

THE RIDGE

REVIEW

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR
VALENCIA RIDGE HOMEOWNERS

55+

LIVING AT
ITS FINEST



AUGUST | SEPTEMBER 2026

STARS AND STRIPES AND SWEET BITES

Celebrate Labor Day with an afternoon of sweet treats and great company!

TAILGATE AND THIRD SHOTS

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WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

Discover the art of wreath making during this hands-on workshop where creativity meets relaxation.

KARAOKE NIGHT

Sing your heart out and be a star at this fun event at The Ridge.



A LETTER FROM YOUR

HOA PRESIDENT



As we head into summer, our community is buzzing with activity! The Racquet Club is now officially open and already becoming a favorite gathering place for residents to stay active, socialize, and enjoy the warm weather.

Lifestyle continues to plan an exciting calendar of events each month, offering countless opportunities for neighbors to connect, make new friends, and create lasting memories. From fitness classes and social gatherings to special events and entertainment, there is always something happening at Valencia Ridge!

We are also proud to celebrate some incredible milestones. In just over two years, we have sold 258 homes, with 170 homes closed in the past year alone. The enthusiasm for our community continues to grow, and we look forward to welcoming many more residents in the months ahead.

And there's even more to look forward to. With the clubhouse taking shape, we're thrilled to be on track for an early 2027 opening. We can't wait to welcome you home and share all the exciting experiences ahead!

Thank you,
Stephanie Patterson
 HOA President
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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR

PROPERTY MANAGER



As we move through another exciting quarter at Valencia Ridge, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for contributing to the vibrant and welcoming community we continue to build together.

Over the past few months, we have made significant progress in maintaining and enhancing our community. Our landscaping program remains a top priority, with ongoing seasonal plant replacement, irrigation inspections, and routine maintenance ensuring our neighborhoods remain beautiful year-round. We are also continuing to work closely with our vendors and GL Homes to address community-wide items efficiently and effectively. In addition, we've seen great participation in our community events and clubs. From social gatherings to fitness activities, it's been encouraging to see neighbors connecting and making the most of our amenities. I encourage everyone to stay engaged by checking the community calendar and joining in on upcoming events.

As a reminder, maintaining the appearance and standards of Valencia Ridge is a shared responsibility. Please continue to submit any maintenance concerns through the GRS portal and ensure that all exterior modifications are approved through the ACC process prior to installation.

It is truly a pleasure serving as your Property Manager. With over 15 years of experience in community management, including several GL Homes communities, I am committed to ensuring Valencia Ridge operates at the highest standard while supporting the needs of our residents and Board of Directors.

Wishing you all the best!
James Smith
 Licensed Community Association Manager, (LCAM)

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR

LIFESTYLE DIRECTOR



As we head into the next quarter, I wanted to take a moment to say thank you. In the short three months I've been at Valencia Ridge, it's been a pleasure getting to know so many of you and planning events that bring our community together. Your enthusiasm, participation, and feedback have made these first few months incredibly rewarding.

Looking ahead, we have an exciting lineup of events and activities planned with something for everyone to enjoy. Behind the scenes, I'm already hard at work building out the calendar for the remainder of the year, and I can't wait to share what's in store. I hope you'll continue to join us, meet new neighbors, and make the most of everything our community has to offer. Here's to another season of great memories together!

Warmly,
Sophia Ragusa
 Lifestyle Director

NEW RESIDENTS ORIENTATION

New residents are invited to attend an orientation session with the GRS Community Management team. You will learn all the ins and outs to using the amenities, programs, web systems, property questions and more. Residents are required to be closed on homes and to RSVP in advance to SRagusa@grsmgt.com.

1st Wednesday of every month at 11 a.m. in the Lifestyle House

August 5 | September 2



AUGUST EVENTS



PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COFFEE AND CONVERSATION
Friday, August 28
10 a.m. | Lifestyle House | FREE

Get to know the team that helps keep Valencia Ridge running smoothly! Join us for an opportunity to meet with your Property Management team and ask questions, share feedback, and learn more about community operations in a casual, welcoming setting. Whether you're new to the community or have lived here for a while, this is a great way to connect with your management team, meet your neighbors, and enjoy refreshments while building stronger community connections. Come say hello, ask questions, and mingle with your Valencia Ridge team!



SUMMER MIX AND MINGLE HAPPY HOUR
Thursday, August 13
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Lifestyle House
\$35 per person + tax

Ease into the evening with a cocktail in hand, delicious light bites, and enjoy the sounds from a talented live vocalist and guitarist creating the perfect happy hour atmosphere. Mingle with friends, meet new

neighbors, and kick back as you enjoy great conversation, refreshing drinks, and the laid-back energy of a summer night. It's the perfect excuse to relax, unwind, and toast to the season together. Cheers to great music, refreshing drinks, and unforgettable summer vibes!



FALL WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP
Tuesday, August 18
12 p.m. | Lifestyle House
\$25 per person + tax

Welcome the season with a fun and creative afternoon of fall decorating! Join us for a hands-on workshop where you'll design a beautiful custom wreath using a variety of seasonal florals, ribbons, and autumn-inspired accents. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or trying something new, this guided workshop is the perfect way to get creative, connect with neighbors, and take home a one-of-a-kind wreath to display all season long. Reserve your spot today and get ready to bring a touch of fall to your front door!



MEDICARE 101 WITH JP RICHARDSON
Tuesday, August 25
11 a.m. | Lifestyle House | FREE

Whether you're approaching Medicare eligibility or simply looking to better understand your options, this informative Lunch & Learn hosted by JP Richardson from Mauste and Leone is designed to help you navigate the process with confidence. Learn the basics of Medicare coverage, enrollment timelines, plan options, and common misconceptions in a relaxed, no-pressure environment.

Enjoy a complimentary lunch while gaining valuable insights from knowledgeable professionals who will answer your questions and help you make informed decisions about your healthcare coverage. Come hungry, bring your questions, and leave with the knowledge you need to plan ahead with confidence!



PICKLE IN PARADISE: SINGLES PICKLEBALL MEET-UP
Friday, August 28
6 p.m. - 8 p.m. | Pickleball Courts

Grab your paddle and join us for a tropical-themed evening of pickleball fun! Whether you're looking to sharpen your game or simply enjoy friendly competition, this themed singles players meet-up is a great way to get to know and play with fellow residents. Wear your favorite tropical attire, enjoy island-inspired vibes, and rotate through matches while meeting new players of similar skill levels.

All skill levels are welcome—just bring your paddle and your aloha spirit!

SEPTEMBER EVENTS



KARAOKE NIGHT
Wednesday, September 2
6 p.m. | Lifestyle House
\$20 per person + tax

Warm up those vocal cords and get ready for a night of music, laughter, and unforgettable performances! Whether you're ready to take center stage or prefer to cheer on your neighbors, Karaoke Night promises an evening full of energy, entertainment, and plenty of fun.

Enjoy your favorite songs, sip on cocktails from the bar, and sing along as friends and neighbors turn the clubhouse into Valencia Ridge's own live music venue. From classic hits to today's favorites, every performance is part of the show—so grab the mic or grab a seat and join the fun! Bring your favorite song, your friends, and enjoy a great night of music and community. Residents who wish to enjoy beverages from the bar may purchase bar access for \$20 per person, which includes beer, wine, and select cocktails.



STARS, STRIPES AND SWEET BITES LABOR DAY DESSERT SWAP
Monday, September 7
4 p.m. | Lifestyle House
\$20 per person + tax (for bar access)

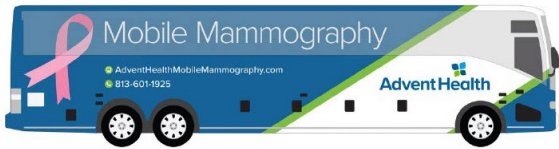
Celebrate Labor Day with an afternoon of sweet treats and great company! Bring your favorite homemade or store-bought dessert to share, sample a delicious variety of desserts from your neighbors, and discover a few new favorites along the way. Come hungry—Smashed Out Food Truck will be on site with delicious food available for purchase, making it easy to enjoy dinner before diving into dessert. It's the perfect way to celebrate the holiday weekend, connect with neighbors, and satisfy your sweet tooth! Dessert swap participation is free. Bring a dessert to share and join us for a fun-filled evening of food, friendship, and festive flavors!



THE CANDLE EXPERIENCE
Wednesday, September 23
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
\$45/per person

Discover the art of candle making during this hands-on workshop where creativity meets relaxation.

- Create your own custom-scented candle from start to finish
- Choose from a variety of premium fragrance blends to make it uniquely yours
- Learn the basics of candle making with step-by-step instruction from Jennstone Candle Co.
- Candles are made with a clean-burning soy wax and coconut oil blend using non-toxic fragrance oils



ADVENT HEALTH: MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY
Monday, September 14 | 8:30 a.m.

Your health matters, and early detection can make all the difference. Valencia Ridge is partnering with AdventHealth to bring convenient, on-site mammogram screenings directly to our community, making it easier than ever to prioritize your preventive care. Appointments are required and completed in the comfort and privacy of AdventHealth's state-of-the-art mobile mammography unit. If you're due for your annual screening, take advantage of this convenient opportunity without leaving the neighborhood. Advance registration is required. Reserve your appointment today and take an important step toward your health and wellness.



TAILGATE AND THIRD SHOTS
Friday, September 25
6 p.m. | Pickleball Courts

Football season is here, and we're serving up a winning combination of pickleball and

tailgate fun! Join fellow players for a themed pickleball meet-up featuring friendly match play, great company, and plenty of game-day spirit. Wear your favorite team colors or jersey, rotate through matches with players of similar skill levels, and stick around to enjoy a festive tailgate atmosphere with football-themed snacks, drinks, and plenty of camaraderie both on and off the courts. Bring your paddle, show your team spirit, and join us for a fun-filled evening of pickleball and tailgate vibes!



MIXOLOGY CLASS WITH HUGO PEREZ
Tuesday, September 29
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Shake, stir, and sip your way through an interactive cocktail-making

experience led by Barman Emporium favorite Hugo Perez. Space is limited, so be sure to reserve your spot early!

- Make and enjoy three signature cocktails
- Learn professional bartending techniques
- Enjoy an all-inclusive experience with ingredients, alcohol, glassware, and bar tools provided
- Cost: \$45 per person

SAVE THE DATES 2026

Start marking your calendars for these noteworthy events. (*Note, may be subject to change)

Majority Rules
Friday, October 9th | 6:30 PM

Murder Mystery
Saturday, October 17 | 6:00 PM*

Monster Bash Pickleball Bash
Friday, October 30 | 6:00 PM

Halloween Puppy Parade + Yappy Hour
Saturday, Oct 31 | 10:00 AM

New Years Eve Extravaganza
Thursday, December 31 | 9:00 PM

CALENDAR

CLUBS

FITNESS

SEMINARS

RACQUET SPORTS

SOCIAL

DON'T MISS EVENT
Stars & Stripes
& SWEET BITES | SEPTEMBER 7TH



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9	10 Bocce League – 6pm-9pm	11 Intermediate Co-ed Pickleball Clinic – 8:30am Intermediate Co-ed Tennis Clinic – 8:30am Canasta – 1pm-4pm Bollywood Music 7:30pm-9:30pm	12 Beginner Co-ed Pickleball Clinic – 8:30am Beginner Co-ed Tennis Clinic – 8:30am Mahjong – 1pm-4pm Fit Camp – 5pm	13 Beginner Woman's Pickleball Clinic – 8:30am Strength Training – 11:00am Triple Play – 1pm-4pm Summer Mix and Mingle 5pm-8pm	14 FREE Pickleball Clinic – 101 8:30am Band Camp – 1:00pm FREE Pickleball Clinic – 101 7:00pm	15
16	17 Bocce League – 6pm-9pm	18 Intermediate Co-ed Pickleball Clinic 8:30 am Beginner Co-ed Tennis Clinic 8:30am Canasta – 1pm-4pm Book Club – 7pm-10pm Floral Wreath Workshop – 6pm-8pm	19 Beginner Co-ed Pickleball Clinic – 8:30am Beginner Co-ed Tennis Clinic – 8:30am Mahjong – 1pm-4pm Texas Hold'em – 7pm-10pm Fit Camp – 5pm	20 Beginner Woman's Pickleball Clinic 1pm-4pm Strength Training – 11:30am Triple Play – 1pm - 4pm Tea Club – 4pm - 6pm Bunco – 7pm-9pm	21 Pickleball & Tennis Open Play – 8:30am Band Camp – 1:00pm Food Truck Friday – 5pm-8pm Pickleball & Tennis Open Play – 7:00pm	22
23	24 Bocce League – 6pm-9pm	25 Intermediate Co-ed Pickleball Clinic – 8:30am Intermediate Co-ed Tennis Clinic – 8:30am Medicare 101 Seminar – 11am-12pm Canasta – 1pm-4pm	26 Beginner Co-ed Pickleball Clinic – 8:30am Beginner Co-ed Tennis Clinic – 8:30am Mahjong – 1pm-4pm Fit Camp – 5pm	27 Beginner Woman's Pickleball Clinic 1pm-4pm Strength Training – 11:30am Triple Play – 1pm - 4pm Mexican Train – 7pm-10pm	28 Pickleball & Tennis Open Play – 8:30am Property Management Coffee & Convo – 10am Band Camp – 1:00pm Pickleball in Paradise – Open Play 7:00pm-9pm	

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NEW YEARS EXTRAVAGANZA

Ring in the New Year with Valencia Ridge at this Fun Event for All.

OPEN PLAY MEET UPS

Play the wonderful game of Pickleball and meet new friends at this fun event

GET IN THE GAME

The Sports & Racquet Club gives you direct access to pickleball, tennis, bocce events, and instruction.

FALL EVENTS PREVIEW

Get your calendars ready for the exciting Fall events coming soon to The Ridge.



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