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Progress in the Village of Rockford

As spring approaches, we have good news to share about our properties in the village.

The most visible improvement is the brand new roof atop the W.P. Dobson Store that is currently undergoing a complete exterior renovation. The glistening metal roof is helping keep the building's interior dry.

Thanks to the help of many of you, we also were able to install a new heating and air conditioning system at 1914 Rockford Methodist Church in time for December's Candlelight Christmas! We still owe \$300 for the HVAC system and would appreciate your help in paying off that bill.



We also have welcomed a new tenant at the yellow 1900 Post Office building.

"Generation Junkies" offers vintage gifts and furniture and opens on Saturdays starting in April. The 1850 Dudley Glass Store-Davenport Gallery next door is open the third Saturday of each

month from 11-3 starting in April!



Coming Up in 2017

Dinner at Rockford

Would you love to enjoy an evening of fine dining in the village of Rockford? We are hosting our annual fundraising dinner at 6 p.m. Sunday, May 7, at the charming and historic 1848 Rockford Inn Bed & Breakfast. Only 34 tickets, priced at \$65 each, are available for this catered occasion. Reserve your seat at hannah@rockfordbedandbreakfast.com!



Honoring our soldiers

Greg Cheek and the “28th North Carolina Troops — Civil War Reenactors” are coming for the Memorial Day program at Rockford Methodist Church. The program starts at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 27. The event will conclude at the Rockford Cemetery.

2017 Remember Rockford Reunion Set for Sept. 9

The eighth annual Remember Rockford Families Reunion is this fall. We hope all supporters and descendants of early families in and around Rockford will come for this special event. More details will be available in the coming months. Please save the date!

Candlelight Christmas Event a Success

A special thank-you to the musicians at the 2016 Candlelight Christmas. Dr. Gena Poovey of Limestone College in South Carolina presented the programs that included Gene Anderson and the Ararat Friends Singers, Wendy and Johnny Dearman, Surry Central High School Chorus directed by Angie Smith, Susie Cooper and Randy Candeleria, Marshall Brothers and High Road, Ashley and Devin Matthews, Kelsey Stanley and the Limestone College Chorus, and accompanist Adam Rudisill. It was a beautiful event!

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.