

Ridge Notes Ridgeway, South Carolina



Revitalization, Responsibility, Relationships

Entrepreneur of the Year 2016 The Farm at Ridgeway

How do you take one of the prettiest sites in the Ridgeway area and dare to improve upon God's handiwork? Enter entrepreneur, **Larry Sharpe and family** with a vision, a passion and a strong work ethic who build a dream, **The Farm at Ridgeway**, and that's how you do it!

The **Farm at Ridgeway** has been described as a setting of incredible beauty with rolling pastures, a pond, creeks, a grand lodge and a spacious outdoor arena. Since its inception several years ago, **The Farm at Ridgeway** has been an event place for political meetings, nonprofit organizations, civic engagements, school celebrations, anniversary and birthday gatherings, fundraisers and of course southern, classic weddings. It is a place that celebrates the value of relationships. It is booked year round.

If you check out their Facebook page, you will find glowing comments from those who visit, touting **The Farm at Ridgeway** as one of the most beautiful venues in the northeast area. Most importantly you will see comments about the **Sharpe Family** and their southern hospitality.

"The owner joined me for coffee as we cleaned up after an event. He was a man of great character, certainly the type of person we all wish to do business with if given a chance."

"**Lakyn Sharpe**, event coordinator and **Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sharpe**, owners, are amazing as they make you feel like you are at home at **The Farm at Ridgeway**."

Larry Sharpe and family have contributed greatly to our local economy by owning and operating several businesses in the Ridgeway area for many years. Whether they provide home or business heating oil or the convenience of several gasoline stations, it is the business, **The Farm at Ridgeway** that has won the hearts of many across South Carolina and certainly in Ridgeway and Fairfield County.

The Sharpe Family, besides being in the oil business, they are in the memory making and relationship building business as no one could ever forget the hospitality, scenery and kindness of one family upon visiting **The Farm at Ridgeway**. And no one could forget either that just a short distance from **The Farm** is one unique town, **The Town of Ridgeway** where **revitalization, responsibility and relationships** are the focus of our community.

If Cities Mean Business, Then Ridgeway is En Business, Entrepreneurial Business

We welcome the opening of our newest business **Yoshua's** at 235 South Palmer Street, 803-337-5052. Yoshua's serves home cooking from 5:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., seven days a week. The prices are good and the owners, Donna and Leon Brady are aiming to please your taste buds. Make sure you welcome them to the Ridgeway community by dining in or out!

Crosswalks Downtown

SCDOT has added an additional crosswalk in the downtown area. With the increased traffic in Town from trucks, tour buses and shoppers, pedestrians are encouraged to use the crosswalks for optimum safety when crossing Palmer Street downtown.

Remodeling or Building in Ridgeway

Just a reminder that if you own a business or home and are remodeling or building an addition or separate building, you will need a Certificate of Compliance before the building process begins. This form must be signed by the Town Zoning Administrator, Patty Cookendorfer (803) 528-8960. This is the same form needed from Ridgeway if a Fairfield County Building Permit is required.

Arts on the Ridge Celebrating a Decade of Arts, Antiques, and Architecture May 5, 6, 7, 2016

The Town of Ridgeway is “arting up” for Arts on the Ridge, May 5-7, 2016. This is the 10th year of celebrating the arts in our community and the creativity of our citizens. Check out the website www.ridgewaysc.org if you are interested in being a sponsor, vendor or artist at the event. Also contact Phyllis Gutierrez at 803-337-8675.

Museum Artifacts

Thanks to Rodger Branham for his contribution of old receipts, postcards, and other memorabilia for our Ridgeway Museum.

Ridgeway Salutes You!

- Dwight Robertson, Fairfield County Schools Hall of Fame.
- Our female merchants who were interviewed by WLTX during a spotlight on women in business during Women’s History Month.
- Cultural Communicators for hosting a speech event in Ridgeway.
- Carol Allen, Laura’s Tea Room, for being mentioned on the Price is Right in a package giveaway with Bloomsbury Inn in Camden.
- Fairfield Arts Council for offering a painting class for the community at the Century House.
- Church of Jesus Christ of LDS Ridgeway Ward for cleaning up the grounds of Ridgeway Town Hall.
- Tina Johnson and the downtown merchants who hosted the Easter Promenade and Egg Hunt.
- The industries located in the two industrial parks near Ridgeway for bringing the world, their products and jobs to our community.

Calendar of Event:

April 1, 2016	First Friday, Art Gallery/Music	5:00-9:00 pm.
April 4, 2016	Arts on the Ridge Committee Meeting, Town Hall	6:00 pm
April 5, 2016	Town Council Election, Fire Department	7:00 am – 7:00 pm
April 5, 2016	Fairfield County Arts Meeting, Town Hall	6:00 pm
April 6, 2016	Ridgeway Fire Department Meeting	7:00 pm
April 13, 2016	Merchants Meeting, Town Hall	5:30 pm
April 14, 2016	Ridgeway Town Council Meeting, Town Hall	6:30 p.m.
April 16, 2016	Ridgeway Reads, Embleton Home	10:30 am
April 30, 2016	Fairfield County School Hall of Fame Fairfield HS Gym	6:00 pm