



# TEXAS POND HONKER

April 2022

Character, Charity, Fellowship

## Blue Goose – Texas Pond

MONDAY, April 11, 2022 @ 5:30 PM



**Fireside Pies**

**1285 S. Main Street  
Grapevine, TX 76051**



Gosling Initiation Time!

Rumor has it there are some full-fledged Wrangler Ganders who want to initiate all Goslings sitting on the banks of the Texas Pond. The names of these Goslings who have completed an application and submitted dues to-date are:

Jessica Carroll  
Catherine Moye  
Bishop Turon  
Chris Lubrano

Michaele Clark  
Briggette Nally  
Terry Turon

We have heard that there are a couple more, young birds who want to fly in and join this illustrious group of Goslings. Flap those wings hard and come join us.

## Last Month

### Easter Baskets for Community Partners

We began the assemble of Easter Baskets for Community Partners of Dallas at our March 14th meeting.

Ms. Daphney Elliott is bringing cellophane & ribbon for us to finish the baskets off in Blue Goose fashion!







Ganders, Goslings, Guests, and friends of the Order helped assemble 50 Easter Baskets for the children of Community Partners. Filling the baskets with candy, eggs filled with treats and a toy of some kind. Each basket was wrapped in plastic and tied with festive ribbon making a very festive looking event. The baskets have a value of \$20.00



With the help of Joe Rejcek (Terri's husband) all the baskets were loaded in the back of his truck. Terri delivered these to Community Partners, who expressed their sincere appreciation for our continual support.



A very special thanks to Eddy Pokluda from Electostar, along with the assistance of Roger Foltz for stepping up at our meeting to cover not only the appetizers but everyone's beverages.





## Also, Looking for Meeting Sponsors



## What???

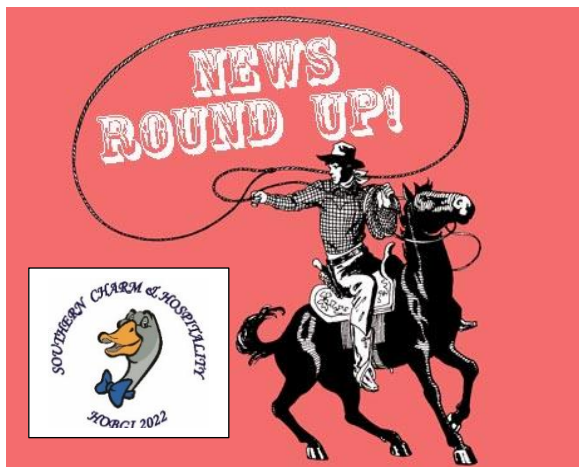
We would like to seek a sponsor for meetings who will provide appetizers for the attendees. This sponsorship usually runs from \$150 - \$200. If you can be a sponsor, please contact Linda Meik at [lindameik9@gmail.com](mailto:lindameik9@gmail.com) or via phone at 682-715-5341.



The Texas Pond is proud to announce that it is ready to receive applications for scholarship funds allocated by the Texas Pond for the 2022-2023 school year.

The application and guidelines are posted on the Texas Pond website under the Education tab: [www.bluegoosetx.org](http://www.bluegoosetx.org). The deadline for submission of fully completed applications is Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at midnight.

The Scholarship Committee will meet to review all applications and the scholarship recipients will be announced by June 1<sup>st</sup>.



**116<sup>th</sup> annual Blue Goose Convention - July 11-14, 2022** - HOBGI's 116th annual Grand Nest Convention will be hosted in Grapevine, TX by the Southern Region at the Embassy Suites DFW North. Convention early bird registration is \$395 per person and hotel room rate is \$180/night. [Grand Nest Convention Registration is open and ready for you.](#)



**2022 Convention Wagon Train Pledge Drive** - As we roll along the trail toward Grapevine, Texas next July, let's circle the wagons to support the Southern Region as it hosts the 2022 convention. As you can imagine, fundraising has been difficult due to COVID impacts. So please consider making a personal or company donation toward this event - especially if you are unable to attend in person. A personal Wagon Train pledge can be any amount using the numbers in the year 2022. Examples: \$20, \$202, \$22, etc. As always, your support is appreciated!

**Southern Region social media sites:** You will find the Southern Region Convention sponsors, plans, and activity updates here. Check out all the fun and take time to join these sites for continual updates. Here are the links for one to do so:

### Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/416725172357261>

### LinkedIn

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12320202/>

## Next Month

The Texas Pond is beginning to prepare for the new Blue Goose year 2022-2023. 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 here in Grapevine.

In the next few days/weeks Grand Nest will be sending out any Constitutional Amendments for Delegates to vote on at the July Grand Nest Convention. The Pond Officers will review these Amendments, and they will be presented them for discussion and a vote of the membership. The results of this vote will be given to the Delegates to cast the results vote to Grand Nest.

Dues process will begin June 1<sup>st</sup> and those that want to pay by credit card will be able to do so. Dues are \$70.

# GOLF TIME



## **TEXAS POND'S** **15th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Friday, June 17, 2022**

**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](http://www.bluegoosetx.org).**

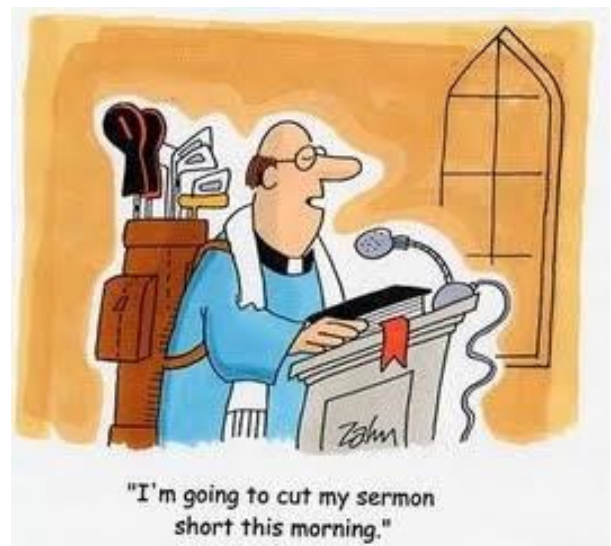
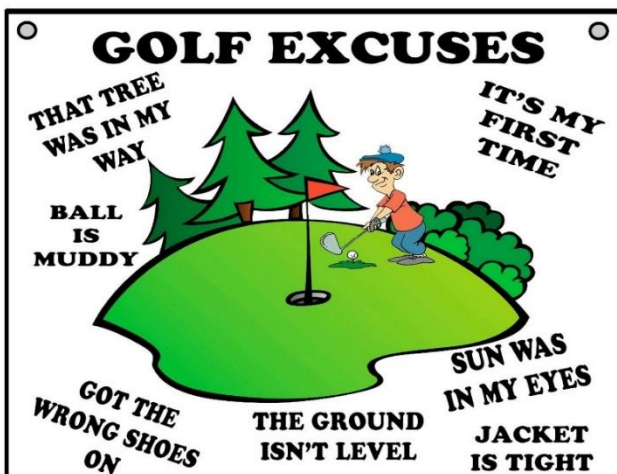
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## **See what's cooking**

### **APRIL MEETING – TEXAS POND**

**5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS**

**SECOND MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022**

**GOSLING INITIATION TIME**

**FIRESIDE PIES – GRAPEVINE**

### **MAY MEETING – TEXAS POND**

**5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS**

**PRESENTATION OF 2022-2023 SLATE OF OFFICERS**

**SECOND MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022**

**FIRESIDE PIES – GRAPEVINE**

### **JUNE MEETING – TEXAS POND**

**5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS**

**SECOND MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022**

**BLUE GOOSE YEAR 2018-2019 COMES TO AN END!**

**DUES COLLECTION FOR 2022-2023**

**INSTALLATION OF 2022-2023 SLATE OF OFFICERS**

**FIRESIDE PIES – GRAPEVINE**

### **15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**JUNE 17<sup>TH</sup> @ BEAR CREEK GOLF CLUB**

**8:00 SHOTGUN**

### **JULY MEETING – TEXAS POND**

**NO MEETING 116<sup>TH</sup> HOBGI CONVENTION**

**EMBASSY SUITES DFW NORTH**

**GRAPEVINE, TEXAS**



## Texas Pond Officers 2021 – 2022



**Most Loyal Gander** – Sharon Wilkins (W) 469-213-4316  
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## Grand Nest Officers for 2021-2022



**Most Loyal Grand Gander** – Linda Meik, Texas Pond  
**Grand Supervisor of the Flock** - Wendy Knizek, BC Pond  
**Grand Custodian of the Nest** - Steve Carson, Michigan Pond

**Grand Guardian of the Nest** – Wendy Hubbard, Hartford Pond

## Other Grand Nest Officers Not pictured

**Grand Keeper of Golden Goose Egg** – Joe Lothschutz, Michigan Pond

**Judge Advocate** – PMLGG Lorena Kohlrus, Alberta Pond

**Grand Historian** – PMLGG Dan Rich, Hartford Pond

**Grand Historian Emeritus** – PMLGG John Bishop, Nova Scotia Pond

**Grand Wielder of Goose Quill** – Terry Maloney, Home Nest Pond



## Some things to Think About

“Nothing ever comes to one, that is worth having, except as a result of hard work.” **Booker T. Washington**

“You can’t depend on your judgement when your imagination is out of focus.” **Mark Twain**

“And life is what we make it. Always has been, always will be.” **Grandma Moses**

“What I do today is important because I am exchanging a day of my life for it.” **Hugh Mulligan**

“Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today.” **Thomas Jefferson**

“Work as if you were to live 100 years, pray if you were to die tomorrow.” **Benjamin Franklin**

## 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.”*