

Overland Rotarian Donates Books to Ritenour Schools

Nov. 5, 2009 – Dr. Todd Lindley, a member of the Rotary Club of Overland, generously purchased and donated an amazing children’s book for all six Ritenour elementary school libraries.

The book, titled “14 Cows for America,” is based on the experiences of a young medical student from Africa who was studying in America at the time of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. After the attacks, he brought his eyewitness account back to his native village the following spring. Written by Carmen Agra Deedy, it is a true story of generosity, compassion and hope.

“14 Cows for America” won Book of the Year honors from the Literary Society of Georgia and received critical acclaim from newspapers across the country.

Dr. Lindley presented the books in person to the Ritenour elementary school librarians on Oct. 30.

“This book really captures you,” Dr. Lindley told the group, “The illustrations are just fantastic.”

The Rotary Club of Overland helps Ritenour students in many ways, including donating dictionaries to third grade students each year and providing annual scholarships to graduating Ritenour High School seniors.

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Photo caption: Dr. Todd Lindley (center) presents the book “14 Cows for America” to Ritenour librarians. Picture are (l to r) Wyland librarian Marcia Jackson, Marvin librarian Jill Mead, Marion principal Dr. Janet LeSage, Marion librarian Pamela Wallace and Iveland librarian Barb Morris.

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