



June 2019 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As you can see from the picture, it's time to pass the gavel to the new Landlovers president, Bonnie Kelly. I have loved every minute of my term, being blessed with a great board, and living in this wonderful, generous community where so many respond readily to the call for help with our events. So, Thank You all, or as one should say in Savannah, "thanks y'all"! I wish Bonnie as much joy in this position as I have had. Your organization is in good hands with her at the leadership helm. On May 4th we had a wonderful "Tour of Homes" that sold out. There were 6 beautiful houses, as well as time at The Marshes, which is always informative. Thanks to Kathi Siegel and Susan Arraiz for their able leadership of a great team, and the Marshes for their generous sponsorship. The successful fund raiser added significantly to our coffers for next year.

Speaking of funds raised for Landlovers, on May 13th I had the pleasure of presenting this year's grants, merit awards and scholarships. It is, without a doubt, the most rewarding activity of my job! We were able to give away \$114,000. After careful review of the requests, the committee awarded Landlovers grants to 20 island (and nearby) entities and organizations that benefit Skidaway Island residents. See below for the list of those to whom we responded. The merit awards were given to 6 deserving and very accomplished high school seniors who have exhibited dedication to the community and their schools and achieved academic excellence. Frankly, after reading their bio's we all wanted them on our board! They are to be congratulated. We are fortunate to have them at the Landings. The same

accolades can be applied to the 8 scholarship recipients. They are amazing students, and Landlovers is honored to be able to support them in their academic endeavors. We couldn't do it without the efforts of this terrific community and the help you give us for all our fundraising.

The day after the ceremony we had a fun and successful closing event at Plantation. A brief annual meeting to elect the new board and share the news on our donations, was followed by great dance and party. Thanks to Debbie Stark and Nancy Snyder and their committee for a delightful evening. It was a wonderful way to go out!! I wish you all a fabulous summer! Come back well rested and ready to partake of all that Landlovers has to offer! Some activities will continue though the summer and the rest will begin again in the fall, so watch for all of your favorites in the September newsletter. And plan to attend the September opening reception to sign up.

In closing, as Bob Hope always said, "Thanks for the memories". (Tho' I do wonder if the Merit award winners would even know who he was, they are so young!!) It's been a wonderful year and I leave with a grateful heart.

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2019 Grant Recipients

- Bethesda Academy
- Bethesda Barnbuilders
- Boy Scout Troup 57
- Bright Eye-deas Low Vision Group
- Coastal Conservation Association (CCA)
- Coastal Heritage Society (Pinpoint Museum)
- Friends of Skidaway Audubon
- Hesse School
- Landings Association (Communications)
- Landings Military Family Relief Fund
- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle Committee
- Safe Shelter for Domestic Violence Services
- Savannah Science Museum/Caretta Research Project
- Skidaway Audubon
- Skidaway Farms
- Skidaway Island Division of Chatham Emergency Services
- Skidaway Island First Responders
- Sparrow Field Polinator Garden

- Toys for Tots

Merit Award Winners

- Ally Best
- Madison Hudgins
- Kathryn Ollenburg
- Elizabeth Reed
- Jenna Rehman
- Emma West

Scholarship Recipients

- Katelyn Cook
- Lataka Jamal Grant
- Hannah Henderson
- Chelsea Jose
- Donovan Lewis
- Hunter McDowell
- Amanda Peetoom
- Terry Eugene Sledge

LANDLOVERS PHOTO CLUB SECOND ANNUAL EXHIBIT



The Landlovers Photo Club held its second annual photo exhibit May 1 - 3 at Wells Fargo - the Private Bank, in the Village. The exhibition was well-attended and showcased the works of 29 photo club members. Whether you are a novice or semi-pro, look for the Photo Club table at the Landlovers Kickoff in September to join this active group of shutterbugs.

ACTIVITIES

To participate in any Landlovers Activity, you must be a Landlovers member. For all activities held in a Landings Club (noted by a "CP" next to the activity name), you must follow the The Landings Club non-member usage policy.

BRIDGING THE GAP - CP

Bridging the Gap will be held on Wednesday, June 12th at 1pm at the Oakridge Club. The hostess for June is Joanne Bovey. Please contact



Joanne if you would like to play: 912-598-1615.

BUNCO

The May Bunco game was the last for the summer. We will resume play in October. We hope that everyone has a great summer.



FOOD, FRIENDS, AND FUN

Our dining group meets at members' homes for either a sit-down dinner in which the host prepares an entree for 6 to 8 fellow Landlovers, with each attendee bringing part of the meal or cocktail parties where guests bring a dish to share and their own beverage. Hosts will rotate monthly so

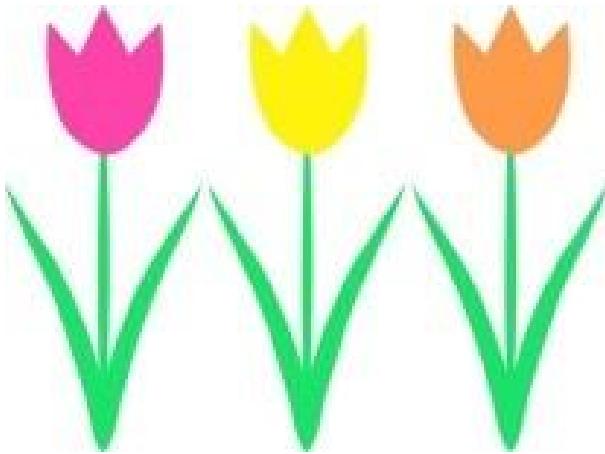
everyone gets to be a host at least once and a guest many times. We will start up again in the Fall. For any questions, please contact Hannah Burtnik at hburtnik@gmail.com.

GRANDKIDS EQUIPMENT

Landlovers members have cribs, highchairs, toys, car seats, etc., they are willing to lend. If you are in need of "supplies" go to the Landlovers website: landingslandlovers.com and choose "Happenings" (on the left hand side). Click on Grandkids Equipment and follow the instructions to see the list.

*IMPORTANT: To keep our list current, please let Cathy Lynn know of any additions, deletions or changes. For further information, contact Cathy Lynn:

912-598-0745 or cobrienlynn@yahoo.com.



GREEN THUMB CLUB

Founded in 1986, the Landlovers Green Thumb Club provides a forum for new and long-term Landings residents to learn more about gardening/landscaping on Skidaway Island, the city of Savannah, and enjoying life in Coastal Georgia. Monthly programs at the Messiah

Lutheran Church are on the first Wednesday of the month and 2-3 field trips. The goals are education, entertainment, and friendship. Programs this year included 'all about camellias', arranging flowers fully submerged in water, and an expert panel addressing members' landscaping questions. A sign-up table will be at the Landlovers kick-off event in September. For more information contact: Kate Kastner at katekastner@icloud.com.



KAYAK CLUB

Come join us as we paddle rivers and creeks in both South Carolina and Georgia. We also encourage you to visit our Facebook page (Landings Landlovers Kayak Club) to see pictures of our other paddling adventures. Not a member of the Landings Landlovers Kayak Club yet? Contact Tara Packer:

tarapacker977@gmail.com so that you can be added to the emailing list to keep you informed about upcoming paddles in the area.



LANDLOVERS COMMUNITY SERVICE

SECOND HARVEST

Established in 1981 in Savannah Georgia, America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia is a locally inspired, volunteer driven, nonprofit food bank and community partnering organization. Second Harvest

serves as the food safety net for tens of thousands of children, senior citizens, low-income families, and people with disabilities that are at risk for hunger throughout Southern Georgia. Four times a year, LL Community Service gets together on a Friday morning to provide the volunteer labor to pack boxes for needy families at our local food bank. **The May packing date is Friday, May 24.** No skill is required, just a caring heart. Sign up starts immediately until the meeting date. All are welcome, but participants must be members of Landlovers. We will meet at 8:15 a.m. in the Methodist Church parking lot to carpool to the food bank's volunteer center.

Email Rebecca Walling: llcommservice@gmail.com with questions or to volunteer.

LANDLOVERS COMMUNITY SERVICE

Share your vacation with those in need.

Are you traveling this summer and staying at a hotel? If you have any unused personal-sized soaps, shampoos or lotions, please bring them back to Savannah. (No mouthwash or larger sized toiletries, please.) We will be taking them to Social Apostolate which works with poor, homeless and disabled people in many different ways including providing showers for those in need. **Our next collection dates will be July 1-7.** Drop off will be at the Landings Welcome Center (i.e. the real estate company) at 1 Landings Way North. We will also be collecting these at the Landlovers Community Service table at the Landlovers Opening Reception in September. If you have any questions, contact: llcommservice@gmail.com or contact Carol Stiles: 349-9977 or Sue Souls: 713-502-6094.

LANDLOVERS COMMUNITY SERVICE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A group of Landings residents called the Skidaway Servers has taken on the responsibility of providing a meal for 30 people. Their goal is to provide meals for The Ronald McDonald House every Friday during the year. Usually 3 couples per week provide the meal and then often go out to dinner afterwards. If you are interested in participating, please contact: Suzanne Thomas: rkssthomas@aol.com.

LL LADIES BREAKFAST CLUB

The LL Ladies Breakfast Club will visit various Savannah area restaurants. If you are interested, we look forward to seeing you at LL September Opening Event. Laurie Lacher: ljlacher@gmail.com.



LANDLOVERS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

The Landlovers Photography Club is designed to help Landlovers members, ranging from beginners to experts, improve their skills and enjoy photography in a friendly, supportive setting. Visit

landloversphotoclub.wordpress.com for more information.

Sherri Reddick, Amy Collings, and Michael Siegel, co-chairs

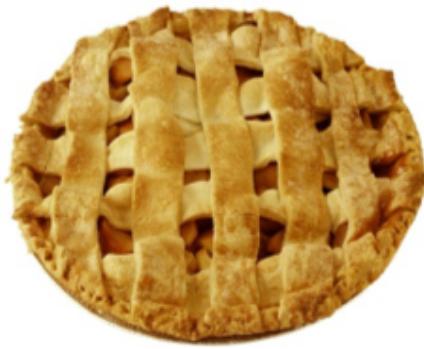
LANDLOVERS' STITCHERS & BEADERS

The Stitching and Beading group does not plan to formally meet in the summer months. Look for us at the Landlovers Opening Reception when we will have sign ups and begin another fun year of stitching and beading together!

Contact Jayne: JM Rogers341@gmail.com or Kathy: Kathy silbert@gmail.com.

LANDLOVERS TRAVEL CLUB

Travel Club is taking a "summer vacation." We look forward to seeing you at the Landlovers opening event in September. Please RSVP to Tonnie Glick: beadinglady@bellsouth.net.



MAGPIES LADIES

Magpies Ladies meets all year long on the first Thursday of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. **The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 6.** Bring an interesting MAGazine or newspaper article on ANY TOPIC (politics is ok but nonpartisan is a rule) to share/possibly present, to a very interested and interesting group of women. PIES and coffee will be served. You don't have to eat any of the PIES but the MAGazine articles are always informative and spark lots of great discussions. Meetings will be held at members' homes. New members are always welcome, but participants must be members of Landlovers. The location of the June meeting has not as yet been set. When set, we will email those who have RSVP'd. For information and/or to RSVPIE call: Rebecca Walling (908) 229-1835 or email: 1ldaymagpies@gmail.com.

MAGPIES COUPLES AND CONVERSATION

This great group of couples gathers at different homes every month for lively, interesting conversations on a variety of topics (politics and religion excluded) over a delicious potluck dinner or heavy hors d'oeuvres. We will resume our conversations in the fall. Call Audrey Biloon: 912-507-1500 for more information.

MARCO POLO GROUP



The Marco Polo group is for our international friends. If you were born or have lived at least one year outside the US, then you are eligible to join. We meet on the third Monday of the month from October thru May at 6:30 pm. We would like those attending to bring an appetizer to share as well as their own beverage. If you are interested in joining this group or would like

to host us in your home please email Deb Wilson and Sue Souls at llmarcopolo100@gmail.com.

MATERIAL GIRLS

Whether you are an experienced quilter or new to the craft, please join us for some handiwork, conversation and networking. Bring a current project you are working on, show and tell, or just plan to socialize. Learn about quilt shops in the area and local quilting guilds. All members of Landlovers who are interested in quilting are welcome. We meet on the third Thursday of the month from 3-5pm at the Presbyterian Church. **Our next meeting will fall on Thursday, June 20th.** For more information or to be put on the distribution list contact Janet Smart: maxwellsgal@aol.com or Sandra Grant: sandragrant07@comcast.net.



MEN'S ACTION MOVIE NIGHT

No activity for Men's Action Movies for June/July/August. Will begin again in September.

Email boating20@gmail.com to be added to the email distribution list.

MEN'S LUNCH GROUP

The Landlovers Men's Lunch Group meets on the 1st Monday of the month to dine at various Savannah restaurants. **For June, the group will meet on Monday, June 3rd.** If you have an interest, please contact Dick Hughey: 912-657-9585 or dickhughey1@att.net, Jim Smart: 757-334-3040 or smartsville@aol.com or Dennis Heath: 215-371-3912 or mrdennisheath@gmail.com to be added to the group's email list. You will then receive an email invitation 2 weeks prior to the date and a follow up email 1 week prior to the luncheon. The group meets at the Methodist Church at 10:30 am to carpool to the selected restaurant. Hope you can join us!



MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS

Another course may be presented in the fall based on interest expressed at the Landlovers opening event.

If there are questions, you can email John Ufford at: jcufford@gmail.com.

SOCIAL SINGLES

Are you a Landlovers member who is widowed, divorced or single? Come join us for a new social life, where you can come alone and feel comfortable and welcome each time we get together. We always have fun, good food and meet great friends! Whether at a member's home or a downtown bistro, we take our laughter and good spirits along for the ride. Don't be lonely, we've all been there. If you are interested, but not on our membership list yet, please contact Barbara Meyer: 912-355-4673 or bpmeier63@yahoo.com to be added.

SWISS PAIRS BRIDGE (*CP)

Swiss Pairs Dinner Bridge wrapped up the season May 1 with a delicious dinner, some very good bridge and the awarding of cash prizes to the top six of the twenty-four participating teams. Winners for 2018-19 are:

- *1st - Susan Mills and Noreen O'Neill
- 2nd- Angela Smith and Kay West
- 3rd - Anita Seipel and Kathy Ihnat
- 4th - Lynley Baker and Pat Ewaldsen
- 5th - Bobbi Erwin and Carol Young
- 6th - Annie Moncure and Bev Westhelle

We thank all of you who played this year and hope you will spread the word to others who might enjoy this activity next season!

Bobbi Erwin, Karen Sellick and Carol Young



TRAIN LOVERS - CP

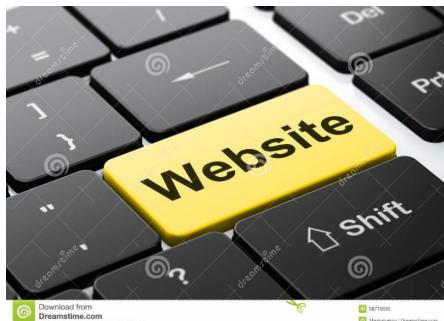
Train Lovers brings together Landlovers who are interested in collecting and operating model trains of all makes and eras as well as those interested in constructing model

railroad layouts in any scale. We share ideas, promote the hobby and serve as a source of advice and help for newcomers to the hobby. People who are just interested in trains are welcome. Meetings will start back up in September. Contact Willson Blake: 912-308-7762 or [willson.blake@gmail.com](mailto:wilson.blake@gmail.com)) for more information about the the meetings or the organization.

JOIN LANDLOVERS TODAY!

Do you have friends or neighbors who are not members of Landlovers? Encourage them to join and be part of fun and fundraising! They can use a credit card to join by going to landingslandlovers.com or tube their check for \$20, along with their signed membership application and Hold Harmless, to 12 Islanders Retreat. Membership applications can be found in the tube.

Questions? Contact Lynn Stephens, Landlovers Membership Director, at Landloversmembership@gmail.com or (912)228-5383.



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Have you visited the Landlovers' website lately? Go to www.landingslandlovers.com for the latest news, contact information, photos of events, and reservation forms. Take a look back in Landlovers' history by reading past newsletters. We've changed a lot over the years! Also, search for and 'like' Landings Landlovers on Facebook!



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