

2013: An Awesome Year in Review

Maybe you've helped as a volunteer, perhaps you've witnessed it as a visitor, or read about it in our emails or in the newsletter, or maybe you've just heard the buzz around the Valley: RVCC has been on quite a roll since last fall. Here are a few highlights:

- A terrific membership campaign, swelling our ranks to over 500 members (a 42% increase over 2012) and over \$10,000 in dues paid;
- Our "Stuff Happens" campaign that raised over \$45,000, including grants totaling \$32,000 from 3 foundations, for our newly-installed septic system, the recently completed removal of asbestos steam pipe insulation in the crawl space, and other heating system repair projects;
- Record *Treasure Chest* sales, averaging over \$5,800 per month and nearly 15% over last year in our expanded and newly-remodeled thrift store;
- A new *Rockfish Lounge* that will soon become the Valley's favorite morning internet café and meeting spot, serving fresh-brewed coffee from the on-site roastery of our newest tenant, Trager Brothers Coffee;
- Coffee House concerts filling the Lounge with music and generating a profit for RVCC;
- Lovingly restored maple floors throughout the building, thanks to our successful \$10,000 "*Floor Us!*" fundraising campaign;
- A new roof over the rear classroom wing housing the Lounge and the Treasure Chest;
- New storm windows in the beautifully renovated auditorium;
- A new RVCC sign on Rt. 151, thanks to our "*What's Your Sign?*" fundraising appeal;
- A new walking and nature trail nearing completion around the perimeter of our 10-acre property;
- A grant for \$7,700 to develop "*Rockfish University*" – our new high-tech classroom venue for seminars and webinars, group training, videoconferences or meetings that is now available for use by individuals or groups, helping us fulfill our education mission; and
- A restored baseball field, accomplished in our new partnership with Baseball Team Nelson 18U.

We are The Rock...
This is How We Roll!