New Year's Eve Party Rings in 2010

Heaven's Landing ushered in the New Year hosting a grand buffet dinner party. The fantastic evening began at 8 pm and lasted well into the early hours of 2010. Attendees toasted in the New Year celebrating friendship, opportunity, and prosperity.

Valerie Foss with Distinctive Gourmet exquisitely catered the event. The delectable items offered included beef tenderloin with cranberry and red wine sauce and a colossal shrimp cocktail. Valerie's attention to detail impressed us so much we are eager to experience the fine foods she will offer in events to come.

Partygoers looked amazing in their dressy-casual attire, and the music was nearly as popular as the chocolate-covered strawberries! Around midnight, attention was divided between coverage of the ball drop in Times Square, and the Red Bull car jump off the Long Beach Pier —that Travis Pastrana flies spectacularly without a plane! The evening was well complemented with an open bar complete with toasting champagne.

We are also delighted to welcome a new owner to our midst, as one guest purchased a Lot during the evening! Tom and Jan Nasser were here on their second visit from Indiana, so we are confident their contract was not due to the champagne. We're happy to welcome them to our Heaven's Landing community.

Happy New Year to all, and mark your calendars for December 31, 2011!
Super Bowl Party Heaven’s Landing Style

The Heaven’s Landing Clubhouse was the right place to be on Sunday, February 7th! It was amazing to see what a large fan base both the Indianapolis Colts and the New Orleans Saints have right here in our community as the crowd grew in number and swelled around all of our flat screen T.V.’s!

Emotions ran high at times as the game progressed, ebbing and flowing with increased momentum. Ultimately, it was the “Who Dat Nation” who were victorious. Congratulations Saints!!!! In true New Orleans’ fashion, food and drink were abundant and flowing...so even the Colts fans had a great time.

We are thrilled to bring you these events. Keep looking for many more functions in the future at the social centerpiece of Heaven’s Landing, our multi-featured Clubhouse.

Take Your Eyes Off the Road

When driving north on 441 past Rabun County High School, look to the west to see Heaven Landing’s new billboard -- you will be sure to recognize the distinctive beauty of our runway! Located in a high-traffic area, our new sign is sure to introduce travelers to our attractive amenities and heavenly setting.

A Higher Calling

For over twenty years, Flying Doctors of America has transported doctors, dentists, nurses and other health professionals to care for “the poorest of the poor” in need of medical care.

One of the most recent missions sent teams into Haiti to assist in the horrific aftermath following the catastrophic 7.0 magnitude earthquake last month. John P. Gale, D.M.D of Cornelia, Georgia’s Family Cosmetic & Dentistry along with F.D. of A. Founder and President, Dr. Allan M. Gathercoal spent two weeks providing life-saving assistance. The team created a make-shift emergency trauma center and coordinated urgent care to victims.

Support of Flying Doctors of America is a constant need. To learn more about how to help this non-sectarian organization through donations of flying time or money, please visit www.fdoamerica.org.
Owner Profile: Doug and Sue Johnson

Ask Doug Johnson about building his own Lancair IV P, and he’ll tell you it teetered on a love-hate relationship. What was promised to be a one-year build time turned into four; but it developed into time well spent. Along this journey, Doug dove into learning all he could about aircraft, from systems engineering to composite materials; and his passion for airplanes grew.

Doug has now flown his carbon-fiber craft to every corner of the country, cruising at altitudes of 29,000’ at 290 knots. He originally built the plane with the intention of flying it from his home base in Jacksonville, Florida, to Travis Air Force Base outside of San Francisco, California, for his reserve duties. It turned out he did just that, but for only one of his missions — then he retired!

When not flying high and fast, Doug works at his practice as a radiation oncologist in Jacksonville. He and his wife, Sue, have raised a son and daughter who are now busy at college in Gainesville, Florida and Atlanta. While living in California, Sue and Doug took flying lessons at the same time, and Doug says she was a good pilot. But, after soloing and having her children, Sue decided life on the ground suits her better. Now she will drive or fly commercially to meet Doug on long trips. This is the very reason that the Johnson’s fell in love with Heaven’s Landing — it is easy to get here—via any form of transportation.

Another of the Johnson’s favorite things about our community (besides Clayton’s more predictable weather and Heaven’s Landing’s long runway) is the fascinating people they met when visiting. “Everyone has a good story,” Doug says, and he is no exception. In a few weeks, he’ll fly with a group of twenty planes to the Dominican Republic with the Flying Physicians group. They’re currently in contact with the State Department to see what type of relief work they might provide in Haiti.

The many facets of the Johnson’s story does continue. When you meet, ask Doug about what it was like to be a finalist for a mission specialist position with the NASA’s Space Shuttle Program!

Who’s New at Heaven’s Landing …

We are proud to announce a new resident in our community:

Joan Facey moved into her home on Earhart Lane from Roswell, Georgia during the last week in January. Joan plans to be a year-round resident at Heaven’s Landing where she appreciates the area’s clean air and pristine water. A retired UPS Executive, Joan looks forward to becoming an active member of our fly-in community. She’s a lovely woman with a lively voice and a lot of energy. Welcome Joan, you are sure to be an added treasure around here.
2010 Atlanta Boat Show Made a Splash

Heaven’s Landing had a strong presence at the 48th annual Atlanta Boat Show at the Georgia World Congress Center. We shared a booth with our friends Monika and Jerry Schulte and their two Tupolev 007 Russian Rescue boats, and those boats brought us a lot of attention, especially on the busy weekend.

The five-day event – Georgia’s largest boat show – attracted thousands from the southeastern seaboard and filled 300,000 square feet of exhibition space. Novice and experienced boaters gathered under one roof to see everything in outdoor fun...that’s where Heaven’s Landing came into the picture. Figuring boys love their toys, we showcased our planes. It was a great day that included a lot of contacts with great fun-loving adventurous people.

Everyone was there, from SpongeBob Squarepants to Distortion Boarding’s Extreme Rail Jam’s craft, “Winch Grinch”, that towed the nation’s top wakeboarders around a 30,000 gallon tank at 25 mph.

It was quite a show!

Heaven’s Landing Services

Private Pilates Instruction

Our very own Holly Macaulay is now offering private instruction in Pilates, the exercise program that builds flexibility, strength, and endurance without adding bulk. With over two years of instruction experience, Holly specializes in beginner and intermediate levels. Call her at 706.982.5245 to set up an appointment to work out in our beautiful Clubhouse.

Mountain 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, going grocery shopping for you, or keeping up with routine maintenance, Mountain Concierge Service can take over the up-keep so you can enjoy your Heaven’s Landing home. For your concierge needs, big and small, contact Monica Hunt at 706.490.2720 or monicaehunt@yahoo.com. You want to work with someone you know and trust.

Fuel Prices

AV GAS $4.39/gal*
JET A $3.95/gal*

*Prices Subject to Change
Upcoming Events

Heaven’s Landing Events:
“Breakfast in Heaven” Fly-in Breakfast
Join us Saturday, March 13 from 8am until noon for this year’s first Fly-In Breakfast. Our “Breakfast in Heaven” event will feature pancakes, eggs, bacon and sausage, juice and coffee. For Adult Breakfast Clubbers the cost is $6; kids 8 and under are $3. Dates are set for the year, so mark you calendars on these Saturdays, and we’ll see you in Heaven:

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Area Events:

FAITH Sweet Heart Ball
Get your dancing shoes on for this yearly gala event to support Fight Abuse In the Home, the local domestic abuse shelter for women and children. Tickets are $65.00 per person and full tables are available for purchase as well at 706.782.1003.

A Taste of Chocolate
Clayton United Methodist Church, Clayton. For additional info: 706.746.3016

Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School Presents “Cirque”
Since 2002, Rabun-Gap Nacoochee School’s production of its take on Cirque du Soleil has grown in ambition and intensity. Last year’s presentation included over sixty performing artists, and the all-student cast’s skills and talents continues to amaze and impress area residents. Shows will be held the last weekend in February, with Saturday and Sunday matinees. Ticket sales start February 1st, and they sell out fast, so call the Bookstore at 706.754.7716 for the chance to see these impressive students in action.

Celebrate Clayton
Come spend a Cool Fresh weekend in the Northeast Georgia Mountains. 11th Annual Celebrate Clayton Music and Arts Festival; 10:00 AM-5:00 PM Saturday and 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM on Sunday. For schedule of events visit www.celebrateclayton.com

Celebrate Clayton 5K Fun Run
This 5K walk/run benefits scholarships and other community projects of PEARLS JWC of Rabun. The course is a fun, rolling, climbing, race through the mountains of Clayton, beginning and ending on Ramey Blvd on North Main Street, Clayton. Events of the day begin at 10:00 AM. All runners and walkers will receive a colorful, quality short-sleeve T-shirt and race pack. Register online at www.active.com.