

# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



FALL 2017

**PARK RIDGE  
GRAND OPENING  
AUTUMN ACTIVITIES  
SCENE AROUND  
THE ORCHARDS**

## GRAND OPENING: ORCHARDS OF PARK RIDGE



The Charleston



The Ashewood

We are very excited to announce the GRAND OPENING of our new model homes at The Orchards of Park Ridge in Buford, Ga., and are already receiving rave reviews.

"We were so excited that nearly 30 purchasers purchased at this new community prior to our model homes being open. Now that we are on site every day, we expect sales to flourish and hope to be sold out of the remaining homes within the next 10-12 months," said Craig Smith, sales counselor for The Orchards Group.

"Clearly there has been a demand in this area that we have tapped into and fully expect The Orchards of Park Ridge to be a smashing success," added Craig's partner, Deborah Reahm.

The Orchards of Park Ridge, priced from the \$250s - \$280s, is located just 2 miles from I-85 at exit # 120 - Hamilton Mill Rd., within 10 minutes of the Mall of Georgia and close to every convenience you'll need. Featuring 110 full brick "Active Adult 55+" Ranch

Condominium homes, our most popular plans (The Ashewood and The Charleston) are being offered with included screened porches (sunrooms optional) and convenient, partially finished storage rooms, and optional finished bonus rooms and baths.

A gated entrance, grand clubhouse with fitness center, outdoor saltwater pool, and a carefree lifestyle are all waiting for you here.

Our Model Homes showcase many of our distinctive design features and designer upgrades. We welcome everyone to come visit 7 days a week.

Monday – Friday 10 am - 5 pm

Saturday 11 am - 5 pm

Sunday 1 - 5 pm

Or call 678-513-8879.



# NEW NEIGHBORHOOD: COMING SOON!

The land development phase at our newest property, **The Orchards of Cherokee Station**, has been underway for several months. The property is really starting to take shape, and we anticipate starting construction on our model homes within the next 30 days. As has been our practice in the past, when we are able to successfully walk people around the neighborhood to be able to identify lot lines and homesite locations, we will begin our Lot Reservation program. As of this writing, we anticipate that to happen sometime in November, but with weather and other “unknowns,” we do not have a specific timetable just yet. But be rest assured everyone who has contacted us and given us an e mail address will get plenty of advance notice as to the timing. The Orchards of Cherokee Station will be priced from the \$260s - \$350s. The community is located in historic Hickory Flat in south central Cherokee County, about halfway between Roswell and Woodstock. Shopping, restaurants, and medical facilities are all located within a 5 to 10 minute drive. This intimate neighborhood will feature a total of just 82 “Active Adult 55+” homes. We will be offering both our Southern Heritage Ranch Condominiums as well as The Arbors Villas. All homes feature the Owner’s Suite on the main level plus an additional 2-3 bedrooms, screen porches, optional sunrooms, plentiful windows, fireplaces, 2-car garages and so much more.

Of course, the same carefree lifestyle, complete with a Grand Clubhouse and outdoor saltwater pool — the trademarks of all The Orchards Group properties — is included.



The Birch



The Charleston

We have already placed more than 70 names on our Priority Information list. If you'd like more information or to be placed on our list please call our sales office at **678-513-8879** or visit **[www.OrchardsGroup.com](http://www.OrchardsGroup.com)**

## BE HAPPIER AND HEALTHIER: ADOPT A PET



Research has shown that caring for a pet provides mental and physical health benefits to owners such as easing loneliness, encouraging exercise and playfulness, reducing stress and more. Recently, American Heart Association research linked owning a dog with a lower risk for heart disease! Another study revealed that simply watching pet fish swim can reduce muscle tension..

According to the non-profit health resource HelpGuide, the “key to aging well is to effectively handle life’s major changes, such as retirement, the loss of loved ones, and the physical changes of aging.

“Pets can play an important role in healthy aging by:

- **Helping you find meaning and joy in life.** As you age, you’ll lose things that previously occupied your time and gave your life purpose. You may retire from your career or your children may move far away. Caring for a pet can bring pleasure and help boost your morale and optimism. Taking care of an animal can also provide a sense of self-worth. Choosing to adopt an animal from a shelter, especially an older dog or cat, can add to the sense of fulfillment, knowing that you’ve provided a home to a pet that may otherwise have been euthanized.

- **Staying connected.** Maintaining a social network isn’t always easy as you grow older. ... Dogs especially are a great way for seniors to spark up conversations and meet new people.
- **Boosting vitality.** You can overcome many of the physical challenges associated with aging by taking good care of yourself. Pets encourage playfulness, laughter, and exercise, which can help boost your immune system and increase your energy.”

If bringing a new pet home isn’t a good fit for your family, consider taking care of a neighbor’s pet while they’re away or volunteering at your local animal shelter.

### FUN FACT

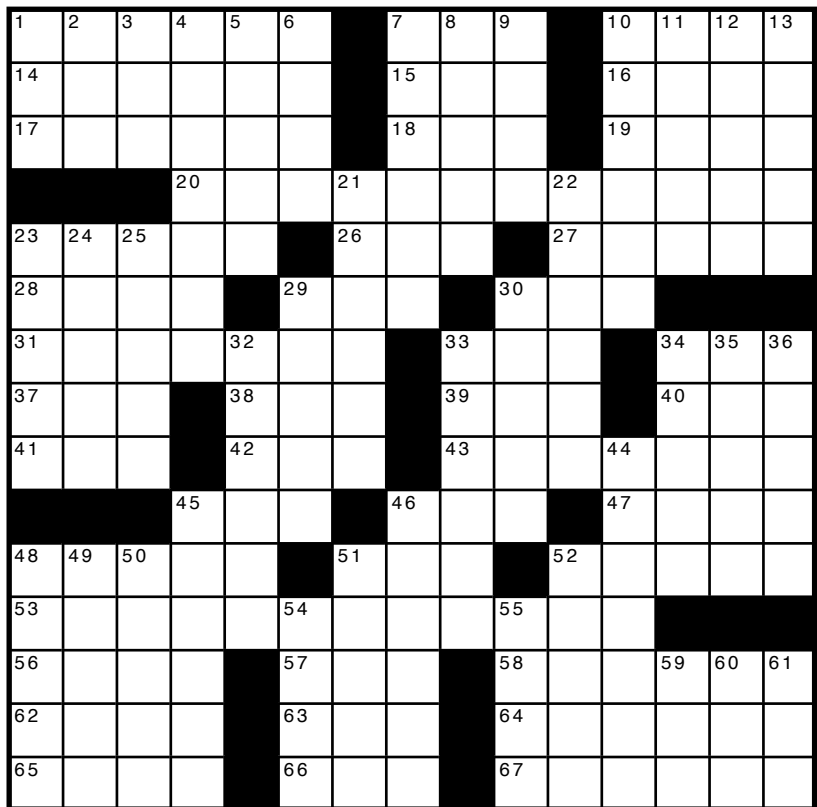
**Pet owners over age 65  
make 30% fewer visits  
to their doctors than  
those without pets.**

*Source: HelpGuide.org*



## Across

1. Capital of the Philippines
7. CD-\_\_\_
10. Baby powder
14. Lets up
15. Altar in the sky
16. "East of Eden" director Kazan
17. Dwarfed tree
18. Droop, sink
19. K-6
20. Loving
23. Inspire anew
26. \_\_\_ kwon do
27. Playground retort
28. Yours, in Tours
29. Cambodia's Lon \_\_\_
30. Foxy
31. Breed of dog unable to bark
33. Numbered rd.
34. This \_\_\_ stickup!
37. Exist
38. "You've got mail" co.
39. Attention
40. Romanian coin
41. \_\_\_ the season...
42. Opposite of post-
43. Angling
45. Free
46. Central
47. Leisure
48. First name in cosmetics
51. Proverb ending?
52. Bird that gets you down
53. Vexing
56. Growl
57. Actor Erwin
58. North African desert
62. Farm unit
63. Flub
64. Besides
65. Take it easy
66. Female rabbit
67. Monster's nickname



## Down

1. Fairy queen
2. Blood letters
3. A Bobbsey twin
4. I've been framed!
5. Like spinach
6. "Clueless" catchphrase
7. Mischievous person
8. Use a soapbox
9. Wise trio
10. Wee
11. \_\_\_ once
12. Mislead
13. Walk-on role
21. Prima ballerina
22. Edmonton team
23. Capital on the Atlantic
24. Maker of Pong
25. Misplaces
29. Norse god of winds
30. Sedate
46. Ripe
48. Mystery writer's award
49. Subsequently
50. Former Russian rulers
51. Emcee's job
52. Related on the mother's side
54. Second hand, took advantage of
55. This \_\_\_ outrage!
59. Sighs of relief
60. Thor Heyerdahl craft
61. Bolted down

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

## Through Oct. 29

### Pumpkin Festival

If the grandkids are visiting, you won't want to miss Stone Mountain Park's annual Pumpkin Festival.

Fall-themed games, shows, a scavenger hunt and more. Plus enjoy Stone Mountain's regular attractions such as the Scenic Railroad and the Summit Skyride. Weekends (Friday – Sunday). Visit [www.stonemountainpark.com](http://www.stonemountainpark.com) for ticket information.



## Through November

### Marietta Square Artisan Market

On each second and fourth Saturday, this open air market showcases juried exhibitions from a variety of local artists. While you're browsing, don't miss the Marietta Farmers' Market. Mill Street to Church Street, Marietta Square. <http://artistsmarketmarietta.com/contact-us>



## FUN FACT

2,500 varieties of apples are grown in the United States.

## LEAF WATCH 2015 AT GEORGIA STATE PARKS & HISTORIC SITES

North Georgia is known for its spectacular fall foliage. This autumn should be no different, with fall color peaks in late October into early November further north in the mountains.

**BEGINNING OCT. 1,** log on to [www.gastateparks.org/leafwatch](http://www.gastateparks.org/leafwatch) for find out which parks are experiencing what kind of colors.

State parks within easy driving distance of The Orchards Group neighborhoods include Red Top Mountain and Tallulah Gorge.



# BEEF & BEER STEW

- 2 1/2 pounds lean beef stew meat, cut in 1-inch cubes
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 3 carrots, cut in 1-inch slices
- 2 ribs celery, cut in 1/2-inch slices
- 2 medium potatoes, cut in 1-inch cubes
- 1 cup beer
- 1 cup beef broth, or use all beer
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 3 tablespoons melted butter
- 1/3 cup flour

Place all ingredients, except butter and flour in the crock pot; mix well. Cover and cook on low for 8 to 10 hours. Mix melted butter with flour; add to the stew. Taste and adjust seasonings. Turn to high and cook until thickened, about 15 to 20 minutes. Serves 6.



CROSSWORD ANSWERS

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## PAGE TURNERS

Have you read these book club best bets yet? If not, snuggle under your favorite throw this fall and escape in a story.

**The Forgotten Seamstress**

By Liz Trenow

**The Nest**

By Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney

**My Sunshine Away**

By M.O. Walsh

**The Underground Railroad**

By Colson Whitehead

## SCENE AROUND THE ORCHARDS



*Above Left: Big Creek July 4th Celebration*

*Above Right: Big Creek Labor Day BBQ*

*Right: Stoney Point Water Aerobics*

*Below Left: Habersham Grove Shrimp Boil*

*Below Right: Windward July 4th BBQ*

