

Paula and Nick were married in 2006 in Argentina and soon after decided to start their life together in the states. After living in New York City, the family decided it was time for a lifestyle change more suited for their growing family. When Nick was offered a job at Chefs' Warehouse here in Ridgefield, the couple jumped at the opportunity to live in a Holiday Stroll, taking in the ice sculptures and carriage rides. "It's enchanting, right out of a fairytale," says Paula. The three boys frequent the Rec Center for swimming, and Matthew takes karate at Ridgefield Kempo.

Their favorite spot for family dinners is Gallo for the lovely atmosphere and friendly staff, and for a lunch outing they love Baja

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town Paula describes as "a little utopia."

Their family is extremely involved in the community. Paula raves about the fantastic school system that has allowed her sons to learn in a supportive and loving environment. Phillip and Andrew attend Ridgefield Academy and Matthew has been attending Scotland Elementary School since kindergarten.

The tight-knit family enjoys traveling to Argentina, Greece, and Ukraine to see their families, and treasure their time in town. They love walks down Main Street, sitting for coffee at Tazza, and bringing the kids to concerts at Ballard Park. In the winter, the family attends the Cocina. Paula and Nick's date-night spot is Village Tavern, especially when there's live music. Paula brings the boys to Toy Chest and says they can't walk down Main Street without a trip into Johnny Gelato.

Family time is essential to the Ktorides. They dedicate every Saturday night to making homemade pizzas with the boys and grill out every weekend. "It has to be raining or snowing really hard for us not to do it," Paula explains.

The Ktorides family extends far beyond their Ridgefield base. They travel two or three times per year to see their extended families and also to show their sons different areas of the world. "That's a big part of our education formula, to expose our kids to other cultures, especially to our own cultures." The boys are fluent in both English and Spanish are slowly learning Greek.

In addition to raising three boys, Paula and Nick have extremely active jobs. Paula works for Wine Revolution, a company that introduces to consumers wines from different regions around the world. Paula started doing wine promotional events to foreign-trade associations in New York. She is organizing Ridgefield Wine Week, which will take place from September 16 to 23, and will host an estimated 500 people to the Sunset Wine Party at the Lounsbury House, of which Ancona's Wine and Town-Vibe are lead sponsors.

The Ktorides have not allowed their hectic works lives to take away from their family's involvement in the community. Although the growing family is preparing for a larger house sometime in the future, Paula and her husband have no intentions of moving out of this town that their entire family love and appreciate.

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>> ATTENTION. art enthusiasts. collectors. and sleuths. After six years, Aldrich Undercover returns. Attendees of this artistic guessing game can view and purchase art donated by artists who have or will soon exhibit at the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum. Each work is priced at \$350 and measure 9" x 12". "All the works would be priced much higher at any other venue," says the Aldrich's Emily Devoe. But here's the catch: the identity of the artists remains under wraps until after the purchase.

This one-night sly art sale takes place on Saturday, September 29, at the museum. It begins with a cocktail reception, when guests can peruse the unidentified art and make buying decisions. The last Aldrich Undercover event took place in 2012, and this year includes a wide range of contemporary works by Michael DeFeo, James Grashow, Beryl Korot, Richard Schaefer, Ward Shelley, Cary Smith, **Robert Taplin, Edward** Tufte, and Peter Waite.

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Harvest Moon

Woodcock Nature Center's annual fall gala Under the Harvest Moon takes place Sep 21 at WNC campus, in fun outdoor setting. woodcocknaturecenter.org



48–Hour Film

4th, 5th, 6th graders are invited to take part in a RIFF program that allows them to write, film, and act in a fiveminute film to screen at Oct 20 festival. *riffct.org*

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