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# Update

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## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### Next Meetings:

August 18th at 9:00 a.m.

August 19th at 6:30 p.m.

### Meetings held at:

Administration Building

Community Room

140 Henry Parkway

McDonough, GA 30253

Commission meetings will air on Henry TV Channel 14, at 9 a.m., 2 p.m., & 7 p.m.

### Monday Meetings:

Wed, Fri, & Sun

### Tuesday Meetings:

Thurs, Sat, & Mon

## Commissioner Reid Bowman Becomes First Commissioner to Complete ACCG's Certified Commissioners Advanced Program



Henry County District 4 Commissioner Bowman, front row center, accepts a proclamation from his fellow Board members for becoming the first Commissioner to complete the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia Certified Commissioners Advanced Program.

District 4 Commissioner, Reid Bowman Commissioner in Henry County to was recently honored with a proclamation complete not only the nationally recognized by the Henry County Board of County Commissioners Training Program Commissioners for becoming the first co-sponsored by the Association of County



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## Henry County Welcomes Troops to Noah's Ark

Henry County and the City of Locust Grove rolled out the red carpet to welcome 54 wounded troops to our community on Thursday. The troops were from the Fort Benning-Columbus, GA Wounded Troop Battalion, and they had made arrangements to deliver a truck-load of toys, bedding, food, toiletries and other supplies to Noah's Ark.

Other than the Henry County Police escorts from the County line, the troops were not made aware of the welcome arrangements, which involved hundreds of citizens lining the streets and waving flags, the Henry County Fire

Department displaying our nation's flag on one of its ladder trucks, Henry County Police, Locust Grove Police, the Chamber of Commerce (which assembled goodie bags for the troops), Locust Grove Elementary School and Bethlehem Elementary School (whose students made cards for the troops). State, County and City officials were also on hand to greet them, including State Senator John Douglas, State Representative John Lunsford, Mayor Lorene Lindsay, Henry County Commission Chairman Jason Harper and Commissioners Randy Stamey and Johnny Basler.



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Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) and the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson Institute of Government, but also the ACCG Certified Commissioners Advanced Program (CCAP). The proclamation was presented at Monday's regular Board meeting.

According to the proclamation, the Commissioners congratulated Commissioner Bowman for this "unprecedented accomplishment for Henry County" and expressed its appreciation to Commissioner Bowman for "his outstanding commitment to providing strong leadership and extraordinary service to the citizens of this great community."

This unprecedented achievement for Henry County was accomplished during Commissioner Bowman's first eighteen months in office. It involved completing a minimum of 96 hours of instruction in courses covering topics such as economic development, financial management, tax policy, county government law and human resources in addition to submitting a summary project report and participating in a two-day Advanced Leadership Institute. The certification will serve to enhance his ability to provide public services responsibly, efficiently and cost-effectively.

"I greatly appreciate the County allowing me to take these classes," said Commissioner Bowman. "They were extremely beneficial, and the money the County spent on the courses will result in better representation for citizens." Classes considered most beneficial for Bowman were Advanced Strategic Planning, Tax Policy and Concepts, and Law & Personal Liability. Commissioner Bowman plans to continue to take courses to maximize his effectiveness on the Board, which will ultimately benefit the citizens of Henry County. Two he plans to enroll in soon are Federal & State Relations and the Art of Getting Things Done as well as Regional Approaches to County & City Cooperation.



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**VOTES**

**View the August 5, 2008 State  
run-off results online:**  
[www.co.henry.ga.us/Registrars/archives/08052008/index.html](http://www.co.henry.ga.us/Registrars/archives/08052008/index.html)



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**Saturday, August 30, 2008**  
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Ride registration: 9 a.m. - 10:45am  
\$20 Per Bike Registration begins  
9 a.m. at Heritage Park

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