

# HEAVEN'S LANDING



December 2015

Like no Place on Earth

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## **Santa's Sleigh is Flying Into Heaven's Landing**

The holiday season is a time for us to count our blessings, and we have many to count at Heaven's Landing! We are grateful for all the new owners who joined our community this year. We look forward to getting to know you better. We are grateful for our long-term owners. Your spirit and warmth are what make our community such a great place to live.

We are grateful for all our loved ones and the precious time we spend with them. You keep us grounded, even as we take to the skies! We are grateful for every opportunity we have to fly, to see our world from the air, to travel with ease and speed.

Please join us on December 19th at 6:00 pm for our annual Christmas Party. Santa will be flying into Heaven's Landing for a festive evening at the Club House, as we celebrate this joyful season!

## **Paradise! Whether you have a Pilot's license or not!**

One of the most common statements made to us at the numerous aviation trade shows that we attend each year is this: "I would just love to live in a Fly-In Community, but my spouse would never go for it".

Well, ladies and gentlemen, have we got news for you!

**You know you'll love Heaven's Landing...  
And we know your spouse will, too!**

Heaven's Landing has been busy impressing and winning over the affections of the non-aviators in the family since 2001, and our success in doing so continues.

The reasons people change their minds may not be comprehensible to those of you that have never been here, but most of our clients find that those reasons quickly become obvious upon arrival and review.

You see, Heaven's Landing is not just your run of the mill fly-in community. Heaven's Landing is an exceptional fly-in community in an almost perfect place.

Located just 3.8 miles from downtown Clayton, Georgia, Heaven's Landing owners have all of the conveniences of living in a much larger city, without all of the inconveniences of living in one.



Downtown Clayton and the surrounding county have great shopping, amazing restaurants, the top schools in the state, sound healthcare, a community hospital, arts, entertainment, theatre, and abundant recreational activities, including golf, boating, fishing, waterskiing, whitewater rafting, kayaking, rock climbing, zip lining, hiking, biking, and of course flying!



Located in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains at an elevation of just under 3,000 feet, the scenery here is second to none, and the climate is mild year round.



For all of you pilots out there that think your spouse can not possibly be convinced to live in a fly-in community, we double dog dare you to bring them to Heaven's Landing!

Plan to spend a night or two though, because there is a whole lot to see and do while you are here. Call us at 1-800-HEAVEN-2 to schedule your visit, and don't be too surprised when your spouse asks you to move here.



The following pages contain just a few of our recent converts.



## Ginny and Ben Cunningham

Ben and his wife Ginny both grew up in Minnesota and met in the early 80s while attending the University of Minnesota.

"These were the days when the Gophers hockey team was doing great," Ben says. "Herb Brooks was the coach, there was the Miracle on Ice that everyone has heard of now. Ginny had tickets so I thought 'This would be a great girl to date.' And that's how we met."



After graduation, Ben joined the Marine Corps, where he learned to fly. He flew F-18 Hornets, and he and Ginny spent time all over the east coast. Eventually Ben got a job with United Parcel Services, and he has been with them for over 25 years now, captaining an MD-11 all over the world. "Now that Ginny and I are in our 50s, we like to 'throw darts at the map' and see where we'd like to end up."

Since 2008, Ginny and Ben have been visiting airparks all over the country in their RV-7 experimental that Ben built in his garage. "We went along the west coast, Oregon, Flagstaff, Florida. But we never really went to an airpark where we both looked at each other and said 'Wow, this is it.'" Until they visited Heaven's Landing, that is. "We didn't even get out of the airplane. Once we saw it we just knew."



One of the most important factors in an airpark for Ben and Ginny is its proximity to their family. They and their sons Thomas and Christopher all currently live in the Louisville area.

Thomas is a doctor in Owensboro, with a daughter who is almost two. Christopher is a high school teacher and golf coach in Louisville.

“Heaven’s Landing is drivable from Louisville. And it’s certainly a cheap plane ticket or an easy flight away,” Ginny and Ben say.

“As grandparents, when you’re looking for a place to retire, you want to have a place that’s attractive for your kids and grandkids to come visit. Christopher loves to rock climb, so he’ll love the gorge and the whitewater rafting. Thomas is an avid golfer. He’d go golfing with you in the freezing rain!” Thomas and Ben will both get to golf to their hearts’ content at the Waterfall Club – with no freezing rain to worry about.

Ginny is retired and loves being active in her church community, as well as being active outdoors, running and hiking. She loves the friendly people of Clayton and the endless nearby mountain trails. Both of them are happy to have Lake Burton so near as well. It reminds them of Minnesota, “Land of 10,000 Lakes,” where they both grew up.

Ben and Ginny are dreaming up plans for their Heaven’s Landing home, but they enjoy the convenience of taking their time.

“One of the things we love about Heaven’s Landing is the flexibility,” say Ben and Ginny. “There’s no building requirement rushing us to build immediately. We get to take our time and enjoying the dreaming part of the process.”



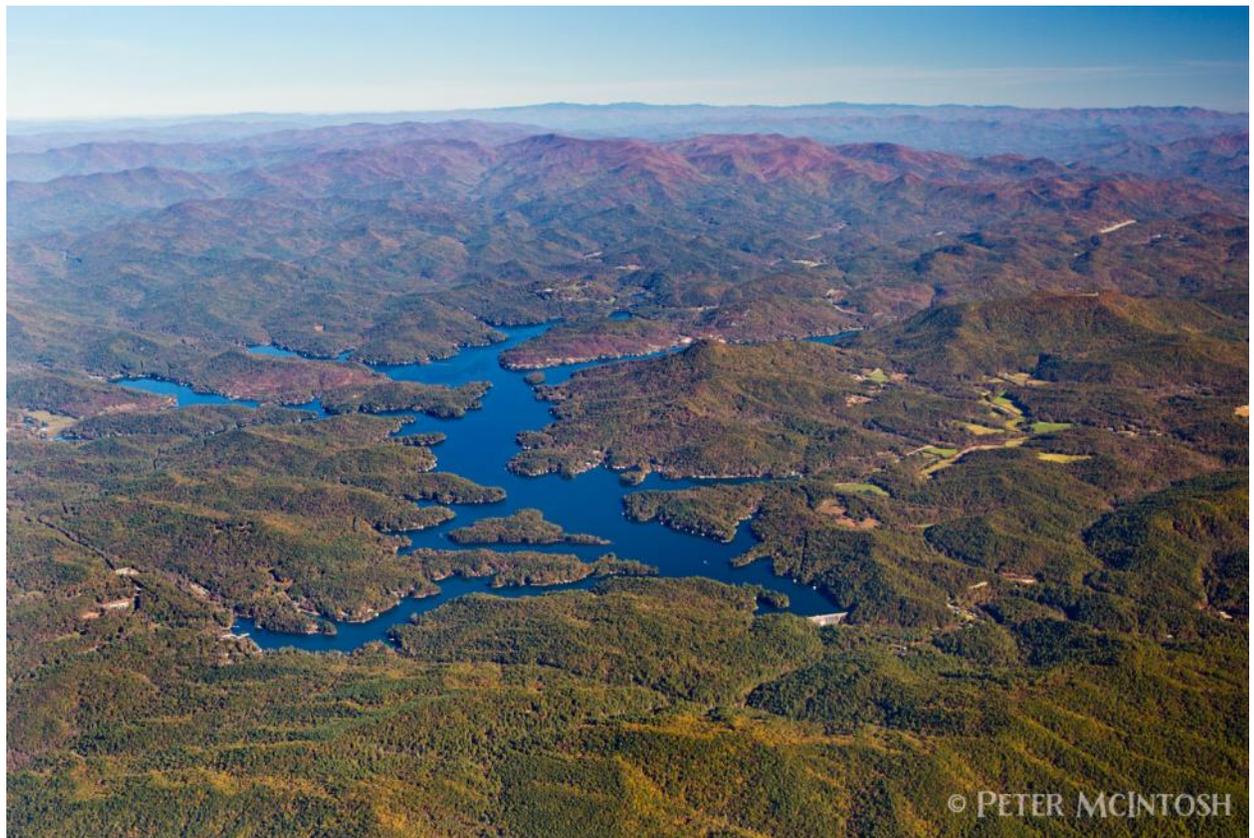
## Elaine and Gene Parkerson

Elaine and Gene have lived between two homes, in the western suburbs of Chicago, Illinois and on the shores of the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri. When they wanted a change of scenery, they considered Florida for a while, but found it to be too hot. It was also too congested and metropolitan, and this was what they were trying to get away from in Chicago.

Heaven's Landing ultimately proved itself the sweet spot of climate. "We're hoping it doesn't snow as much there as it does in Chicago, and while it's not metropolitan, it's still not in the middle of nowhere," says Gene. "We're close to Chattanooga, Nashville, Atlanta, Asheville, and Greenville. Plus, we're going from the lake to the mountains, but still with Lake Burton nearby."

Elaine and Gene are relatively new to the area, but they look forward to spending more time exploring North Georgia.

"We decided to do it, we did it, and we're very excited to be planning our new home."



## Jean and Craig Benedikt

Jean enjoys flying with her husband Craig, and so does their son Ryan, but she is happy to find so much natural beauty to enjoy down on earth in Georgia, too.

They are happy they get to experience the “beauty and peacefulness of the North Georgia mountains,” boating on Lake Burton, and the “small town feel of Clayton.”

Jean and Craig especially love the sense of community at Heaven's Landing that they've felt since their very first visit. Craig says: “I wasn't sure my wife would be interested in an airpark lifestyle.

However, after visiting Heaven's Landing for the first time and getting a tour of the surrounding area, my wife immediately fell in love it. I was never expecting that kind of reaction especially after just one visit.”

“My wife and I were both struck by just how friendly everyone we've met has been. All of the owners we've met have stated they were looking forward to having us as neighbors. That kind of camaraderie is hard to find, and we look forward to building our home and moving into Heaven's Landing very soon.”





*Heaven's Landing Christmas Dinner*  
*Saturday, December 19, 2015*  
*Heaven's Landing Club House*

*6:00 pm*

Open Bar Compliments of Heaven's Landing Development  
Appetizers  
Visit with Santa begins

*7:00 pm*

Dinner will be served Buffet Style

Beef Tenderloin with a Merlot Reduction Peppercorn Sauce  
Roasted Turkey Breast with Bourbon Apple Gravy  
Roasted Rosemary Mixed Potatoes  
Kahlua Sweet Potato Soufflé  
Asparagus, Cauliflower, Baby Carrots, & Green Bean Mèlange  
Yeast Rolls  
Mixed Green Salad with Baby Greens, Granny Smith Apples, Roasted  
Pecans, Cranberries, & Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing  
Five Star Chocolate Cake

*Pricing*

Adults - \$50.00  
Children 5-12 Years Old - \$25.00  
Children 5 & under - Free

***RSVP Here***

Please RSVP by Monday, December 14.



## Winter in Georgia

We've all heard that Rabun County is "where spring spends the summer." We'd also say it's where "fall spends the winter"! Rabun County's climate is moderate year-round. Average temperature in January is 58°F. Dustings of snow last just long enough for you to snap a photo and get a dose of winter.

To see a bit more snow, head up into the mountains and enjoy one of our many hiking trails. Hike a portion of the Bartram Trail, a well-established Southern hiking venue that follows the route of 18th century naturalist explorer William Bartram. You can also walk along a portion of the famous Appalachian Trail.

Then, cozy up inside with a glass of Georgia wine at one of our many farm-to-table restaurants, that serve delicious fare throughout the winter. Here are just a few of our local favorites:

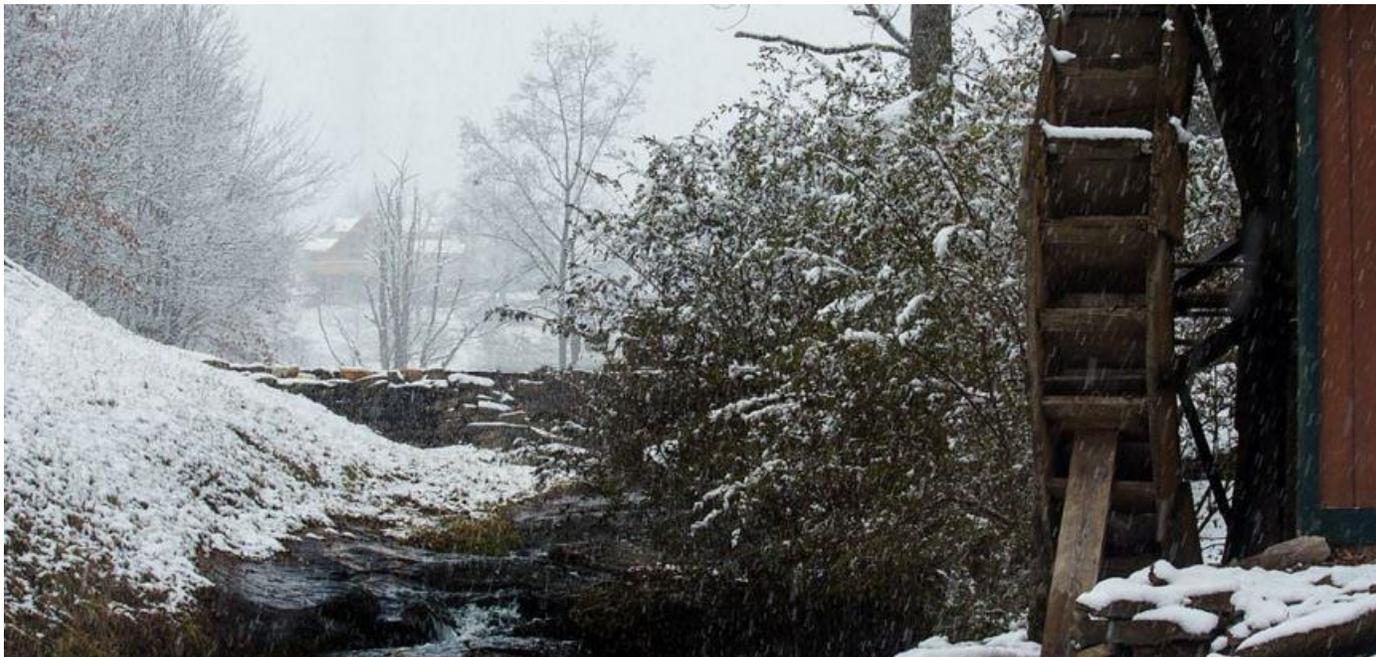
At [Beechwood Inn](#), the chef who cooked your meal is likely to be the same person who planted the seeds for its ingredients.

[The Farmhouse at Persimmon Creek](#) has a unique weekly menu that represents whatever is the most fresh and delicious.

Two of the chefs at [Fortify Kitchen & Bar](#) have been included in Best Chefs America.

[Rabun Manor](#) is a bed and breakfast whose food and lodgings are equally top notch.

[White Birch Inn & Laurel Bar](#) in downtown Clayton serves everything from fresh Kona coffee in the morning to local wine and cheese at night.



Snow in Sparks Mill, Georgia. OldShoe11D via Flickr.

**Upcoming Events ...**

**December 3, 5, 6, 11, 13: The North Georgia Community Present "Eb Scrooge"**

  
THE NORTH GEORGIA  
COMMUNITY PLAYERS

CHRISTMAS PAST  
MADE PRESENT

*Eb Scrooge*

A SOUTHERN ( FRIED ) CAROL

*by Ian Mairs*

TICKETS

\$12 adult, \$6 children 10 and under

Ticket line is 706-212-2500

Also available at Rabun County  
Chamber of Commerce

Directed by **Tricia Bass**

Thursday, **DECEMBER 3** • 7 pm

Friday, no show ~  
Tree Lighting in Dillard

Saturday, **DECEMBER 5** • 7 pm

Sunday, **DECEMBER 6** • 3 pm

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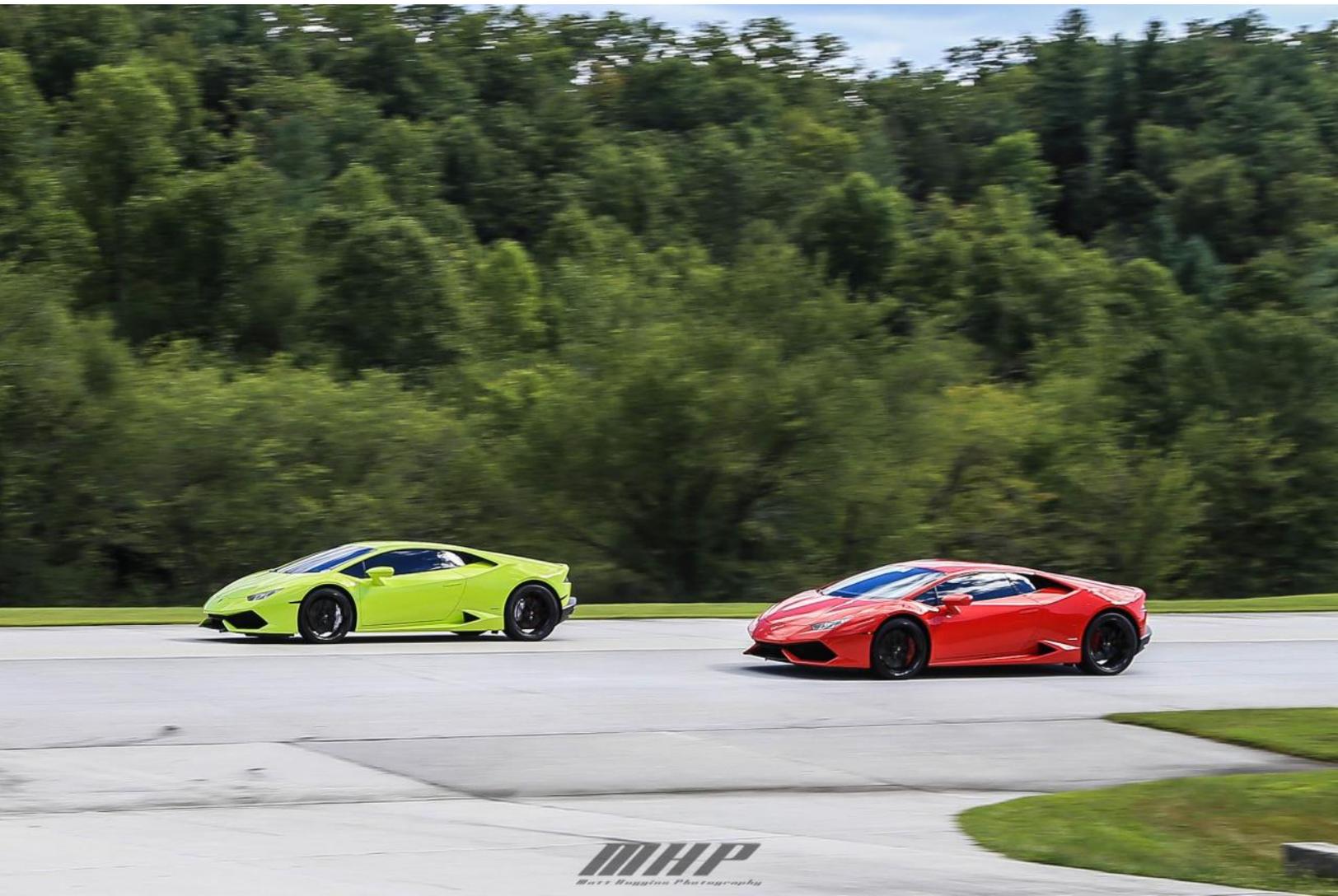


**Upcoming Events ...****December 5: Christmas Parade in Downtown Clayton**

Come see downtown at the height of its Christmas cheer!  
The parade starts at 5 pm. Contact the Chamber of  
Commerce to enter a float: (706) 782-4812.

**Mark Your Calendars!****May 14 & 15, 2016: wannaGOFAST returns to Heaven's Landing**

If you have never been to one of our yearly wannaGOFAST racing events, make sure you don't miss this next one! Every year we have a better turn out for this weekend of high-speed racing. Check out [results](#) and [video](#) from our last event.



## Heaven's Landing Concierge Services

**Heaven's Landing Concierge Services** is on call for our truly unique and mobile owners. The Heaven's Landing staff is pleased to provide clients with a vast array of services.



Please call the office at **706-212-0017** for pricing information and other consultations. Please note that due to offering a vast array of services to our owners, all requests for assistance will be billed at a pre-arranged fee.

Some of our commonly requested services include the following:

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| Interior Cleaning           | Alarm/Security Checks                           |
| Holding Postal Mail         | Scheduling Party Staff and Maintenance Services |
| Receiving Service Personnel | Transportation Needs                            |
| Landscaping                 | Receiving Furniture, Appliances, and Packages   |
| Lot and Yard Maintenance    | Tree Removal                                    |
| Shopping                    | Window Washing                                  |
| Pressure Washing            | Gutter Cleaning                                 |




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## Quick Links

**Weather Link** — Stay up to date on the Clayton, GA conditions and forecast from [NOAA](#).

**Heaven's Landing Facebook Page** — ["Heaven's Landing Residential Airpark."](#)

**Rabun County Tourism Development Authority** — [ExploreRabun.com](#), (706) 212-0241.

**Marina and Boating Information** — [Anchorage Boat Rentals](#) at (706) 782-5193 or [LaPrade's Marina](#) at 706-947-0010.

**Local Events and Information** — [Rabun County Chamber of Commerce](#) at (706) 782-4812 and [Rabun County Visitors Bureau](#) at (706) 212-0241.

**Facebook "Likes"** — Exploring the back woods: [Waterfall of Western North Carolina](#), [Waterfall and Back Roads of North Georgia](#), and [The Wayward Traveler](#).

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## Airfield Fuel Prices



### Self Serve Pumps

AV GAS      \$4.49 / gal\*

JET A      \$4.29 / gal\*

*\*Prices Subject to Change.*

*Prices as of December 5, 2015*





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