



Greetings from RVCC

A huge **THANKS** to everyone who helped with the auditorium renovation over the past 3 months. The finished product has truly exceeded our expectations. When you have a moment, please stop by to see it. I think you'll agree that it looks fantastic. Kudos to **Bob Yoder** who managed the renovation and did a truly outstanding job, completing the project on time and on budget! We have already had a private party and a fund raiser in the auditorium and hope that each of you will consider using it for events in the future.

One of our concerns was how the renovation would affect the acoustics in the auditorium. We are happy to report that all types of music as well as voices sound great. There are still some finishing touches planned, but nothing that will interfere with its use for the balance of the year. If you are planning a party or production the space is now available. An open house to celebrate the accomplishment is being planned and you are all invited; more details next month.

The outdoor space has been getting a lot of attention lately as well. Landscaping and regular mowing and trimming have made the grounds look much better. Our hope is to continue making improvements on the grounds to accommodate more outdoor use. RVCC has one of the most scenic views of the mountains in Nelson County and is a great place for family reunions and company picnics. If you are planning an outdoor party or have an idea for an outdoor use please consider having it at your community center. Call the RVCC office to make arrangements.

Gifford Childs
President, RVCC Board

New Operations Manager Hired

The Board of Directors of RVCC is pleased to announce the hiring of **Sara Taylor** as the Operations Manager. She will begin July 16, working 32 hours per week. **Gifford Childs** will be providing orientation and training. Some of you may know Sara as the co-owner and manager of **Rapunzels Coffee & Books** in Lovingston, where she has built the business over the past 10 years. The music stage is now a non-profit organization: the **Further Ado Foundation**. Sara is a graduate of Hollins College. She is also a professional baker and horseback riding instructor.

Having grown up in Nelson County and managed a customer-oriented business, Sara is familiar with Nelson County people and places. She is eager to immerse herself in RVCC.

Please make her welcome!



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COMING EVENTS AT RVCC

- » **Symbolic Visions Art Reception** |
July 21 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm
- » **5th Improv Garage at the Hamner** |
July 22 | 7 pm
- » **Pancake Breakfast** |
August 4 |
8:30 - 10:30 am
- » **Thrift Store Bag Day** |
August 4 |
9 am - 4 pm
- » **Hamner production "Where Chaos Sleeps"** |
July 30 thru August 4

Executive Director Position Open

RVCC is now accepting resumes for the position of Executive Director for part-time (32 hours/week). We are looking for someone with skills in fundraising, grant writing and strategic planning. This position is the public face of RVCC and will provide leadership in developing the organization and its facility and grounds. Job description is posted on the website (www.rockfishcc.org).

Send letter of interest and resume to [Search Committee, P.O.Box 104, Nellysford, VA 22958](#).

Summer is “Cool” at the Treasure Chest

May was officially the best month ever for the thrift store. Thanks to all of our loyal customers and dedicated volunteers; we could not do it without you!

Speaking of volunteers, we are pleased to add former Virginia Beach resident [Lisa Linquist](#) to our volunteer staff. As an English major and avid reader, her skills will be greatly appreciated in our book department.

During July we will be running a sale on ladies and men’s shirts. Stop by to shop and get “cool.”

[Lynn Mark](#)
Store Manager

July Art Exhibit: Symbolic Visions

The July art exhibit showcases the work of [Trudi Goodwin](#), LPC, ATR, Art Therapist at People Places, Inc. in Charlottesville and [Sue Chase](#), RVCC board member.



Trudi’s large paintings reflect the story of her inner journey, connecting it with a visual form through complexity of color, texture, metaphor and symbolism. Symbolism and metaphor is important to Trudi’s visual storytelling. Therefore, the viewer is allowed to connect with the painting in their own way. Some paintings will be for sale. Trudi received a BFA from James Madison University and MS in Art Therapy from Eastern Virginia Medical School.

Sue’s work are her original mandalas. Mandala means circle in Sanskrit and is considered a universal symbol, originating in India then finding its way to Tibet, Japan and other parts of Asia. Mandalas can also be found in the Navajo Indian culture. The design of an inner circle and outer circle reflects the unification of our outer world and inner world--the connection between ourselves and the universe. Visitors to the art reception will have the opportunity to make their own mandala. Sue will also have on display and for sale her jewelry creations designed with beads from all over the world.



Symbolic Visions art reception:

Saturday, July 21 | 5:30 - 7:30 pm | Conference Room Gallery & Auditorium

Open to the public | Refreshments served

For more information, call RVCC office at 434.361.0100

If you are interested in exhibiting at RVCC, please contact the RVCC office (434-361-0100 or rockfishcc@gmail.com) and leave your contact information.

WHO ARE OUR TENANTS?

Alexander Driving School
Carol De La Herran
Flickinger Studios
Claudia Gibson
Susan Gorman
Habitat for Humanity
The Hamner Theater
John Helfrick
Sallie Justice
Cathy Kiehl
David Lipscomb
K. Robins Design
Treasure Chest
Rose Valentino

WHO ARE OUR TEACHERS?

Sara Pope Agelasto
Megan Atthowe
Sue Chase
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Heidi Davis
Claudia Gibson
Sallie Justice
Sandra Pleasants
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Stormy Weather at RVCC

Like most of us, RVCC suffered from the severe storm that hit the area on June 29. The storm was a Derecho, a wide spread, long-lived, straight-line windstorm which is usually associated with a fast moving band of severe thunder storms. According to forecasters this one was over 250 miles long. While RVCC suffered no significant damage to the building, one of the beautiful pine trees in the front yard was completely lost and three others were significantly damaged. We also lost a lot of shingles on the Thrift Store and Hamner Theater. The cleanup will require some heavy equipment and scores of volunteers. If you are interested in helping please call the RVCC.



Fortunately, power at RVCC was restored on Sunday and the building has served as a kind of oasis to our neighbors who still do not have power. Please know and pass the word on to others that RVCC is open and available for people needing a place to charge phones or laptops and catch up on email. Several people living without power or water have been able to fill water jugs. RVCC is happy to be available for these basic necessities we take for granted when the power is on.

If you are in need of urgent emergency services. However, please go to the [Rockfish Valley Fire Department](#) as they are the designated emergency services provider in our area and equipped to offer aid.

Volunteer Spotlight: Paul the painter

Paul Burns moved to Nelson County in 2011 and wanted to get involved with RVCC. When the center put out the word that they needed volunteers, Paul was eager to respond! RVCC conjured many fond memories for Paul dating back to his elementary school days in a school much like the old Rockfish Elementary School. His recollections span decades, from watching a play in a similar school's auditorium as a boy to attending the 2011 Community Market at RVCC. Just recently Paul discovered that one of his family members taught kindergarten at Rockfish Elementary School for years!

Paul volunteered to help with the painting of the auditorium and couldn't wait to get started. He was on the scaffolding on that first morning, painting away, getting the job done 30 feet above the auditorium floor, to the amazement of onlookers. Paul has been painting for some 30 years and really knows how to get the job done! He noted that helping to renovate the historic place that was so special to him was the challenge that kept him going. He admits that "the ever present **Gifford Childs** and **Bob Yoder**" made sure he had fresh paint and fun conversation daily which helped out, too.

Paul Burns, owner of **Paul's Painting and All Home Repairs**, lives in Stoney Creek and has been in business since 1980 in Northern VA, Key West, FL and most recently Nelson County. You've probably seen his truck rolling up 151. Paul has clients from Charlottesville to Lexington, and from Roseland to Crozet. Please check out his webpage www.paintit.com, find him on Facebook or call 540.430.0522 .



WHO'S OUR TEAM?

RVCC Board of Directors 2012-2013

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Chuck Kiehl

Cheryl Klueh

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Personal Fitness Classes:

CORE Fusion: A fitness blend of Core strength conditioning, Yoga & Pilates | Wednesdays @ 9 am | Fee: \$38/month or \$13 walk-in

CORE Fit: A 60 minute cross training class including cardio, core strength & total body stretch! Mondays @ 9 am | Fee: \$28/month or \$10 walk-in

Zumba CORE: A low impact class with CORE conditioning! | Thursdays @ 9 am

Zumba with abs!! Wednesday @ 6 pm | All Zumba fees: \$38/month or \$13 walk-in

All sessions start the first week of the month.

Group Personal Training An individual exercise program with a budget in mind! | Mondays & Wednesday @ 7:45 and 10 am | Fee \$128 for 8 sessions or \$16/class (Registration is necessary for this class)

To register: kwcooke@earthlink.net

Hamner Happenings

SUMMER at the Hamner Theater ...

- » was the **Central Virginia Blues Society** meeting on **Saturday, July 7**
- » is the **5th Improv Garage** on **Wednesday, July 18**
- » and will be the **first ever Shakespeare Winery Tour - A Midsummer Night's Dream** will travel to five wineries in five weekends, **August 18 to September 16** ... details on the website - www.thehamnertheater.com

Also, **Where Chaos Sleeps**, a new play by **Peter Coy**, commissioned for the Wintergreen Performing Arts Music Festival as part of the theme of innovation, will be presented **July 30 through Aug. 4** as a staged reading. This event is free of charge and each reading will be followed by a talkback with playwright/director and actors.

The Hamner Theater - a little bit of cool in the shadow of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

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