



TEXAS POND HONKER

July 2026

Character, Charity, Fellowship



Blue Goose – Texas Pond

**HONK – HONK Ganders, Goslings
& Guests**

Monday, July 13, 2026; 5:30 PM

Dave & Busters

9450 North Central Expwy , Dallas, TX 75231

**No reservations are necessary. Cash Bar!
Food is at your own expense. Come prepared
to enjoy some good summer fellowship in
some airconditioning.**



Words from the Big Goose

Randy Webb, MLG

Hello all, and welcome to summer solstice 2026. We all look forward to another 4th of July celebration, this one to commemorate 250 years as a nation. As usual during the summer months, many of you are planning vacations. This may include trips to the beach or perhaps pool time. No

doubt this will signal some to get in shape for said activities. A trend sweeping the nation presently is "sword yoga" turning women into swashbuckling warriors with the help of a double-edged sword.

No sword rentals are available for sword yoga. One site has the promise that for \$64.99 they will offer girl gladiators a 1-1.5-pound, 27.5-inch tai chi blade that is mailed to their house exclusively for training purposes. For some reason, this trend has not caught on to our male population. Something for you to pontificate.

And if sword yoga doesn't suit you there is "pistols and Pilates". Also, a growing exercise routine that seems to be trending with the ladies in our midst. Another thought to stew on.

I suppose men will stick to the tried-and-true practice of visiting the gym for getting in shape. Gyms seem to be in abundance and are found on every other corner of our fair city.

Whatever your summertime plans are, be certain they are safe ones. We would like to see each and every one of your smiling faces again soon!

LAST MONTH

The new officers for 2026-2027, whose dues had been paid, were installed at the June meeting by PMLG Jim Mathew.

Most Loyal Gander – Randy Webb
Supervisor of the Flock – Doug Hubby
Custodian of the Goslings – Matt Arnold
Guardian of the Pond – Charlotte Armstrong
Keeper of the Golden Goose Egg – Ashley Hansen
Wielder of the Goose Quill – Daphney Elliott

The Texas Pond awarded a 10-year membership anniversary pin to: Mary Bramley. Also, a PMLG pin was

presented to Mitch Williams by the incoming MLG, Randy Webb.

In 2011, the Texas Pond initiated a Pond tradition, following the lead of the Hartford Pond on awarding a Gander that goes above & beyond during the year. The recipient is selected annually by that year's MLG in recognition of service to the Pond.

This year's recipient was awarded this honor by MLG Mitch Williams to Charlotte Armstrong for her efforts in seeing the success of the Pond throughout the year!

Over the years the following Ganders have been recognized as Super Goosers.

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| 2011 – Jerry Fazio | 2021 – Randy Webb |
| 2012 – John Malagna | 2022 – Roger Foltz |
| 2013 – Ray Wicker | 2023 – Terri Rejeck |
| 2014 – Wayne Ottoway | 2024 – Eddy Pokluda |
| 2015 -- Ashley Hansen | 2025 – Mitch Williams |
| 2016 – John Sterrantiono & Scott Sterrantino | |
| 2017 – Tom Noonan | 2026 – Charlotte Armstong |
| 2018 – Jim Devall | |
| 2019 – Daphney Elliott | |
| 2020 – (Skip- Pandemic year) | |



Congratulations to everyone.

Blue Goose Texas Pond DUES COLLECTION TIME FOR 2026-2027 GANDERS ONLY



Our new Blue Goose year begins on July 1st!

Ganders and/or current Goslings (someone who has completed an application) you can pay your dues on-line via a credit card at our Blue Goose website: www.bluegoosetx.org. Click the tab for Membership and

complete the information. Once completed this will take you to the PayPal screen to pay. If you have not completed an application, come to a meeting to obtain an application.

The option to pay by credit card will be available until September 30th. Dues are \$70.00 for the year. Should you want to pay your dues via check or cash, the Texas Pond will accept your dues for \$70.00 at the meetings or one can mail them to Linda Meik.

GOLF RESULTS

Click on the QR code to check out the pictures from our 19th Annual Charity Golf Tournament.



19th Annual Golf Tournament!
Coyote Ridge Golf Club

On June 4th our 19th Annual Charity golf tournament for the Texas Pond was held at Coyote Ridge. We had 100 golfers signed up, with only 97 players who played.

A 50/50 cash raffle was played at the tournament. The winner won \$760 and donated it back to the BG. The winner was a player on the title sponsor team.

Instead of the traditional mulligans, putting contest, raffle separate sales, we did a "Player Pack," which included mulligans, a 3' string (to be used to better your ball) and raffle tickets for \$40, or a "Team Pack" for \$150. We sold these to 55 golfers and raised \$2,080. Much more profitable and quicker than what we have done in the past.

We want to extend "Thank You's" to Carol Novak and Charla Brown for helping with set-up and check-in. Susan Freeman and Kelly Johnson from Haag a Salas O'Brien Company and Trent Bush from Thornton Tomasetti who helped us with registration of sponsors.

Sponsors

Title Sponsor	CLC Roofing, Inc.
Golf Cart Sponsor	Ivera Group - Forensic Consulting
Premium Par 3 Holes	Weathershield Roofing and Sheetmetal
Premium Par 3 Holes	Bingham Services Inc.
Hole Package - Standard	Sdii Global
Hole Package - Standard	MDD a Davies Company
Hole Package - Standard	Zelle LLP
Hole Package - Standard	Lerch Bates
Hole Package - Standard	Rowe Forensics
Hole Package - Standard	Fletcher, Farley, Shipman & Salinas LLP
Hole Package - Standard	Expedited Service Partners
Photo sponsor	ATI Restoration
Registration Table	Thornton Tomasetti
Registration Table	Haag a Salas O'Brien Company
Award Sponsor	Express Records
Putting contest sponsor	Buchanan Clarke Schlader LLP
Lunch Sponsor	Stephens Engineering
Lunch Sponsor	Choice Solutions Services
Breakfast Sponsor	UBSE

We netted over \$15,000 in the tournament this year!

Many positive comments were received. Coyote Ridge Golf course was fantastic location, easy to work with and for the luncheon after.



HERE IS TO OUR COUNTRY CELEBRATING ITS 250TH BIRTHDAY THIS YEAR!

THE BEGINNINGS OF THE TEXAS POND WAS ON JANUARY 30, 1907! WE ARE CELEBRATING OUR 119TH BIRTHDAY!

At the time of the first charter there were 132 ganders in the Texas pond.

Charter was surrendered in 1914.

2nd Charter was granted on January 14, 1921.

The 2nd time around there were 190 Ganders in the Texas Pond.

Following the issuance of the 2nd Charter the Texas Pond was divided into four Ponds: South Texas (Houston); Alamo Pond (San Antonio); West Texas (Lubbock); and three Puddles: Austin, El Paso & Corpus Christi.

In 1992, the 2nd Charter was surrendered.

The 3rd Charter was issued at the Grand Nest Convention in New York City in 1995.

Texas is part of the Southern Region, which is made up of the Ponds in Kentucky, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Under the Texas Pond umbrella there is a "Retirement" Puddle made up of Life members of Alabama, Arizona, Oklahoma, North Carolina, Colorado, Seattle members.





TEXAS POND MEETINGS FOR 2026 - 2027

HOBGI – ANOTHER BLUE GOOSE YEAR BEGINS!

JULY MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY JULY 13, 2026

MEETING: DAVE & BUSTERS

9450 N. CENTRAL EXPRESSWAY, DALLAS

AUGUST MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY AUGUST 10, 2026

MEETING LOCATION: TBD

SEPTEMBER MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2026

MEETING LOCATION: TBD

OCTOBER MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY OCTOBER 12, 2026

MEETING LOCATION: TBD

NOVEMBER MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2026

MEETING LOCATION: TBD

DECEMBER MEETING – TEXAS POND

5:30 PM GANDERS & GOSLINGS & GUESTS

SECOND MONDAY DECEMBER 14, 2026

MEETING LOCATION: TBD

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 Prince Hotel in Halifax, Nova
Scotia***

**AFTER THE HONORABLE ORDER OF BLUE GOOSE CONVENTIONS
WILL BE IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI IN THE SUMMER OF 2028**

**FOLLOWING IN SUMMER OF 2029 A POSSIBLE CRUISE OUT OF
BALTIMORE**



MLGG & SOF



GOP & COP



WGQ & KGGE

Here are the 2026-2027 Texas Pond Officers

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