

Ridge Notes

Ridgeway, South Carolina



Revitalization, Responsibility, Relationships

School Choice August 2017

Public school, private school, parochial school, home school, charter school, and online school are all viable choices for students and parents this August 2017 as school begins. Our hope is that parents choose Fairfield County to educate their children. Starting dates for some schools are as follows:

Fairfield County School District	August 15, 2016
Richard Winn Academy	August 11, 2016
STEMS Charter School	August 15, 2016

Pulpwood Festival Gift

The Pulpwood Festival Committee presented the Town of Ridgeway with a check for \$7,336.72 to use towards a children's playground at the site of the old Ridgeway School. This monetary gift will be combined with a PARD Grant to enhance the playground area. The shared funds were raised during the Pulpwood Festival that was held several years ago at the site of the old Ridgeway School.

The purpose of the festival was to secure funding to refurbish the school. Since the school no longer exists, members of the committee, Susan Ruff Ashmore, Joan McGuirt, and Bob Renew agreed to give the funds to the Town on behalf of the community so a playground could be created. A plaque will be placed near the playground to denote the generosity of the community and Pulpwood Festival Committee.

Ridgeway Acts of Kindness (R.A.K.)

- Kudos to contributors to the Ridgeway Museum: Patsy Palmer, Pulpwood Stump tee shirt and Dan Martin, "Staying Together" movie poster.
- Thanks to Bethlehem Baptist Church and the Patricia Kelly Johnson Back to School Prayer Walkers.
- A big applause to our merchants, town employees, and citizens who rolled out the red carpet and served up the tea for the Minis Take the US Tour that came through Ridgeway. Your southern hospitality wowed our guests.

- Our gratitude to the Pulpwood Festival Committee and community for the monetary gift for the playground for Ridgeway.
- Appreciation is extended to the Arch Clean Up Crew on Saturday, July 16, 2016.
- Applause to our Police Officer, Chris Culp, for writing a grant that netted the Town \$10,600 towards body worn cameras.
- Hooray to Councilman Donald Prioleau who is being recognized by the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Masons of S.C. for his service to the organization and the community in which he lives.



**Big Grab
September 9-10, 2016
Blythewood, Ridgeway, Winnsboro**

Please join us on September 9 & 10 (all day) for the 85 mile yard sale, offering great bargains in a unique event. Businesses, individuals, churches, restaurants, hotels, gas stations and many others will greatly benefit.

This event is sponsored by the Fairfield County Chamber of Commerce and Blythewood Chamber of Commerce. The event allows for the 85 Mile stretch to show off our great towns and counties, to attract visitors into the community creating an economic impact, and to bring community together.

The Cotton Yard area in the Town of Ridgeway will be open for vendor (antiques, collectibles) rental spaces. Contact Angela Harrison at 803-337-3921 for information regarding available spaces.

Calendar of Events

August 2, 2016	Fairfield County Arts Council, Town Hall	6:00 pm
August 3, 2016	Fire Department	7:00 pm
August 10, 2016	Merchants Meeting, Town Hall	5:30 pm
August 11, 2016	Ridgeway Town Council Meeting, Town Hall	6:30 pm
August 20, 2016	Ridgeway Reads, Embleton Home	10:30 am
September 4, 2016	Labor Day (office closed)	
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