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Detroit Puddle Donation to The Old Newsboys Goodfellow Fund of Detroit



Submitted By: Joe Coccia/PMLGG

The Old Newsboys Goodfellow Fund of Detroit is the recipient of the Detroit Puddle’s annual Holiday Party. Dave Beger represented the Detroit Puddle at the Goodfellows annual Meeting at the DAC and presented them with a check in the amount of \$5000.00. The Goodfellows have as one of their many giving programs, the shoe fund. This fund provides shoes to deserving children in Detroit, Highland Park, River Rouge, Harper Woods and Hamtramck. The proceeds from the Holiday party are earmarked by the Detroit Goodfellows to go directly into the Shoe Program. Coupons are provided to The Capuchin Soup Kitchen and The Salvation Army. The coupons are then exchanged for a new pair of shoes and redeemed at Payless shoes or Mr. Alans shoes.

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Upcoming Events



May 10, 2018

Lansing Puddle Golf Outing
Timber Ridge Golf Course

July 11-13, 2018

Grand Nest Convention
Edmonton, Alberta Canada

August 2, 2018

Northern Puddle Golf Outing
Treetops Resort, Gaylord

August 7, 2018

Detroit Puddle Golf Outing
Links of Novi

August 15, 2018

Grand Rapids Puddle Golf Outing
Quail Ridge Golf Course, Ada

Hope to see you there!

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 Meeting locations vary each month.

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 on Jolly Road in Lansing.

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 PKGGE • Steve Spalding 517-337-1771

Grand Rapids Puddle

Meets at different locations on different dates.
 Contact PWGQ Dick Chenard for meeting details.

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Northern Puddle

Meets the first Wednesday of each month, meetings alternate
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 in Traverse City. Contact an officer to confirm the meeting
 location.

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Scholarships Presented



Submitted By: Jennifer Boughner

Leanna Suchey and Jennifer Boughner from the Northern Puddle presented scholarships to Rylee Harding and Rebecca Pensyl. Funds for these scholarships were raised

at the annual golf outing. This year's event will be held on Thursday, August 2nd at Treetops Resort.

An Open Letter to Life Members

Submitted By: Joe Coccia, PMLGG

When the Michigan Pond reports their membership numbers to the Grand Nest, it separates out active Members from Life Members. I would like myself and the other Life Members to be counted as active Members and willing to help in the government of the Michigan Pond. Many Michigan Pond Life Members have left the State or are of ill health and cannot participate in the annual events scheduled by our four Puddles; Lansing, Grand Rapids, Northern and Detroit. But there is one other way of participating in a way that greatly assists Our Beloved Michigan Pond. We can voluntarily pay the annual dues that our current active Members pay every July. Dick Chenard, our permanent Wielder sends out an annual dues notice and when the dues are paid, \$27 out of the \$55 is sent to Grand Nest and \$3 is sent to the Central Region. Last July three Life Members voluntarily paid dues and 100% of the amount paid went directly into the bottom line for the

Michigan Pond. Many of us Life Members can afford to pay a minimum of \$55 or more to be counted as active in a financial way. Remember, 100% of the amount donated goes directly to the Michigan Pond to help offset all of the annual events that are held to benefit its Members both active and Life. The cost of sponsoring these events continues to go up while attendance has gone down. So, when Dick Chenard sends out the annual dues notices, a zero balance is reflected and sent to our Life Members. I, along with John Zeldam, PMLGG and Bob Forbes, PMLG of the Michigan Pond would like you to join us and make a voluntary contribution. Any amount would be greatly appreciated.

Tote Fare,

Joe Coccia, PMLGG

Welcome to the Puddle



Submitted By: Traci Barbier-Editor

The Detroit Puddle held their Spring Frolic on Wednesday, March 14th at Rosie O'Grady's in Ferndale. Event chair Tonya Edmunds selected Sanctum House as the charity to benefit from the proceeds of this event. Sanctum House is a safe home for survivors of human trafficking to heal and rebuild their lives. Their program not only offers shelter,

it is a 24-month program of personal development and education for women 18 and older. This event included a trivia challenge and an initiation of new members into the flock. Welcome to the puddle new ganders Alexis Dickinson, Bryan Knepper and Marian Mahoney.

Thought for the Day...

*In a world where
you can be anything, be kind*



- Author Unknown

28th Annual Grand Rapids Puddle Blue Goose Golf Outing & Casino Theme

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

11:00 am Registration & Lunch

12:00 pm Shotgun Start

5:00 pm Dinner (Grilled Chicken or Pulled Pork)

Quail Ridge Golf Course

8375 36th Street SE

Ada, MI 49301

Cost \$110 per person includes lunch,
18 holes of golf with cart, dinner and prizes!

Sponsorships:

Hole Sponsorship \$100

Event Sponsorship, Longest Drive, Longest Putt, Closest to the Pin \$150

Hole & event sponsorships include a sign with company name

Charities:

Crohn's & Colitis Foundation

God's Kitchen

Special Olympics Area 11

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Kids' Food Basket

West Michigan Therapy Dogs

of Golfers - \$110 each _____
 Dinner only - \$30 each _____
 Event Sponsor - \$150 each _____
 Hole Sponsor - \$100 each _____
 Donation _____
 Total _____

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www.bluegoosemichiganpond.com
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Questions?? Contact...
 Angela Meadows - ERS 616-916-0410
 Karla Libolt - ERS of Grand Rapids 616-734-0585
 Dick Chenard 616-690-3039

Contact Name: _____ Phone # _____

If you are going to donate a door prize please let us know in advance so we can acknowledge you.

_____ Yes _____ No

Though contributions or gifts to the Honorable Order of the Blue Goose are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes, they may be deducted under other provisions of the Internal Revenue code.

Dale Hardy Memorial
Northern Michigan Puddle 13th Annual Charity Golf Outing, Casino Royale Style
Thursday, August 2nd, 2018

Treetops Resort— Rick Smith Tradition
4250 Marquardt Road, Gaylord, MI. 49735 1-866-348-5249

Golf Outing Schedule

8:00 am Registration/Check In

9:30 am Shotgun Start

3:00 pm Awards Reception/Dinner (after golf)

Player Packages

Team Players.....\$416.00

4 player packages

Individual Players.....\$104.00

1 player package, player will be placed on a team.

Each Player Package Includes

- 18 holes of golf on Treetops Resort Tradition
- Skins Included
- 1 complimentary sponsored Beverage Tickets
- Use of Putting Green & Driving Range
 - Box lunch on cart
 - Awards Reception & Dinner

Day of Event

- 2 complimentary raffle tickets for various prizes
- Optional- Mulligans and 5 hole Poker Hand— Purchase at Registration. Double your money Dice Game out on course and prizes awarded for: Hole in One— chance to win a vehicle and other packages, best team score, longest drive men/women, longest putt men/women.**

Sponsor Packages

Poker Premier Event Sponsor— Premier Event Sponsor listed on all correspondence as it relates to the golf outing. 4 Player spots in the outing, head table at awards reception dinner, banner at entrance, banner and recognition at reception, logo on rule card, signage at hole in one. 2 attendees required at hole in one.

\$1,500.00— 1 Offered

Roulette Beverage Cart & Drink Ticket Sponsor—

Sponsor will have banner on beverage cart and logo will be imprinted on drink tickets. 4 Player spots in the outing, recognition and served table at awards reception.

\$1,200.00— 1 Offered

Black Jack Lunch Sponsor— Sponsor will have logo in each cart and boxed lunch. Hole sponsorship and signage, representation allowed on hole, 4 Player spots in the outing. Reserved table and recognition at awards reception.

\$900.00— 1 Offered

Rolling Doubles Halfway House Sponsor— Sponsor name prominently displayed Halfway House on Tradition Course with representation, 2 Player spots included, Recognition at awards reception.

\$800.00— 1 offered

Casino Event Sponsorship— Sponsorship includes signage on 1 of the 4 Event Holes (Longest Drive men/women, Longest Putt men/women) Representation on hole, recognition at awards reception. Sponsor responsible for bringing prize for event winner.

\$500.00— 4 Offered

Penny Slot Hole Sponsorship— Sponsorship includes signage placed on hole. Must be event sponsor to have representation on the hole.

\$150.00

Jim Wernig Chevrolet— Hole in One Sponsor



Business: _____

Contact: _____

Email: _____

Golfers: _____

Phone #: _____

Sponsorship and Player Fees

- Poker Premier Event Sponsor.....\$1,500.00
- Roulette Beverage Cart /Drink Ticket Sponsor.....\$1,200.00
- Black Jack Lunch Sponsor.....\$900.00
- Rolling Doubles Halfway House Sponsor.....\$800.00
- Casino Event Sponsor.....\$500.00
- Penny Slot Hole Sponsorship.....\$150.00
- Four Person Team.....\$416.00
- Individual Player.....\$104.00
- Awards Reception/Dinner Only.....\$30.00

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- Check Enclosed Made payable to: Blue Goose NM Puddle
- Credit Card (please circle one) Visa Discover MC AE

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Happy News

"John Zeldam, PMLGG would like his Michigan Pond friends to know that he was remarried on November 11, 2017. As many of our Members know, John lost his lifelong partner, Peggy in October of 2016 after 57 years of wedded bliss. Carole Franks and her husband Don Franks were longtime friends of John and Peggy. They double dated and were members of the same church. Carole's husband Don was a groomsman in John and Peggy's wedding in 1959. Don passed away in 2008 and Carole stayed in touch with both John and Peggy. The Zeldams relocated to Alabama to Peggy's hometown in early 2016 and unfortunately Peggy passed away 7 months later. John wants everyone to know that after several lonely months and difficulty staying focused and purposeful, John has been told by friends that he now has his "old zip" back. John believes that God, in his love and only by his grace has gifted he and Carole with each other. John and Carole plan to spend the warmer months at Carole's Sterling Heights and Port Austin, MI homes and the colder months at John's residence in Rainsville, Alabama."

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5:30 PM STEAK DINNER

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_____ HOLE SPONSOR @ \$100 = _____

_____ EVENT SPONSOR @ \$100 = _____

_____ BEVERAGE CART @ \$1000.00 = _____

_____ LUNCH SPONSOR @ \$700.00 = _____

TOTAL: _____

(GOLFERS NAMES, IF POSSIBLE)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

EMAIL: _____



BLUE GOOSE ~ DETROIT PUDDLE 2018 ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

7 AUGUST 2018 | Links of Novi
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Entrance Fees*:

\$125/Golfer

\$475/Foursome

\$50 Dinner Only

See back for **SPONSORSHIP**

OPPORTUNITIES

Golf Package Includes:

- 18 Holes of Golf with Cart
- 2 Beverage Tickets
- Continental Breakfast
- Lunch at the turn
- NY Strip Steak Dinner with Open Bar

Purchase Tickets by 7/20/18* at:

<https://squareup.com/market/bluegoosedetroitpuddle>

* Ticket fees increase \$25/Golfer after 7/20/18



8:30 Registration/Check-in

8:30 ~ 9:30 Bloody Mary Bar

10:00 Shotgun Start

Dinner and Open Bar following Golf



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