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• Next Gathering •

Thursday Sept 5th
Open Social Hour
Open Dinner \$35.00 per person
5:30 pm Social Hour
6:30 pm Initiations & Dinner
Members & Initiates Only during initiation

• Location •

Dave & Busters
Arundel Mills
7000 Arundel Mills Cir D-1
Hanover, MD. 210



2013 UP COMING EVENTS • SAVE THE DATE

10/02/2013

Open Business Brewers Alley in Frederick

12/17/2013

Annual Holiday Party

11/07/13

Business Meeting location and time TBA

Information on events will be in future News Letters and are listed on our web page www.nationalcapitalpond.com on the events calendar!

A Note from Our Golf Outing Chair

Fellow Ganders,

I would like to thank all of you that supported the 2013 National Capital Pond Golf Outing. The outing was a great success considering the weather and hard decision to postpone the Event. Special thanks to Tiffany Barrett and Brittany Button for all of their hard work and time, especially during the last week prior to the rescheduled event. I would classify that week as almost starting over from day one, it felt like everything changed. Thanks to everyone that hung in there, got us the changes for their groups and still managed to come out to support the Event. I hope that everyone had a memorable time and enjoyed the course at Montgomery Country Club. Now that we have a little experience running the Golf Outing, we hope to bring some positive and fun changes to next year's event and hope to see all of the same faces join us again! This outing was, and in the future will be, in memory of our dear friend Alan Levine. Next year we will have the time to dedicate in preparing the flyers and signs needed to remember our friend.

T.F.

Kyle Cordeiro
CAPEZIO CONTRACTORS INC.

MLG Letter from Ian Jenkins

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer! With vacation season winding down, the National Capital Pond officers are looking forward to hosting another educational and fun filled season for our Ganders and Goslings. With over 30 new applicants on file, we expect to have one of the largest turnouts for September initiations.

Having just returned from the Grand Nest Convention in Quebec City this July, I can personally tell you that the Honorable Order of the Blue Goose International has much to offer our membership. These were a wonderful group of people to share the week with as well. The Quebec City Pond organized each day to include business, education, fellowship, and guided visits to the choicest locations within Quebec City. Although much of our time was spent in Le Chateau Frontenac perched high on the medieval ramparts of Quebec City, many of us were able to spend time perusing the steeply angled streets, relaxing under the shade of ancient trees, enjoying the Quebec City Summer Festival and sampling the local French cuisine.

Of particular note: During the convention was Mr. Bill Olson's nomination and election to Grand Supervisor of the Flock. Congratulations, Bill!

We hope to see many of you at the upcoming closed meeting on September 5th at Dave and Busters. I'd like to personally thank our Pond officers, committee chairs, committee participants and all those who make the National Capital Pond such a successful organization. Our membership is truly our greatest asset.

Sincerely,
Ian Jenkins - Restronics
Most Loyal Gander

Charity Update by Patrick Bergin!

Each year the Blue Goose has the opportunity to change people's lives and one way we accomplish this is through charity. This year we were able to donate to 3 eligible charities; John Randolph Foundation, GEM, and Catholic Charities. Each charity recipient received a check for \$500.00. There are many less fortunate people in this world and it is an honor to be a part of an organization that gives back to the community. I look forward to the future and to next year's recipients!

John Randolph Foundation

Nephew of James Austin was killed in a boating accident this past fall and there is a scholarship set up in his honor. Grayson Payne Austin was only 12 years old. The name of the scholarship fund is called Dig Deep 12 Scholarship Fund.

GEM (Girls Empowerment Mission)

Girl's Empowerment Mission is a program to empower high school girls from under-served communities by providing opportunities and growth experiences that will enable them to become independent, self-sufficient and confident young women. GEM is designed to address the needs of the girls it serves within a positive, nurturing, and supportive environment.

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities is Maryland's leading private provider of human services, known for compassionate care giving and programs aimed at self-sufficiency. Our more than 80 programs across the state care for over 160,000 people each year.

Here are the links to the 3 charities above. Feel free to check them out!



<http://www.johnrandolphfoundation.org/SchIndiv.cfm?SchID=48>



http://www.gemmaryland.org/GEM_Website/Welcome.html



Catholic Charities

<http://www.catholiccharities-md.org>


The NCP takes over Quebec! 2013 Convention Highlights!





Missed 2013's Convention? 2014's information will be announced soon and 2015 will be hosted by THE NATIONAL CAPITAL POND! It will be exciting and new!
 We will be expecting YOU!
 You can view more photos of the 2013 Convention on our web & Facebook page!

September's meeting is going to be a big one! Do you have someone who is planning on becoming a member and has not yet filled out the required application? Print this page and send it to Patrick Bergin ASAP. All applications must be completely filled out and signed off on prior to the September meeting. You can also download the application at www.nationalcapitalpond.com and click on the Become a Pond Member tab.

	Honorable Order of the Blue Goose International Application for the National Capital Pond (Application fee of \$50.00 must be attached)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> New Membership <small>(New Membership Date)</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement	<input type="checkbox"/> Flight			
Personal Information						
Last Name:		First Name:				
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Have you ever been a member of another pond? () Yes () No If "YES where: _____ Flight to _____ pond from _____ and has paid dues for the fiscal year ending _____. If Officer position held _____ Dates: _____						
Applicant's Signature: _____						
New Member vouched for by Three Ganders						
(1) _____ Print Sponsors Name		_____ Sponsor's Signature				
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Pond use Only: Dated: _____		Approved: _____ WGQ				



Due's Notice

Received your dues notice and still meaning to send in your dues? For easy reference print this page and mail your payment to Michelle ASAP. Dues are due by August 23rd 2013.



Membership Dues Notice

Date
July 24, 2013

	AMOUNT OWED
July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 Membership Dues	50.00
PLEASE RETURN INVOICE WITH 50.00 PAYMENT BY AUGUST 23, 2013	
TOTAL	50.00

Make checks payable to:

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The Blue Goose Directory will be available to members via E-Directory this year and will no longer be in print form. Another change is with advertising, we will not be offering advertising in connection with the Directory. Instead, it will be offered in the monthly Honker and will be available in a variety of sizes ranging from business card to full page to suit your marketing budget. This is a much better 'Bang for your Buck' because the honker is sent out each month to all of our Members with your ad in it each and every time!!



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**Did you know advertising in the
Honker supports our Pond?**

Now Soliciting Blue Goose Advertisers

“Are you looking for an affordable way to advertise to the Insurance Restoration Industry? The National Capital Pond publishes their newsletter monthly, 12 times per year. The newsletter is distributed to all of our members, over 140 people, each month. This is a great way to support our Pond and to make this marketing opportunity enticing we are offering several levels to fit each marketing budget.”

Advertising can be as small as a business card up to a full page.

Advertising Fees are as follows per year:

- **Business Card** \$ 240.00
(For only \$20.00 a month you can get your information to how many people?)
- **Quarter Page** \$ 600.00
- **Half Page** \$ 900.00
- **Full Page** \$1,200.00

If you would like to advertise your company in The Honker; please contact Barb Markuski at Capezio Contractors, Inc.

301-404-5758

Barb@CapezioContractor.com

Send your business card via jpeg to Donna Digman @ donna@servproofhuntvalley.com along with a hard copy to Donna Digman 1203 63rd Street Rosedale, MD 21237



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Hot Off the Press!



Hot Off the Press!



Happy Birthday to YOU!

- 8/11 – Bobby Burch
- 8/13 – Jim Martin
- 8/14 – Mark Odachowski
- 8/17 – John Henkel
- 8/26 – Barb Markuski
- 8/29 – Jason Digman

Help Wanted Seeking employment listings! New to the HONKER!

We got some news for you! We have tossed around the idea of having a Help Wanted / Seeking employment section within the Honker which also can be added to our website and Facebook page as posts!

We think this is a wonderful idea; this is a fast and growing industry and most of the time companies do hire within the industry.

This would be a FREE service for the members of our pond.

Send your postings to donna@servproofhuntvalley.com. Our only request is when the job has been filled please contact us to take the posting down.

Also, if your company is holding an event such as a blood drive, ce class etc. WE CAN SPREAD THE WORD in our newsletter. Send your details to donna@servproofhuntvalley.com



**2013-2014
Please contact
Michelle
Fitzwater to
pay your due!**

**HAVE YOU PAID
YOUR DUES?**

Buster Speaks!



Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened. ~ Dr. Seuss

Your work is going to fill a large part of your life, and the only way to be truly satisfied is to do what you believe is great work. And the only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle. As with all matters of the heart, you'll know when you find it. ~ Steve Jobs

Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence. ~ Helen Keller

“If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one.” — Dolly Parton

Important Reminders!

- ☺ Please pay your 2013 - 2014 dues.
- ☺ Read your Honker and send us feedback.
- ☺ September's meeting we will be initiating new members. Have all the applications been turned in?
- ☺ Have you contacted Barb to become an advertiser for the National Capital Pond?



GOLF OUTINGS



**Golf Outings
around
The Ponds!**

Garden State Pond

September 24, 2013 Garden State Pond Golf Outing.
Location Fox Hollow. Details to be announced!

No web page available.

Email: alsoltis@ajsresources.com



Caught in the Spot Light Mid-Year Meeting!

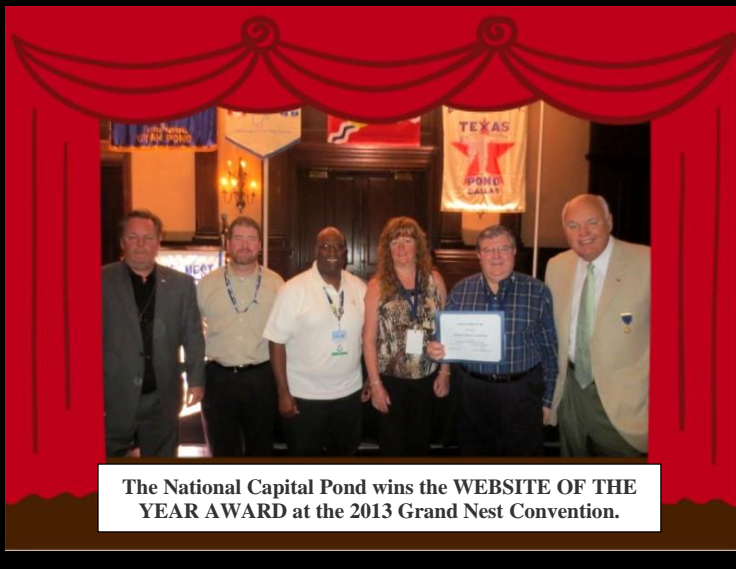
Hi all,

Just a quick note to say “Thank You” to all who took their time out of their schedules and also make the financial commitment to come to our Central Mid Year Meeting 😊 The Dayton Pond very much appreciated everyone coming and all the positive feedback we have heard thus far. It was great to see new faces as well as old faces and the fellowship that continues to evolve between all of us. It is great to be part of such an awesome organization! I hope all of you enjoyed the venues we selected for you to visit while you were here and look forward to seeing many of you at future meetings.

Tote Fair,
Kim Bilbrey



Did you know?
THE NCP WON the
International Award for Best
Website. This great news
was announced at the
Convention in Quebec!



The National Capital Pond wins the WEBSITE OF THE YEAR AWARD at the 2013 Grand Nest Convention.

National Capital Pond Gives to Charities

The recipient must be:

A not-for-profit organization: and endorsed by a National Capital Pond member in good standing

Donations not to exceed one \$500 award per quarter.

Donations are to be made in:

- February (1st Quarter)
- May (2nd Quarter)
- September (3rd Quarter)
- November (4th Quarter)

For an application go to <http://nationalcapitalpond.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/National-Capital-Pond-Charity-Committee.pdf>

NEW MEMBERS



Now is the time!

Do you have someone in mind to become a member of the NATIONAL CAPITAL POND?

Go to:

www.nationalcapitalpond.com for the membership application.

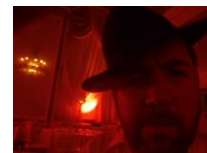


We hope you have enjoyed this copy of The Honker.

Please remember to visit our new web site and like us on Facebook. If you should have any questions, concerns or comments you may contact any board member and committee members with a simple click on the contact us link. We work hard to make the National Capital Pond what it is today and we cannot do it without you!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting in September.

As the meetings start back up in full swing at our September meeting remember to check our web page periodically for updates regarding our pond.



THE END!

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