TEXAS POND HONKER

April 2023

Character, Charity, Fellowship



Fireside Pies 1285 S. Main Street Grapevine, TX 76051

Blue Goose - Texas Pond

MONDAY, April 10, 2023 @ 5:30 PM

Gosling Initiation Time



These fine young goslings are anxiously waiting on the banks of the Texas Pond to take their first official swim:

Judith Campoya
Tim Lozos
Chad Sellers
Sarah Lougmani

Jessica Hamilton Catherine Moye Catherine Sutton Gordon Welch Ashan Kahn JB Owen Ken Carr Valerie Wilson

GOLF TIME



<u>TEXAS POND'S</u> <u>16th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT</u> <u>Friday, June 9, 2023</u>

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, with an 8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start; 12:30 p.m. Lunch.

More details along with the ability to register is located on the Texas Pond website at www.bluegoosetx.org.



OUR HOLE AND EVENT SPONSORS TO-DATE ARE:

- Sedgwick CMS
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- Questpro
- Ivera Group
- Stephens Engineering
- **❖** Paul Davis of North Dallas
- Fletcher, Farley, Shipman & Salinas
- Prism Specialties
- Express Records
- ❖ ElectroStar



Early Bird golf pricing ends on May 11st!

Texas Pond Educational Scholarship Program



Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted Through Midnight April 30th, 2023.

The Texas Pond is proud to announce that it is ready to receive applications for scholarship funds allocated by the Texas Pond for the 2023-2024 school year.

The application and guidelines/rules are posted on the Texas Pond website www.bluegoosetx.org under the Education tab.

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



SOUTHERN REGION ZOOM CALL



What a great way to start the spring season by having all the Ganders & Goslings on the banks of the Southern Region join together and celebrate.

Southern Region Joint Zoom Meeting Call

April 19thth at 6:00 EST; 5:00 CST; 3:00 AZ

Grab your favorite beverage and snack for a little fun fellowship time!

The login link will be sent out Tuesday, April 18th to those that have made a reservation. Send your reservation request to Tom Elder at elder@twc.com

The deadline for reservations is Tuesday, April 18th at noon CST. Once the link has been sent out additional reservations may not be honored.



Thoughts from our MLG!

Greetings, fellow Ganders,

You may have noticed our mystical social media posts recently with their subtle imagery of the Order and our ceremony. (How many hidden secret references can you find?) Hopefully, it brought memories of your initiation and how important of an event it was in your growth in the Order. Now, it's time for admission of the next group of "innocent and unsuspecting Goslings." With that, I am personally asking for ALL Goslings to attend the April

meeting and help build new memories for these new members.

Also, a HUGE, thank you for your active participation this year. The Pond's kickoff event in January was a success with the highest interest in sponsorship and attendance. Game night in February was super fun with amazing engagement. And the charity of our March Easter basket building brought the flock together to exceed our goals in toys, trinkets and sweets for the kids. And, best of all, we are seeing renewed activity from our Ganders on committees. Please stay involved to ensure the brotherhood of the Order.

Thanks and TF, MLG Jason

Last Month

Twenty Ganders, four Goslings and one guest attended our March gathering.



Everyone is anxious about starting the Easter Basket creation process.







Easter Baskets for Community Partners





Supplies collected – sorted and ready for assembly.



Really do we have to stuff/assemble all these eggs?????





Teamwork – Many hands make for quick progress.







The Ribbon & Cellophane Queens



We can wrap & tie bows too!





The entire group proudly displaying their smiles with all the Easter Baskets.



Terri Reject, the Texas Pond Charity Chair delivered the baskets to Community Partners. There was a total of 87 baskets for a value of \$1,735 delivered to Community Partners. This is the greatest number of baskets that the Texas Pond has delivered to Community Partner kiddos over the last four years.

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."



See what's cooking!

APRIL MEETING – TEXAS POND
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
GOSLING INITIATION

CHARITY – TOUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS FACILITY
SECOND MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023
FIRESIDE PIES – GRAPEVINE

May Meeting – Texas Pond
5:30 PM Ganders & Goslings & Guests
New Slate of Officers
Second Monday, May 8, 2023
On The Border – Addison

June Meeting – Texas Pond
5:30 PM Ganders & Goslings & Guests
End of the Blue Goose Year Celebration
Second Monday, June 12, 2023
TBD

THE 2022-2023 BLUE GOOSE COMES TO END. OUR NEXT BLUE GOOSE YEAR STARTS ON JULY 1ST.

HONORABLE ORDER OF BLUE GOOSE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TIME



July 10-13, 2023, in Whistler, B.C.
HILTON WHISTLER

<u>Registration is open</u> for the HOBGI's **117th annual Grand Nest Convention,** hosted by the BC Pond and held in the Olympic village of Whistler, BC (Canada).

Plan Ahead for the 2024 HOBGI Convention:



MOTOWN MIGRATION

August 12 - 15, 2024 Dearborn Inn, Dearborn, Michigan



Here are the 2022-2023 Texas Pond Officers

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Supervisor of the Flock - TBD

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Guardian of the Pond – Terri Rejcek (M) 817-773-0334 terricluck@att.net

Keeper of the Golden Goose Egg Daphney Elliott (W) 972-342-8728 <u>DElliott@resolveclaims.co</u>

Wielder of the Goose Quill - Linda Meik (M) 682-715-5341 lindameik9@gmail.com

