



TEXAS POND HONKER

June 2019

Character, Charity, Fellowship

DFW TEXAS POND

DATE: Monday, June 10, 2019

TIME: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: On The Border



Come join us at “On The Border” 4855 Beltline Road, Addison, Texas 75254 (West side of the Tollway on Beltline). We are meeting in the private room on the west side of the restaurant.



Appetizers for our June meeting will be sponsored by Review Med – Shelly Bordonaro.

We will present a summary of our Blue Goose year 2018-2019. What a year it has been! It will be a celebration party for the Texas Pond!

At our June meeting we will have a drawing for a basket of booze, food and other items. For every meeting you attended in 2018-2019 you will receive a raffle ticket for attending that meeting. To be a winner one has to be present to win.

The Texas Pond will install the new slate of Pond Officers for 2019-2020. The following slate of Officers was put forward at the May meeting. Ray Wicker made the motion to accept the slate of officers and the motion was seconded by John Sterrantino, with the vote unanimous.

The Officers for 2019-2020 are as follows:

Jim Devall as MLG

Sharon Wilkins as Supervisor of the Flock

Jason Znoy as Custodian of the Goslings

Sheri Deaton as Guardian of the Pond

Daphney Elliott as Keeper of the Golden Goose Egg

Linda Meik as Wielder



Blue Goose Dues Time

Dues process begins June 1st for the Texas Pond. One can choose to pay via credit card by going to the Texas Pond website at www.bluegoosetx.org under Membership. Paying by credit card is \$55. Those paying via cash or

check get a \$5.00 discount, but also must complete the BG File information form that you can obtain from the Texas Pond Wielder at the monthly Texas Pond Blue Goose meetings.



Texas Pond Educational Scholarship Committee is proud to announce that they awarded Ms. Emma Hansen with a \$3000 scholarship for her 2019-2020 school year.

Emma is the daughter of the Texas Pond's Auditor, Ashley Hansen. See the comments from Ashley on this award:

"..... but a little history.... I remember when I was initiated into BG and then 5 minutes later elected as

treasurer (thanks Linda! 😊), it was a dream of Ray and Linda's to start a scholarship fund...right after we got more than a handful of people coming to meetings, and right after we got some \$\$\$ consistently in our bank account (slight exaggeration, but those were much "leaner" days). At the time, I am guessing Emma was in 1st grade...and my youngest was in Pre-K. Couldn't have imagined then how much of a difference this "scholarship fund" can make...and it's not just the money, but how much pride your kid feels in receiving it and being able to help contribute to their education.

Thanks Linda & Ray for being such visionaries...and to each of you have been instrumental too by helping with all of our events (planning, attending, sponsoring!) which fund this program."



Something to Think About

Membership or Belonging? The choice is yours to make.

The desire to be a member of a purposeful society, to be on the inside of a meaningful group, to participate in something larger than oneself is fundamental to human nature. People draw identity from their participation in communities of purpose, whatever form they might take. Without meaningful groups in which to participate,

individuals usually experience not just loneliness, but a lack of fulfillment and a deep sense of separation or alienation. Longing for belonging is a powerful desire.

The Texas Blue Goose Pond is a community with purpose. Every decision and activity support our mission of advancing the insurance profession among its members, guests and business community through charity programs and networking opportunities.

Members of the Texas Blue Goose members do not get together merely to be together. We get together to do something together! Our goals include meeting needs of Insurance professionals by creating opportunities for everyone to participate in fulfilling educational, networking, and service needs where we work and live. We engage insurance professionals; encourage them to grow in knowledge and confidence; and instill a regenerative and creative spirit among all stakeholders that sustains the profession and organization benefiting each other and the community.

The real value of Blue Goose is the sense of identity, intimate connection, and purpose gained through pond participation with some of the best insurance professionals in Texas, as well as throughout the USA and Canada.

Your Texas Pond Blue Goose Executive Officers and Committee Chairpersons want members to form relationships through participation in our events and service opportunities. We want to know you as more than a name on the membership roll.

Membership without connection is separation from the best Blue Goose has to offer. Belonging to the Texas Pond provides opportunities to enjoy the full benefits of a relationship with fellow insurance professionals engaged in meaningful purpose where you work and live. That is what a meaningful society does for its members.



The Texas Pond will host its 13th annual golf tournament. The Blue Goose 13th Annual Golf Tournament will be held, Friday, June 7th, 2019 at Bear Creek Country Club and it will be an 8:30 shot gun.

PROCEEDS BENEFITING THE FOLLOWING BENEFICIARIES

North Texas Food Bank
Texas Pond Scholarship Fund
Friday, June 7, 2019

Bear Creek Golf Club

3500 Bear Creek Court, Dallas, Texas 75261

This tournament is completely Sold Out!



- ❖ Hermes Law
- ❖ Sedgwick CMS
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- ❖ CJW Associates
- ❖ Chapman Consulting
- ❖ Law Offices of William H. Luck, Jr.
- ❖ Vale Training
- ❖ Fox Rothchild
- ❖ Bocell Ridley, P.C.
- ❖ Herndon McFarland Plumbing
- ❖ Curtis Sobel, Esq.
- ❖ Temporary Housing Directory
- ❖ Young & Associates
- ❖ The Adjuster School

The golf activities at the tournament included: **Mulligans;**
a **Putting Contest**, and the



4thth ANNUAL GOLF BALL DROP

PRIZES

- 1ST PLACE - \$500
- 2ND PLACE - \$300
- 3RD PLACE - \$150
- FARTHEST - \$50

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Last Month



Our May appetizer sponsor. Thank You Eddy.



How many of each color of Starburst candies are in the jar? Bonnie Blu advises folks that you can't go over the particular color amount. And our great winners were: John Sterrantino and Daniel Bouchard.



A room full of fun and great folks!



One of the best things about Blue Goose is when an old friend appears at the door of our meetings. Erich Parker was instrumental in helping us get the North Carolina Pond revitalized several years ago. Welcome to Texas!

Next Month



The Texas Pond's new slate of Officers will begin to host and lead us into 2019-2020 Blue Goose year. Our Blue Goose meeting is Monday, July 8th.

Seven Texas Pond members will take flights to land on the banks of the Indianapolis Grand Nest Convention from July 17th- 20th. The seven Ganders are: Ray Wicker, Jim Devall, Jason Znoy, Daphney Elliott, Ashley Hansen, John Sterrantino and Linda Meik.

Jim Devall and Jason Znoy will be the Texas Pond Delegates representing our membership at this convention.

On Monday, August 5th, the Texas Pond Officers (past & present) will meet to set the budget, goals, meeting agenda and activities for the 2019-2020 Blue Goose year. If you have any suggestions, please reach out to Jim Devall, the new MLG for 2019-2020. They will also be setting up committees. We do not have one folks to serve on multiple committees, we each need to take a piece of the load and help the Texas Pond move to another successful Blue Goose year.



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See what's cooking for the Texas Pond Blue Goose 2018-2019 Year!

**13TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
BEAR CREEK COUNTRY CLUB
JUNE 7, 2019 8:30 A.M. SHOTGUN**

JUNE MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY JUNE 10, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX
BLUE GOOSE YEAR 2018-2019 COMES TO AN END!

GRAND NEST CONVENTION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
JULY 17– JULY 20, 2019

JULY MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY JULY 8, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX
BLUE GOOSE YEAR 2019-2020 NEW YEAR BEGINS!

AUGUST MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY AUGUST 12, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX

SEPTEMBER MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX

OCTOBER MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY OCTOBER 14, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX

NOVEMBER MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY NOVEMBER 11, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX

DECEMBER MEETING - DALLAS
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY DECEMBER 9, 2019
ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX



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