



TEXAS POND HONKER

March 2026

Character, Charity, Fellowship



Blue Goose – Texas Pond HONK – HONK Ganders, Goslings & Guests

Monday, March 9, 2026; 5:30 PM

Mesero – Prestonwood

5505 Belt Line Rd. , Dallas, TX 75254



Easter Baskets for Community Partners

We are assembling Easter Baskets for Community Partners of Dallas at our March 9th meeting. We are planning to assemble one hundred baskets.

Community Partners has requested that we are specific in our assembly of baskets, such as labelling them for a girl and/or a boy and being precise in the items for each age category. Since they also will not except any extra items should we not include them in the baskets, we have assembled a list with the quantity of supply items we need. Please contact Linda Meik for more details.

We ask everyone to bring the supplies by 5:30 pm that they signed up to bring, so we can begin assembling the baskets by 6:00 pm.



The Big Proud Gander
Mitch Williams
Most Loyal Gander

Greeting All,

Well after the big freeze in February, it looks like winter is on the way out. Since we had a plumbing leak in our attic during said freeze, winter cannot leave fast enough! Every year, I eagerly look forward to the upcoming time change, longer days, and warmer weather. With age, I seem to like the cold a little less every year. Suppose that's why Florida and Arizona are so popular with retiring snowbirds. Anyway, happy Spring to you all.

We've got some big events happening this Spring. At our next meeting on March 9th, we are putting together baskets for the Community Partners of Dallas Easter basket drive. This is usually one of our biggest meetings of the year. And at our April meeting, we'll be initiating new Ganders into the flock. Hope to see you at both.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Plans for our annual golf outing are underway! Details will be forthcoming in the April newsletter.



FEBRUARY 8, 2026

Square Winners

Score Changes

Payout#	Name	New England	Seattle
1	Charla Brown	0	0
2	Frank/Carol Sanker	0	3
3	Jay Cardarette	0	6
4	Mark Badowski	0	9
5	Ashley Hansen	0	12
6	Jodi Gann	0	18
7	Mark Badowski	0	19
8	Linda Meik	6	19
9	Wayne Ottoway	7	9
10	Phil Evans	7	22
11	Linda Meik	7	28
12	Wayne Ottoway	7	29
13	Mike Clarke	13	29
14	Mike Clarke	13	29
15	Mike Clarke	13	29
16	Mike Clarke	13	29
17	Mike Clarke	13	29
18	Mike Clarke	13	29
19	Mike Clarke	13	29
20	Mike Clarke	13	29

Winner	Payout Amt
Mike Clarke	\$200
Mark Badowski	50
Jay Cardarette	25
Frank/Carol Sanker	25
Ashley Hansen	25
Jodi Gann	25
Wayne Ottoway	50
Linda Meik	50
Phil Evans	25
Charla Brown	25
Total	\$500

CHARITY

Here is a quick update on the status on charity endeavors that the Texas Pond has undertaken in the last 12 years. Currently for the 2025-2026 Blue Goose year the fifty-one active members of the Texas Pond have donated \$250.79 per member to charity.

Blue Goose Texas Pond

2025-2026 Charitable Impact – 12 Year Summary

\$82,972 in total donations to NTFB
 North Texas Food Bank distributes donated, purchased and prepared foods through a network of nearly 1,000 feeding programs and 262 Partner Agencies in 13 North Texas counties.

\$41,710 in total donations to TSRHC
 Regardless of a family's ability to pay for services, Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children has treated thousands of children since 1921 for a wide array of orthopedic

\$29,368 in total donations to CPDTX
 Community Partners of Dallas ensures the safety, restores the dignity and inspires hope for more than 20,000 abused and neglected children served by Dallas County Child Protective Services.

\$10,375 in total donations to Family Place
 Since 1978 The Family Place has been empowering victims of family violence by providing safe housing, counseling and skills that create independence while building community engagement and advocating for social change to stop family violence.

\$12,638 in total donations across multiple charities:
 Christian Community Action Center, Salvation Army Angels, Cane Russo, Our Daily Bread, Back On Your Feet, The Evie Effect, Special Olympics, Unspoken Motherhood, StewPot.

\$55,500 in scholarships to local students
 The Texas Pond began awarding scholarships to eligible students of Blue Goose members in 2015. You can find the scholarship guidelines online at www.BlueGooseTX.org.

VOLUNTEER
 The Texas Pond occasionally has offered a Community Service Volunteer opportunity for the membership, whereby the Ganders have volunteered a total **91.5 volunteer hours**.

Amounts recorded as of 1/31/26



TEXAS POND MEETINGS FOR 2026

MARCH MEETING – TEXAS POND
 5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2026
MEETING: MESERO- PRESTONWOOD

APRIL MEETING – TEXAS POND
 5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026
MEETING: MESERO- PRESTONWOOD

MAY MEETING – TEXAS POND
 5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026
MEETING: MESERO- PRESTONWOOD

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS.

Fundraiser remaining funds of \$500 per board will go towards the Texas Pond Scholarship Program.

JUNE MEETING – TEXAS POND
5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS
SECOND MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2026
MEETING: MESERO- PRESTONWOOD

HOBGI – TEXAS POND YEAR COMES TO AN END!
ANOTHER BLUE GOOSE YEAR BEGINS!

MORE HONORABLE ORDER OF BLUE GOOSE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION NEWS



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



The 2026-2027
Honorable Blue Goose
Convention will be held
July 17th-22nd at the



MLGG & SOF



GOP & COP



WGQ & KGGE

Here are the 2025-2026 Texas Pond Officers

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Guardian of the Pond – TBD

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