



Blacksburg Rotary Club

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District 7570

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ROTARY CLUB RENOVATES LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OFFICE; ADDS USED BOOKSTORE

The Rotary Club of Blacksburg recently completed a community service project with Literacy Volunteers of the New River Valley (LVNRV) an organization with tutors individuals who have low literacy levels, are illiterate or who want to learn English. LVNRV is a local 501c3 organization, completely dependent on grants, fundraising and donations to operate. In support of literacy, the Rotary Club of Blacksburg, along with the Christiansburg-Blacksburg Rotary Club, renovated the Literacy Volunteer office space on Main Street in Christiansburg to contain an on-going used book sale area to help LVNRV generate valuable operating funds to sustain their mission.

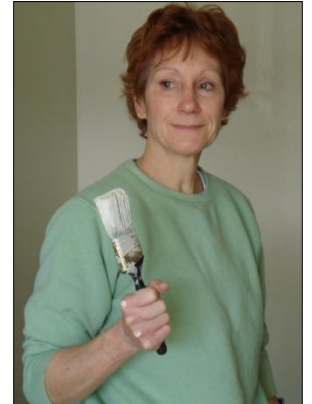
“It was a collaborative effort between two Rotary Clubs. Everyone worked hard,” said Paula Alston, Co-Chair of the Community Service Committee. “We painted the office and bathroom using paint donated by Sherwin-Williams in Christiansburg, assembled and anchored book shelves, re-arranged furniture, cleaned wood work, hung window treatments and laid carpet and linoleum.”

The book store is slated to open for business in April, 2010.

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About Us: Rotary International is a global network of community volunteers united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. Founded in 1905 in Chicago, today there are approximately 1.2 million Rotary club members in over 33,000 Rotary clubs. The Rotary Club of Blacksburg (www.blacksburgrotary.org) began in 1978 and today consists of over 110 members who meet at noon on most Thursdays at the Blacksburg Country Club.

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*Paula Alston, Co-chair
Community Service,
leads the remodeling
effort for the used
book store*