

Chamber of Commerce Home Show held at airport

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MT. VERNON — A King City event made a comeback after at least 13 years due to the efforts of the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce Small Business Council.

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce Home Show 2013, held at the Mt. Vernon Outland Airport, featured businesses to cover every aspect of home ownership, from insurance to banking, from roofing to flooring.

Paul Lynch, JCCC vice president and chairman of



More than 45 businesses from Jefferson County and the surrounding area brought examples of their services to the 2013 Home Show, hosted by the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce Small Business Council. The show was held Saturday and Sunday at the Mt. Vernon Outland Airport.

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the SBC, said bringing the home show back to the air-

port continued a Mt. Vernon tradition.

"I know they had home shows at the old hangar in the 90s," he said. "They also had it out at the Holiday Inn more than once."

More than 45 businesses brought their booths to the airport's newest hangar, inside and outside, and enticed customers with samples, photographs,

drawings for free merchandise and more.

"It's been great," Lynch said. "We've had a steady group of customers coming in. It's everything I would have hoped for as far as attendance, and it compares favorably to the attendance of other home shows in the area."

He said he felt the chamber was able to attract a good balance of exhibitors to the show - from businesses selling candles and purses, to purveyors of pest control, windows, garages, furniture, roofing, banks and assisted living facili-

ties.

"Most of our exhibitors are from Jefferson County or nearby," he said. "This is an opportunity for people to come in and see what's available for home improvements close to home."

Lynch said the planning process for the event has been a great experience, and that he received very good advice from multiple sources every step of the way.

He added that Mt. Vernon Outland Airport Manager Chris Collins was very helpful and welcoming to the chamber and SBC.