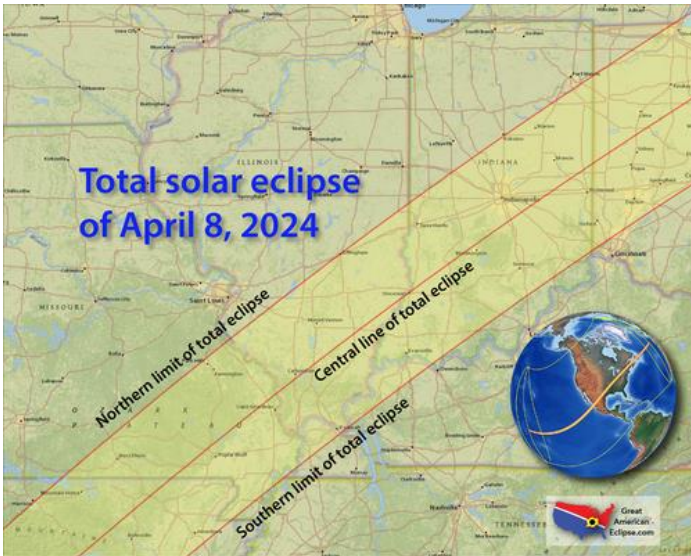


TEXAS POND HONKER

April 2024

Character, Charity, Fellowship



Due to this 2024 phenominton our Blue Goose meeting is being rescheduled from Monday to Tuesday - see the following meeting details!

GOSLING INITIATION & CHARITY AWARD TO SCOTTISH RITE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Gosling Initiation Time



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

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| Greg Haatja | Jessica Hamilton | Kellye Kruizinga |
| Robert Melvin | Daniel Rodriguez | Robert Salcido |
| Thomas Wilkins | | |

Blue Goose – Texas Pond

TUESDAY, April 9, 2024 @ 5:30 PM



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

CHARITY



From our New Year Gala proceeds, we will be presenting Scottish Rite Children's Hospital of Texas with a donation check to utilize as they deem appropriate.

We have invited a representative from Scottish Rite to join us and accept these funds.



TEXAS POND'S

17th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, June 7, 2024

Bear Creek Golf Club

3500 Bear Creek Court; Dallas, TX 75261

**6:45 a.m. Registration & Breakfast, with an 8:00
a.m. Shotgun Start; 12:30 p.m. Lunch.**

We have added in some new options for sponsors and are looking to have an entire course reserved for Blue Goose.

We currently have 6 Hole Sponsors, A Turn/Title Sponsor, a Lunch Sponsor, a Putting Contest Sponsor and 44 golfers signed up.

Come join the fun and be part of what will be the Texas Pond's largest golf tournament.

Golf Registration is available by February on our Texas Pond website www.bluegoosetx.org. So, mark your calendars and start putting together those foursomes for June 7, 2024, golf tournament.



Texas Pond Educational Scholarship Program



**Scholarship Applications Now Being
Accepted Through Midnight April 30th, 2024.**

The Texas Pond is proud to announce that it is ready to receive applications for scholarship funds allocated by the Texas Pond for the 2024-2025 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.



Last Month

Easter Baskets for Community Partners

We assembled 75 Easter Baskets for Community Partners of Dallas at our March 11th meeting. The basket value roughly came to \$1,650.00. Twenty-one ganders, 1 gosling and 5 guests took part in the fun & frolic was had by all in this assembly process.





Mitch Williams, GOP delivering the 75 baskets to Community Partners of Dallas.



CHARITY/COMMUNITY SERVICE TIME

On February 10th, 4 of GANDERS went to the Stew Pot in Dallas: Ed Carlton, Matt Arnold, Mitch Williams' daughter Marsella and Mitch Williams. There they sorted food, etc. for the organization. They worked from 8:30 to 1:30 (5 hours). All total, of 18 combined hours for charity/community service on behalf of the Texas Pond.



The end results of 21 eager ganders, 1 gosling and 5 guests at our March Texas Pond meeting.



Ed Carlton, Matt Arnold, Mitch Williams & Marsilla Williams.



**17TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
BEAR CREEK COUNTRY CLUB
JUNE 7, 2024, 8:00 A.M. SHOTGUN**

JUNE MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2024

MEETING: TBD



A New Blue Goose Year

(2024-2025) is on the Horizon!



JULY MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY, JULY 15, 2024

MEETING: TBD



“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.”

GRAND NEST CONVENTION

PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

CENTRAL REGION

JULY 29– AUGUST 2, 2024

AUGUST Meeting – Texas Pond

5:30 PM Ganders & Goslings & Guests

SECOND MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2024

MEETING: TBD

SEPTEMBER MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

MEETING: TBD

OCTOBER MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024

MEETING: TBD



APRIL MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2024

DATE CHANGE – TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024

GOSLING INITIATION

MEETING: ON THE BORDER, ADDISON

MAY MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024

MEETING: TBD

THE HONORABLE ORDER OF BLUE GOOSE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION NEWS

Registration is now open for the 2024
HOBGI Convention:



MOTOWN MIGRATION

July 29 – August 2, 2024
St. John's Resort, Plymouth, MI

IF YOU NEED THE REGISTRATION FLYER, PLEASE
CONTACT LINDA SMITH OR STEVE CARSON.
(ismith219@outlook.com; 313-806-3920 or
sgc2@vision-restoration.com 313-304-5665)

Registration is \$425. The hotel room rate is
\$215 plus tax. Plan to Attend the 2025
HOBGI convention at St. John's Resort.



August 3-8, 2025
Boston Park Plaza, Boston, MA

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO GET DETAILS ON THIS
FUNDRAISER.**

Plan Ahead for the 2026 HOBGI Convention:









July 12-16, 2026
The Galt House, Louisville, KY

**Do you want to be a sponsor of the Southern
Region Convention in 2026? Contact Tom Elder
or Linda Meik. See sponsorship levels below.**



GATEWAY TO THE SOUTH
RUN FOR THE ROSES

2026 Southern Region Blue Goose Corporate Sponsorship Levels		
 WINNERS CIRCLE	\$10,000	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.
 DERBY RACE	\$5,000	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.
 TRIFECTA	\$3,000	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.
 EXACTA	\$2,000	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.

 OAKS/LILY	\$1,000	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.
 WIN, PLACE, SHOW	\$500	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.
 STARTING GATE	\$250	Includes signage at convention events, and where possible includes promotion through Southern Region communications and thorough various social media platforms sites.



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