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EXPO 2010 Celebrates 20 Years of Supporting Local Businesses

Approximately 600 area residents visited EXPO 2010, the annual business exposition for Vance, Granville, Franklin and Warren counties, which was held Oct. 12 in the Vance-Granville Community College Civic Center. As in years past, EXPO was organized by the VGCC Small Business Center, Henderson-Vance County Chamber of Commerce, Granville County Chamber of Commerce, Greater Franklin County Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber of Commerce of Warren County. More than 40 businesses and agencies from the four-county area showed off their products and services while offering information to potential customers and other exhibitors. Franklin Regional Medical Center and Wake Electric were the event's Gold Sponsors. Silver Sponsors included CenturyLink, the School of Graphic Arts, the Henderson-Vance County Economic Development Commission, Granville Health System, Waste Industries and Farm Bureau Insurance. Media sponsors included The Daily Dispatch of Hender-



SUPPORTING EXPO: From left, VGCC Adult High School Diploma coordinator Roberta Scott talks with Linda Justice of A.B. Hair Carpets at EXPO 2010. Justice said she has represented the Norlina-based business at every EXPO since 1990.

son, The Butner-Creedmoor News, Oxford Public Ledger, The Franklin Times, The Warren Record, WIZS Radio and WLUS Radio.

This year's event marked

the 20th anniversary of EXPO. The first EXPO, then officially known as the "Four-County Show & Sell Business Expo," was held in the Civic Center on May 10, 1990.

VGCC Spring Registration Starts This Month

VGCC's Spring 2011 semester begins on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011.

Currently enrolled curriculum students can start registration and advising at VGCC's four campuses (or online) on Nov. 15-16.

All students (new and returning) may register on these dates:

Nov. 17-18 • Nov. 29-Dec. 2 • Jan. 4, 2011

Hours for in-person registration are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Students can also register online by going to www.vgcc.edu and clicking on WebAdvisor.

VGCC Announces Basketball Schedule

The VGCC men's basketball team will open the regular season on the road, at Davidson County Community College in Lexington on Nov. 6. Next, the Vanguarders will play their home opener at Aycock Recreation Complex in Henderson on Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. versus the Eagles of Wake Technical Community College. All home games are scheduled to be played at Aycock Recreation Center, and all are free and open to the public.

VANCE-GRANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 2010 - 2011

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Sat., Nov. 6	Davidson County CC	Away	3:00 p.m.
<i>Wed., Nov. 10</i>	<i>Wake Tech CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
Sat., Nov. 13	Southside Virginia CC	Away	3:00 p.m.
<i>Wed., Nov. 17</i>	<i>Johnston CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
Wed., Dec. 1	Guilford Tech CC	Away	7:00 p.m.
<i>Wed., Jan. 5</i>	<i>Southside Virginia CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sat., Jan. 8</i>	<i>Louisburg</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wed., Jan. 12</i>	<i>Guilford Tech CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
Sun., Jan. 16	Brunswick CC	Away	3:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 19	Rockingham CC	Away	7:00 p.m.
<i>Sat., Jan. 22</i>	<i>Pitt CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Wed., Jan. 26</i>	<i>Patrick Henry CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sat., Jan. 29</i>	<i>Davidson County CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
Sun., Jan. 30	Catawba Valley CC	Away	3:00 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 2	Lenoir CC	Away	7:00 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 5	Louisburg	Away	3:00 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 9	Patrick Henry CC	Away	7:00 p.m.
Fri., Feb. 11	Wake Tech CC	Away	5:00 p.m.
<i>Wed., Feb. 16</i>	<i>Rockingham CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
<i>Sat., Feb. 19</i>	<i>Catawba Valley CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>3:00 p.m.</i>
Mon., Feb. 21	Johnston CC	Away	7:00 p.m.
<i>Wed., Feb. 23</i>	<i>Lenoir CC</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>7:00 p.m.</i>
Sat., Feb. 26	Pitt CC	Away	3:00 p.m.

NOTE: *Italicized characters denote home games.*

Autumn Arts Show on Display

Autumn Arts 2010, the 35th annual juried art show sponsored by VGCC and the Kerr Lake Art Society, is on display through Nov. 5 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday-Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays, on the second floor of Building 7 on VGCC's Main Campus.

Top prizes went to Sol Levine of Wake Forest for photography and to Cheryl Hight of Louisburg for painting.

The Autumn Arts competition is open to all artists, amateurs and professionals, working in any two-dimensional media.

For more information, call Lelia Brigham at (252) 492-5281 or Donna Dodson at (252) 738-3316.

Join VGCC's

Franklin County Campus
at the

Pre-Registration
Premiere

A fun-filled Open House featuring demonstrations and information spotlighting the programs and courses offered at Franklin Campus!

Wed., Nov. 10 • 2 - 6 p.m.
Main Building (Bldg. 1)

NEED TUTORING?

STOP BY THE ACADEMIC
SKILLS CENTER,
ROOM 7335, MAIN CAMPUS.

The Center is staffed by coordinator Evelyn Hall and assistant coordinator Jason Snelling. Both provide group tutoring, and student tutors provide one-on-one and small-group tutoring.

The Center is open Monday - Friday. On Mondays and Thursdays, the Center is open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, the Center is open 8 a.m. - 7 p.m., while on Fridays, the Center is open 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. The Center closes for lunch Monday-Thursday from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. If you're looking for tutoring, come by the Center to pick up a referral card or get more information! Also, check out our NEW web page at <http://www.vgcc.edu/Academics/academic-skillscenter.cfm>

Ambassador Spotlight: Eric Jones

Eric L. Jones of Henderson is one of the new VGCC student ambassadors for the 2010-11 year. After graduating from Southern Vance High School, Jones immediately went into the workforce, but after his employer downsized, Jones decided to broaden his career prospects with an education that was affordable and convenient. He first enrolled in the Business Administration program. In May 2010, he became the first person in his immediate family to graduate from college when he completed the business degree. Jones decided to stay at VGCC and enter the College Transfer program, he said, "because I want the ability to transfer to a four-year university and to go into workforce with as much experience and knowledge as I can." After completing his education, he hopes to own



ERIC L. JONES

his own business or be in a management position. The recipient of two VGCC endowed scholarships, Jones has enjoyed participating in student activities such as Phi Beta Lambda and the Male Mentoring program. As an ambassador, he looks forward to representing VGCC and telling others that coming to the college is "an extraordinary experience."



High Schoolers Learn About VGCC

Touring VGCC: A group of 42 Southern Vance High School students toured the labs of several VGCC programs on Oct. 8 at Main Campus and at the Masonic Home for Children in Oxford, home of the Culinary Technology program (pictured). Other curriculum programs on the tour included Electronics Engineering Technology, Cosmetology, Criminal Justice, Carpentry, Air Conditioning, Heating, & Refrigeration Technology, Electrical/Electronics Technology, Welding Technology and Automotive Systems Technology.



VGCC Blood Drive Saves Lives

SAVING LIVES: A total of 34 faculty, staff and students donated blood at the annual Blood Drive sponsored by the VGCC Chapter of the National Student Nurses Association on Sept. 27, according to Erica Jastrow, the chapter advisor. Pictured, student Lauren Elliott prepares to give blood in the Bloodmobile, which was parked in front of the Civic Center.

VGCC Fiesta Celebrates Hispanic Heritage



HISPANIC HERITAGE 2010: Food, music and clothing representing Latin American culture were all in abundance near the Gazebo on VGCC's Main Campus on Oct. 6 as the college celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15). The annual event, organized by the Spanish Department and Spanish Club in coordination with Student Activities, included games and informal salsa dancing.

Come Out for College Day!

VGCC's annual College Day will be held on Main Campus on Friday, Nov 19 from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in rooms 6102 and 6103. Representatives from four-year colleges and universities will be here to share information and answer questions about transferring to their schools.



VGCC Day Care Center Kids Become Cowboys and Cowgirls

WESTERN DAY 2010: VGCC's Day Care Center on Main Campus celebrated "Western Day" on Sept. 29. The day was part of a series of western-themed learning activities during the week, such as learning about cowboys and cowgirls, singing western songs and making trail mix.

VGCC Phi Beta Lambda Chapter Holds Installation Ceremony

VGCC's chapter of the Phi Beta Lambda business student organization, called "Chi Beta Chi," recently elected officers for the 2010-2011 year. New officers were installed and members were inducted at a ceremony on Sept. 14. The officers include president Shelonda White of Oxford; vice president Lonnie Brame of Henderson, secretary Sheri Moss of Henderson, treasurer Kiwon Harding of Henderson, historian John Pendergrass of Henderson, reporter Karin Driver of Kittrell and parliamentarian Sajade Hobgood of Oxford. The chapter advisor is Business Administration instructor LaTonya Steele and the co-advisor is Business Administration/Accounting program head Carl Hann.

Sam Miller, a student at Pfeiffer University in Misenheimer and North Carolina Phi Beta Lambda central regional vice president, was the special guest at the ceremony and performed the formal installation of officers and induction of members. Phi Beta Lambda is the national organization for college students who are preparing for a variety of careers in business. For more information, call LaTonya Steele at (252) 738-3447.



PHI BETA LAMBDA OFFICERS: From left, seated: chapter reporter Karin Driver, president Shelonda White and secretary Sheri Moss; from left, standing: North Carolina Phi Beta Lambda central regional vice president Sam Miller, chapter parliamentarian Sajade Hobgood, treasurer Kiwon Harding, historian John Pendergrass, advisor LaTonya Steele, vice president Lonnie Brame and co-advisor Carl Hann.

VGCC Board Hears Plans for Allied Health Building

The VGCC Board of Trustees held its regular bimonthly meeting on Sept. 20 at the college's main campus in Henderson. At that meeting, the Board heard a presentation from the Raleigh-based architectural firm, Pearce Brinkley Cease + Lee (PBC+L), which had been selected to create initial plans for the college's proposed new Allied Health Building on Main Campus. Representatives from the firm detailed plans for a 45,000-square-foot building which would house all the college's current health care training programs in one location. The \$13 million, three-story building would include classrooms, labs and an auditorium, and

would be constructed sometime in the future when building funds become available.

Also at the meeting, VGCC Vice President of Community and Economic Development Vanessa Jones reported to the Board that the college had been awarded the contract to provide educational programs to the federal prisons in Butner. Classes will include courses in logistics, horticulture, electrical, small appliance repair, industrial sewing, automotive mechanics, culinary, and national fitness training certification.

In other business, the Board voted to approve the 2010-2011 Budget Res-

olution and Summary of Revenues and Expenditures as presented. The total 2010-2011 budget for the college is \$42,222,024.

The Board also voted to adopt a policy which grants each student two days of excused absences per academic year for religious observances. Students must notify the college in writing within two weeks of the beginning of class the dates of the religious observance for which they will request an excused absence.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Nov. 15 at 7 p.m. in the board room on Main Campus.

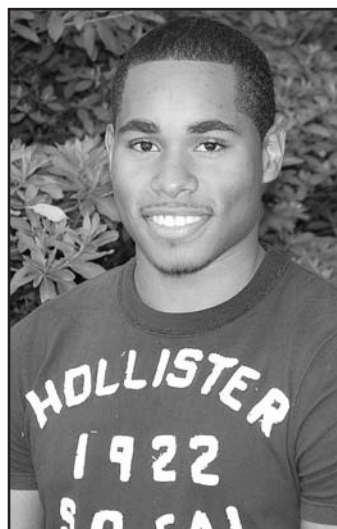
VGCC President Offers Tips to Students



PARKER ADDRESSES STUDENTS: It's not every day that college students have an entire class period to talk with the president of their institution. But that's exactly what happened on Sept. 13, when VGCC President Randy Parker spoke to instructor Marian Dillahunt's Study Skills (ACA 090) class. Parker talked about his own experience as a student at Lenoir Community College, which ultimately led him to pursue a career in education. He also discussed college resources for students and gave them advice on preparing for academic and career success.

Student Selected for Leadership Program

VGCC student Lynwood Roberts II of Oxford is among just 30 students from across the state who have been selected to participate in the 2010-2011 North Carolina Community College Student Leadership Institute (SLI). The SLI kicked off in June, when Roberts and his fellow participants met for a six-day-long session at Peace College in Raleigh. Students attended workshops on leadership skills during the day and then put their knowledge into practice by working on a group project at night. Students will meet



LYNWOOD ROBERTS II

again for two-day sessions this month and in March 2011 before graduating. Students participating in the institute are also required to arrange or facilitate workshops on their campus.

Roberts is a student in the College Transfer program and plans to someday transfer to North Carolina A & T State University to pursue a degree in civil engineering. He has earned Dean's List honors, received an endowed VGCC scholarship earlier this year, and is an active participant in the Male Mentoring Program.

TRIVIA & TIDBITS:

This Month in VGCC History...

Nov. 2000 (10 years ago): North Carolina voters passed a Higher Education Facilities bond referendum, from which VGCC received \$17.1 million over a six-year period for new construction and renovations at all four campuses.

VGCC Artist Sees Work Displayed at Community College System HQ

ARTIST HONORED: Loree Nelson of Creedmoor, a student of VGCC art classes whose hand-stitched "Red Hat Quilt" is one of the pieces representing VGCC in the 13th annual North Carolina Community Colleges Art Exhibition, recently toured the exhibition at the community college system headquarters with other members of the Red Hat Ladies and a few of her family and friends. Pictured, standing from left: June Cross, N.C. Community College System Executive Vice President Kennon Briggs, Loree Nelson, Yvonne Bourner, Charlotte Baker, Brenda Parker, Sylvia Strickland and Jo Cecil; kneeling: Carolyn Lamm, Frances Nelson and Betty Dixon. The art is exhibited on five floors of the Caswell Building, located at 200 W. Jones Street in downtown Raleigh through December. The public is invited to schedule a tour by calling (919) 807-7100.



WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

Presented by VGCC Counseling Services



VGCC Counseling Services is forming a Women's Support Group for interested VGCC students. This support group will focus on stress management, time management, college success, career development, wellness, and other issues college women face while balancing school, work, and families. The group will meet monthly in the Career Center in Building 8.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL
MARY MOORE AT (252) 738-3312.

Watch "Vance-Granville Today," the monthly video show all about VGCC! It is broadcast Thursdays at 8 p.m. on Time-Warner Cable Channel 7 in parts of our four-county area, or you can watch online at www.vgcc.edu (click on "News & Media"). In November, the program focuses on the VGCC Endowment Fund.

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	1	2 WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP MEETING Noon Career Center, Bldg. 8 Main Campus ELECTION DAY	3 SGA MEETING 1 p.m. Bldg. 8, Conference Room Main Campus Career Center Seminar HOW & WHY TO GET REAL WORK EXPERIENCE Noon Bldg. 8, Conference Room Main Campus	4	5	6
7	8	9 ORIENTATION 9 a.m. F-100 Franklin Campus	10 Basketball VGCC vs. WAKE TECH CC 7 p.m. Aycock Recreation Complex PRE-REGISTRATION PREMIERE 2-6 p.m. Franklin Campus	11 ORIENTATION 9 a.m. & 5 p.m. Civic Center Main Campus ORIENTATION 10 a.m. 6-134 South Campus VETERANS DAY	12	13
14	15 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 7 p.m. Board Room, Main Campus	16 SGA MEETING 1 p.m. Bldg. 8, Conference Room Main Campus FUNNY T-SHIRTS 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Student Lounge, Main Campus	17 Basketball VGCC vs. JOHNSTON CC 7 p.m. Aycock Recreation Complex REGISTRATION: ALL STUDENTS	18 FUNNY T-SHIRTS 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Student Lounge, Franklin Campus PIZZA PARTY 4:30 - 6 p.m. Room W432, Warren Campus	19 COLLEGE DAY 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Rooms 6102 & 6103 Main Campus	20
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