

# HEAVEN'S LANDING

Like no Place on Earth

April 2012

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**Kaylie and Kellie our fantastic Heaven's Landing Angels.**

## Sun 'n Fun 2012—The Season Begins

By the close of the 39th annual Sun 'n Fun International Fly-In & Expo in Lakeland, Florida, the crowds went home happy and energized, and the vendors—who truly make the heart of the show—left with good sales, great prospects, and high spirits for an improved year. Just a day after the show, the results are in, and the Expo was a great success with an estimated 15% rise in attendance. Mike and Holly arrived home to a flurry of calls and guests ready to visit!



The man in charge of all the details for this year's show is new C.E.O. and President, J.R. "Lites" Leenhouts. His life-long passion for aviation coupled with an enthusiastic spirit seemed to create a fresh new feel for the show. Leenhout states that the Expo forums this year were designed to "educate and inspire." He adds that the show in general was created with an emphasis on "family thrills, aviation-style." For the first time the organizers offered a very popular, "Kids Zone," which included a spaceship climbing area and zip line. For those seeking even more

excitement, there was a hi-def F-18 *Hornet* sim ride and tickets for a once in a life-time, B-29 ride. AV News reports that under Leenhout's leadership, the Fly-In seemed well organized and staff and volunteers had a new helpful attitude like never experienced before. And we must note, with a bit of divine intervention, the weather was "perfect," healing the memories of last year's tornado which damaged 70 aircraft.

Sun 'n Fun typically kick starts the busy season for Heaven's Landing. Many of our current owners met Mike and Holly for the first time at this spectacular show. Some new friends and visitors even beat Mike and Holly home and were ready to see the mountains on Monday morning. "It is just the most perfect time in Rabun County," notes Holly, "temperatures hover in the upper 70's to mid 80's with crisp starry nights, the dogwoods are in full bloom, and the hue of green changes in the forest daily—all making for awe-inspiring flyovers and journeys on land from the Heaven's Landing gates." "Sun 'n Fun was undeniably our BEST show EVER!" Holly continues, "we have a huge stack of qualified contacts that will keep us very busy."



Bring the family and extend your spring break. There is so much to do in and around Heaven's Landing—[rafting](#), [horseback riding](#), hiking, fishing, shopping, and dining!

Call Mike to plan your visit 800.432.8362.



**Heaven's Landing owner Peter Serodino and friends arrive in Lakeland in Peter's Cessna 501.**

### Easter In Heaven's Landing

Starting at **1 pm on Easter Sunday**, enjoy a great brunch with ham, quiche, fresh fruit, and other delicious delicacies. To everyone's enjoyment, we will have an Easter Egg hunt for the young and young at heart.

We look forward to seeing you and your family in Heaven's Landing. Kids and grandkids of all ages are welcome. Remember your Easter Baskets!!

Your RSVP is required and very much appreciated. Call Holly today at 706.982.5245 or send her an email at [holly@heavenslanding.com](mailto:holly@heavenslanding.com).



### Saint Patrick's Day In Heaven

Our very lucky owners and their guests celebrated St. Patrick's Day in the Heaven's Landing Clubhouse on Saturday, March 17. Bagpiper Jean Hayes played throughout the evening which added a fantastic atmosphere to everyone's enjoyment.

"It was a nice evening with excellent corned beef and potatoes, friendly, but competitive games of pool, and lots of great conversation," reports Mike, "we love hosting holiday celebrations."

You are always invited to Heaven's Landing. We host several luncheon and dinner events throughout the year, but the Clubhouse is available for your private celebrations as well. Simply call Holly at **706.982.5245** to plan your next event.



## The Right Time

"It's tangible, it's solid, it's beautiful, it's artistic - from my standpoint, I just love real estate."

*Donald Trump*

Now is the right time. The time to invest. The time to bring your dreams into *tangible* reality. It is the right time to plan your future at Heaven's Landing, and you don't have to be Donald Trump to do it. Whether you own a lot at Heaven's Landing or are considering a trip to tour the property, your call to action is now.

No picture can speak loud enough, no word of mouth resonates true enough until you see the splendor of the Heaven's Landing yourself. Our developer Mike Ciochetti states, "From the way I see it, *out of chaos comes opportunity*—Heaven's Landing continues to be an opportunity in an uncertain economic time."

Despite the state of the rest of the investments out there, for the past three years, Heaven's Landing has continued to be strong in traffic and sales. Within our pearly white gates, lots are selling and houses are rising from their foundations, contrary to the comparative real estate markets across the country. The owners in Heaven's Landing choose their personal *prime opportunity* to lock in their futures. They all start with the purchase of an affordable lot with views that inspire. With no building requirement, our owners may plan at their own pace and select a builder with high-quality accreditations who is eager to jump on projects.



Nasser's Montana Log Home Exterior and Interior.



The added benefit for new and future owners is the experience and shared passion for Heaven's Landing with those who have begun the building process. Heaven's Landing has a wealth of knowledge to draw from - get to know our owners and talk to them about their own experiences.

**Dr. Tom and Jan Nasser** completed their Montana Log Home before the holidays late last year. "You have to take the 'plunge' and build your dream," comments Tom. "We used Shaun Greer with S&K Specialties, he has a great work ethic, enthusiasm, and has good local connections. I feel the most important thing for those getting ready to build is to do as much planning as possible," Tom continues, "changes cost money—and changes do happen, so you will want to have good communication with your builder."

Other owners at Heaven's Landing are beginning to move forward on their projects. Many are at various stages of planning and development. **Peter Serodino** says "I'm not certain when, but the time is approaching...I have a house plan selected that I am really excited about." **Kenneth and Roxie Miller** are enthusiastic about all stages of their upcoming build and in making Heaven's Landing their future primary residence. The Millers are taking it one step at a time. They have just completed part of their driveway and are working on the drawing for their ranch-style home. "We are planning for the next few years," Kenneth reports, "It is probably the best time to build with interest rates and materials cost low." **Doug and Sue Johnson** are a few months from completion of their second home located on Anderson Drive. "There is no time like the present to get started," Doug tells us, "we realized to maximize the enjoyment of a second home, the time was right for us now. We are at our 'balance point' - one of enjoyment versus our personal optimal financial timeline."

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### The Right Time—Continued

Heaven's Landing offers an approved builders list or you may do some simple research with the local chapter of [Home Builders Association](#). Rabun County, Georgia is a huge second home market ranging in homes from modest mountain escapes to multi-million dollar get-a-ways. Many contractors who have weathered the economic climate also have years of experience, knowledge, and management expertise. Selection of a contractor is one of the most important decisions in the building process, and you will find that Rabun County has a builder that shares your goals. An expert contractor provides peace of mind during each stage of the building process making the entire experience a partnership with good communication and careful considerations to owner's wishes and budgets.



The resources are available to you. Locally we have several strong and secure banks who are as hometown as you can get with friendly service, very competitive rates, and also eager to take action now on your project.

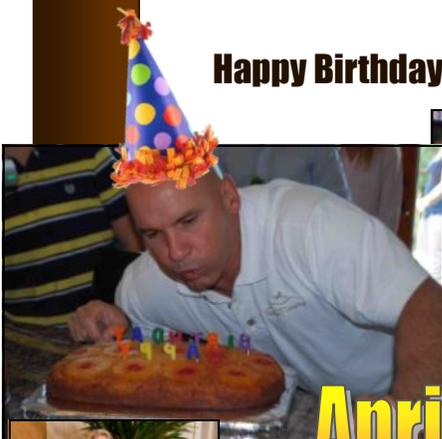
Call the Heaven's Landing office 800.432.8362 (800 HEAVEN-2) for our builders list and start taking to the neighbors!

**Happy Birthday MIKE!!!!**

**April 23rd!**

**Warmest wishes for a very Happy Birthday and a great year to come. Mike, you are truly a blessed man surrounded by loved ones.**

Mike,  
 Even if you weren't my only brother, you'd still be my favorite! Ever since we were kids you have always produced the coolest projects - school projects, homemade go-carts, the tri-level tree house, the forts... It is still apparent with what you've created at Heaven's Landing! Happy Birthday, Brother!  
 Love, Michelle



## Clayton—IT is time to CELEBRATE!

For thirteen years during the last weekend in April, the streets of Clayton, Georgia have been packed with vendors and entertainment in order to welcome visitors to our county. The timing of the celebration was specifically planned to capture the magnificent beauty of early spring and to jumpstart and encourage an extension of the tourist season in Rabun County. [Celebrate Clayton](#) is the brainchild of the Clayton Merchants & Business Association, which began this Main Street festival in 1999, offering something for every member of the family. With great success and enthusiasm, the event has grown into a two day party. This year plan to come *Celebrate* April 28 & 29 from 10 am-5 pm.

The street is open to roughly 110 booths with an extraordinary diverse group of exhibitors who are coming as far way as Washington state. Again this year as you stroll down Main Street, you will visit booths that showcase visual arts, metal works, jewelry, house wares, glassworks, furniture, and so much more. Cash is preferred, but most vendors take credit cards.



Attendees have been known to take home a great selection of plants from local nurseries and even a new pet! Our [local humane shelter](#) brings many of their animals who are ready for adoption. (I know two families who went home with beautiful dogs last year!) Kids will enjoy a craft area sponsored by the Family Art Therapy Center, and you are certain to see an adorable clown and jaunting jugglers. Music lovers will enjoy rest under a shady tree at the historic Rock House where a variety of music and dance will be scheduled over the two day event – enjoy belly dance and native dance demonstrations, [southern rock](#), [bluegrass](#), and gospel bands.

Plan on spending the day and arrive hungry. Food vendors will be plentiful. Most notably, the local offerings include [Tomlin's BBQ](#) serving plates to benefit our local [Community Pantry](#) and [Fromage and Other Fine Foods](#) who specialize in gourmet sandwiches and desserts. You'll also find all the favorite sidewalk stables, including Italian sausages, Kettle Korn, soft pretzels, hamburgers & hotdogs, and funnel cakes & pork skins!

The galleries and specialties stores of Clayton will be open for business as well during the two day event. Another great opportunity to experience down home living with fine merchandise and one-of-a-kind antiques and art works. Spend the weekend and plan on taking at least half a day to take in downtown Clayton - the street festival, local galleries, restaurants, and shops that grace our "uptown."

## PEARL's Junior Women's Club—Celebrate Clayton 5K and Fun Run/Walk

*Pearls JWC of Rabun is a member of the [Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs](#) and the [National General Federation of Women's Clubs](#). The purpose of all these clubs is to enhance and serve the communities in which members belong. (PEARL's website).*

Join the local JWC for their annual scholarship fund raiser. Participate in the Celebrate Clayton 5K or Fun Walk event starting at 9 am right before Celebrate Clayton officially begins on Saturday in Downtown Clayton. Participants begin at Ramey Boulevard. Follow this [link](#) for entry form PDF and additional information.

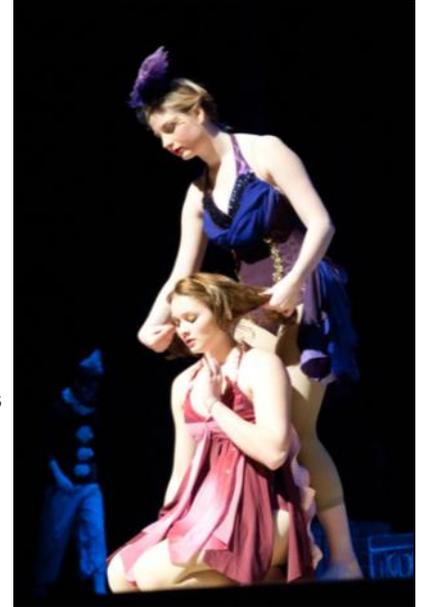


## Rabun Gap Nacoochee's Cirque Production - THE Show to See



Whether your interest lies in big budget Broadway shows or arthouse classics, the annual Cirque production at Rabun Gap Nacoochee School will enthrall you! Perhaps when you hear the word, "Cirque," images of fanciful flying contortionists fill your imagination from the world renowned Montreal based, Cirque du Soleil (Circus of the Sun). Believe it or not, you are right on the money; but, this production now in its eleventh year, is produced at a local private school in Rabun Gap, Georgia. With an all student ensemble, prepare yourself because you are going to forget that these kids aren't professionals—yet!

April 26, 27, and 28th, Rabun Gap's performing arts students will sing, dance, act and literally fly their way into your hearts in "*Miwitu*" (Swahili for "Jungle"), an adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's *Jungle Book*. The cast of roughly 40 students have trained throughout the school year—athletically, in vocals, in dance, and in those unique "cirque arts."



Behind the students' brilliance, lies a team of teaching professionals headed up by Mr. William Patti (Cirque Director and RGNS's Performing Arts Teacher). Bill Patti is also the go-to-guy who "cirque-ifies" (adapts) each year's story. Patti points out that it takes a "village" to make Cirque come to life. The team of teachers, who specialize in dance, vocals, aerials, trampoline, and technical production, work side by side with the students, allowing the children's full talents to emerge and develop. "I think Cirque...is like a ballet," Bill Patti states, "I hound the students to hone their dance skills to ensure that I can keep moving the production in that direction [over the years]."

Many of these same performing arts students are busy with other roles during the year, fine-tuning their skills in various school productions including musicals, comedies, monologues, and dramas. When casting begins for Cirque, the teachers look for the hardest workers and often have a pretty clear understanding of what "magic" lies ahead for each year's Cirque production. For over a decade, mentors from Cirque du Soleil

and other major companies have come to RGNS to work with instructors and students collaborating on individual skills and themes. Mr. Patti states that it doesn't take long for the students to own their roles. "The students oftentimes are the most knowledgeable about their specific apparatus [like [aerial silks](#), [lyra](#), and [German wheel](#)], and they take the lead on [their] tricks."

Patti describes this year's show, "*Miwitu*" as a "world jungle." He has embodied each set of characters with different cultural traditions. Picture Mowgli's surrogate wolf pack with a Native American feel, and the jackals embodying the attitude and dance style that is a "hard German rock" vibe.

**"Rabun Gap has ... the strongest performing arts department in the Southeast United States."  
-Bill Patti**

"I am not being flippanant when I say that Rabun gap has what I perceive as the strongest performing arts department in the Southeast United States," states Patti, "Our students do it all—they act, they sing, they dance, and they just happen to be part of the nation's oldest and most prestigious High School Cirque Program."

It all began when the Rabun Gap students saw a Cirque du Soleil production in Atlanta. Their desire to create, inspire, and grow has continued and appears to be unstoppable.

**Call Rabun Gap Nacoochee School for tickets at 706.746.7467 (most years do sell out!!). Shows are at 7:30 Thursday, Friday, and Saturday with a matinee Saturday at 2:30. ENJOY!!!**

To see a little of what an amazing production this will be, click on [this link](#) for a scrapbook slideshow of last year's Romeo and Juliette.



# Upcoming Events



## Heaven's Landing:

### **HL Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Sunday Brunch**

**April 8**

The beautiful scenic backdrop of the Heaven's Landing Airfield is the perfect location for the Easter Bunny's visit. Join us at 1 pm for a brunch feast followed by an Easter Egg Hunt with prizes and treats.

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## Area Events:

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

**April 7**

Hillside Orchard in Wiley, GA is a great place to begin your Easter Celebration. Join us at 2 pm sharp for an Egg Hunt with prizes. The Easter Bunny will be on hand for visits and hay rides to our petting zoo.



### **Foxfire Living History Days**

**April 13-14**

Journey back to the 1800's on the grounds of Foxfire located near Black Rock State Park in Mtn. City, GA. Witness the amazing culture of Appalachian Mountain living with demonstrations, crafts, and period costumes. Hours are 9:30 am—4:30 pm both days; Adults are \$6, Children 7-10 are \$3, and 6 years and under are free. See [Foxfire.org](http://Foxfire.org) for more details.

### **Jeff Foxworthy!**

**April 15**

Enjoy an evening filled with laughter! Comedy Legend [Jeff Foxworthy](#) performs live at the Smoky Mtn. Center for the Performing Arts. All proceeds benefit Compassion International providing water, sanitation and hygiene needs for children in Africa. Show starts at 7:30 pm tickets range from \$39-99.



### **Cirque Miwitu**

**April 26-28**

For eleven years RGNS students have wowed audiences with stunning performances. Be a part of this amazing experience—you will believe they are all professionals! This year's performance based on Kipling's *Jungle Book*. Tickets are on sale now call 706.746.7467 Thur. @ 7:30; Fri. @ 7:30; Sat. @ 2:30 and 7:30. Adults \$12; Children \$8.

### **Celebrate Clayton**

**April 28-29**

Enjoy two days of arts, crafts, entertainment and food on the streets of Downtown Clayton. Sat. 10-5; Sun. 10-4

### **First Friday Fest**

**May 4**

May kicks off 6 months of great music and fellowship at the Rock House garden in downtown Clayton. Bring your lawn chair for this monthly free event sponsored by the Clayton Merchants.

### **Simply Homegrown Market**

**May 5**

Each Saturday from 9-2 this award winning farmer's market and their wide range of vendors will offer all varieties of farm grown products and produce. Now located at the Clayton City Hall just 1 mile from downtown on HWY 76 W.

### **Warrior Dash**

**May 19-20**

Back for their third year at Blue Ridge Camp, this crazy 3.2 mile 11 -obstacle course will leave you muddy and smiling. Sign up today for [Warrior Dash](#) in Mountain City, GA.



### **Second Annual Rodeo**

**June 1-2**

Come out to the Rabun Arena for this second annual rodeo by [Bar-W Rodeo Company](#). This is a professional rodeo sanctioned by the Professional Cowboys Association ([www.pca.com](http://www.pca.com)). Adults \$12, Ages 6-12 \$6, children 5 & under free. For more information please contact Van Canup at 706-781-9880.

### **Flower & Liturgical Arts Festival**

**June 9-10**

You will be amazed at the beauty in bloom at St. James Episcopal Church's 6th annual Festival. This year's theme is "Take My Hands". Join us from 10-5 both days. Free admission. Special presentations will also be held. See the St. James Website for additional information or please call 706.782.6179.



## Our Community



- **Weather Link.** Stay up to date on the Clayton, GA weather conditions and forecast from NOAA. <http://forecast.weather.gov/>



- **Wi-Fi** is available at the Clubhouse. Stay connected with your personal devices as you enjoy the amenities.



- **What's New with You?** Share photos and stories of what is new in your flying circles. Please send submissions to [janclay@windstream.net](mailto:janclay@windstream.net). (All submissions are subject to editing and the evaluation of content.)



- **Go Green!** Please update your contact information with our office at 706.212.0017 or [sales@heavenslanding.com](mailto:sales@heavenslanding.com) and make sure we have your latest email address, so you will stay informed.

- **Stay in Touch.** "Like" us on [Facebook](#), "[Heaven's Landing Residential Airpark.](#)"



- **Let us Know About Your Aviation Groups.** Give the office a call and share what groups and organizations you belong to, the website address, and the organization's contact information. (800) HEAVEN 2.



- Fish year round and enjoy our local lakes. It is always time to go boating! We wish to remind all owners and visitors to take advantage of our area lakes. Rentals are available at [Anchorage Boat Rentals](#) at 706-212-0534 or [LaPrades Marina](#) at 706-947-0010.

## Personal Trainer—Elisa Hopkins



Heaven's Landing welcomes Elisa Hopkins. Elisa is a certified Personal Trainer and tailors training for men and women to the individual's interest and goals. Elisa currently conducts five classes ranging in aerobic, kick-boxing, dance aerobics, and strength training at the dance studio at Rabun Gap Nacoochee School. She has offered to conduct classes and specialized instruction for Heaven's Landing owners and their guests in the Clubhouse fitness room.



Contact Elisa at 706-982-2302.

## Heaven's Landing Services

### Heaven's Landing Concierge Service

We offer the finest, personalized, and professional services to meet your needs. Whether it's scheduling a trustworthy service to clean your home, picking up groceries, or keeping up with routine maintenance, Heaven's Landing Concierge Service will maintain your property, so you can fully enjoy your Heaven's Landing home. Please contact our office for an estimate: 706.212.0017 or [sales@heavenslanding.com](mailto:sales@heavenslanding.com).



*"Work with someone you know and trust."*

## Our Current Fuel Prices



### Self Serve Pumps

AV GAS	\$5.75/ gal*
JET A	\$4.95/ gal*

*\*Prices Subject to Change. Prices as of April 1, 2012*



Thank you for being a part of Heaven's Landing. For an archived electronic library of our Heaven's Landing Newsletter showcasing the year's local and aviation events as well as the amazing beauty of Heaven's Landing and surrounding areas, please see [www.heavenslanding.com](http://www.heavenslanding.com) and "[newsletter](#)" link.

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