

# Messenger

*To provide adults who need a limited amount of support an option for independent living in a secure, community-centered environment.*

SPRINGBOARD  
LANDINGS

April 2019



## A Message from our President, Sara K. Butler

I am so pleased to be filling the role of President for Springboard Landings. I am blessed to be trusted by our founders, Pat and Charlie Cooper, and all the Board members to lead us through the next stages of growth for the organization. I'd like to start by telling you how much I appreciate all the hard work that so many people have contributed to bring Springboard Landings this far. I recognize we wouldn't be where we are without the outstanding effort and long hours from the leadership team, and the generous contributions made by our wonderful donors. Thank you!

At the beginning of this year we added two new Board members, Ward Chaffin and Father Mark Hunt. Our expanding Board will help us in making huge strides in our move towards our first Springboard Landings site. As we continue to grow, we are looking for some great volunteers to add to our Fundraising Committee, so if you are interested in taking part in this or know someone who would be a great fit please contact us!

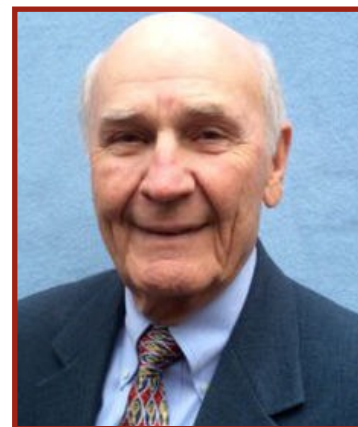
This next year will be filled with excitement as the vision of Springboard Landings becomes closer to reality. With the Board in place, and with the help of some truly awesome volunteers, we will move our focus to determining the exact location for Springboard's first residence. Additionally, we will be studying new fundraising opportunities and expanding our donor base. I believe that 2019 is going to be an amazing year for Springboard and look forward to sharing all of our new events and activities with all of you as we go along.

*Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Psalm 127:1*

## From the Co-Founder and Past President, Charlie Cooper

Congratulations to Sara Butler as she accepts the presidency of Springboard Landings. It's an exciting time for SL as Sara is extremely well qualified to lead; and as we welcome talented new Board members, Ward Chaffin and Father Mark Hunt. They have the passion and expertise to enhance our already very capable Board to help bring SL's vision to fruition. We extend our appreciation to Kathryn Blankenship for her many years of guidance and dedication to the growth of SL as she leaves our Board.

As co-founders Pat and I will continue to be involved in Springboard Landings as we work shoulder to shoulder with those who share our vision. We want to assure our future Landers and their parents who are counting on us that you're in good hands. Springboard Landings' first apartment building will soon be a reality!



*Presented by The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee*

**24-hour online giving challenge**

**Let's build this together!**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Once again, we depend on YOU!

Please find a special insert enclosed that can be used as a reminder to go to **TheBigPayback.org** on **May 2nd** to support us.

Online Event Starts: May 2nd at 12:00am CDT

Online Event Ends: May 2nd at 11:59pm CDT

Just type in: Springboard Landings

## CREATING MEMORIES

### A WINE TASTING BENEFITTING SPRINGBOARD LANDINGS



## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

January 28, 2019

It was an honor to be invited to speak in front of the ladies of Altrusa International District Four about the mission of Springboard Landings.

Altrusa is an international non-profit organization making our local communities better through leadership, partnership and service. Founded in Nashville, TN in 1917, this women's civic organization now has clubs all over the world.

Thank you!

*John Cooper*





## Meet Our New Board Members



**J. Ward Chaffin, CPA, MBA**

Ward is the Principal, Accounting and Business Solutions, at Crosslin PLLC in Nashville. He is an active CPA in the State of Tennessee and a member of the AICPA and TSCPA. His clients include small to mid-sized businesses, not-for-profit organizations, medical practices, and distribution companies. Prior experience includes being the Corporate Controller for a startup physician practice management company and the Director of Finance for an educational technology company.

Ward graduated with honors from the University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration. He also received a Master of Business Administration with honors from the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University.



**Father Mark Hunt**

Father Mark Hunt is a native of Nashville and a graduate of Father Ryan High School (1985) and Spring Hill College (1989) in Mobile Alabama. While at Spring Hill, Mark volunteered tutoring residents at the Larche Community, a residential home for people with disabilities. Before entering the seminary in 1996 Mark worked for seven years as a case worker for Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement first in Dallas, Texas as a member of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps and then in 1990 here in Nashville, Tennessee.

Fr. Mark received his Master of Divinity from Notre Dame Seminary in New Orleans, Louisiana in 2001. He was ordained to the priesthood in June of 2001.

He was first assigned to be Associate Pastor at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church in Hendersonville, TN and later taught theology and was Chaplain at Pope John Paul II High School. In the fall of 2003 he was assigned to Father Ryan High School as Associate Principal, while being In Residence at St. Matthews in Franklin, TN. In the summer of 2007 he became Associate Pastor at St. Matthews and Chaplin at Father Ryan High School. From 2008-2017 Fr. Mark Hunt was pastor of Holy Rosary Catholic Church. His current assignment is as Chaplain at Mary Queen of Angels, an assisted living facility and Mercy Convent. He serves on the Board of Catholic Charities here in Nashville and on the Tennessee Office for Refugees Board.

### YOU'RE INVITED!

**April 24, 2019**

**Choose a session to attend:**

**For more information:**

#### Learn about:

- ECF CHOICES
- Community Resources
- Regional Vendor

**April 24, 2019 at 1:00-3:00**

Goodwill Center  
937 Herman St.  
Nashville, TN 37208

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**Stacey Irish**

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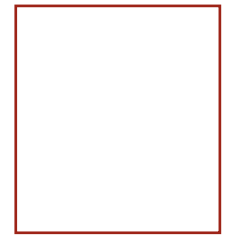
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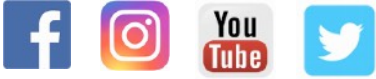
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If so, please contact us at 615-719-9060 or email us at [info@springboardlandings.org](mailto:info@springboardlandings.org) so we can update your information and keep you informed.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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