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**DANA GOLDBERG AND STEVE GRAND TO PERFORM AT  
BLACK TIE DINNER NOVEMBER 15**

DALLAS—During its annual Sponsor Kick-Off Party, Black Tie Dinner announced entertainment at this year’s dinner will include performances by openly gay country music star Steve Grand and lesbian comic Dana Goldberg.

Grand is best known for his song “All American Boy,” whose video has received nearly three million YouTube views, and a Kickstarter campaign that has partially funded his first album, set for release this spring. Goldberg was voted one of the “Top Five Funniest Lesbians in America” by *CURVE Magazine*, and in addition to appearing at comedy clubs and on television specials, has raised significant funds for the Human Rights Campaign, the fight against HIV/AIDS, and countless other LGBT organizations.

“We strive to present the best entertainment for our guests each year and it’s especially exciting this year because our entertainers are openly gay,” said Ken Morris, co-chair of the Dinner. “Steve Grand is a rising star who is genuinely excited about coming to our event and we know many of his fans who follow him will be equally excited he’s here.”

Co-chair Debra Davis added, “Dana Goldberg has great energy and is hilarious. She will keep our guests entertained throughout the evening with her unique ability to

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find the humor in every situation. She can even make a live auction entertaining and has a proven track record of raising money for the LGBT community.”

Black Tie Dinner is currently working to secure empowering speakers and honorees for this year’s dinner, with the goal of making it one of the most memorable. Last year’s event featured an impassioned keynote address by Dustin Lance Black, who received an Academy Award for Best Original Screenplay for “Milk,” and a rousing performance by legendary recording artist Patti LaBelle.

The 2014 Black Tie Dinner, presented by Turtle Creek Solutions, will be held on Saturday, November 15, 2014. Sponsorship tables are currently being sold at [blacktie.org](http://blacktie.org), with general table sales slated for June.

#### ABOUT BLACK TIE DINNER

Black Tie Dinner is a non-profit organization that raises funds for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) supportive organizations serving North Texas through a premier event of empowerment, education and entertainment in partnership with the community. Since its inception in 1982, the nation’s largest LGBT event of its kind has distributed more than \$18 million.

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