

Remember Rockford



Rockford Preservation Society

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Save the Dates!

The village of Rockford is becoming a hub of activity! In addition to weekend shopping at two new shops in our restored buildings, we have two events coming up in August!

Rockford Park Community Social Aug. 5

First up is an Aug. 5 community social at Rockford Park. This first-time event is for folks who live in the Rockford community. It is at 5:30 p.m. and will include games, food trucks and ice cream! Please RSVP to thebrazenbeagle@gmail.com or call or text Shannon at 336-406-9376. Be sure to bring a chair!

Dance the Night Away Aug. 19

Just two weeks later, we hope you will dance the night away to beach music by The Castaways at our major fundraiser at Ragapple Lassie Vineyard in Boonville. We will have food trucks on site, and wine and beer will be available for purchase. The event is from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 19. Tickets for ages 12 and up are \$15, with all ticket proceeds benefiting the revitalization of our properties. Buy tickets early at the vineyard or on weekends at the two new shops in the village. Or reserve tickets online at www.rememberrockford.com. Please plan to come! And bring your family and friends!



THE Castaways

The Castaways are the premier party band in the Carolinas and Virginia. They are in the Carolina Beach Music Awards Hall of Fame. The band was formed in Durham in 1961 and has more than 50 years of experience in the beach music industry. Its seven members onstage deliver a full sound with live horns and versatile vocals.



Rockford Park, on the old hotel site, is a popular lunch spot in the village. For the reunion, park your car in the grassy area and register at the picnic tables.

8th Annual

Remember Rockford Reunion Sept. 9

There is so much life in the village now that we really hope you will join us for our next Remember Rockford Reunion Sept. 9. Two shops in our restored buildings will be open that day, and we think you will enjoy seeing the progress under way at our largest building, the W.P. Dobson Store. Reunion details are on the insert inside this newsletter. Please mail your reservation as quickly as possible so we order enough barbecue!



The opening of two shops in our restored buildings has added new life and real excitement to the village. Pictured are some items for sale at Sweet Paws Home Goods (above) and Rockford by the River Gallery & Gift Shop (at right). Sweet Paws is open Saturdays and Sundays; Rockford by the River on Saturdays.



Candlelight Christmas – Just Five Months Away

The most popular event in the village each year is the annual Candlelight Christmas at Rockford Methodist Church. It is two nights of wonderful performances and some good-old fashioned caroling by the audience. Please mark your calendar for the 27th annual event at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, and Friday, Dec. 1. Cookies and cider will be provided. So please mark those calendars!