

# THE *Ridge View*

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR HOMEOWNERS | SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2019

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

### CLUBHOUSE:

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### Your Community Website:

- <https://theridge.nabrnetwork.com>

### Vesta Office Hours

Monday – Friday:  
10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday:  
10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday CLOSED  
(Subject to change/events)

### Clubhouse Hours of Operation:

**Pool:** Dawn – Dusk  
**Splash Pad:** 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
(12 and under)

**Big Slide:** Only when lifeguard is present  
Saturday – Sunday:  
11:00 a.m. – 4:00 pm  
Memorial Day through Labor Day

**Fitness Center:** 5:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

**Clubhouse:** 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**Tennis Courts:** 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

**Basket/Volleyball Courts:**  
7:00 a.m. – Dusk

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THE GATEHOUSE  
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Text after 6:00 p.m.: (813) 724-4256

## WELCOME



I hope that you had a wonderful summer! As we gear up for Fall, I wanted to provide an update on sales and construction. Since opening for sales in July of 2015, The Ridge has sold 91 percent of the 564 homes and we have welcomed 408 families to the community! We are

welcoming approximately ten new families to the community each month and starting one to two homes per week. With the brisk sales pace we have had, we are thrilled to announce that the Evergreen collection is sold out and the Boulder section only has a handful of homesites remaining. Soon we will place the model homes on the market and will be ready to start pre-selling our follow-up community to The Ridge!

The lifestyle program continues to bloom under the leadership of Tena Merckson! Residents have enjoyed multiple events by the pool, a Kids' Market, Wine themed events, and more! As we enter into the Fall season, Tena has even more fun and exciting events and activities planned for all ages!

Over the past several months, it has been a pleasure working with the homeowner-elected HOA Board Member, Dan McNichol. Dan has participated in weekly discussions and has been a great addition to the Board.

Thank you for your continued support of our community!

### Marisa Lufkin

Project Manager and HOA President



## WELCOME TO VESTA VANTAGE PRO!

The Association News Channel is for your community association and management company to share important notifications and reminders to the community, announce upcoming events and meetings, and provide association information. Please be sure to set your Notification Preferences in your My Account area to receive these important posts from your association via email, text message, and/or mobile notification. You can also reach out to Patty Lane, LCAM [plane@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:plane@vestapropertyservices.com) for further information regarding the Vesta Property App, or visit [www.nabrnetwork.com](http://www.nabrnetwork.com).

## A MESSAGE FROM THE LIFESTYLE OFFICE



Welcome New Ridge Residents! I am your Lifestyle Director with Vesta Property Services, and I hope you are getting settled into your new homes. I look forward to meeting you and showing you the many amenities and events that are available to you as a Ridge Resident!

Summer days are “almost” gone, and Autumn is fast approaching, even though we don’t feel like it much yet. As we anticipate the cooler weather and getting excited for the holidays, we look forward to planning many great events and gatherings for you!

Among the several wonderful events planned for the Fall season are First Friday Fright Night, our Second Annual Halloween Boo Bash, and a few surprises, so make sure you look for details to follow on NABR; [www.nabrnetwork.com](http://www.nabrnetwork.com).

Let me remind you to RSVP for any events by their deadlines to avoid cancellation. When big events are planned, it is important the community come together, because without our residents’ support, events cannot be successful. Also, I want to thank everyone who has come out to enjoy all of the events thus far. I am enjoying getting to know all of you!

Please continue to send us feedback and if there are any events or activities you would like to see us implement, feel free to stop by the Lifestyle Office or email me: [tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com).

**Tena Merckson**  
Club Lifestyle Director

## MEET THE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MANAGER



For those of you I have not had the pleasure of meeting yet, my name is Patricia Lane and I am your HOA Property Manager. I am with Vesta Property Services and I have been a property manager for about five years now.

I could not have asked for a better group of homeowners here at The Ridge I feel honored to manage such a special community right here in my hometown. If you have any questions or need assistance with anything, please don’t hesitate to email, call, or stop by and see me!

**Patricia Lane**  
Community Association Manager

## WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNERS

After your closing, make an appointment with your LCAM, Patricia Lane, to review the Clubhouse rules, get your access cards and process your vehicle information. The process usually takes about half an hour, so appointments are required to ensure all paperwork is processed prior to your visit. Please make sure to bring your closing documents. Patty will also assist you with the most current information within the area, as well as review your Property Management process with Vesta Property Services and get you entered into the Nabr system.

You can reach out to her at (813) 591-1849, or via email at: [plane@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:plane@vestapropertyservices.com).

## WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER, DAN M’NICHOL



Dan McNichol was born in 1964, and raised in the New York City area. He attended Fairfield University in Connecticut, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree from the School of Business in 1986. Following college, he embarked on a career in finance that has lasted more than three decades. He began as a stockbroker in New York and Pittsburgh in the 1980s and 90s. In 2001, he started an asset management firm with a group of partners that currently oversees investment portfolios for institutional clients in excess of \$2.5 billion.

Dan has been married to his wife, Roseann, for 30 years. They have three adult children, Ryan, Timothy, and Meaghan, who live in Charlotte, Pittsburgh, and New York City respectively. They also have one grandchild, Jack, who lives in Charlotte and is 9 months old.

Dan and Roseann have been Ridge residents for exactly one year, living on Ivy Forge Court with their two dogs. Dan enjoys golf, reading, cooking, dining, walking his dogs, and traveling with Roseann to visit their children, grandchild, and friends.

# SEPTEMBER

FIRST FRIDAY



September 6<sup>th</sup> • 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

**PROtential Sports** will be providing child care from at the Clubhouse, for ages 4 to 14, for \$10 per child. Kids will enjoy pizza and drinks, a "kids" movie in the Sports Court. There will be Games & Fun after the movie! (Minimum of six kids to hold the event.) **RSVP Required!** All PROtential Sports

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## SPECIAL TASTING EVENT

Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Hosted by Donna and John Woelfel, Proprietors of The Olive Tree of Wesley Chapel. Visit their website at <https://theolivetrestore.com/home.htm> RSVP's required due to limited seating. For more information, reach out to: [tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com).



## 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL RIDGE COMEDY NITE

Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> • 6:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Let's all laugh at the 1st Annual Ridge Comedy Night featuring the Southern Charm, Mid-West sensibility, California Cool with New York attitude, **Rich Schultis** from Comedian Comedy! Cover charge \$10 per person includes appetizers by Yummy Tablas (BYOB)! For more info, contact [tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com). RSVP Required, due to limited seating. RSVP & PRE-PAYMENT required by Sept 15<sup>th</sup> via Lifestyle Office.



## FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY (NEW)

Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> • 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Join us for Food Truck Friday on the 4th Friday of every month! This month we welcome CoCo's Latin Cuisine <https://www.cocofoodtruckfl.com/>. in the Event Room along with outdoor Kitchen & Patio available for dining-in, or take home! (BYOB!)



# OCTOBER

FIRST FRIDAY



October 4<sup>th</sup> • 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

**PROtential Sports** will be providing child care from at the Clubhouse, for ages 4 to 14, for \$10 per child. Kids will enjoy pizza and drinks, a "kids" movie in the Sports Court. There will be Games & Fun after the movie! (Minimum of six kids to hold the event.) **RSVP Required!**



All PROtential Sports Coaches are CPR & First Aid Certified.



## PAINTING WITH PINOT NIGHT Presented by Color Express Painting

Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> • 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Enjoy painting Wine Glasses or Canvas along with sipping your favorite Pinot Noir or Pinot Grigio! **RSVP Required** due to limited capacity. Pre-payment of \$30 required to secure Artist Jennifer Hudson; details to follow! For more information reach out to: [tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com).

## FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

October 25<sup>th</sup>

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Food truck Friday is every 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month. In October we welcome Artisan Foodie Food Truck. Event Room along with outdoor Kitchen & Patio available for dining-in, or take some home! (BYOB!)



## 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL RIDGE BOO BASH



Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

It's Fright Night at The Ridge

Join Staar Entertainment for music, ghostly games, and lots of spooky surprises! Haunting Photo backdrop, and the Ridge's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Halloween Costume Contest judged by spooky "masked" friends and neighbors!

Age ranges are: 0-3; 4-7; 8-12; 13 and up! **Parents: don't forget to wear your costumes!** Food, fun, and ghostly desserts for purchase as well!

The Event Room will be open for Adult Social gathering (BYOB), while the kids play, dance, and sing Karaoke with DJ Chris through the night!





## FITNESS ON DEMAND

Fitness ON-DEMAND fits your schedule. NOW available during Clubhouse hours. 24/7 Virtual Live Streaming Workouts!

For one-on-one instruction, email: Tena Merckson, Lifestyle Director at [tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com](mailto:tmerckson@vestapropertyservices.com).

## SWIM LESSONS

Lessons provided by **SwimKids USA Swim School**, Florida's Largest Swimming School. Private/Small Group Classes available weekdays and weekends. Ages 1 to Adult. For more information, contact Alan Messing at (352) 437-5130.



## ADULT BASKETBALL

Whether you are looking to work up a sweat or just shoot some hoops, get back to the glory days with the Men's Basketball League. Over 21 ONLY. Every Wednesday, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on the Sports Court.



## ADULT CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

Want to learn how to play or just love the game? Adult Co-Ed Club meets every Thursday, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. For more information, contact Bill Leverett at [williambleverett@gmail.com](mailto:williambleverett@gmail.com).



## TENNIS LESSONS

BG Tennis Staff is available for kids' and adult lessons at all levels of play. If you are interested in joining or have questions, contact Coach Bobby (813) 476-5787.



## After School Enrichment Program



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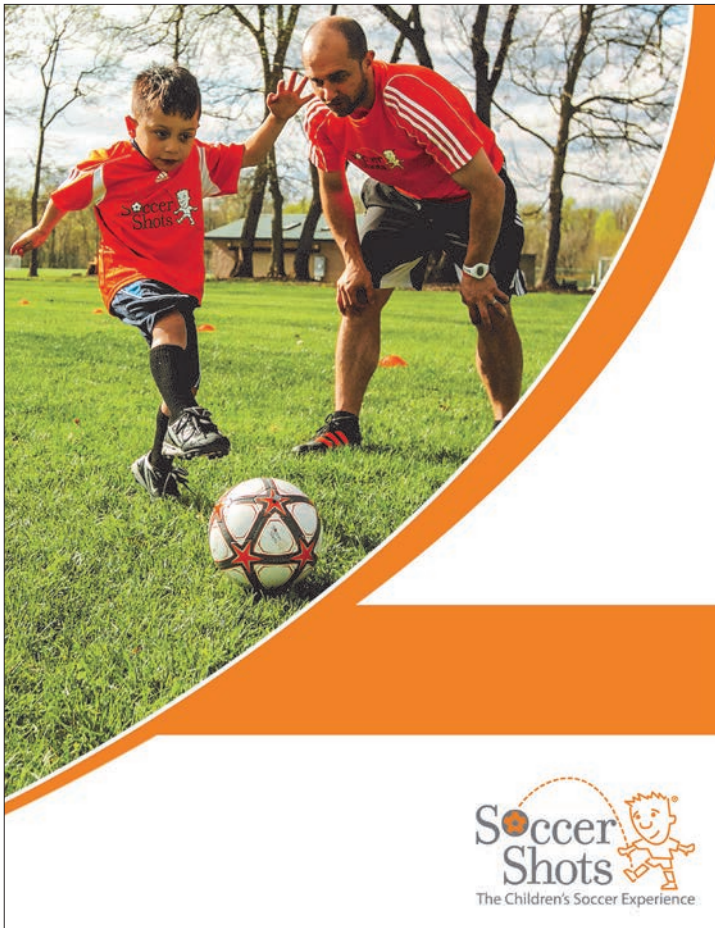
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## LADIES OF THE RIDGE CLUB

Have fun, chat, and share with The Ladies of the Ridge. The group meets the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Sandy Carney [sandy.carney@gmail.com](mailto:sandy.carney@gmail.com).



## MAHJONG CLUB

Mah Jongg is a tile-based game similar to Rummy 500 or Rummikub. It is played in groups of 3 to 4 players. For more info on dates and times contact Bonnie Rabinaw at [BRabinaw@Yahoo.com](mailto:BRabinaw@Yahoo.com).



## LADIES' BUNCO CLUB

Fun, social, easy dice game that you can learn as you play! For more information, contact Sandy Carney at [sandy.carney@gmail.com](mailto:sandy.carney@gmail.com). The club meets the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m.



## BOOK CLUB

The group meets monthly to discuss a book that they have read and express their opinions, likes, and dislikes. For more information, contact Cassandra Walker at [cassandrawalker@yahoo.com](mailto:cassandrawalker@yahoo.com).



## THE RIDGE REAL ESTATE CLUB

We all "talk shop," market, and network. The group meets quarterly! For more information, contact Jessica Kelly at (214) 542-5443 or Nancy Cross at (813) 789-7836.



## MEN OF R.A.W.

(Ridge At Wiregrass) – Social gathering of the Men at The Ridge. Local outings and other activities. For more information, contact Louis Robinson at [loucrob@gmail.com](mailto:loucrob@gmail.com).





## THE RIDGE DINNER CLUB

The group meets monthly and visits local area restaurants and eateries.

For more information, contact  
Cassandra@cassandraywalker@  
yahoo.com.

## RIDGE RESIDENTS NETWORKING CLUB



For this group's next meeting the Networking Club is holding a special tribute and a moment of silence to honor those who were affected by the tragedy on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Please bring appetizer to share & BYOB! The Networking Club meets quarterly.

**Solar Energy Guest Speaker Dennis Valentin from "Momentum Solar"**

For more information, reach out to Andrea Battis at [abattis18@gmail.com](mailto:abattis18@gmail.com).





# EVENT PHOTOS



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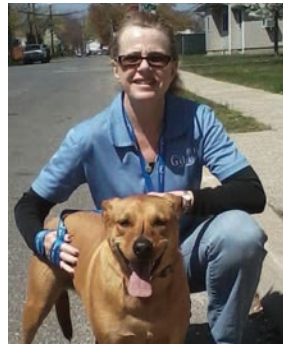
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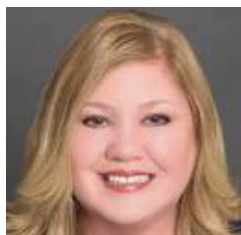
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