



TEXAS POND HONKER

May 2023

Character, Charity, Fellowship



**On the Border; 4855 Beltline Road
Addison, Texas 75254**

**Blue Goose – Texas Pond
MONDAY, May 8, 2023 @ 5:30 PM**

At our May meeting Judy Warren from Cane Russo will be in attendance. She will share with us the story of Cane Russo. In addition we will be collecting items for this animal shelter. Below is some suggested items needed.

In addition we will be discussing the officers for this next Blue Goose year. At the June meeting we will vote on this slate of officers and install them for the 2023-2024 Blue Goose year.

Here is the wish list pages link:

https://www.chewy.com/g/cane-rosso-rescue_b71822833#wish-list&wishlistsortby=DEFAULT

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/38206TAQ70TCN/ref=cm_sw_su_w

& the link for donations

<https://cuddly.com/wishlists?breed=&breedName=&location=&locationName=&term=cane%20rosso%20rescue>

<https://www.canerossorescue.org/donate>

June

June brings us to the end of the 2023-2024 Blue Goose year. We will be ending our year with a tour of our charity beneficiaries location and Happy Hour gathering.



The Texas Pond has supported this organization since 2016-2017. We This next month for our monthly meeting the ganders, goslings & guests are invited to meet us at Community Partners of Dallas located at 7950 Elmbrook Drive; Dallas, TX 75247 for a tour of CPD. The tour will **start promptly at 4:30 – no late entry**. Following this tour we will head to Maple Landing Patio located at: 5855 Maple Avenue. This is just a 5-7 minute drive from CPD.

At this meeting we give a quick summary of the golf outing, voting and installing our new slate of officers for 2023-2024; and giving a **BIG CELEBRATION** close out for 2022-2023!

Plan to join the festivities! RSVPs for the tour are requested. Contact Terri Rejeck.



Speaking of Texas Pond New Officers - WE NEED YOU! Consider the following thoughts & messages from other Texas Pond Leaders.

“How can YOU make the pond better? By stepping up and serving as a Blue Goose officer! So many of our Ganders have great ideas and can provide a fresh perspective on the organization. You don’t need experience, just a desire to jump in and guide the pond. We have many past officers who stay involved and are available to help mentor and guide the board, so you won’t feel like a fish out of water! - **Ashley Hansen**

While membership enables us to make connections within the Blue Goose organization, taking our involvement a step further can be so much more rewarding.

Serving on the board of the Texas Pond and collaborating with various committees over the years has given me the opportunity to build close relationships with members, gain deeper insight into the insurance industry, and hone my leadership and communication skills.

If you are looking for ways to serve and create closer connections, I encourage you to join a committee or let us know your interest in serving on the board. Volunteers like you make it possible for our Pond to continue benefiting the insurance industry, our charities, and our members. – **Daphney Elliott**

Blue Goose is an amazing organization and I feel very blessed to be a member of a group of likeminded individuals from the insurance industry where the cardinal principals are character, charity, and fellowship. I always enjoyed the monthly meetings, just getting to know folks, sharing ideas, and learning a thing or two. Ironically, I started with Blue Goose back in 1995 but only attended meetings sporadically. It was not until I really got involved in the organization that I learned the true value of the Blue Goose Organization and started realizing the true benefits. Becoming an officer and working on various committees you make so many new friends and gain such a sense of purpose and direction as you work together to achieve goals. The sense of pride and satisfaction you feel from working with a team to raise funds or provide services for a worthy cause is immeasurable. I encourage all ganders & goslings to join a committee and become an officer. Jump on it, the water is fine. – **Jim Devall**



GOLF TIME



TEXAS POND'S 16th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, June 9, 2023

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.

The tournament is a **SOLD-OUT**
Hallelujah!

The 16th Annual Texas Pond Blue
Goose Charity Golf Tournament Title
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We have 85 golfers registered to take part in some fun & fellowship!



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.”



Last Month

Thirteen Ganders, six Goslings and one guest attended our April gathering.

It Was Initiation Time



These fine young goslings who were sitting on the banks of the Texas Pond took their first official swim:

Left to right: Catherine Moye, JB Owen, Valerie Wilson, Ken Carr, Gordon Welch, and Sarah Lougmani



WELCOME YOU WONDERFUL NEW GANDERS!





JUNE MEETING – TEXAS POND
 5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
 END OF THE BLUE GOOSE YEAR CELEBRATION
SECOND MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023
 TOUR OF CPD AT 4:30-5:30 PM
 HH AT MAPLE LANDING PATIO 5:30- 7:00

**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**

Registration is open 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

Most Loyal Gander – Jason Znoy (H) 214-563-8875
jason.bluegoosetx@gmail.com

Supervisor of the Flock - TBD



The Ganders who were sitting in camp, wanted to shower the new Ganders with a little moisture, so out came all the water pistols!



See what's cooking!

MAY MEETING – TEXAS POND
 5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
 NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS
SECOND MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023
ON THE BORDER – ADDISON

Custodian of the Goslings – Roger Foltz (M) 214-914-3733 rbfoltz@aol.com

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

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

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



DON'T FORGET – MOTHER'S DAY IS MAY 14, 2023



“The quickest way for a parent to get a child’s attention is to sit down and look comfortable.” – **Lane Olinghouse**

"I always say if you aren't yelling at your kids, you're not spending enough time with them." – **Reese Witherspoon**