



Fall 2018 Edition

Village of Rockford est. 1789



## *Candlelight Christmas in Rockford*

**Thursday      December 6, 2018      7:30 pm**

**Friday      December 7, 2018      7:30 pm**

1914 Rockford Methodist Church  
Historic Village of Rockford

**Don't miss the 28th year of this Christmas tradition led by  
Dr. Gena Poovey, Professor of Music  
Limestone College in Gaffney, SC  
sponsored by The Rockford Preservation Society, Inc.**

Thursday evening    Dr. Gena Poovey  
Accompanied by Adam Rudisill  
CandelFirth - Susie Cooper and Randy Candelaria  
Gene Anderson and Ararat Friends Singers  
Surry Central High School Chorus directed by Angie Smith

Friday evening    Dr. Gena Poovey  
Accompanied by Adam Rudisill  
Johnny and Wendy Dearmin  
Marshall Brothers and High Road  
Limestone College Vocal Ensemble

**Refreshments will be served following both programs.**

**Shuttle van service will be available beginning at 6:30 from the Rockford Baptist Church parking lot provided by YVEDDI.**

**Sweet Paws Home Goods is a vintage home decor store located in the 1900 Rockford Post Office. The 1850 Dudley Glass Store/Davenport Gallery has opened as Rockford by the River Gallery and Gift Shop for crafts and antiques. Both stores will be open before the programs for your early Christmas shopping!**

## Remember Rockford Reunion on September 8, 2018

We had a wonderful day with families coming together for a day of fellowship in the village of their ancestral home. We had a great BBQ lunch and were entertained by the Nonesuch Playmakers, led by Brack and Angela Llewellyn. Their group performed a musical revue of WWII era songs called "Home Front Hit Parade", complete with commercials from that era. It was a heartfelt journey down memory lane.

A tour of the W.P. Dobson General Store/Masonic Lodge wrapped up our day. Jason Allen, our restoration specialist who has been doing the work on this building, was here to show us the progress and answer any questions.



### The 1900 Post Office and the 1850 Dudley Glass Store buildings had foundation repairs in August.

Both repairs look so good! Thank you to all who contributed to this! These are the before and after pictures.

Thank you to our masonry contractor, Casey Mitchell for a job well done!



**Thank you to all of our friends who help us with our goal of restoring and maintaining these awesome properties in the Historic Village of Rockford. We couldn't continue without your support. Every contribution is appreciated whether you donate for fundraising activities, attend our events, volunteer your time, or donate monetarily, it is all valuable and most appreciated. It also gives you a chance to participate in saving a portion of your own personal heritage or Surry County's heritage. We sincerely thank you for helping us make it possible for future generations to enjoy and appreciate their heritage as well.**

### The Rockford Preservation Society Inc. Mission Statement and Scope of Work

The Rockford Preservation Society is committed to the ongoing process of preserving the historical integrity of the Village of Rockford through documentation, restoration and presentation. The Society focuses on acquiring and preserving historical properties, collecting and maintaining historical documents and family lineage, and sharing the results of Society efforts through public programming, publications and special events. The Society works cooperatively with other organizations charged with preserving the history of Surry County and the Yadkin Valley region. As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, grants, and public/private contributions enable the continuation of the Society's work.