

TBLA Announces Sponsor of 2016 Bass Unlimited—Back A Great Fighter Poster

The Toledo Bend Lake Association (TBLA) will unveil its annual Bass Unlimited—Back A Great Fighter (BU--BAGF) Poster during the Unveiling Gala and Auction at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 7, in the Grand Ballroom at Cypress Bend Resort on beautiful Toledo Bend Lake. The Unveiling

Gala is open to the public and there is no admission charge. Toledo Bend Lake Association is a non-profit organization that sponsors the Annual Bass Unlimited--BAGF Banquet and Auction as its major fundraising project to support and benefit Toledo Bend Lake.

This year, Eddie Pastureau of Toledo Bend Lake, an artist whose focus is on realistic painting, is the 2016 poster artist. The 2016 poster is sponsored by Interstate Building Materials, Highway 171 south in Many, Louisiana. The company was established in September of 2014 with seven employees and initially sold only to contractors. Within three months, Interstate grew to fifteen employees and opened the doors to the public and "Do-It-Yourself market. They currently have five trucks delivering to builders not only in Sabine Parish, but also in East Texas, Ruston, Natchitoches, and as far south as Morgan City.

Owner and President, Kyle Martinez, heads contractor sales and management of the company. Kyle graduated from Zwolle High School in 2003, obtained his Bachelors of Business Administration from NSU in 2006, and his MBA from LSUS in 2009. Kyle is very active in our community, serving as parish trustee for St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Zwolle, President of the Sabine Parish Chamber of Commerce, Treasurer of the Sabine Parish Tourist Commission, and board member of Sabine Young Professionals.

Joshua Garcie, Vice President of Interstate Building Materials, has also taken an active part in running the business. He greets customers as they come through the door

and assists them in meeting their paint, plumbing, or electrical needs. He graduated from Zwolle High School in 2003, studied electrical engineering at NSU, and is married to the former, Brittany Sepulvado.

Kyle and Joshua are grateful for the work done by TBLA and the many members that they can also call customers. Kyle stated that not everyone has the opportunity to make a living in their home parish; and he and Joshua are very grateful for the support they have received from everyone in the community. Interstate is honored to play a small part in helping TBLA build a better Toledo Bend.

Kyle and Joshua plan to attend the Unveiling Gala on Thursday, April 7, where Artist Pastureau will be signing posters. The first numbered framed poster as well as the framed original artwork from which the poster was created will be auctioned by Professional Auctioneer Kevin McDonald, beginning at 7:30 p.m. In addition to this year's poster, items that are auctioned will include two (2) pieces of original art by previous Bass Unlimited artists—Noah Bounds and Ron Kidwell.

The talented staff of Nichols, Incorporated, will decorate the ballroom for this festive event. Ms. Debbie Nichols was the sponsor of the 2006 BU Poster. Bass Unlimited—BAGF posters are sold in the Nichols Many store. If 2016 posters are still available after the BU—BAGF Banquet and Auction on Friday, April 15, they will be available, framed and unframed, at the Many store.

The 2016 Poster can be ordered now. Unframed posters sell for \$20 each and framed posters sell for \$40 each. They will be available for pick up at the Poster Unveiling. To order your poster, send a check or money order to the address shown below. Make checks payable to TBLA: Order forms are available online at www.toledobendlakeassociation.com.

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For Bass Unlimited – Back a Great Fighter Poster collectors who want to add the same numbered poster to their collection, indicate on your check the poster number you

want to reserve for pick-up after the Unveiling. Collector-specific numbers are guaranteed available until Thursday, March 24, 2016. If you would like your poster personalized, enclose a note with the wording you would like.

Unframed posters from 2003, 2004, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, and 2015 are still available. They may be viewed on line at www.toledobendlakeassociation.com. The cost is \$15 each. To have posters mailed, add \$8 to the cost of the poster(s) to cover shipping and handling, regardless of how many posters you order.

The Toledo Bend Lake Association is made up of citizens deeply interested in the community in which they live and who are involved in the betterment of the Toledo Bend Lake area. The Association has no political affiliations with any state or federal agency. It is a non-profit organization.

For more information about Bass Unlimited or TBLA, pre-paying for a poster, and having your poster personalized and ready for immediate pickup after the Unveiling Auction, contact the Poster Coordinator at 318-590-0599 or go to www.toledobendlakeassociation.com.