

## **Vance Happenings**

### **May 2010**

*“Vance Happenings” is a brief monthly report regarding highlights of activities occurring in Vance County government. It is an overview of events specifically associated with activities involving the Board of County Commissioners.*

***National Day of Prayer.*** Commissioners and the County Manager attended some of the activities conducted by the local ministerial association relative to the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 6. A prayer breakfast was followed by several outdoor prayer gatherings. Later in the evening at Southern Vance High School, a large community prayer program was also held.

***County Assembly Day.*** On May 19, several Commissioners and the County Manager attended the legislative briefing in Raleigh as conducted by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. Morning programs included insight provided by Speaker of the House Joe Hackney and the Senate Speaker Pro Tem Marc Basnight. The afternoon included additional presentations on budget items, legislative priorities, legal updates, and other information, followed by visits with the local legislative delegation.

***Called Meeting to Receive Proposed Budget.*** On Thursday, May 20, the Board of Commissioners met to receive the Proposed Budget for FY 2010-11 as presented by the County Manager. Also, Commissioners approved the purchase of several pieces of tax foreclosed properties for participation in the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

***First Budget Work Session.*** On Tuesday, May 25, the Commissioners held their first work session on the Proposed Budget for the coming fiscal year. The work sessions are not formal meetings and no decisions are made that are

formally binding. Adoption of the budget at a later time will constitute the formal action.

***50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Former Glass Plant.*** Saint Gobain Containers, Inc. celebrated fifty years of operation in Henderson on Thursday, May 27. Some Commissioners attended the ceremony to express support and appreciation for being a solid member of the local business community.