



CAN YOU HELP???

GIFT CARD DONATION/COLLECTION OPPORTUNITY

We will be assembling gift baskets for burn victims and their families as a volunteer experience at the July 2022 convention in Grapevine, TX. This activity was inspired by our opening Convention Guest Speaker, who was a patient at Shriners' Hospital Burn Unit in Galveston as a young child.

Accidents happen so quickly and those impacted are not prepared with the daily items needed, as they are often far away from their homes. Facilities provide Care Baskets to help patients and their families during this very difficult time. Our goal is to assemble 25 patient and 25 family Care Baskets for Shriners' Hospital for Children in Galveston Texas. In addition, we will be making 75 patient and 75 family Care Baskets for Parkland Burn Unit in Dallas.

Originally, to facilitate this endeavor and collect needed items, a gift registry was set up via Walmart for items that were needed. But we quickly noted that the shipping/ mailing costs via this site was high, so we just left gift cards available on the site, as there is no shipping cost for them.

Rather than assign or ask each member to buy & ship items for the charity baskets, we are asking every Gander to purchase one or more gift cards (VISA or Walmart) of any size or value as listed in the registry. Or one can go to any store that sells MasterCard, American Express, Target, along with Visa or Walmart gift cards.

Purchased cards should be sent to our Southern Region Convention Officer (Mama Goose). She will use the cards to purchase the items that Shriners' or Parkland's Burn Unit have requested for their patients and/or families. Items will be at the hotel for the Charity Committee (Alabama, Florida, Arizona & Tennessee Pond representatives) to organize & coordinate this Volunteer Experience during the convention.

A suggestion is to ask Pond members to bring gift cards to a meeting and then send them to Linda Meik (Mama Goose).

Working together on this we can make a huge impact on the needs of the Care Basket program.

Walmart Gift Registry link:

<https://www.walmart.com/lists/view-events-registry-items?id=c7e58cc3-3774-4f06-9a7f-9f5fdb3074ee>

Mail cards to: Linda Meik; 4032 Knighterrant Drive; Roanoke, TX 76262

Thank You in advance for your generous hearts!