



# TEXAS POND HONKER

May 2019

Character, Charity, Fellowship

## DFW TEXAS POND

**DATE: Monday, May 13, 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 March meeting will be sponsored by Electrostar Electronics Recovery Solutions – Eddy Pokluda.

The Texas Pond is beginning to prepare for the new Blue Goose year 2019-2020. In this preparation, a new slate of officers will be presented to the membership for acceptance.

Also, we will make the selection of who will represent the Texas Pond as a Delegate to the Grand Nest Convention in July at Indianapolis. The Texas Pond currently has seven Ganders who will be attending the convention.

Dues process will begin June 1<sup>st</sup> and those that want to pay by credit card will be able to do so. 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 one can obtain from the Wielder at the monthly Texas Pond Blue Goose meetings.



*Golf Time is Here*

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

For further details check the website.

<http://www.bluegoosetx.org/>



Let's recognize our awesome sponsors to-date:

## Signature Sponsor



## OUR HOLE AND EVENT SPONSORS TO-DATE ARE:

- ❖ Hermes Law
- ❖ Sedgwick CMS
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- ❖ CJW Associates
- ❖ Chapman Consulting
- ❖ Law Offices of William H. Luck, Jr.

The golf activities at the tournament include:

**Mulligans**.....buy as many as you want! Or, should I say need????



**Putting Contest**, the winner will take home half of the proceeds collected for this event.



### 4th<sup>+</sup> ANNUAL GOLF BALL DROP

COST: 1 BALL FOR \$10, 3 FOR \$20, OR 7 FOR \$40  
**MEGA DEAL 20 BALLS FOR \$100**

## PRIZES

1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE - \$500  
2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE - \$300  
3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE - \$150  
FARTHEST - \$50

Buy as many as you want.... the more the merrier. ***For the Ball Drop please remember you do not need to be present to win.***



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**Listen Up" some words from our campfire cook – Roger Foltz, MLG**

In our May Meeting, you will vote on the new slate of officers to serve from July 2019 until June 2020. This will continue the long tradition of leadership of the Texas Pond. If you at all interested in serving as an officer in the coming years, join a Committee and be active in carrying that Committee's duties. Everyone has talents that can be helpful to the Texas Pond.

Our annual Golf Tournament is fast approaching. Great time to invite friends to play, and perhaps join the Texas Pond. As I write this, I believe some hole sponsorships are still available. Please see Linda if your Company is interested in sponsoring.



Happiness is not the absence of problems; it's the ability to deal with them.

# Last Month



*The attendees at the April Blue Goose meeting brought items for Easter Baskets and loads of candy. We assembled 53 baskets for the Family Place kids. What awesome team work.*



*Team Work!*



*We even recruit the staff of On The Border to help!*



*Sedgwick at its BEST!*



## *Something to Think About*

### **THE REAL BLUE GOOSE**

There are several varieties of the Goose. The one more familiar to most is the Canada Goose, with dark coloring and a unique white "beard." Another common goose is the solid white Snow Goose. The Blue Goose is considered by some experts to be a sub-specie of the Snow Goose. The Blue Goose is solid white except for a blue head and neck.

The Blue Goose spends the summer nesting on Baffin Island in northern Canada between Hudson Bay and Greenland. There, the Blue Goose mates for life and has a gaggle of Goslings. With the approach of Autumn, the Blue Goose heads south along the eastern shore of Hudson Bay and James Bay and across the Ontario "Shield." Yes, you can officially label the Blue Goose a "snowbird."

The Blue Goose arrives in the United States near Sault Saint Marie. They then generally follow Lake Michigan, the Chicago River, to the Illinois River and then the Mighty Mississippi to spend the winter feasting in the luscious rice fields of the Louisiana bayous.

The Blue Goose flies high and sure. They fly in a "V" formation, taking advantage of "drafting" off the air displacement of the Gander ahead. Each Gander takes its turn leading the formation, with its fellow Ganders honking encouragement to their leader. Upon tiring, the lead Gander drops back into the formation and another Gander takes up the lead.

The care for its fellow Gander never waivers. If a Gander gets sick or is shot by a hunter, another Gander will accompany the fallen Gander and attend to that Gander until it's well enough to continue or until the accompanying Gander has determined that the fallen Gander has taken its last long flight to feast in the luscious rice fields of the Home Nest above. The Gander or Ganders then continue their journey by joining another passing flight of Geese.



"There are 4 very important words in life: love, honesty, truth, respect. Without these in your life. You have nothing." **Unknown**

"In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity." **Albert Einstein**

"Experience is the child of thought, and thought is the child of action." **Benjamin Disraeli**

"Nothing gives one person so much advantage over another as to remain always cool and unruffled under all circumstances." **Thomas Jefferson**

## Next Month



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!

Also we will vote and install the 2019-2020 new slate of officers for the Texas Pond.



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

### **MAY MEETING - DALLAS**

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS  
**SECOND MONDAY MAY 13, 2019**  
**ON THE BORDER, ADDISON, TX**

**13<sup>TH</sup> 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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2018 – 2019**

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