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In my previous column, I mentioned that I am "going back to school." The phrasing is both intentionally and annoyingly vague. More precisely: On January 14, I fly to Boston to join the 10th (annual) Cohort of Harvard Advanced Leadership Initiative Fellows. I have made a habit of not-saying it out loud or writing it down, as I fear it might sound brag-y. That’s not the idea here, I promise. Rather, the program has been so amazing already — and I’ve done nothing more than pass through the selection process and attend a three-day intensive orientation — that I encourage anyone with an appetite for lifelong learning and desire to do public good to check it out. (advancedleadership.harvard.edu)

As Harvard describes the fellowship, it is “a new third stage in higher education designed to prepare experienced leaders to take on new challenges in the social sector where they potentially can make an even greater societal impact than they did in their careers.” The common thread among fellows, as I observe it, is a passion to help make the world a better place.

Another shared characteristic among the other 47 fellows in the class of 2018 — They all seem more qualified than I. We have a former Prime Minister of Peru (it’s a she — the first such-gendered person to lead a South American state); CEO of KFC, Wilson Sporting Goods, and Long John Silver’s (all one man); and UN Commissioner for Refugee Affairs; not to mention (small world) the guy who hired me at Morgan Stanley in 1992…and fired me in 1995. (I deserved it.) We have former financiers, founders, a member of Congress…and a guy with a little magazine and coffee shop.

Each fellow conceives and develops a comprehensive project intended to fill an unmet societal need. I have given much thought to my philanthropy and arrived at a basic idea: Education and opportunity are antidotes to many, if not most, systemic human problems. Poverty, hunger, crime, abandoned pets — These are challenges we need to face together, but I hope to stunt them at their roots rather than offer triage once it’s too late.

For this mission, I’ll be spending much of this year in a 547-square-foot studio apartment within sprinting distance of Harvard Stadium, home since 1903 to the Crimson’s gridiron squads. I’ll come back here as much as the rigors of the program allow.

Portending absence aside, I remain committed to The Skinnie, our advertisers and audience (you). I will edit every story, just like I always have, from the place in front of my laptop screen. This column will continue, with thudding regularity (as an old friend from the NY Times used to say), penned (metaphorically) with our print deadline fast approaching or just past.

It’s a New Skinnie Year, our 16th, believe it or not. I’m going to need a little help with a few things while I’m gone. If any of the items on this wish-list interests you, get in touch before it slips your mind.

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Thanks to The Skinnie and to Dick McDonough for the interesting and informative article on golf balls and golf collectibles. I finished the article and drove straight to Oakridge to look at Dick’s book, Great Golf Collections of the World. I immediately bought a copy. This is a wonderful book and I recommend it to all who have a true interest in, and love of, the game of golf. Congratulations to Dick on a job well done.

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One of the oldest buildings on Skidaway Island, the Roebling House at the University of Georgia Skidaway Institute of Oceanography, recently received a facelift courtesy of Lowe’s community service program, Lowe’s Heroes.

Long before there was a Landings with thousands of homes on Skidaway, Robert and Dorothy Roebling and their family arrived in 1935 aboard their three-masted schooner, the Black Douglas. The Roeblings were part of prominent and wealthy New Jersey family. Robert's great-grandfather, John A. Roebling, emigrated from Germany in 1832. An engineer by profession, the elder Roebling became one of the first developers of what was called “twisted wire cable,” which is used in the construction of large suspension bridges. The John A. Roebling's Sons Company manufactured cable and built bridges. His most famous project was the Brooklyn Bridge, considered an engineering marvel at the time of its construction.

Several generations later, Robert and Dorothy wanted to move their family away from the Depression-era crime-ridden Northeast. They purchased Modena Plantation, a several-hundred-acre hunting preserve on the north end of Skidaway Island, from a friend of theirs, Ralph Isham, and turned it into a cattle-breeding operation. Shortly after their arrival, the Roeblings constructed the structural framework for the Roebling House. However, the building remained a skeleton and the family continued to live on the boat for several years.

In early 1941, the family sold the Black Douglas to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, forcing the couple and five children to obtain new quarters.

“There was a mad scramble for plywood and building materials to finish the house before the start of the war, which everyone knew was coming,” according to W.R. “Rip” Roebling, one of the Roeblings’ sons.

When completed, the house had four bedrooms on the southern side and baths on either end. The only insulation was some sheetrock on the ceiling. Foldout windows on the upper landing provided a fair amount of circulation during the summer months. Heating came from a wood furnace at the east end of the living room. It was connected to a stovepipe that ran the entire length of the building, as Roebling says, “to squeeze every last BTU out of it.”

“Unquestionably, it was spartan but you probably wouldn’t have known it by the time Mother finished decorating the place with cozy couches, tapestries, Persian rugs and game trophies that surrounded two side-by-side grand pianos in the center of the room, creating a lodge effect,” Roebling recalls.

The Roeblings were heavily involved in the Savannah social scene and entertained at their island home. One notable visitor was world-famous composer, Johnny Mercer.

In 1968, the Roeblings donated their land to the state to create the Skidaway Institute of Oceanography. The Roebling House was the site of the institute’s administrative offices until a laboratory and administration building could be built a couple of years later.

By Mike Sullivan
Above: World-famous composer Johnny Mercer (far left) visits with Robert (seated with pipe) and Dorothy Roebling in the Roebling House.
Opposite Page: The Roebling House today at the UGA Skidaway Institute of Oceanography

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Along with other improvements, Lowe’s Heroes installed new cabinets, counters and flooring in the Roebling House kitchen.

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In stepped Lowe's Heroes, spearheaded by Molly and Owen Riggs from Lowe's Abercorn Street store. Lowe's Heroes is a program by which the company and its employees reach out to their communities through each individual store.

“The couple said they have done annual projects around town including the Ronald McDonald house, but this year they wanted to look around for a new recipient,” says Chuck Hartman, Skidaway Institute’s director of land and facilities.

“With the assessment we made of the Roebling House, we saw that the kitchen area needed some updating, and the paint inside the building was needed,” Owen Riggs explains.

The Riggs also decided to improve the restrooms as part of the renovation work. They assembled a team of 20 volunteers from the store, including colleagues from management, sales, and the delivery staff. In addition to the associates, the team had two of Lowe's plumbing installers help. The volunteers replaced the kitchen cabinets, counters and sink, and installed new vinyl flooring. Upstairs, they installed lauan plywood to the railing to screen from below. They also replaced flooring in the bathrooms, installed new toilets and added a fresh coat of bright white paint on the downstairs walls to brighten the room. The work was completed over two days, with all of the materials supplied by Lowe's.

“Each store is given a grant through our corporate headquarters,” Riggs says. “If a contractor were to do this type and amount of work, the labor costs alone would reach $5,000 to $6,000.” Adding the cost of materials – roughly $2,500 – would have brought the total price tag close to $8,000. However, the project was free to Skidaway Institute. “No charges were given to the Skidaway Institute, because this was the project we wanted to work on.”

According to Riggs, the project was a bit of an eye-opener. Many of his volunteers had visited the campus in the past, but they had never seen the Roebling House. “Learning about it and its history from Chuck Hartman was very interesting.” Riggs concludes.
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My family and I visited my father and brother in Houston this year for the holidays. For some crazy reason, we decided to go to Memorial City Mall to purchase our Secret Santa gifts for each other and see a movie. What I didn’t realize was that half of Houston had the same idea.

Dropping my family at one of the doors, I began to search for a parking space. Instead of finding a spot, I came upon a heaping helping of humbug. We were two days from Christmas, and I was more likely to get a holiday finger than a holiday hello.

Cars were prowling the parking lot like vultures waiting for weakened prey. I felt like I was in an old western duel each time I turned into a new parking aisle. Clint Eastwood, reimagined as an older Asian woman, was taunting me to go ahead and make her day.

Luckily, I spotted a single man striding through the lot. As a fellow fella, I recognized his deep desire to run away from this place as fast as possible, sure he would soon vacate a coveted parking spot. I gave him the man-nod, a downward head-tilt of shared respect, rather than the upward glance of genuine friendship. You have to be a man to understand. He returned my nod, signifying his acceptance of my respect. At that moment, I knew I was good.

This guy had my back, this brother-in-arms aligned with me in opposition to the tyrannical mall and all it stands for. A subtle point towards his truck served as my cue. I moved into position and bumped my turn signal into action. My comrade jumped into his jacked-up Ford F-350 (We are in Texas after all) and sped out of sight like a Texan Santa with under the power of eight flying longhorns. I think I heard angels sing as I pulled into the space.

As I got out of the car and began to walk towards the collection of stores, I surveyed my enemies... I mean the other shoppers. I could see the frustration and sorrow in their eyes, idling in anticipation that someone might eventually pull out.
Mrs. Eastwood shot me an admiring stare, envious and impressed that I had secured parking before she managed the same miracle. I felt both exhilarated and drained, and I hadn’t yet set foot inside the mall.

Opening the heavy doors, the sights, sounds and smells of Christmas assaulted each corresponding sense. Christmas music blared from every direction. Evidence of popcorn and cinnamon buns wafted through the air. Decorations and shoppers were similarly everywhere. I passed by a long line of haggard parents dragging their sugar-crazed kids to Santa’s glowing throne. Up ahead, there he was - Santa in his workshop with two little kids in his lap, one terrified and screaming at the top of her lungs. The frightened girl’s parents were dutifully dancing like trained monkeys behind the photographer, trying to make their crying girl smile. In vain.

The family had probably stood in line for more than an hour to get a perfect pic with Santa. No doubt they were seething inside as their sweetums, with no hair and a big green bow on her head, had decided that this man dressed in red was the scariest thing she had ever seen. Years from now, they’ll look at the photo of a shopping center Santa and their little tantrum girl, and yearn for days too quickly gone by.

At that moment, I felt blessed. Amidst the pandemonium in the busiest mall in America’s fourth-largest city, I found peace. I was with my family. I realized that I would only have this space in time once, and I had the opportunity to choose to enjoy it.

My mother passed away two months ago. That’s why we weren’t in our family home. We flew to Houston to be with my father, who was without his wife for the first Christmas in a very long time. I don’t know why it takes losing something to realize what you have. We had a great Christmas. We told stories, played cards, watched bad Christmas movies, laughed, and cried. I know my mom would have loved to have been there…actually, she most certainly was.

This is the first of many Christmases without my mom. We will make new traditions and hold on to old ones. We will continue to tell the same stories over and over again, watch the same movies each December, and continue to laugh and cry. But my dad made one firm request: Please, no trips to the mall next year.
Many medical treatments once only offered in a hospital or through a doctor’s office can now be done in your home. Currently, there are several hundred patients across southeast Georgia who receive St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care services. Basic services include skilled nursing (RNs, LPNs and CNAs), medical social work, and therapy (physical, occupational and speech). A registered dietitian and wound care specialist are also available for home healthcare services.

“The goals of our home healthcare services include clinical support, education and helping you stay out of the hospital,” says Ilyce Brinn, senior business development specialist with St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care. “We offer many home health services to ensure you continue to get stronger and healthier. We provide the education and tools that you need to become self-sufficient and take care of yourself at a better level than you were before, all in the comfort of your home.”

Blair Faulk, RN, certified wound specialist, has been working for St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care for more than 10 years, and has been a nurse for 31 years.

“I enjoy interacting with patients in their homes,” Faulk says. “They are most comfortable at home. I can adjust my caregiving to be most relevant and understandable for them, and support them in ways that are realistic to them.”

St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care takes a total-patient approach to treatment with specialized plans of care appropriate for each patient’s individual needs and level of functioning. These plans help reduce patient recovery times, optimize independence and prevent unnecessary hospitalizations.

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• Increased convenience
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• Home healthcare workers can be your biggest advocates on your road to recovery

If your doctor decides you need home healthcare, you may choose an agency from the participating Medicare-certified home health agencies in your area. Home health agencies are certified to make sure that they meet certain federal health and safety requirements. St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care is certified as a Medicare and Medicaid home health provider, as well as being the only home health agency in the Savannah area to be accredited by the Joint Commission. St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care is it is not-for-profit entity and wholly-owned by St. Joseph’s/Candler. This relationship facilitates excellence in the continuum of care.
Six Myths about Home Health Care

While home health is a rapidly growing industry – especially as baby boomers age – patients and families may have uncertainties surrounding it.

Here’s a look at six common myths:

1. **Myth:** Home health care is, basically, adult “babysitting.”

   **Fact:** Home health care is skilled care performed by nurses, therapists and other professional clinicians. Providers change wound dressings and IVs; do urinary catheterization, ostomies, negative-pressure wound therapy, and a whole host of services not provided by babysitters. Patients are examined in their environments, which provides insight in essential nuances necessary for optimal care.

2. **Myth:** Home health care is expensive.

   **Fact:** Actually, for those 65 and older, Medicare or Medicare Advantage plans pay for 100 percent of the care. There’s no co-pay. For those not on Medicare, St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care accepts the largest list of insurance companies in our service area. Typically, patients on commercial insurance have a co-pay and insurance pays for 80 percent, with the patient responsible for the remaining 20 percent.

3. **Myth:** “I don’t need home health care because my family is helping.”

   **Fact:** Skilled and licensed clinicians can do many things that your family cannot. In addition, home healthcare nurses can help take the burden of care off caregivers while formulating a recovery plan. Home healthcare benefits caregivers, too, as they get relief from the constant responsibility for tending to a loved one.

4. **Myth:** “I am at risk when I let a stranger into my home.”

   **Fact:** St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care has a stringent onboarding process and the majority of the 130 home health staff members are licensed professionals. Staff members are caring and reliable. Services are provided in homes across the socioeconomic spectrum, with the same level of consideration and care for all families.

5. **Myth:** Home healthcare is just for sick people.

   **Fact:** Home healthcare helps those who have been recently released from the hospital and need additional care. Physical and occupational therapists help patients regain mobility following a knee surgery, for example, or learn to comb their hair following a stroke. Physical and occupational therapists have the tools to help patients improve and stay at home. In addition, staff can help identify conditions that may not seem serious now but will later, if untreated.

6. **Myth:** Home healthcare is a long, intensive process.

   **Fact:** Patients often think home healthcare providers will be around for much of the day, everyday. In fact, the typical visit lasts just 30 minutes. More serious conditions may require a few hours. Caregivers generally visit patients two or three times a week. The average span of care is 14 weeks. Meanwhile, on-call home healthcare nurses are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Do you qualify for home health care?

To be eligible, your doctor writes an order defining your needs. Essential needs include at least one of the following – nursing care, physical or occupational therapy, or speech pathology. You must be homebound, requiring assistive devices or a family member to leave home. Your medical need must be considered intermittent: You do not require full-time care that would be better provided by a hospital or skilled nursing facility.

If you think home healthcare is right for you, talk to your doctor. If you want to know if you qualify or have questions about service, call St. Joseph’s/Candler Home Health Care at 1.800.942.5232 or visit sjchs.org/homehealth.
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DR. FRANK RIZZA

From 1972 through 1983, the popular TV series, M*A*S*H, provided a comic depiction of an Army field hospital during the Korean War. In reality, there were seven MASH (Mobile Army Surgical Hospital) units that operated in Korea during the war, and for several years after its cease-fire. On TV, characters like Hawkeye and Trapper John presided over tent-clad operating rooms, while in real life, a native Savannahian, Frank Rizza, skillfully handled a scalpel in battle-torn Korea.

Rizza is a proud Benedictine Cadet, class of 1946. He attended then-Armstrong Junior College, where he became interested in medicine.

“I was always the fastest one at dissecting animals in biology class,” he says, of his inkling to pursue a career in surgery.

From Armstrong, he went on to Emory University, and then to the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. Earning his MD in 1954, he began a four-year residency in the competitive program at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, the second-largest hospital in the country at the time.

“Charity was a great teaching hospital and I had the opportunity to learn and practice a wide variety of surgical procedures at an accelerated pace,” Rizza recalls.

In 1957, midway through his residency, he was drafted into the Army Medical Corps. After a very brief indoctrination at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, he reported to the 4043 (43rd) MASH unit in South Korea, near the small village of Naporri, just south of the heavily-fortified Demilitarized Zone.

Though actual MASH units were much larger than what audiences saw on television, this operating room at the 8055th could easily be mistaken for a set from the long-running TV series.
During the Korean War, the close proximity of MASH units to the front lines helped reduce the mortality rate of wounded soldiers to a low of 2.5 percent, compared to 4.5 percent during World War II. Another major reason for Korean MASH life-saving success was the development of an excellent triage system — the prioritization of each patient’s wounds, which was later adapted for hospital emergency rooms. MASH units handled high casualty volumes, increasing in size from their original 150-bed capacities to 400 beds, in some cases. Although a cease-fire ended the war in 1953, doctors were still needed in Korea. American troops remained in the southern sector of the divided peninsula and required medical treatment as a result of accidents and cease-fire violations.

The 43rd, like the other MASH units, was considerably larger than the 4077 from TV. There were up to 10 doctors in the real MASH units instead of the four surgeons seen on television. But no matter the size of the facility, mobility was key. Soldiers had to be able to disassemble the makeshift medical base and load its pieces on vehicles within hours, ready to leave for a new location. During Rizza’s time at the 43rd, it remained in one place, not the norm for MASH units.

On a good day, only a few arriving patients required medical attention, but if heavy combat was nearby, all 400 beds could fill quickly.

“At the 43rd,” he says, “some days we had little to do, but on others we might receive a bunch of surgical cases.” The 24th Infantry Division was deployed near the 43rd, and because of frequent live-fire practice by its artillery battalions, hand and arm injuries were common. Officially, the MASH units in Korea were only authorized to treat American or UN coalition military personnel, but many nearby Korean civilians sought medical care. Security would not allow them inside the enclosed compound, so the doctors and nurses would take their treatment tools outside the gates.

“I delivered a number of babies just outside our compound, using whatever blankets or ground cover was available,” he says. “It was sort of primitive but we did the best we could with what we had, and it was a pleasure to hand a wailing newborn to a grateful young mother.”

Foreign aid, of the most human kind.

Consistent with the compassion typical of medical professionals, Rizza and his mates offered care to friend and foe alike. “We even treated some of the enemy who were captured in the DMZ or who had deserted,” he says. Rizza describes the living conditions at the 43rd as “tolerable.” He didn’t have a homemade still or some of the other eccentric amenities depicted on TV, and his unit wasn’t spit-and-polish rigid, either. Much of the equipment was basic, and officers (which included all doctors and nurses) lived in small two-man huts, with enlisted personnel in larger quarters. The officers and enlisted personnel are separately, and the food was adequate but seldom fresh.

On slow days, practical jokes were popular. He vividly remembers the snowball fights he and his colleagues had during the bitter Korean winters. For a Southerner, like Rizza, the snow was an interesting novelty at first, and then an uncomfortable regularity as time wore on.

The Army tried to keep the men and women of its MASH units in good spirits. “We had four or five USO shows each year, which helped with morale,” he says.

Time off was important, too. During his time in Korea, Rizza took two one-week leaves, one in Japan and one in Thailand.

Near the end of his 18-month deployment, a ranking retention officer tried his best to get the doctor to re-enlist. “Although I had just been promoted to captain, he promised me an almost immediate promotion to major if I remained in the Army,” he recalls with a smile. “Thanks but no thanks.”

Instead, he was released from active duty and returned to New Orleans.

After completing the remainder of his residency, he worked with Rowena Spencer for two years. Spencer was a trailblazing pediatric surgeon who helped break the gender barrier.

“It was an especially rewarding time for me,” Rizza recalls. “And it was a particular highlight for us every time we were able to successfully separate Siamese twins (treatment for which people would come from far and wide to see Spencer).”

Rizza remained in New Orleans in private practice, affiliated with the medical facilities of both Louisiana State and Tulane Universities. He was a leader in the specialty of pediatric surgery in the South.

Retiring in 1997, he returned home to Savannah. to the Hostess City’s delight. He became a regular parishioner at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, and was a driving force in the restoration of the long-neglected Catholic cemetery. He is one of the founding members of the Italian Society of Savannah, helping to guide it from a mere social club to a civic-minded organization. “We had the first organization- al meeting in my living room,” he says proudly.

For his admired work, Rizza received several prestigious international honors. In 1965, he traveled to London for induction into the British Royal Society of Medicine. The following year, he journeyed to Austria, where he was granted life membership in the American Medical Society of Vienna.

Rizza is adept with knives outside the operating room, too. Over the years, he accumulated one of the region’s most prominent dining silver collections, which he has donated to the Telfair Museums. His affinity for fine tableware seems apt, given his gentlemanly ways and love of entertaining.

Despite recent health challenges, he remains as charming and upbeat as ever. Over the years, he cared for soldiers and children in times of distress. Today, caring professionals provide him treatment and comfort. And he rewards them with his steadfast smile.
Dawn Cordo says she typically sees yellow belly sliders lined up on this lagoon pipe behind her house on Black Hawk Trail. “However, on this warm early December day, our resident alligator decided to take advantage of the spot. I was amazed to see this turtle climb up and investigate the intruder. Happily, the gator remained still and did not seem bothered at all. After some investigation, the turtle relinquished its spot and joined his/her other pals across the lagoon.

“Wild Things” is a regular feature in The Skinnie, featuring your photographs of our beloved island. Email your high-resolution photos to production@theskinnie.com. Please include your name and a little info about where the photo was taken.
Just like the Georgia/Oklahoma game, our Skinnie Bowl Bonanza was one for the ages. We made a couple of goofs that caused some issues – 1) we mistakenly pitted Miami against Central Michigan when it was Wyoming who bested the Chippewas. Oops! And 2) we left in an old tiebreaker game; the Ohio St./Michigan matchup from November 25. This one kind of did and didn’t really come into play.

We had two competitors that picked 23 of 34 correct. The stalwart “Dandy” Don Schoenwald and “Sunday” Sue Jones; back in the mix for the second time in a row. Although the tiebreaker game was cause for confusion, the pair both picked 51 as the total score of some or other nebulous game. We could blame it all on Russian collusion and appoint a special council but I think we just declare them Co-Champions and give them both a prize! It's a win-win for the dynamic duo and The Skinnie.

Congratulations Don and Sue and many thanks to all of our faithful followers who send in their picks issue after issue during football season. We sure have a lot of fun with it and hope you do, too.

Happy New Year to all!

WE WANT YOU To Share Your Story!

There’s a lot of military service among our readers, active and retired, from all branches of the military, as well as police, fire and other first responders. Help us recognize their service by nominating them to be featured in an upcoming He Served.

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THE NEW YOU

WHAT: Are you a New Neighbors member?
CONTACT: To join, go to the website and click on Membership, or contact Deb Werner at nnnewmember@gmail.com or 912.660.0174
WHAT ELSE: New Neighbors is a very active club open to any individual who lives at The Landings on a full- or part-time basis, is over the age of 21 and has never belonged to the Landings New Neighbors. The club offers more than 250 different activities, tours and events for you to enjoy. Go to www.landingsnewneighbors.com to see more examples of how exciting New Neighbors can be.

BABY PICTURES

WHAT: Phyllis Tildes art on display
WHEN: January thru February – 7 days a week during normal business hours
WHERE: At The Landings Company Welcome Center/Sales Office (just beyond the North Gate)
WHAT ELSE: Award-winning children’s book author and illustrator, Phyllis Limbacher Tildes, will brighten the Landings Company Welcome Center during January and February with colorful illustrations of birds, plants and animals from her latest books for the very young. Birds matching the colors in their environment illustrate Baby's First Book of Birds and Colors. A sleepy fox kit from Baby Animals Take a Nap and a puddle-bathing chickadee chick from Baby Animals Take a Bath are just some of the critters for you to enjoy during this two-month display.

BREAKING THE ICE

WHAT: Landlovers Winter Social
WHEN: Thursday, Feb 1, 6:30 p.m.
WHERE: Plantation Ballroom
HOW MUCH: $58 per person, payable to Landings Landlovers
CONTACT: Ellen Cayer at ercayer@gmail.com or 912.598.4358
WHAT ELSE: Landlovers will be bringing SCAD to the Landings along with the Landings Art Association for “A Night at the Museum.” The Landings Museum will open at 6:30 p.m. for you to explore and purchase paintings, photographs and prints, while enjoying cocktails and appetizers. An elegant dinner will follow at 7:30 leading into a night of great dancing. Make reservations beginning Tuesday, Jan. 2.

HISTORICAL EVENT

WHAT: Ogeechee Audubon Society Field Trip to Fort Pulaski National Monument
WHEN: Saturday, Jan. 6, 2 p.m.
WHERE: Meet in parking area in front of the guard house to carpool into the fort

CONTACT: Diana Churchill, 912.604.7539 or dichurchbirds@gmail.com
HOW MUCH: Free and open to the public

TAG, YOU’RE IT

WHAT: Telfair Academy Guild (TAG) Member Event
WHEN: Monday, Jan. 8, 10 a.m.
WHERE: Jepson Museum, Neises Auditorium
WHAT ELSE: January TAG coffee and meeting with a presentation by Amanda Everard, president of Everard Auctions and Appraisals, who gives a behind-the-scenes look at “The Antiques Road Show.” TAG Members and their guests are welcome.

THE ONLY WAY TO FLY

WHAT: CCA of Skidaway January Meeting – Fly Fishing
WHERE: St. Peter’s Church
WHEN: Monday, Jan. 8, 7 p.m.
CONTACT: Dave Devore, 330.329.6457
WHAT ELSE: Chad Dubose of Rivers & Glen Trading Company will give attendees an overview of fly-fishing knots, casting and flies for fishing for coastal gamefish and fishing the lagoons in the Landings. John Parish will provide a glimpse of fish swimming in Russia’s Kamchatka Peninsula, including what is involved in travel to Russia, a description and visuals of the peninsula, how the trip is structured, and costs, as well as a discussion of what fish are there to catch and what makes this trip so unique. John will also introduce the new fly fishing program that is being started by the Skidaway Chapter of the CCA for Landings residents. The CCA’s January raffle prize will be a fly rod, reel and line from Rivers & Glen

STARS OF DAVID

WHAT: Jewish Women of the Landings (JWOL)
WHEN: Tuesday, Jan. 9, 4 p.m.
WHERE: Member’s Home
HOW MUCH: Free to JWOL Members
CONTACT: Lynn Simon, lynnsimon46@gmail.com
WHAT ELSE: Get the lowdown from our own astrological guru, Lynn Simon. For some 40 years, Lynn has been interpreting horoscopes for clients all over the world. Hear how she developed this unique expertise and get a reading on your own future. Submit the time, place and date of your birth in advance, so Lynn can look into the heavens for you. This is a small-group educational activity, and seating is limited. Please reserve your place now.

FURNITURE FUN

WHAT: Telfair Academy Guild — TAG@NIGHT
WHEN: Wednesday, Jan. 10, 5:30 to 7 p.m.
WHERE: Jere’s Antiques, 9 North Jefferson St.
WHAT ELSE: Jere’s Antiques, will speak to our group on antiques and the antique business. Members and their guests are welcome.

WHERE FOR ART THOU?

WHAT: Opening reception and raffle for Lind Hollingsworth and Mary Ellen McLaughlin
WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 11, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
WHERE: Hospice Savannah Art Gallery, 1352 Eisenhower Dr.
CONTACT: Beth Logan, Director of Marketing, 912.355.2289 or www.Hospicesavannah.org/ArtGallery
WHAT ELSE: Lind Hollingsworth graduated from Auburn with a degree in Architectural Interior Design and from GSU with a Masters in Art Education. The founder of the Art School in Savannah, Lind currently teaches at the Studio School. She works in mixed media, striving to capture the character of both the Southeast’s flora and fauna and mannemade structures through “relief” paintings, which incorporate clay, collage, photo transfers, found objects and paint. Her work is included in the permanent collections of Memorial Health and St. Joseph’s Hospital in Savannah.

BOOK CLUB

WHAT: Jewish Women of the Landings (JWOL)
WHEN: Monday, Jan. 15, 10 a.m.
WHERE: Member’s Home
HOW MUCH: Free to JWOL Members
CONTACT: Sherri Reddick - sherrireddick@me.com or Phyllis Aaron - paaron@comcast.net
WHAT ELSE: Orphan Number Eight, by Kim van Alkenmade, is the stunning new historical novel inspired by true events, the story of a woman who must choose between revenge and mercy when she encounters the doctor who subjected her to dangerous medical experiments in a New York City Jewish orphanage. In 1919, Rachel Rubinowitz is a vivacious four-year-old living with her family in a crowded tenement on New York’s Lower East Side. When tragedy strikes, Rachel is separated from her family and sent to an orphanage where Dr. Mildred Solomon is conducting medical research. After being subjected to X-ray treatments that leave her disfigured, she runs away at age 15. Years later, Rachel finds herself confronting a cancer-stricken Dr. Solomon at Manhattan’s Old Hebrews Home, where Rachel is a nurse. Lush in historical detail and based on true events, this novel will be sure to elicit a powerful discussion.

MAGNIFYING THE PROBLEM

WHAT: Winter Science Series: Microplastics Lab
WHEN: Tuesday, Jan.16, 9 to 11 a.m.
ISLAND HOPPING

WHERE: UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium, 30 Ocean Science Cir.

HOW MUCH: $15, Registration and payment ASAP

CONTACT: Kayla Clark, kayla270@uga.edu or 912.598.3345

WHAT ELSE: Learn about the most recent research on microplastics in Georgia during this interactive microscope lab for the general public. Try your hand at identifying microplastics in local water samples and discover ways that you can help prevent microplastic pollution in the ocean. This event is part of the winter weekday series at the UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium, adult environmental education classes held one Tuesday a month from December to March.

A GREAT GALA

WHAT: Velvet Gala

WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 18, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

WHERE: Cohen’s Retreat, 5715 Skidaway Rd.

HOW MUCH: Tickets are $45 each - www.velvetgala.evernoteit.com or 912.354.5867

WHAT ELSE: This fundraiser for the Mediation Center of the Coastal Empire will feature drinks, appetizers, a raffle, and entertainment by Ricardo Ochoa and his Gypsy Jazz Quartet. For more information about the Mediation Center, please visit www.mediationsavannah.com

BOATLOADS OF FUN

WHAT: SIBC annual kick-off reception

WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 18, 6 p.m.

WHERE: Plantation Ballroom

HOW MUCH: $25 per person

CONTACT: sbiboatingclub@gmail.com

WHAT ELSE: Skidaway Island Boating Club invites prospective and current members to enjoy heavy appetizers and a cash bar, and to listen to their guest speaker. Everyone is welcome, but you need to register here or contact one of our several wonderful hosts. One to three homes will be hosting for this event, so please make your reservations now. Come cruise into the New Year with us!

FAFF TRADE

WHAT: Savannah Council on World Affairs - Mathew Kroening presents, “The North Korean Nuclear Threat and What to Do About It"

WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 18; Membership Social - 7:30 p.m., Program – 8 p.m.

WHERE: Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church, 50 Diamond Causeway

HOW MUCH: $10 charge for non-members, open to the public and free for members, students and accompanying family members, educators, and active duty military and their dependents

CONTACT: www.savannahcwa.org

WHAT ELSE: Annual individual membership - $40; Family membership - $60. The Savannah Council on World Affairs, Inc. is a non-partisan, non-profit organization. Its purpose is to make available information, analysis, and strategic thinking about important international issues.

CARING FOR THE COAST

WHAT: Coastal Stewards Workshop: “Stormwater and Green Infrastructure”

WHEN: Friday and Saturday, Jan. 19-20, Friday 5 to 8 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium, 30 Ocean Science Cir.

HOW MUCH: $100, Registration and payment ASAP

CONTACT: Kayla Clark, kayla270@uga.edu or 912.598.3345

WHAT ELSE: Discover how stormwater runoff impacts Georgia’s waterways, and embrace innovative green infrastructure solutions. The Coastal Stewards program is a series of environmental education workshops targeted to adults living on or visiting the Georgia coast. The goal of the program is to engage adults in activities designed to improve their knowledge of coastal ecosystems, enhance understanding of current issues impacting coastal communities, and inspire stewardship of natural resources. Each workshop contains a mixture of lecture, lab and field activities using scientific and recreational equipment.

ONE FISH, TWO FISH

WHAT: CCA Fish Fry and Award Ceremony

WHEN: Friday, Jan. 19, 6 p.m.

WHERE: Delegal Marina

HOW MUCH: $25 per ticket, includes food, beer, wine, soft drinks and tax

CONTACT: Rich Dahl, 912.929.6131 or Stan Fater, 912.429.2838

WINTER SOCIAL

WHAT: Jewish Women of the Landings (JWOL) Fourth Annual Youth Ocean Conservation Summit

WHEN: Saturday, Jan. 20, 7 p.m.

WHERE: Members’ Homes

HOW MUCH: $3 per person or $6 per couple

CONTACT: Rochelle Frank, ar_frank@msn.com or Patt Kaplan, parkyoga@gmail.com

WHAT ELSE: JWOL Progressive Dinner. Save the date and join us for the opening social event of 2018. We will have multiple locations, thanks to our several wonderful hosts. One to three homes will host heavy hors d’oeuvres, and one or two homes will host desserts. Everyone attending will bring kosher style hors d’oeuvres or dessert. If you would like to host, or for details, please contact one of our co-chairs. Space may be limited to first-come, first-served, so please make your reservations now.

WALK ON THE WILD SIDE

WHAT: Ogeechee Audubon Society Field Trip: Onslow Island National Wildlife Refuge

WHEN: Wednesday, Jan. 24, 8 a.m.

WHERE: Meet at the entrance to Onslow Island

CONTACT: Mary Lou Dickson, marylou@dicksonimages.com

WHAT ELSE: Look for shorebirds, songbirds, wading birds and more. Be prepared for lots of walking and bring your bug spray.

GAMES PEOPLE PLAY

WHAT: Landlowsers Games Day and Luncheon

WHEN: Thursday, Jan. 25, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Plantation Ballroom

HOW MUCH: $35 per person

CONTACT: Vicki Knapp, 200.4500, vjknappp@gmail.com

WHAT ELSE: Luncheon and 50/50 raffle followed by your choice of bridge, Mah-Jongg, dominoes or canasta. Or, add a new game and bring your own group. Sign up as an individual or organize your own table. Sign up and pay online at landingslandlowsers.com, beginning Dec. 15

CONSERVATIVE THINKING

WHAT: Fourth Annual Youth Ocean Conservation Summit

WHEN: Saturday, Jan. 27, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: UGA Marine Education Center and Aquarium

Location: 30 Ocean Science Circle, Savannah, GA 31411

HOW MUCH: $10 per person, registration and payment required by Jan. 15

CONTACT: 912.598.2354 or fish@uga.edu

WHAT ELSE: YOCS empowers 7th to 12th grade students with the knowledge, skills and resources necessary to successfully implement ocean conservation projects in their local communities. The summit will take place at the Marine Education Center and Aquarium on Skidaway Island near Savannah. YOCS is limited to 50 students on a first-come, first-serve basis. Includes lunch and all materials.

DOMINOES DELIVERS

WHAT: NOGTOB’s Mexican Train Dominoes and Buffet Dinner

WHEN: Sunday, Jan. 28, 6 p.m.

WHERE: Plantation’s Azalea Room.

HOW MUCH: $32.74 including tax and gratuity

WHAT ELSE: You must be a Landings Club member (or guest of a member) in order to reserve a seat. RSVP to Toni Floyd at tfloyd13@aol.com with your name, club number, number of people, whether you can bring a Dominoes set, and if so, how many players it accommodates. Mexican Train Dominoes is a fun and easy game to learn. If necessary, we will provide instructions prior to play.

GOLF CARTS NEVER DIE

WHAT: Golf carts remove barriers to great experiences for people with disabilities

WHY: When Landings Resident Leslie Michael’s husband passed, she did not want to maintain their aging golf cart. However, she learned that instead...
of selling it, she could donate it to Removing the Barriers Initiative, a Florida-based nonprofit, and it would continue to live by becoming the Nurse’s cart in camps for children and families living with disabilities.

**HOW:** Her sister, a speech therapist, along with her husband, a retired camp director, were involved with making traditional camp settings accessible to people with mobility issues. With something as simple as a used golf cart, suddenly the entire camp experience could be enjoyed by families who were previously marginalized – from the s’mores at the fire ring, to the lake, to the nature trails. They call the program W.I.N. – Wheels In Nature. Camps in Georgia, Florida and Alabama are currently being served and in need of golf carts.

**CONTACT:** bill@removingthebarriers.org or call 863.652.1924. If the cart runs, they will pick it up and put it to work. Donations are tax deductible.

**COMMUNITY COMMENDATION**

**WHAT:** Landlovers Community Service Merit Award

**WHERE:** Go to www.landingslandlovers.com under “Philanthropy” then “Awards” for an application and details.

**CONTACT:** Maryce Cunningham at 335.1717, marycecunningham@yahoo.com

**WHAT ELSE:** This award recognizes outstanding volunteer work and contributions made by high school seniors who are planning to further their education in the fall of 2018.

**TIME TO SIGN**

**WHAT:** Landlovers Membership Enrollment

**WHEN:** For 2017-2018, which runs from September 1 to August 31, currently being accepted

**HOW MUCH:** $20 per family

**WHERE:** landingslandlovers.com, select the Join/Renew option

**CONTACT:** Lynn Stephens at landloversmembership@gmail.com or 228.5383

**WHAT ELSE:** The Hold Harmless waiver must accompany all checks

**WE HAVE A WIENER**

**WHAT:** Landings Longdogs Get-togethers

**WHEN:** Every two to three weeks, as posted

**WHERE:** Landings Harbor Marina

**CONTACT:** Penny Farley, pennyfartearly@rocketmail.com

**WHAT ELSE:** We are a lively group of dachshund owners who love to get together for dog fun...and a glass of wine!

**BALLS OF FUN**

**WHAT:** “Bocce and Cocktails”

**WHEN:** Every Sunday afternoon, 3 to 5 p.m.

**WHERE:** Bocce Ball Courts at Franklin Creek

**HOW MUCH:** Free – but please bring refreshments to share

**WHAT ELSE:** No RSVP required. Simply drop by. Please bring an appetizer to serve eight, a bottle of wine or other beverage to share, with cups, and a lawn chair if you have one. This is a non-league, fun event to eat, drink, be merry, and meet new friends, with bocce thrown in. No teams required, so players will rotate in shortened games so that all can play if they wish. Open to Landings Club members. Newbies and beginners welcomed.

**MAN OF BRONZE**

**WHAT:** “Rodin: The Human Experience”

**WHEN:** Now through Jan. 7

**WHERE:** Jepson Center

**HOW MUCH:** Museum members free, non-members general admission

**CONTACT:** Telfair.org/rodin

**WHAT ELSE:** “Rodin: The Human Experience,” presents a selection of 32 figures in bronze by Auguste Rodin (1840-1917), the French sculptor who left behind 19th century academic traditions to focus on conveying the passion and vitality of the human spirit. Telfair Museums will present this exhibition in honor of the centennial of Rodin’s death.

**THOROUGHLY MODERN**

**WHAT:** “Kirk Varnedoe: In the Middle at the Modern”

**WHEN:** Now thru Feb. 11

**WHERE:** Jepson Center

**HOW MUCH:** Museum members free, non-members general admission

**CONTACT:** Telfair.org

**WHAT ELSE:** Can you have an art exhibition without any artwork? Is a curator an artist? Who or what decides an object’s value? “In the Middle at the Modern” challenges the nature of authenticity and the power of museums to define what is “high” and what is “low.” A Savannah native and national art legend, Varnedoe helped set in motion these questions as Chief Curator of Painting and Sculpture at the Museum of Modern Art (1988-2001). This biographic exhibition of altered documents, photographs, animations, and ephemera explores how Varnedoe’s journey from an early art class at Telfair Academy to one of the world’s leading museums sharpened his values and curatorial insight. “Telfair Museums is proud to support “phantom curators” Triple Candie in organizing this one-of-a-kind exhibition.

**CARING AND SHARING**

**WHAT:** Stroke Support Group

**WHEN:** Third Thursday of each month, 4 to 5 p.m.

**WHERE:** Messiah Lutheran Church, 1 West Ridge Rd.

**HOW MUCH:** Free and open to all stroke survivors

**CONTACT:** Shirley Nack, 598.7047

**WHAT ELSE:** Following a stroke, a survivor’s anxiety, fear, and frustration can be enormous. We offer encouragement and determination in this group.

**DESK DUTY**

**WHAT:** Volunteers Needed

**WHERE:** The Alzheimer’s Association office in Savannah

**CONTACT:** Theresa Winters Bayman, 912.920.4701

**WHAT ELSE:** The Alzheimer’s Association office in Savannah (serving the 19 coastal counties) is seeking retirees interested in volunteering. We are looking for office greeters at 201 Television Circle. Responsibilities include welcoming guests, signing for packages, assisting in putting education packets or mailings together, and other tasks as needed. Office hours are 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, with flexible shifts. Thank you for helping us support families in our area.

**MEET AND EAT**

**WHAT:** Landlovers Social Singles

**CONTACT:** Barbara Meyer at 335.4673 or bpmeyer63@yahoo.com

**WHAT ELSE:** Are you a Landlovers member who is widowed, divorced or single? Come join us for various social outings where you can come alone and feel comfortable and welcome. We always have fun, good food and meet great friends. Contact Barbara to be added to the membership list.

**KITTEN KABOODLE**

**WHAT:** Food Drive to Support Kitten Season

**CONTACT:** Rosemary Longueira, 598.2875

**WHAT ELSE:** The Humane Society of Greater Savannah is in desperate need of Purina Kitten Chow. Every bag makes a big difference in feeding kittens until they are adopted. Bring your donation directly to the Humane Society on Sallie Mood Drive during normal business hours (seven days a week), or call Rosemary Longueira and she will be happy to pick it up and deliver it for you. Visit www.humanesocietysav.org to learn about all the wonderful things the Humane Society does in Savannah, and check out all the loving pets waiting for their forever homes.

**GOTTA LOVE IT**

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ACROSS
1. Edible initialism
4. Tall hat worn by British troops at Waterloo
9. Type of clerk or service
13. Ocho ___, Jamaica
15. Subdued
16. “This one’s ___”
17. Start of a Steven Wright quote (four words)
20. Face bone
21. When most NFL games start
22. Ustinov role in “Quo Vadis”
23. Inspector Clouseau’s Oriental manservant
25. Margin of victory
28. Part two of quote (two words)
33. Word on a Nice stop sign
35. Obi portrayer in “Star Wars”
36. The ‘S’ in B.S.
37. ___ BEN JONSON
38. Disney subsidiary
39. Like 23-Across
41. Queens, in chess
42. Dangle
44. Dynamite ingredient
45. Part three of quote (four words)
49. Refusals
50. Org. of car retailers
51. Nick Charles’s dog
53. It’s all in your head
56. Ella Fitzgerald?

60. End of quote (three words)
64. WWW
65. “___ Quatermain” (Haggard)
66. It set the long-term capital gains tax rate at 20%
67. Gobs
68. Exercise power
69. Thing in a thole

DOWN
1. Nerve
2. Swindler, e.g.
3. Ossuary
4. Last name of ‘Bonnie Prince Charlie’
5. Cry at a fox hunt
6. Late British songstress Winehouse
7. Common sheep parasite
8. Remodeled center?
9. Money vis-à-vis evil
10. Not fooled by
11. Prognostic
12. Iranian of old
13. Louse
14. Observator
15. Ireland’s BBC equivalent
16. Sistine Chapel location
17. Engineering math req.
18. Lang
19. Five-time U.S. ice dancing champion
20. Took a bad turn
21. Zealot
22. Colombian drug lord Escobar
23. Scandalous type of book

38. ___-Bank (Russia’s largest commercial bank)
40. Star of “The Manchurian Candidate”
43. Like XO Armagnac
46. Fjords, essentially
47. “Dennis the Menace”, e.g.
48. Rise
52. Kind of room in a pub
53. Pet
54. Southwesterly winter wind in Hawaii
55. “Deutschland ___ Alles”
57. Bandleader in “Dirty Dancing”
58. Cornell of Cornell University
59. Bring up
61. When doubled, a papaya
62. Cole Porter, for one
63. Any beer other than lager, stout, or porter

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