

Dedicated to Serving Toledo Bend Lake

TOLEDO BEND LAKE ASSOCIATION, P.O. BOX 1031, MANY, LOUISIANA 71449 www.toledobendlakeassociation.com

MARCH 2017 ISSUE

2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

GARY MOORE President

TED DOVE First Vice President

RHONDA DEAN Second Vice President

> BILL GALLIGAN Secretary

GAYNELL GOODEAUX Treasurer

PHIL MEDINE

EDDIE PASTUREAU

DEB PENNINGTON

BRUCE ROGERS

MIKE SCHEURICH

JOHN TOLIVER

RICKY YELDELL

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>March 2, 2017</u> Bass Unlimited Poster Unveiling 7:00-8:30 p.m. Cypress Bend Resort <u>April 21, 2017</u> Bass Unlimited Banquet and Auctions 5:00-10:00pm Cypress Bend Marina Pavilion The 2017 TBLA Bass Unlimited--Back A Great Fighter Poster Unveiling will be held on Thursday, March 2, at Cypress Bend Resort.

This event will take the place of our normal monthly social for March.

Please attend the unveiling and join us in thanking **Toledo Town Hardware and Supply**, our 2017 Bass Unlimited poster sponsors. We will be celebrating the unveiling of the 2017 Bass Unlimited Poster based on the original painting by Don Edwards, titled "Toledo Bend #1." The original painting will be auctioned to the highest bidder at the event. The first numbered and framed 2017 print will also be auctioned as well as original paintings by the previous two years' artists, Noah Bounds and Eddie Pastureau. Mr. Edwards will be signing prints at the event. There will be a cash bar opening at 6:00 p.m., and the Grand Ball Room will open at 7:00 p.m. for the unveiling. The signed and numbered 2017 posters can be preordered now by contacting Poster Coordinator Rhonda Dean at 318-590-0599. You can pick up preordered 2017 posters at the Poster Unveiling or purchase posters at the event.

The regular monthly membership social will resume on Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 p.m.

<u>2017 Membership Renewal</u> – <u>Are you sure that you have paid your dues?</u> Please check <u>your records</u>!

We continue with our membership renewal efforts, and thanks to all who have renewed for 2017. Unfortunately, we still have a large number of members who have not renewed their memberships. We would appreciate anything that you can do to renew as soon as possible. We sent out email reminders on February 10 to those members for whom we do not have a record of renewal. Please check your records and renew if you have not already done so. Also please ask a neighbor, friend, or fellow Lake Area property or business owner, or Lake user to consider joining TBLA.

2017 Bass Unlimited Banquet News

TBLA's Bass Unlimited Banquet will take place Friday, April 21, at the Cypress Bend Marina Pavilion. The event will open at 5:00 p.m., and as in the past, we will have a meal, drink cup, Drop Boxes, a silent auction, and a live auction. We are excited about the event and want to thank everyone who has donated to or sponsored the event. Five previous years' signed and framed prints were donated to TBLA and will be in the live and silent auctions this year. Three of these prints are sold out and no longer available other than through this event. In addition, we will have three kayaks, seven guns, fishing packages, guide trips, a special LA Opal jewelry package, and much more to be sold or raffled at the event.

Please plan to attend, invite your friends and neighbors, and buy your tickets soon before we sell them out. Tickets are on sale now, and you can reserve your seats or a table by calling Gaynell Goodeaux at 318 256 0501.

2017-52-Gun Raffle – <mark>Please return any unused/ unwanted tickets as soon as possible so we can sell them to someone who wants to participate in the gun raffle.</mark>

As we have communicated previously, our 2017 Grand Raffle Prize for BU will again be a 52-Gun Raffle. For the raffle to be successful, we need to sell all of the tickets that were printed and distributed to our members for the raffle. If you received tickets from us back in November or December, and you have not paid for them, not sold them, and do not plan to sell or use them, please return the unused tickets as soon as possible or please return your money from any ticket sales and completed ticket stubs to: Bruce Rogers, 70 Northstar Lane, Many, LA 71449. This will allow us to

sell the unused tickets to someone who may want to participate in the raffle. We only have 1000 tickets, and we need to sell all of them if possible. If you have questions regarding the 2017 Gun Raffle, contact Bruce by Phone: 281-543-0184 or Email: <u>bruce.rogers@hughes.net.</u> We will continue selling the tickets until the night of the BU Banquet or until all have been sold.

Bass Unlimited Donations for the BU Banquet – Donation Sheets (aka Blue Sheets) for Bass Unlimited prizes and donations should be submitted, either in person, via mail or emailed to Denise Rogers, who is the Data Coordinator this year. Her contact number is 281-744-0724 and email address is <u>denise.rogers@hughes.net</u>. Hard copies can also be mailed to 70 Northstar Lane, Many, LA 71449. Please be sure that your donation sheets are filled in completely.

The BU Planning Committee's next meeting will be Wednesday, March 8, at 6:30 p.m. - The BU committee will meet in the SCOA-Toledo Town location. Anyone interested in serving on one of the BU committees, please join us at this meeting. If you cannot attend this meeting but are interested in serving on the Bass Unlimited Committee, or interested in volunteering to help with one of our other projects, please contact myself or Ted Dove. I can be reached any time by email at <u>gmoore07@yahoo.com</u> or by phone at 281-798-7131 or 318-256-2495. Ted's contact information is <u>tdove@craworld.com</u> and 225-937-0439.

TBLA Highlights for February – The TBLA Board met on Tuesday, Feb 21 and approved a grant for the newly formed Negreet HS Fishing Team. TBLA now supports three area high school fishing teams.

Seventeen TBLA members performed a roadside litter pick-up on February 4 from Toledo Town to the Lanana Bridge, our designated Adopt a Road Section of Highway 191. The participants enjoyed a fish fry that evening courtesy of Richard Jamison. Because of the great turnout, the pick-up took less than two hours. Great job! We want to thank all who participated and encourage others to participate in the next pick-up when it is scheduled in the upcoming months.

2016 BU Grand Prize Gun Raffle Weekly Winners – based on the Friday, Louisiana Pick Three Lottery drawing – Weekly winners were: Week 42, 01/20/17, Rem 870 synthetic 20 ga, Harry Stafford, Zwolle, La.; Week 43, 01//27/2017, Ruger American Blued .270, James Ezernak, Zwolle, La.; Week 44, 02/03/2017, Savage 17HMR Syn/blued, Fran Fontenot, Ragley, La.; Week 45, 02/10/2017, Marlin 336, 30-.30, Ben Chapman, Lake Arthur, La.; Week 46, 021/17/2017, Rem 870, 20ga, Mike Springer, Many, La.

<u>Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program</u> – As of Thursday, February 24^{th} , we have 45 lunkers registered in the 2016 - 2017 Lunker Bass Program. At this time last year, we had 62 fish registered. Check the Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program Facebook page to see photos of the anglers and their big fish. The best time to catch a big one is now!

Texas Angler Catches Two Toledo Bend lunkers within hours of each other on the same day -



Norman Land from Cleveland, Texas, pulled off something no one else has done on Toledo Bend, when he landed two TBLA certified 10-pound bass just hours apart and will be receiving a replica for each.

See the rest of the story via Louisiana Sportsman at: http://www.louisianasportsman.com/details.php?id=10590

<u>Toledo Bend Reservoir</u> – Daily Lake levels may be found at: <u>http://www.srala-toledo.com/</u>, The Lake level is currently approximately 169ft msl. You can help us save money by providing your e-mail address as a means of receiving your copy of the TBLA newsletter. You will receive it quicker and see color photographs. Email it to: <u>TBLAtreasurer@yahoo.com</u>. Every newsletter that we send out via e-mail helps to save funds for projects. For membership renewals, it is important to submit the completed form so that we can make sure the information we have on file is correct. If your email address or mailing address changes please let us know immediately. If your email address is rejected we do not have a way of finding out what your new address is.

If you have questions or comments relative to the contents of this Newsletter, please contact me at <u>gmoore07@yahoo.com</u> or call me at 281-798-7131 or 318-256-2495. Gary Moore, TBLA President

TOLEDO BEND LAKE ASSOCIATION 2017 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OR APPLICATION

Name (include spouse):			
Business Name:			
Street Address:			
City, State, Zip Code:			
Telephone: Home:			
Email Address:			
2017 Dues – Please check one:			
	Business 1 yr. (\$25.00)	Business 10 yrs. (\$200	0.00)
Please indicate method of payment: C	Cash Check Number *_	PayPal	Date
*Make check payable to: TBLA or Toledo Bend Lake Association and be sure to mark it as 2016 dues. Bring to			
our meeting or mail to: Toledo Bend La	ake Association, P.O. Box 1031	, Many, LA 71449. You	u can also pay your
membership dues through PayPal by clicking on the Pay Now icon on the Contact/Join Us page of the TBLA			
website at www.toledobendlakeassoc	iation.com		