



Blue Goose Alberta Pond

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News Bulletin

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Upcoming Meetings:

February 25, 2013, Monday – General Meeting, Initiation Night, and Cribbage Tournament

Please join us for another General Meeting and Initiation Night which is being held at the Danish Canadian Club located at 727 - 11 Avenue SW, Calgary Alberta. After dinner, we will hold a small Cribbage Tournament for those interested. A player fee will go into a pot, winner takes all! Details are:

Cocktails 5:00 p.m.

Initiation 5:30 p.m.

General Meeting after the Initiation

Dinner to follow: **\$30 per person**

Cribbage Tournament approx 7:30 p.m.: **\$10 Player fee**

RSVP to Diane Wunder diane.wunder@stantec.com

If you know someone in the industry who would be interested in joining, Membership forms are available on our website at www.bluegoosealberta.org



Upcoming Events

April 11, 2013

Jurgen Mausch Memorial Pool Tournament- Jr.'s Billiards 3181-32nd Street NE

For more info or to sign up please contact Gander Steve Thannhauser at:
sthannhauser@collisionanalysis.com

Spring 2013

Horseshoes Event – Calgary Horseshoe Club

After skipping a year where we did not have our annual horseshoes event, we would like to bring it back as a springtime event where we may even be able to hold the games in the outdoor pits at the Calgary Horseshoe Club. Stay tuned for more information.



Upcoming Events...continued



June 6, 2013, Thursday

Annual Blue Goose Golf Tournament – Lacombe Golf and Country Club

This is the one time a year when the Edmonton and Alberta Pond members can get together for some golf trash-talk and bragging rights. It is the Alberta Pond's turn to host this event, so we would love to see a hearty turn-out from our members and guests from the Calgary area. Registration and more details will be coming out later in the spring.



June 13, 2013, Thursday

Annual Lobster Night – Inglewood Golf and Curling Club

Once again this popular event will be back with returning band Low Tide, as well as the pre-dinner seafood chowder, mussels and oysters. As usual there will be draw prizes and the event is open to all members and non-members working in the insurance industry. Tickets will be available for sale in April. If you have any questions about the event or would like to be one of the sponsors, please contact either of the following co-chairs:

Dale Smith Dale.Smith@graniteclaims.com
or Mike Peck mpeck@sintraeng.com

Past Events

October 15, 2013 - Initiation Meeting – Danish Canadian Club



Our first meeting of the year was impressive in that we welcomed eight new members into our order. The new Ganders were treated to a rather short business meeting as there was some effort to keep it brief so that we could satisfy our rumbling bellies with dinner. The new Ganders include the following: Linda Dixon, Anthony Linehan, Lee Ogle, Dean Wohlgemuth, Drew Classen, Samantha Stephens, Craig Empson, and Tracey Blankert. We hope other more seasoned members can make it out to our next meeting and get to know some of the new faces.

November 15, 2012- Wine Tasting – Willow Park Wines and Spirits



The Blue Goose Wine Tasting event at Willow Park Wines and Spirits on November 15, 2012 was a great success with 96 people in attendance. The wine choices were excellent and the food was absolutely delicious. With the generous sponsorship and support through attendance, the Blue Goose was able to make a generous donation to our local Women In Need Society (WINS). Thank you to all the sponsors of the event and all of those who attended. We hope to see you there next year on November 14, 2013 at Willow Park Wines and Spirits.

Past Events...Continued

November 21, 2012 - IISA Award Ceremony – BMO Centre, Calgary

Every year, the Honorable Order of the Blue Goose International offers an educational award to a deserving recipient through the Insurance Institute of Southern Alberta's CIP program. Called the "Blue Goose Award", this year's recipient chosen by the IISA was Ms. Michelle Lutz of Medicine Hat. Some of our own Alberta Pond members have gone through the CIP program and understand how much work it takes to achieve this great milestone, so we congratulate Michelle on her achievement.

December 10, 2012 - Meeting and Bottle Bingo

With a small but enthusiastic bunch turning out to the Danish Canadian Club for our pre-Christmas meeting, our dinner was followed by our now third annual bottle bingo. With bingo blotters in hand, our crew of about a dozen stayed late and filled up their bingo cards until all of the wine was gone. Honorable mention should be made to Ganders Whitmore and Kothari who nabbed at least 3 or 4 bottles between the two of them! Proceeds from the players have been donated to the Calgary Food Bank.

December 14, 2013- Toy Mountain

Members of the Blue Goose Alberta Pond took time out of their busy schedules to volunteer at the annual Toy Mountain drive held at the Salvation Army. It was great for all the members and their friends or colleagues to get together and help out the families in need. Thanks to Ganders Linda Dixon and Tracey Blankert for helping to organize this event!



Contact Us

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer for any of the committees or volunteer for the convention please don't hesitate to contact any of the members below.

2012-2013 Executive Members

- **MLG/SOF Mike Peck**
- **KGGE Diane Wunder**
- **WGQ Ann Marie Graziano**
- **COG Carlene Sorensen**
- **GOP Isabel McNab**
- **PW Gail Fisher**

2012-2013 Committee Chairs

- Auditor
PMLG Lorena Kohlruss
- Judge Advocate
Allan Sewchuk
- Curling
Rob McIntyre
- Sick & Visiting
Vacant
- Lobster
Dale Smith
- Cards
Mike Peck
- Horseshoes
Steve McInnis
- Wine Tasting
Diane Wunder
Isabel McNab
- Pool Tournament
Steve Thannhauser
- Golf
Carlene Sorensen

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