

TEXAS POND HONKER

March 2021

Character, Charity, Fellowship



The Texas Pond of Blue Goose will meet prior to St. Paddy's Day of fun & merriment. Come share your story of how you survived the Texas Winter Storm of 2021 and what are your plans of a St. Paddy's Day celebration at our monthly meeting:

Monday, March 8, 2021 at 5:30 pm

Meeting via Webex. Hosted by Jim Devall, Sedgwick
<https://sedgwick.webex.com/sedgwick/j.php?MTID=m6b86dd4bfa5e5b1a348c12c1001134ac>

Meeting Number (access code): 160 322 4969

Meeting password: rsJpBXb842

Via Phone or mobile device: 469-210-7159



Mr. Create-or/Builder - Jim Devall, MLG

Howdy From "Texartica" fellow ganders and goslings. I guess we have to tip our hat to old Punxsutawney Phil for nailing his prediction of six more weeks of winter. He not only got it right, but he also conjured up a record setting

storm for us. I hope y'all got through the latest polar vortex safely with minimal inconvenience or damage. If you or someone you know is struggling from the storm, please reach out to me or one of the other officers and we will see what we can do to help. As I write this note, south winds and warmer weather have returned, melting the snow and once again have us thinking of Spring and new beginnings. True signs of Spring are already here. Pitchers and catchers have reported for the start of Spring Training in the Majors, the hype for March Madness has begun and preparations are being made for getting the lawns and gardens in shape as we again venture outside after such brutally cold temperatures. St. Patrick's Day is just around the corner and I've already started seeing green shamrocks plastered about in preparation for coming celebrations. As we search our ancestry for a trace of that Irish blood and suffer through the green beer that we will no doubt consume as tradition, I remind you that the three pedals of the green shamrock that symbolizes St. Patrick's Day are said to represent faith, hope and love. Please keep faith, hope, and love in your heart as you look out for one another and may you all be blessed with a bit of the luck of the Irish.



CALLING COMMITTEE

The Texas Pond is seeking 4 or 5 members who will serve on the calling committee for the next year. Each person will be assigned 15-20 names to call regarding our meetings. The Pond Officers will send the calling committee a script of info to cover on the call.

Will you be a Calling Committee member????? Let Linda Meik know you are interested in serving on this committee.

Grand Nest



News - Update - Tidbits

It is with great regret that our world is not 100% back to normal, whatever that maybe. This situation again has called upon the Hartford Convention to readjust their plans.

There will not be a regular 3-day convention, but a single day event for those that can travel to Hartford. Plans for a single day event are under way for those that want to gather for some fellowship. Details forthcoming here.

Since this will not be a regular convention, the schedule and various regular activities will not be held, for example there will be no Model Initiation. What is being worked on is streaming all of our Blue Goose business activities for everyone to be able to enjoy. For example: installation of then new officers for 2021-2022; the presentation of 2022 Southern Region Convention; etc.

As you can see there will be lots of new details and information forthcoming in the next several weeks to include how Delegates from each Pond will be recognized and how the Ponds will need to report necessary information to Grand Nest for this one day/streaming event.

SOUTHERN REGION - ALL PONDS

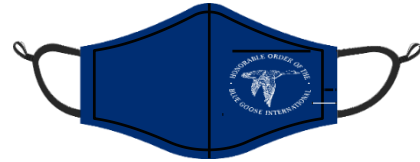


Next Southern Region all ponds call is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 14th, 2021** – just before that great USA TAX Day!

We are hoping to have an ALL SOUTHERN REGION POND initiation of the Goslings waiting on the banks of our Ponds. If you know of anyone that would like to be a member of the Blue Goose organization, please let Linda Meik know. She will reach out to them and will coordinate membership with the appropriate Pond.

ALERT NOTIFICATION

“During any of the Texas Pond events, photos and videos may be taken for the benefit of HOBGI – Texas Pond. By attending, you consent to the taking of these images and to the use of your likeness within the images for HOBGI’s use, including but not limited to promotional, charitable, and commercial, among other uses.”



Southern Region Convention Fund Raiser

Blue Goose Face Mask

There are still a few masks left to purchase – once they are gone, there will not be any more ordered. Rumor has it that we all will be wearing masks thru 2021, so show your **Blue Goose Spirit** and order one of the few remaining masks.

To order masks reach out to Linda Meik at lindameik9@gmail.com or call 682-715-5341

Mask Cost \$15.00 each. No tax or cost for shipping.

Make checks payable to: “Southern Region Convention Fund”; mail to Linda Meik, 4032 Knighterrant Drive, Roanoke, Texas 76262.

Thanks to everyone who has ordered a mask & supported the Southern Region! Great Blue Goose Spirit Across the USA & Canada.



Some things to Think About

“Even if you are on the right track, you’ll get run over if you just sit there.” Will Rogers

"The unselfish effort to bring cheer to others will be the beginning of a happier life for ourselves." Helen Keller

"Too many people miss the silver lining because they're expecting gold." Maurice Seitter

"Having the world's best idea will do you do no good unless you act on it." Curtis Grant

"Worrying is like a rocking chair, it gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere." Unknown

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." Walt Disney



GOLF TIME

TEXAS POND'S

14th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, June 11, 2021

Bear Creek Golf Club

3500 Bear Creek Court; Dallas, TX 75261

PROCEEDS BENEFITING THE FOLLOWING CHARITIES

North Texas Food Bank

Texas Pond Scholarship Fund

6:45 a.m. Registration & Breakfast, 7:45 a.m. Ball

Drop with an 8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

12:30 p.m. Lunch

More details located on the Texas Pond website at www.bluegoosetx.org.

Golf Committee Contacts

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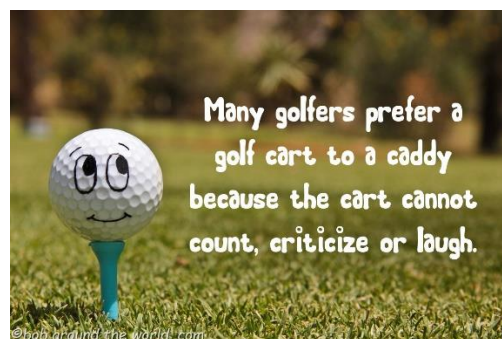
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Prize & Golf Bag Items

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Lets go Golfing

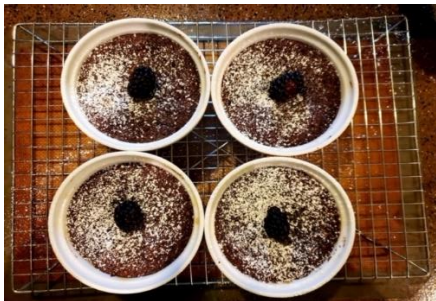


Last Month



Ruby chocolate is like dark chocolate but tastes like White chocolate. 4th chocolate. White chocolate is not really a chocolate per the FDA.

Here are the creations of a few bakers from this event.



Meegan Howard's creations

Charlotte Armstrong's creation



Linda Meik's creations



See what's cooking

APRIL MEETING - DALLAS

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY APRIL 12, 2021

ZOOM MEETING OR IN-PERSON

MAY MEETING - DALLAS

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY MAY 10, 2021

ZOOM MEETING OR IN-PERSON

14TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

**BEAR CREEK COUNTRY CLUB
 JUNE 11, 2021 8:00 A.M. SHOTGUN**

JUNE MEETING - DALLAS

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY JUNE 14, 2021

ZOOM MEETING OR IN-PERSON



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