

and 90,000 other vehicle glass parts. It is expected to be operational by September 2010.

Company officials reviewed sites along I-85 between Atlanta and Charlotte in areas that would allow for more efficient and lower-cost transport of manufactured glass to points east of the Mississippi River before selecting the Braselton location.

Last year as part of its supply chain expansion, the company opened a 282,000 sq. ft. distribution center in Ontario, Calif.

Suwanee schedules open house on transportation plan

The City of Suwanee will host a community open house Thursday, March 18, in order to share the final draft of the Buford Highway Transportation Plan. The open house will be from 6:30-8 p.m. in the lobby of City Hall, 330 Town Center Avenue.

Over the past eight months, the City of Suwanee has worked with URS Corporation to study and develop alternatives for Buford Highway, from McGinnis Ferry Road to the entrance of George Pierce Park.

The plan examined two alternatives. One alternative is to add lane capacity to Buford Highway and redesign it to serve primarily regional vehicular traffic. The plan is scheduled for consideration by City Council at its April 27 meeting.

NOTABLE

Gwinnett Place CID ups contribution to Partnership Gwinnett

Board members with the Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District (CID) have increased the CID's funding commitment to the Partnership Gwinnett economic development initiative. The board voted unanimously this week to add \$2,000 to the CID's annual contribution of \$20,000, a 10 percent increase in funding.



CID Chairman Mark Williams said the strong working relationship between the CID and Partnership Gwinnett is vital to the continued success of greater Gwinnett Place. By working with Partnership Gwinnett, such large-scale, high-wage employers as NCR's global headquarters, Medical Business Services and Bright Ideas have located to Gwinnett Place area.

In April 2007, the Gwinnett Place CID became the first official financial contributor to Partnership Gwinnett.

Stone Mountain barbershoppers win Dixie championship

The 65-man Stone Mountain Chorus of the Barbershop Harmony Society captured the 2010 Dixie District Chorus Championship at its Spring Convention in Greenville, SC, on March 13. The group won over 20 competing choruses from the southeast. The local barbershop a capella singers, directed by Tim Brooks, performed "Embraceable You" and "I Didn't Want to Fall" to earn the championship trophy.

The next event for the group on its upcoming calendar is its 2010 Spring Music Concert, scheduled for Mountain Park United Methodist Church on June 5. Special guest for this year's concert is Georgia Connection, a local chapter of