



Toledo Bend Lake Association

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 5, 2019

Monthly Membership Social
7:00 pm
SCOA Toledo Town

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September Membership Social – Our Membership Social will be held on Thursday, September 5, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sabine Council on Aging (SCOA) facility, Highway 191 North of Toledo Town. Our guest speaker will be a representative from the Enforcement Division of Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. This will be our opportunity to ask questions regarding fishing and boating regulations. Our local Agents are always accommodating and helpful in keeping us safe and legal while we enjoy the outdoors. This will be a chance for our Members to meet the Agents and be prepared to meet them again. The entrée for our meal will be jambalaya. Please bring a side dish or dessert and join us.

The 2020 BU Planning Committee and other volunteer opportunities – Our next Bass Unlimited Banquet Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for September 11th, 6:30 p.m. at the SCOA – Toledo Town location. Anyone interested in serving on one of the 2020 Bass Unlimited Committees should contact me, Gaynell Goodeaux, or Deb Pennington. I can be reached any time by email at ricky115@gmail.com or by phone at 318-315-1382. Gaynell's contact information is nedgoodeaux@gmail.com and 318-256-0501 or 337-842-7814. Deb can be reached at 2debpennington@gmail.com and 318-315-2448.

Our search for various Committee Members continues. All committees function more effectively when TBLA Members serve in addition to the Board Members that are already assigned to those committees. Input and guidance from Members are much needed to accomplish our objectives.

Lake Level – The Lake level is important to those with an interest in Toledo Bend. Real-time information on the matter can be found online at http://waterdata.usgs.gov/usa/nwis/uy?site_no=08025350 This information is updated every fifteen minutes.

The Sabine River Authority's guidelines for opening and closing the spillway gates appears in their *Operating Guide Rule Curve* document. This document can be found at <http://www.srala-toledo.com/page.aspx?menuId=28>

TBLA Board of Directors- The Board met on August 20, 2019, and dealt with several items of new and old business. Linda Curtis-Sparks spoke on behalf of the Toledo Bend/Zwolle Historical Museum. There are plans to have several nice exhibits there including one on the Toledo Bend Lake Association. Plans are to tell the story of Toledo Bend from concept through completion to its 50th Anniversary. TBLA's history and accomplishments will be highlighted as well. The Board will be deciding on our level of financial support for this project at the September Board Meeting.

The Board continues to work with Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries and Texas Parks & Wildlife Department on fisheries habitat projects and fishing regulation signage.

The Board voted to support a “back to school” type of program for the Hemphill, TX area. The program provides school supplies for children that are removed from families or going through a crisis.

The Nominating Committee will be announcing the names of candidates for Board of Directors positions at our September Membership Social. We will discuss the ballot process at the September Meeting. In general, ballots will be counted, and results announced at the Annual Membership Meeting in October.

Louisiana Wildlife Federation Annual Convention-The 80th Annual Convention of the LWF was held on August 17th, 2019 in West Monroe, LA. Your President was privileged to attend as a Delegate representing Toledo Bend Lake Association.

LWF’s Principles include conserving Louisiana’s natural resources while protecting the rights of Louisiana citizens to enjoy those resources. LWF works to advance sound, scientifically established resource management principles and engage outdoor enthusiasts through education and advocacy.

LWF monitors legislation related to natural resources and promotes policy initiatives to state agencies and commissions.

One current issue being followed by LWF is coastal access or simply stated, who can fish where in Louisiana marshlands? This is a complex issue that will likely test the arbitration/legal system to its limit. The matter of brush pile ownership at Toledo Bend pales in comparison to coastal access issues. We will keep an eye on this.

TBLA is an affiliate of LWF, and LWF is an affiliate organization of National Wildlife Federation. Hence, we are involved in natural resource management on a state and national level.

Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program

Rodney Hebert of Maurice, LA brought in a previously tagged 10.10 pound Lunker to Fairmont General Store on July 24, 2019. Rodney’s fish is Lunker number #7 of the season.

Branden Rannekleiv of Reeves, LA caught a bass weighing 10.85 pounds on August 17, 2019. Branden’s fish was weighed in at Fin and Feather Resort and is Lunker #8 for the current year.

Congratulations to these anglers!



Rodney Hebert, 10.10 pounds.



Branden Rannekleiv, 10.85 pounds.

2019 – 20209 52-Gun Raffle News – If you have any questions regarding the 52-gun raffle drawings, please contact Bruce Rogers by phone: 281-543-0184 or email: bruce.rogers@hughes.net.

2019 – 20209 TBLA 52-Gun Raffle Winners			
Date of Award	Guns	Number	Winner
07/26/19	Ruger American 308 rifle	387	Stan Russell
08/03/19	Mossberg Patriot 30-06 rifle with scope package	200	Fred Fuerst
08/09/19	Remington 870 Express 12-gauge shotgun in camo color	609	Juanita LeBoeuf
08/16/19	Ruger 10/22 Deluxe Walnut rifle	608	Heather Koonce

TBLA Trash Pick-Up – The third quarterly trash pick-up of 2019 was held on Friday, August 9. A nice turnout of volunteers fought the heat, humidity and head high grass to beautify our little stretch of adopted highway. Larry and Ginger Rice, Chris Abrahams, Jennifer Wheeler, Deb Pennington, Linda McCormic, Ricky and Dayna Yeldell, Garry Moore, Jim Mifflin, Theresa Welch, Charles Westmoreland, Carolyn Dove, and Stan and Nesta Reeves all came out to help. Thanks to our volunteers for their time and effort.



The Litter Getters!

Community Center Upcoming Events -

Movies in Many (free admissions, cokes and popcorn \$1.00 each)

- September 7 – Steel Magnolias
- September 28- I Can Only Imagine

Other Local Entertainment & Events -

September 14 - Round the Bend Quilters Quilt Show and Antique Car Show, 9 AM-3PM at the Pendleton Assembly of God Church, 14152 Texas Hwy, Many, LA 71449. Admission: Adults \$3, children 12 yrs. And under free. For more information call the Sabine Council on Aging at 318-256-0059.

Music on the Square at Historic Fisher Opera House – September 28, Starts at 5 p.m.

Now is the time to renew your TBLA Membership for 2019.

You can also help TBLA by asking a neighbor or friend to join us at TBLA. Please use this form to sign them up or to renew your membership for 2019.

TOLEDO BEND LAKE ASSOCIATION 2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OR APPLICATION.

Name (including spouse): _____

Business Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone (home): _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

2019 Dues Please check one: _____ Individual (\$10.00) _____ Couple (\$15.00)

_____ Business 1 yr. (\$25.00) _____ Business 10 yrs. (\$200.00)

Please indicate method of payment: Cash: _____ Check number: _____ PayPal: _____ Date: _____

*Make check payable to TBLA or Toledo Bend Lake Association and be sure to mark it as 2019 dues. Bring to our Social or mail to: Toledo Bend Lake Association, P.O. Box 1031, Many, LA 71449. You can also pay your membership dues through PayPal on the JOIN US page of the TBLA website at www.toledobendlakeassociation.com.