

THE HONKER

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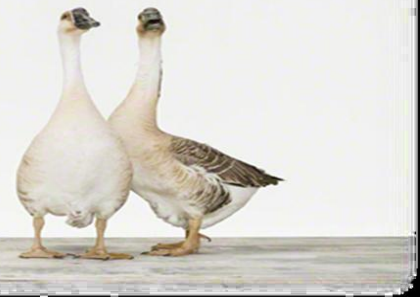
•Location•

Thursday 04/10/14
Social Hour @ 5:30 pm
Program @ 6:30 pm
Cost: \$35.00

Dave & Busters
7000 Arundel Mills Cr.
Hanover, MD 21076
www.daveandbusters.com

Open Business Meeting; bring a guest!
Free for Agents, Adjusters
(if they are 1st time guests!)

Reservations required
RSVP to Laura Jeffers
Gross, Mendelsohn & Associates, P.A.
ljeffers@gma-cpa.com



Guest Speaker: Stephon Scriber State Farm Agent

2014 UP COMING EVENTS • SAVE THE DATE

05/01/2014 Meeting / Initiation

06/16/2014 Golf Outing

July 2014 Family Fun Nite at Camden Yards
(More information in May's Honker)

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

The Madness Lives on!

March Madness / Casino Night Update!

This year's March Madness Casino Night was a huge success thanks to so many generous Ganders who sponsored our gaming tables & bar along with so many of you who donated great gaming gifts! Without the support from everyone we would not have been able to put on such a fun night and raise money for future events and charities! This year we netted almost \$4,500 thanks to everyone.

A big round of applause goes to Doug Mascari, owner of Service Master of Montgomery, Frederick, Howard & Washington Counties for sponsoring our biggest, most expensive Craps table! Restronic, PuroClean Restoration Specialists, Paul Davis of Gaithersburg, Service Master of Baltimore and Harford Cleaners rounded out our gaming sponsors...huge thank you to all!

Responsible for keeping everyone hydrated by sponsoring our bar are A Quality Finish, CRM Construction, Environmental Solutions, Gross Mendelsohn, Mariners of the Bay, Samons Services, Woodmoor Cleaners, Trident Engineering & Washington Claims Association...thank you!

Thank you to our support team! Our Cashiers, Vanesah Noeshel & Erikson Flynn made sure to take your money in exchange for Fun Bucks, hoping you kept coming back. Bill Olson kept the program on track as our MC and Donna Digman captured it all on film...can't wait to see it!!

Finally the biggest THANK YOU from me goes to my wonderful Committee of Wendy Fletcher & Ellen Martin who charmed most of you out of sponsorship dollars, Michelle Fitzwater who baked all night to provide delicious homemade delights to top off the evening and to Sheri Oughton who designed and printed all of the signage throughout the venue. Sheri and her sister Laura greeted everyone at the door and ran registration along with our Keeper Jason Smith.

As you see, it takes a village to put on such a night but we had a great time doing it...hope you all did too!!

Tote Fair

Barb Markuski

March Madness Casino Night Highlights!









Again Thank you to OUR Sponsors!

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Round up your foursome it's time to start thinking GOLF!



The Alan "Buster" Levine Memorial Golf Outing

National Capital Pond - HOBGI

28th Annual Golf Outing

Monday June 16th, 2014

Montgomery Country Club

20908 Golf View Dr
Laytonsville, Md.,



Format: Modified Scramble

Registration: 10:00 am

Lunch: 11:00 am

Shotgun Start: 1:00 pm

Dinner and Prizes following

Cost per Player: \$150.00



The Alan "Buster" Levine Memorial Golf Outing

National Capital Pond - HOBGI

Please fill out registration form and return to Kyle Cordeiro

8550 Veterans Highway

Millersville, Md., 21108

Kyle@CapezioContractor.com

Reservations are confirmed by receipt of check

Due by 6/6/14

Company Name: _____

Contact name with email and/or phone: _____

Players:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

Sponsorships please circle

Hole Sponsor: \$150.00 (1 meal included)

Longest Drive (Men & Woman's): \$200.00 ea

Closest to Pin: \$200.00

Straightest Drive: \$200.00

Beverage: \$500.00

Lunch: \$600.00

Dinner: \$ 750.00

Golfers @ \$150.00 ea: _____

Sponsorship Commitment: _____

Total amount sending: _____ Checks payable to **National Capital Pond**

Please bring door prize!

Blue Goose Hosts Indianapolis PLRB Meet & Greet



The annual PLRB/LIRB (Property Loss Research Bureau/Liability Insurance Research Bureau) Claims Conference is the Claims industry's largest educational gathering where over 2,000 insurance professionals meet for educational programs.

This year's Conference was held at the Indiana Convention Center in Indianapolis from March 16-19, 2014. From all across the United States, Blue Goose was there.

For the eighth consecutive year (prior locations were Orlando 2007, Boston 2008, Seattle 2009, and San Antonio 2010. Nashville 2011, Orlando 2012, Boston 2013), the Honorable Order has made an effort to increase our industry visibility and spark interest with a presence at the PLRB. In past years, The Grand Nest hosted a booth through the generous support of the Ponds. This year, the Central Region hosted a hospitality night at the Westin Indianapolis on Sunday night, March 16th.

Over seventy-five Ganders and guests from across the United States attended. Representing the Grand Nest were PMLGGs Joe Coccia, Chris Reith, and Keith Strohecker, current Grand Nest Officers Robert Ross and Randy Wilson, and DMLGGs Kim Bilbrey, Mike Nardulli, and Dan Rich

PLRB Blue Goose Meet & Greet –Indianapolis – March 16, 2014



Come Visit our Nest in the Wild, Wild West!



Enjoy your free day in Salt Lake City during the 2014 convention!

Stop in Temple Square to see the world-renowned gardens surround the 35 acres of the headquarters of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. These gardens include 250 flower beds, more than 165,000 bedding plants, and over 700 varieties of plants from all over the world. The gardens are redesigned every six months and replanted by hundreds of volunteers.

Or – when in Salt Lake City, the Mormon Tabernacle is also a must see. You may not be able to stop in for a concert, but thirty-minute organ recitals are given in the Tabernacle Monday through Saturday at 12:00 noon and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Performances are by the Tabernacle organists and guest organists.

Early Bird Registration January 1 – May 14, 2014	Final Registration May 15 – June 22, 2014
Members/Spouses \$350	Members/Spouses \$370
Youth/Children \$225	Youth/Children \$250

Register now at www.hobgiregister.com

For **convention** questions, contact:
John Paris
801.250.6743
parisinsurance@msn.com

For **registration** questions, contact:
Kaitlyn Herbst
414.376.6516
kaitlynh@pecpros.com

NATIONAL CAPITAL POND

Honorable Order of the Blue Goose International

P.O. Box 554

Chesapeake Beach, Maryland 20732

DEAR GANDERS AND FRIENDS,

PLEASE HELP THE NATIONAL CAPITAL POND AND THE EASTERN REGION RAISE MONEY FOR THE 2015 GRAND NEST CONVENTION BY BUYING OR SELLING THESE RAFFLE TICKETS.

- FIRST PRIZE IS A 5 DAY CRUISE FOR (4) PEOPLE TO BERMUDA ON ROYAL CARIBBEAN.
- SECOND PRIZE IS A 5 DAY CRUISE FOR (2) PEOPLE TO BERMUDA ON ROYAL CARIBBEAN

IT CAN BE USED FROM 2014 THRU 2016 OR USE IT TO ATTEND THE 2015 GRAND NEST CONVENTION IN JULY 2015. CRUISE PACKAGES WILL BE BOOKED THRU ALLWAYS TRAVEL AGENCY TOWSON, MD. THE DRAWING DATE WILL BE 07/26/2014 AT THE 2014 GRAND NEST CONVENTION IN SALT LAKE CITY, UT

THE TICKETS SELL FOR \$10 EACH OR \$100 FOR BOOK OF TEN

BE A CONVENTION PROGRAM SPONSOR!

Buy 1 Book, Business Card Ad, 5 Books, Half Page Ad, 10 Books, Full Page Ad

CHECKS ARE PAYABLE TO: BLUE GOOSE CONVENTION 2015

MAIL THE STUBS, YOUR BUSINESS CARD AND CHECK TO:

**MR. BILL OLSON
VERICLAIM INC
PO BOX 412
NEW MARKET, MD 21774**

THANK YOU,

THE 2015 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

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MHC # 87630

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!!

WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS

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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!



Breaking News



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Breaking News



New Members! The Pond is growing! Please take the time to welcome our new members!



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

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

Dues must be paid prior to the Holiday Party!!!

Important Reminders!

- ☺ Please pay your 2013 - 2014 dues.
- ☺ Read your Honker and send us feedback.
- ☺ Have you contacted Barb to become an advertiser for the National Capital Pond?

Help Wanted

Seeking employment listings!

New to the HONKER!

We have 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

Save the Date...

JULY 2015

Blue Goose Convention Cruise

NYC to BERMUDA

5 DAYS

Please help the National Capital Pond and the Eastern Region raise money for the 2015 Grand Nest Convention by buying or selling these raffle tickets

**1st Prize: 5 day cruise for (4) people to Bermuda on Royal Caribbean*

**2nd Prize: 5 day cruise for (2) people to Bermuda on Royal Caribbean*

Can be used from 2014 to 2016 or used to attend the 2015 Grand Nest Convention in July 2015.

Cruise packages will be booked through Allways Travel Agency, Towson, MD

The drawing date is 7/26/14 at the 2014 Grand Nest Convention in Salt Lake City, UT

The tickets sell for \$10 each or \$100 for a book of 10

Be a convention sponsor!

Buy a book of 10 & get a free business card size ad in the convention program

BLUE GOOSE CONVENTION 2015

Start Planning Now!

More information will follow in the next coming months!



Happy Birthday to YOU!

- 4/1 – Michael Fopma
- 4/3 – Curtis Ruppert
- 4/6 – Cristen Gault
- 4/7 – Jimmy Lanham
- 4/10 – Steve Strahotsky, Mark Reynolds
- 4/11 – Sean Painter
- 4/12 – Tim Odachowski
- 4/13 – Gerry Kaplan
- 4/21 – Gary Mears
- 4/22 – Charlie Fowler
- 4/24 – Russell Minkoff
- 4/25 – Erica Beach
- 4/27 – David Clokey, Michael Mills
- 4/28 – Kevin Smee, Heidi Remsburg

National Capital Pond Gives to Charity

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>

Pictures are needed!

Do you have any pictures of past events for the National Capital Pond?

We would love for you to share these pictures with us for future use in the Honker and on our web page. Please send your pictures to Donna Digman donna@servproofhuntvalley.com

Did you know there are several ways you can support our Pond?

- Advertise in the Honker
- Sponsor a Hole at the Golf Outing
- Sign up new members
- Pay your dues
- Bring guests to meetings
- Join a committee
- Volunteer your time

NEW MEMBERS



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!



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