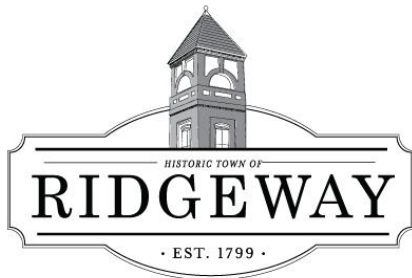


Ridge Notes Ridgeway, South Carolina



Revitalization, Responsibility, Relationships

April 5, 2016

Town of Ridgeway General Election

The Town of Ridgeway announces a general election to be held April 5, 2016 for the purpose of electing one (1) council member to fill an unexpired term of two (2) years and two (2) council members for a period of four (4) years. The election will be held at the Ridgeway Volunteer Fire Department at 170 Palmer Street. Persons desiring to vote in upcoming election must be registered by **March 7, 2016** at the Fairfield County Board of Voter Registration. For absentee voting, call 803-635-6255 for information.

Arts on the Ridge

10th Anniversary

May 6-7, 2016

Arts on the Ridge will celebrate its 10th Anniversary on May 6-7, 2016. Special events are being planned during the anniversary gala such as a Juried Art Show Gathering, Art Demonstration on Porches and Downtown Ridgeway, and the debut of "Color Ridgeway with the Arts" along with the traditional visual arts show, musical performances, artists' reception and art posters. If you are interested in submitting your art, being a sponsor for the event or volunteering, please complete the forms created on the Ridgeway website at www.ridgewaysc.org or call Arts Chair, Phyllis Gutierrez at 803-337-8675.

Easter Promenade and Egg Hunt

March 26, 2016

The Merchants of Ridgeway will host their annual Easter Promenade and Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 26, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in Downtown Ridgeway. For more details contact Tina Johnson, Chair of the Merchants' Association at 803-337-2427.

Clean Up Ridgeway

Easter comes early this year on March 27, 2016, following the first day of spring on March 20, 2016. Let's take the time to clean up our Town and yards by mowing, trimming, raking and picking up litter and tree limbs.

Entrepreneur of the Year

2015-2016

The Town of Ridgeway in appreciation for the businesses in the community give our citizens an opportunity to nominate an Entrepreneur of the Year. The following have been recognized in the past: Carol Allen, Laura's Tea Room/Thomas Company Store; Tina Johnson of Over the Top Emporium; Denise Jones & Jennie Price of the Cotton Yard Market; Rodney Lee & Sons of R. H. Lee Antiques and Auction, and Eddie Nelson of Nelson Funeral Home. It's time to

nominate another outstanding business by completing the form included in the newsletter noting the qualifications for nominations and returning the information to the Town Hall by March 31, 2016.

A Big Thanks to

The Merchants of Ridgeway who provided a buffet of delicious food for the Intergovernmental Meeting on February 18, 2016 hosted by the Town of Ridgeway.

Welcome!

We welcome the following new residents to our community: Dan and Robbie Martin, and Rick and Tina Johnson.

Calendar of Event:

March 1, 2016	Fairfield County Arts Meeting, Town Hall	6:00 p.m.
March 2, 2016	Ridgeway Fire Department Meeting	7:00 p.m.
March 2, 2016	Chamber Breakfast, Town Hall	8:30 a.m.
March 9, 2016	Merchants Meeting, Town Hall	5:30 p.m.
March 10, 2016	Ridgeway Town Council Meeting, Town Hall	6:30 p.m.
March 19, 2016	Ridgeway Reads, Embleton Home	10:30 a.m.
March 25, 2016	Town Hall Closed	
March 26, 2016	Easter Promenade, Downtown Ridgeway	10:00 a.m.
March 27, 2016	Easter	
March 31, 2016	Entrepreneur of the Year Nominations	4:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation. We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. We took three samples for Coliform bacteria during December 2015. Two of those samples showed the presence of Coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than one sample may do so.

What should I do? You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guideline on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4761.

What does this mean? This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified within 24 hours. Total Coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

What happened? What is being done? The well and/or distribution system has been disinfected and additional samples do not show the presence of coliform bacteria.

For more information, please contact Town of Ridgeway at (803) 337-2213, 170 S. Dogwood Avenue, Post Office Box 24, Ridgeway, S.C. 29130. This notice is being sent to you by the Town of Ridgeway. State Water System ID# 2010002 Date Distributed: 02/29/2016