assorted supplies which will be distributed through the Vance County United Way/Volunteer Center.



Volunteers collect school supplies at Chick-fil-A in Henderson.

Fifteen Graduate Leadership Vance

The Henderson-Vance Chamber of Commerce announced fifteen graduates from its annual Leadership Vance program.

Leadership-Vance is designed to create a group of informed and dedicated leaders who will contribute to the community. The program is organized into twelve sessions which began on February 10th with an orientation breakfast at Vance-Granville Community College and concluded on June 25 with a graduation ceremony and dinner catered by Ted's Service Company at Satterwhite Point Marina.

The program is organized by topic, and participants are exposed to various aspects of Henderson and Vance County, specifically in regard to city and county government, health and community resources, economic development, agriculture and natural resources, history, media, criminal justice and law.

One requirement of the program is a community service project, which is selected, organized and completed by the group participants.

The 2010 Leadership Vance Class completed its sessions on Tuesday, June 22 with the group hard at work on their community service project. The class spent the day working with Rebuilding Hope, a local non-profit organization that assists homeowners with home repairs that they can't afford to have done.

On Thursday, June 25, the class celebrated their graduation with a steak dinner catered by Ted's Service Company at Satterwhite Point Marina. The marina setting was provided by Catherine Hughes, a member of the class. After dinner, graduates were entertained with a PowerPoint presentation featuring the five months of activities of the class. The event ended with the presentation of diplomas and discussion of a class reunion.

Participants in this year's class included: Mel Manning - Harris, Inc., Jeanee Beckham - Four County Health Network, Jeff Endrusick - Endrusick Enterprises, LLC, Steve Stanton - Vance County, Luke Horton - Daily Dispatch, Brian Perry - Walmart DC #6091, Kakeasha Richardson - Henderson Wellness Center, Eva Brown - Granville-Vance District Health Department, Cyndi Smith - City of Henderson, Catherine Hughes - Satterwhite Point Marina, Harold Henrich - Vance County, Joel Rice - Five County Mental Health Authority, David Westbrook - Vance County Schools, Ann Hudson - KARTS and Kerry Rubio - Maria Parham Medical Center.

For more information about Leadership Vance, contact Rachel Hedrick, Chamber director of membership services at membership@hendersonvance.org or 438-8414.



Leadership Vance class members pose at the end of a day of installing insulation in a home being refurbished by Rebuilding Hope Ministries. The project was chosen by the class as their Community Service Project.

2010 Legislative Wrap-up Held

On Wednesday, August 18 the Chamber's Business Growth & Development Committee sponsored a Small Business Roundtable to cover the 2010 Legislative Wrap-up. The seminar featured speakers from the local delegation and was held at the Henderson Country Club.

Senator Doug Berger and Representatives James Crawford and Michael Wray addressed the issues discussed in this year's legislative sessions and spoke briefly about the final outcome. One of the main points covered was the number of cuts to various programs that had to be made due to the current economic downturn and the resulting decrease in sales tax and NC employment taxes.

"The session was well attended and proved informative to those Chamber member businesses represented," said Chamber President Bill Edwards.

The Small Business Roundtable Legislative Wrap-up Session has become an annual event in the Chamber's Small Business Roundtable series. The session allows local businesses the opportunity to direct questions to local legislative delegates that are pertinent to their particular line of work or to the business community as a whole.



[ASIS Counseling, PLLC \(Top Left\)](#)

ASIS Counseling, PLLC located at 851 S. Beckford Drive in Henderson held a ribbon cutting to celebrate their grand opening on August 19. The business is a therapeutic agency supporting children, adolescents, and adults struggling with behavioral, emotional, and mental health challenges. Staffed by licensed professionals, ASIS provides therapeutic services to individuals from ages 3 and up with a variety of diagnoses and focuses on Play Therapy, Individual and Group Therapy, Marriage & Family Therapy, and Couples Counseling. Contact for the business is Shakoya Hicks, MA, LPC, NCC, Psychotherapist who can be reached at 252-430-1087 or visit ASIS on the web at www.asis-counseling.com.

[SBC Painting \(Above\)](#)

SBC Painting celebrated the opening of their business with a ribbon cutting on August 12. A home based business located at 4723 Vicksboro Road in Henderson, SBC Painting is an insured contractor that specializes in commercial/residential painting, dry wall and sprayed ceilings. The company is owned and operated by Chucky Ramsey and can be reached at 252-226-2178.



[O'Reilly Auto Parts \(Middle Left\)](#)

O'Reilly Auto Parts celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon cutting on July 28. The company is located at 405 Raleigh Road in Henderson and specializes in automotive parts and supplies. Local store manager is Frankie Clary. O'Reilly Auto Parts can be reached at 252-430-0581 or on the web at www.oreillyauto.com.



[The Master's Touch Hair Salon \(Bottom Left\)](#)

The Master's Touch Hair Salon celebrated their grand opening with a ribbon cutting on July 27 at their location at 513 Yadkin Street in Henderson. The full service hair salon is operated by Leslie Hargrove and can be reached at 252-430-6010.



Success & Beyond Global Enterprises, LLC

Success & Beyond Global Enterprises, LLC held a ribbon cutting on Friday, July 23 to celebrate their grand opening at 121 Young Street in Henderson. The organization is a youth and family center, Hispanic resource center and offers music and cultural arts training. Success and Beyond was founded and is run by Latezes Bridges. The business can be reached at 252-436-6033 or visited on the web at www.success-beyond.com.



Enterprise Rent-A-Car

Enterprise Rent-A-Car held a ribbon cutting on July 21 to celebrate the move to their new location at 1340 Dabney Drive. The company specializes in automotive rental and leasing. Local contact for the company is Cameron Curtis who can be reached at 252-433-8405.

New Member Orientation

Learn to Use Your Membership to the Fullest

On Wednesday, September 8, the Chamber's Membership Committee will hold a short orientation for new members in the board room of the Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce. Doughnuts and coffee will be served. Chamber Ambassadors and staff will be in contact with some of the Chamber's newest members to inform them of this opportunity.

The Chamber's Membership Committee wants to ensure that all members utilize their membership in ways that are most beneficial to those members through no or low cost advertising and networking opportunities offered exclusively to Chamber members. Any member, whether old or new, who feels that they can benefit from this session may attend. Just RSVP by calling the Chamber at 252-438-8414 or emailing membership@hendersonvance.org.

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Clareese Moss Receives Avon Awards

Clareese Moss of Epsom was awarded The Spirit Of Avon Award and the Avon Recruiting Excellence Award on June 9 at a President's Club Luncheon in Rocky Mount. The first award is given for leadership ability in teaching other Avon representatives how to develop a career in the Avon business. The second award is given to an Avon representative who excels in recruiting new representatives into the Avon Business. Moss has been with Avon for over 26 years and says, "servicing over 300 customers each month is not a job, it's my life with my Avon family".

Moss also owns Shortcakes Embroidery & Screen Printing, another successful business which has been operating for over 15 years. The two businesses work well together. "My number one goal for all my businesses is customer service. Treat them right, and they will remain loyal to you," says Moss.

In addition to her businesses, Moss has been an Ambassador with the Chamber for about 5 years. When asked if being an Ambassador has been beneficial to her, Moss says, "it has helped my business grow tremendously. I get new customers every time I attend a Chamber function. I am also a member of the Granville County Chamber and working with both Chambers has really helped me to meet the new customers I need to grow my businesses. Being an owner/operator/delivery lady all in one can be challenging but it's all been worth it. I am blessed to have many great customers," continues Moss. To contact Moss, call 252-492-5769 or e-mail clareese@shortcakesembroidery.com.



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Pam Reaves, Catering Manager

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Maria Parham's Chatman Awarded Triangle Business Journal's CFO of 2010

Jim E. Chatman was recently named a winner in the Triangle Business Journal's 2010 CFO of the Year Awards. Awards were presented to professionals in the Triangle who exemplify excellence as corporate financial stewards. Forty-seven finalists were recognized and 17 winners were named in 12 categories at the awards luncheon on Thursday, July 15 at North Ridge Country Club in Raleigh. Chatman won in the category for 'Large Private Company'.

Triangle Business Journal, a weekly business newspaper, is the leading provider of local business news for the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill area of NC.

"Our CFO of the Year Awards were launched as a way to reward and recognize the best performing finance executives in the Triangle," says Charlene Grunwaldt, publisher, Triangle Business Journal. "This year's winners have displayed a remarkable track record of professional achievements and nonprofit involvement, and our community is better off for their many contributions."

In Chatman's interview with the publication after receiving this important distinction, he credits his parents with having been mentors for him through the years in establishing his strong work ethic and says the best advice that he ever received was—if you work hard and do right by other people, then all else will fall into place. In describing what makes him a top CFO, Chatman mentions that a successful CFO does have a strong work ethic and is a good, positive role model for all employees in the organization. He goes on to say that a good leader is willing to roll up his sleeves and help others solve problems while communicating a passion for the business and its people.

Chatman quickly points out that a good leader is only as successful as his employees. He says, "My success is dependent upon their success, and we have all accomplished much over the years. I really appreciate all they have done and continue to do for Maria Parham." Outside of work, Chatman enjoys physical fitness and outdoor activities like boating, camping and fishing. He is also a self proclaimed history buff and is involved with his church and the Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce.



Jim Chatman

P&G Pet Care Announces New Manager

The Henderson plant location for P&G Pet Care has announced Kathy Brown as new Plant Manager. After assuming responsibility for the plant in early May, Brown officially settled into the position and moved to the area in July.

Brown has been with P&G for 32 years serving in a variety of positions in plants that manufacture a very diverse group of products.

"After graduating with an Industrial Engineering Degree from the University of Florida, I began my career with P&G in our Augusta, Georgia facility. Over the years I have made laundry soap, orange juice, feminine protection products, diapers, and pet food. For the last seven years I have been the plant manager of our Aurora, Nebraska plant which is also a dry pet food plant, producing Iams and Eukanuba. In early May I assumed responsibility for the Henderson site traveling between the two locations. Effective July 1, my replacement in Aurora was announced enabling my move to North Carolina," said Brown.

Brown and husband, Rick, live in a new home outside of Franklinton. "We are thoroughly enjoying being here. The Henderson facility is a great plant with great people and I'm very pleased to be here," touted Brown.

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The Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce represents the interests of the business community in those matters that affect the ability of local businesses to prosper and grow, and the ability of Henderson and Vance County to attract new businesses.

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