

IN LOVING MEMORY

Our Hearts Are Forever Broken.

Noah's Ark is experiencing the worst possible type of natural disaster... Avian Influenza.

A few weeks ago our staff noticed an unusual number of dead wild vultures in the habitat. Within a week there was a significant increase in number, and within two weeks we had hundreds of dead vultures onsite.

Immediately, we contacted our State partners – Georgia Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, and USDA. They had testing done which confirmed that we had a large outbreak of avian influenza, or HPAI. Avian flu has been found in 45 states and is carried by wild birds, but can also be transmitted to poultry and waterfowl.

Our state agency partners made the decision to euthanize the peacocks, pea hens, emus, ostrich, Guinea fowl and geese. This included

Mr. WooHoo the Eurasian Eagle Owl, Shane the Sandhill Crane, and Poe the black crow. They handled it with the utmost compassion and empathy. These species of birds were determined to be carriers of the avian influenza and were exposed to the vulture population that has been dying off.

Unfortunately, their euthanasia was a critical step in mitigating this contagious disease not only to protect the other exotic bird species at Noah's Ark, but for the entire wild bird population of Henry County and Georgia as a whole.

We are devastated.

The outpouring of support from many of our loyal supporters and the prayers of our community has been so appreciated. We mourn the loss of all creatures here at Noah's Ark, but a loss of this magnitude is heartbreaking. Our staff are under tremendous stress and emotional pain at the moment as we grieve.

Please consider making a donation to our Emergency Relief Fund. To help us protect the remaining birds and feed our other animals.

We need your help!

Noah's Ark will be closed to the public and under a strict quarantine for at least the next five months.

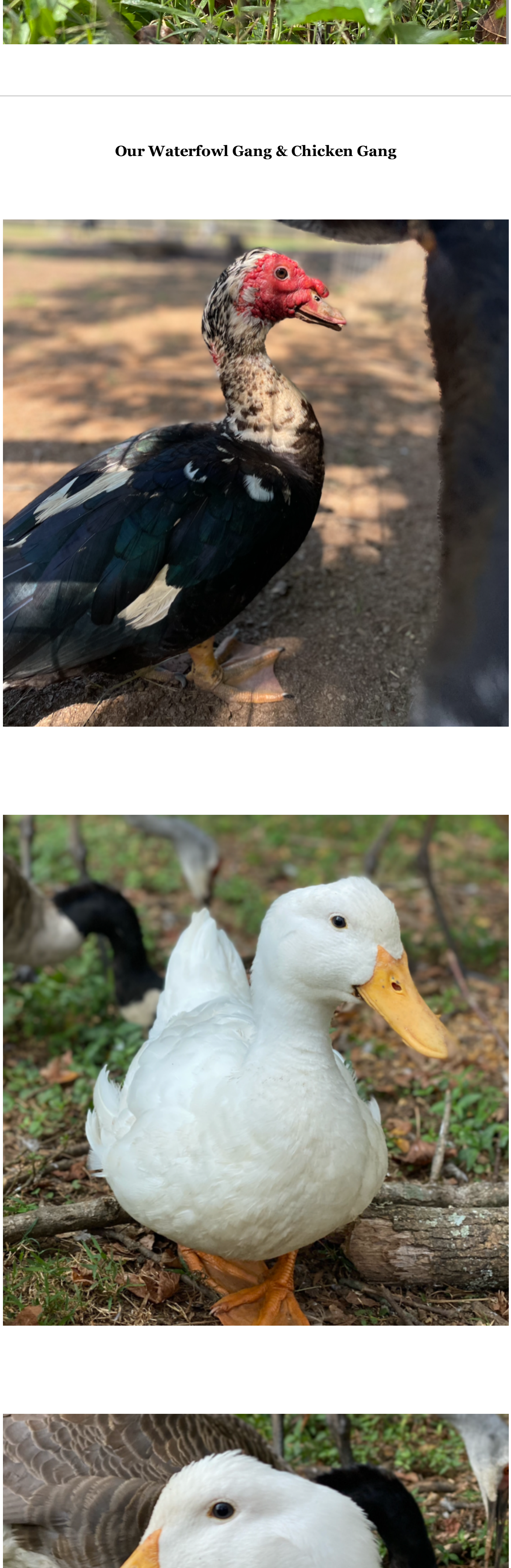
Your donations are critical in helping us get through these tragic times.

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Mr. Woohoo



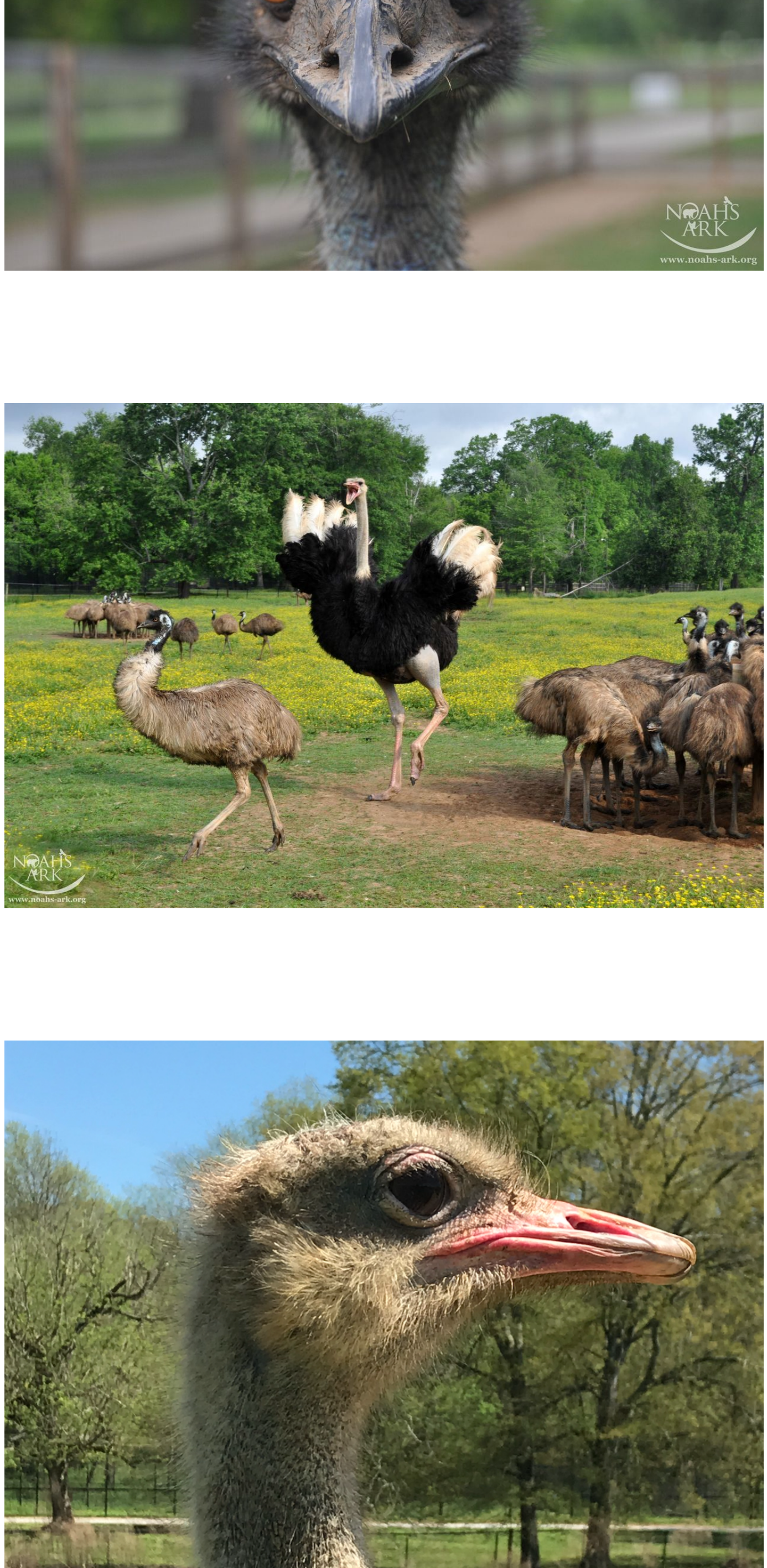
Shane & Sarge, the Sandhill Cranes



Our Waterfowl Gang & Chicken Gang



Our Emu And Ostrich Mob



What About The Parrots?



Because of their location on the property, we believe the parrots, cockatiels, and cockatoos have not been exposed. We are watching them closely and taking EXTREME caution when going into their habitats to care for them.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is costing us hundreds of dollars daily. From full body suits, gloves, hair and boot covers, to tire disinfectant, our animal keepers must be in full protective gear when feeding any of our animals. In addition, we will be closed to the public under a mandatory quarantine for the next several months. Even though this is a wild-derived virus, Noah's Ark will bear the entire financial burden of this devastation. This financial drain, in addition to losing donation opportunities from visitors during our quarantine, we are in desperate need of your help.

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STAY INFORMED

In addition to an animal epidemic, we are also overcoming another hardship—losing admin access to our Facebook Page. Losing the ability to connect with our 400K+ supporters has been beyond difficult, but we are working diligently to gain access again. Until then, please go to our website www.noahs-ark.org for updates.

Noah's Ark Animal Sanctuary is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Educational Sanctuary that relies 100% on the generosity of others. We do not receive any city, state or federal funding. There are [many ways](#) to support our mission, please click [here](#) to see what may be the best option for you.



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Tues – Sat: 12 pm – 3 pm

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