

Business Spotlight: Blackstone Consignment Shop



Susan and Ronnie Jordan

The Blackstone Consignment Shop is a true mom and pop operation. The business was born out of four decades of Susan Jordan collecting various items and needing a place to store all her "stuff." According to James "Ronnie" Jordan, they started in Kenbridge where they purchased a building to store their items. Having a penchant for helping everyday folks save money, they turned it into Jordan's Salvage Grocery which they ran from 1987 until 1996. The store sold dented cans of Richfood products at cut-rate prices. But Richfood eventually stopped the practice of selling seconds and the store closed. The building was sold and Susan's collectibles were moved to a house her father owned. Then her father sold that house! They had 30 days to clear everything out. What to do now?

Well, as they say, when one door closes, another one opens up.

On a trip through Blackstone the Jordans spotted the old White Front building on North Main Street. They quickly rented it, moved all their collectibles in, and decided to make it a consignment shop. Two and a half years later Ronnie heard one day that Peebles was moving from downtown. He had always admired the building at the corner of South Main and Elm Streets so he quickly made an offer on it. The rest, as they say, is history.

The Jordans are now in their 6th year operating as the Blackstone Consignment Shop. "It's perfect for us," says Ronnie, "because we are helping two different sets of customers economize. Clients with furniture they no longer need are able to get a few dollars out of it and people who are looking for a bargain on furniture and household items can always find one here. It's a win-win scenario! Most of our customers are thrilled with their deal."

Always looking to make things convenient for his customers, Ronnie even helps his clients get furniture items moved to and from the store. His van is a familiar sight in town, a free pick-up and delivery zone, but he will go the distance - sometimes even across the state - for a small fee. "It's all about service," Ronnie notes. When he is not using the van to move furniture to and from the shop, Ronnie uses it as a moving van to help anyone who needs to move their belongings into a new home. Whether it is a local move or a long distance move doesn't matter, either way he is at your service!

The Blackstone Consignment Shop offers a spacious 7,500 square feet of new and used furniture, antiques, collectibles, and glassware. Customers can find items ranging from a bread box to a china cabinet and prices for every budget. Lay-away is available. You can even order new items from an in-store catalog. Delivery is typically in about ten days. Military folks receive a 15% discount.

You never know what you might find when visiting Blackstone Consignment but there is one thing that is always the same and that is the Jordans' desire to help everyday folks save money