THE AVERDES GUIDE





In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Heavenly Father,

As a new academic year begins, we entrust the students and families of Ave Maria University to Your loving care. Bless our students with wisdom, perseverance, and strong faith. Strengthen our families with peace, trust, and joy.

Through the intercession of Our Lady, Seat of Wisdom, protect our campus and guide every heart closer to Your Son, Jesus Christ. May this month be filled with grace, growth, and gratitude.

Amen.

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The Prayer Request for the Month of August is
The Students and Families of Ave Maria

University.

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Ave Maria, Florida, is a unique town founded by Tom Monaghan, the founder of Domino's Pizza, in 2007. Monaghan envisioned a community that would reflect his Catholic faith and values, creating a place where residents could live, work, and worship in a setting deeply infused with Christian principles. The town's name, "Ave Maria," is derived from the traditional Catholic prayer, symbolizing the community's spiritual foundation.



Monaghan's motivation for founding Ave Maria stemmed from his desire to create an ideal community that promoted a wholesome lifestyle, emphasizing family, education, and faith. After selling Domino's, he sought a way to contribute to the Catholic community and address what he perceived as a cultural decline. The town was designed to be a center for Catholic education and culture, anchored by Ave Maria University, which focuses on a liberal arts curriculum grounded in Catholic teachings.

Culturally, Ave Maria embodies a blend of traditional values and modern living. The town features charming architecture reminiscent of small-town America, with a focus on walkability and communal spaces. Residents enjoy various community events, such as festivals and markets, fostering a close-knit atmosphere. The influence of the university is palpable, as it hosts cultural events, lectures, and activities that engage both students and locals. Overall, Ave Maria serves as a vibrant example of a community striving to uphold and celebrate its values in today's world.





Ave Rides is the premier transportation solution for Ave Maria, Florida, founded by Savohn Hunt in 2022 to address the community's essential transportation needs. Recognizing a significant gap in reliable options, Savohn aimed to enhance mobility and connectivity for residents. This service was born from a desire to create a dependable means of transportation that would ease daily commutes and foster greater community interaction.



Savohn's journey to establishing Ave Rides is deeply personal. Before launching his business, he and his wife faced financial challenges, living paycheck to paycheck while expecting their first child. This pivotal moment motivated him to take a leap of faith and build a venture that could provide for his growing family. His time at Ave Maria University not only equipped him with crucial skills but also instilled a strong sense of community and values, shaping his vision for Ave Rides.



As Savohn puts it, "Ave Rides is my way of helping serve the community that has had such an impact on my life." Through this service, he aims to enhance the quality of life for his neighbors while reinforcing the values of service and connection that Ave Maria embodies. By offering a reliable transportation option, Savohn is not just building a business; he is nurturing a cohesive community where residents can thrive and support one another.





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Ave Rides has officially rolled out its brand-new mobile app—designed from the ground up to make booking rides in and out of Ave Maria easier, faster, and more reliable than ever before. Built by John Citrowske of Jay Sea Solutions, the upgraded app reflects months of collaboration, real rider feedback, and a bold vision for the future of local transportation.

One of the biggest highlights of the new app is real-time flight tracking. Whether you're heading to or from the airport, Ave Rides can now automatically adjust your pick-up time based on your flight's status. Delays? Early arrivals? The app accounts for it all, ensuring your driver is there when you need them—no stress, no confusion.

Riders can now message their driver directly within the app, streamlining communication and making it easier to share updates, pickup instructions, or ask quick questions. And with updated ETAs based on live traffic data, you'll have a clearer picture of exactly when your ride will arrive. No more guessing or waiting—just smooth, predictable service.



This update marks a major leap forward for Ave Rides, combining local hospitality with modern technology. Whether you're a student, parent, or visitor, the new app was built with you in mind. Download it today on the App Store and experience Ave Rides like never before.



AVE MARIA

MUST-DO'S

In Ave Maria, there's no shortage of must-do experiences that immerse you in the town's vibrant culture and sense of community. Stroll through the bustling town center, where lively events and gatherings showcase local talent and foster connections among residents. The blend of charming architecture, community spirit, and artistic expression creates a welcoming atmosphere that invites exploration. Engage with the friendly locals, enjoy seasonal festivals, and savor the unique flavors that highlight the area's rich cultural tapestry. Ave Maria truly offers a warm and engaging experience that captures the heart of this delightful community.

> VISIT THE AVE MARIA WATERPARK



If you're visiting or living in Ave Maria, the Ave Maria Water Park is a must-visit spot for fun and relaxation, offering a refreshing escape from the Florida heat. With a resort-style pool, thrilling water slides, and a splash pad for kids, it's perfect for families, friends, and individuals of all ages. Whether you want to swim, lounge, or enjoy a day of outdoor excitement, the water park provides a great way to unwind and make lasting memories in the heart of Ave Maria.

> PIZZA AT OIL WELL



If you haven't tried Oil Well's new pizza from their food truck, you're seriously missing out—it's wood-fired, locally loved, and packed with flavor. They often sell out fast, so if you want a slice, you've got to beat the crowd. Get there early and treat yourself to what might be the best pizza on wheels in Southwest Florida.

> Pokemon Tournament @ Wayout Games



If you're a Pokémon fan in Ave Maria, don't miss the weekly action at Way Out Toys & Games! Every Tuesday at 6:30 PM, join the fast-paced Pokémon Pack Wars—a bingostyle game where, for just \$20, you receive three booster packs to play and keep, with four rounds of exciting prizes. Whether you're a seasoned trainer or new to the game, it's a fun and welcoming way to connect with the local Pokémon community.





The Ave Maria housing market remained active in July 2025, with a median list price of \$489,000, reinforcing its position as a strong seller's market. Homes averaged 135 days on the market, and 318 new homes were sold in the first half of the year, driven by the continued expansion of master-planned neighborhoods. The momentum has kept Ave Maria ranked among the top 20 best-selling planned communities in the country.



In early August, signs of market adjustment began to emerge. The average sale price dipped to \$474,829, representing a 7.1% decline from the prior month. While prices softened, homes were selling faster—spending an average of 81 days on market, a 13.7% improvement over July. However, sellers received about 96% of their listing price, which is down 25.8% from the previous period, signaling a shift in buyer leverage.



Looking beyond Ave Maria to the wider ZIP code 34142, data from June showed the median sale price dropped 10.7% year-over-year to \$375,000. Despite the price drop, demand appears to be rising: the number of homes sold jumped 43% year-over-year, suggesting continued interest in the region. However, average days on market nearly doubled—from 46 days to 105, which may reflect buyers taking more time before closing.



Overall, the Ave Maria housing market remains healthy but is showing early signs of cooling. Prices are adjusting slightly, but buyer interest and new construction remain strong. For families, students, and investors considering a move, this may present an opportune window to secure property before the next growth cycle begins. As always, local real estate professionals can help interpret these trends for those looking to buy or sell in this unique and rapidly growing community.



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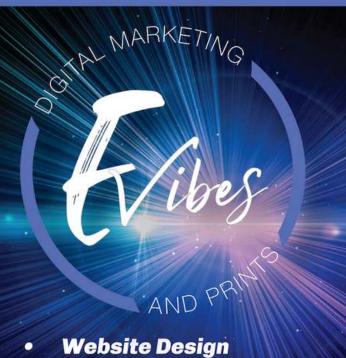


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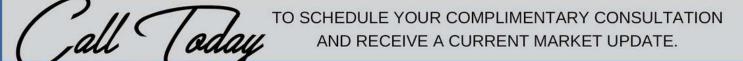
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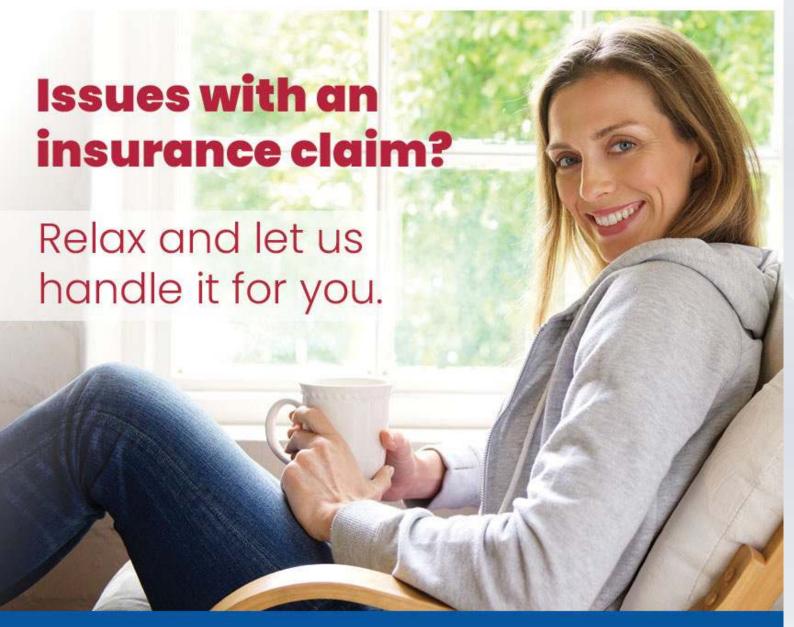
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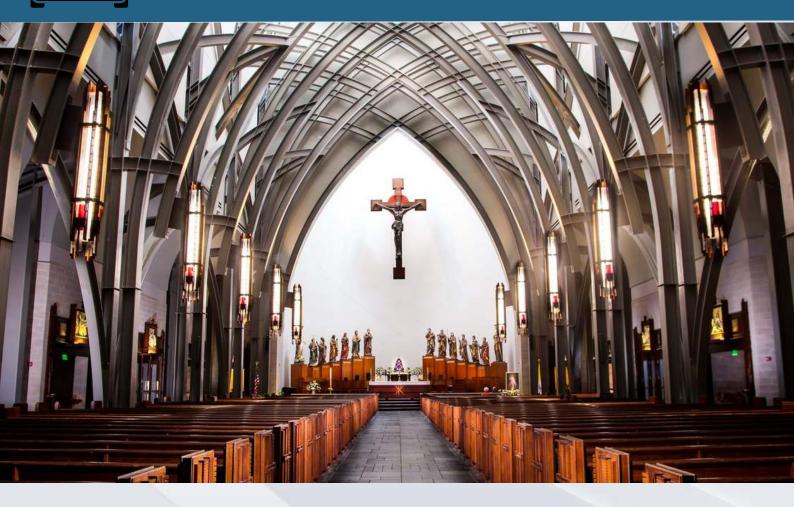
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This summer continues to be one for the books at Ave Rides. Just weeks after celebrating our 3-year anniversary in June, we're proud to announce another major milestone: our 3,000th completed ride! What started as a small local service in Ave Maria has grown into a trusted name for transportation in Southwest Florida—serving students, families, visitors, and community members every single day

Hitting 3,000 rides isn't just about numbers—it's a celebration of the people who trust us, the team that makes it happen, and the commitment we've made to being more than just a ride. From daily golf cart rentals to reliable shuttle service across town and to the airport, Ave Rides has become an essential part of life in Ave Maria—and we're only getting started.

This milestone comes during what's been an insane growth year for the company. We've launched an upgraded app with real-time flight tracking and driver messaging, rolled out exclusive content in The Ave Rides Guide, repaired and added more carts to our fleet, and seen record-setting months in both bookings and customer reviews. Each month seems to bring a new level of success—and we're riding that momentum straight into the school year.



As we look ahead to 5,000 rides and beyond, we want to thank every rider, every supporter, and every local business that's partnered with us along the way. If you want to help us hit our next goal, it's simple: book a ride, leave a review, or just share the word. You're not just supporting a company—you're fueling a mission to make transportation personal, fun, and community-centered.





"Savohn's Favorites" highlights the vibrant lifestyle of Southwest Florida, featuring Ave Maria, Naples, Fort Myers, and beyond. Each month, Savohn shares top picks for must-try eateries, hidden parks, unique shops, and community events, encouraging readers to explore and connect with the area's charm and diversity. This engaging guide invites residents and visitors to discover new favorite spots and celebrate the unique aspects of the region.

For the Month of August, we will be covering Savohn's Favorite Coffee Shops



> SUMMERMOON COFFEE - FORT MYERS

Summer Moon Coffee in Fort Myers offers a unique coffee experience, featuring oak-roasted beans prepared using traditional methods and their signature Moon Milk—a sweet cream blend that adds a distinctive flavor to their drinks. The café provides a cozy atmosphere with free Wi-Fi, pet-friendly outdoor seating, and a welcoming environment suitable for both work and relaxation. Located at 14261 S. Tamiami Trail, it's a perfect spot to enjoy handcrafted beverages and fresh pastries in a comfortable setting.



DOWNTOWN COFFEE AND WINE COMPANY - BONITA SPRINGS

Downtown Coffee and Wine Company in Bonita Springs offers a charming blend of artisan coffee, curated wines, and locally sourced small plates in a relaxed, pet-friendly setting. Located in the heart of historic downtown, it's an ideal spot for everything from a morning espresso to an evening glass of wine. With a cozy atmosphere and a menu featuring unique items like the Prosciutto & Goat Sammy and Lavender Lemonade, it's a local favorite for both residents and visitors alike.



> FOXTAIL COFFEE

Foxtail Coffee in Naples offers a cozy and inviting atmosphere just minutes from the beach, making it a perfect stop whether you're working remotely or catching up with friends. Guests love the rich espresso flavors and friendly service, often highlighting the wide variety of drink options and the café's relaxed, welcoming vibe. Conveniently located on Immokalee Road, it's an ideal destination for locals and visitors looking for high-quality coffee in a comfortable and accessible setting.





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