



# Toledo Bend Lake Association Newsletter

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## MAY 2018 ISSUE

### **2017-2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**May 3, 2018**

Monthly Membership  
Social,  
SCOA Toledo Town,  
7:00 pm

**May 3, 2018**

LifeShare Blood Drive  
SCOA Toledo Town  
5:00-8:30 pm

**May Membership Social** – The TBLA May general membership social will be held on Thursday May 3, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sabine Council On Aging (SCOA) facility. Highway 191 North of Toledo Town (29275 Hwy 191 North, Many, La. 71449). We will have our normal meal and the entrée will be chicken enchiladas and tamales. Please bring a side dish or dessert and join us at the May meeting. Deb Pennington and Gary Moore will be our speakers for the evening and they will be giving a recap of the BU Banquet.

**There will also be a LifeShare Blood Drive from 5:00p.m.till 8:30 p.m. at the SCOA facility before and during the meeting. We hope you can participate in the blood drive. PLEASE INVITE A NEIGHBOR OR FRIEND TO JOIN US FOR DINNER AND TO PLEASE DONATE BLOOD!**

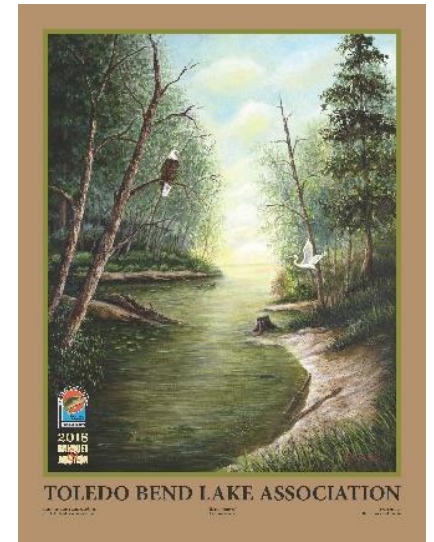
### **Three Big TBLA things HAVE happened since we sent out the last Newsletter –**

**1- Last month's Poster Unveiling was a big success**– JoAnn Cason's original painting, "Shared Territory" was revealed to all of us, and the 2018 Posters made from the original painting were available for the first time to the many buyers who attended the unveiling event at Cypress Bend on April 5. JoAnn's beautiful painting was a huge hit with the crowd, and we auctioned it to the highest bidder at the event to raise money to support TBLA's grant program. We would like to thank Boise Cascade for sponsoring this year's poster, and we would also like to thank JoAnn, Don Edwards and Eddie Pastureau for providing original paintings that were auctioned at the unveiling.

### **2 -We sold all of the 2018-2019 52 Gun**

**Raffle tickets!**–This is the most tickets that we have sold for the Raffle in the three years that TBLA has been conducting the raffle as part of our Bass Unlimited Back a Great Fighter fundraising. We would like to thank Bruce Rogers for his leadership in the Gun Raffle, and we would like to thank all that participated by buying tickets for the 2018-2019 52 Gun Raffle. The first two guns were awarded on Friday Night of the Banquet, and the remaining drawings will take place on the next 50 Friday nights where the winning numbers will be determined by the Louisiana Pick 3 Lottery numbers.

**3-A very successful 16th annual Bass Unlimited- Back a Great Fighter Banquet took place on April 20th** with a sold out crowd and unbelievable weather where the attendees heard a fantastic National Anthem sung by Negreet High's Donna Dziekan, enjoyed a great Bar-B-Que meal, and participated in the Drop Box Raffles, Silent auction, and Live auction. We want to thank all who attended, all who sponsored tables, all of our major sponsors, and anyone who donated items, money or time to make this a successful event. Please visit our Toledo Bend Lake Association Facebook page for a complete list of our major sponsors that made this event possible. We cannot thank them enough for their help in making this event possible.





We also want to especially thank Deb Pennington and all of her many TBLA BU committee volunteers that planned, coordinated and worked to deliver this event to the Lake Community. I am sure I speak for most of the volunteers when I say that we are glad that we do not have another BU Planning meeting for at least 4 months. Please save the date however for next year’s BU Banquet which will be later than normal and take place on Friday, May 10, 2019, the Friday before Mother’s Day. Due to scheduling conflicts for Cypress Bend Park and Marina, we had to move our 2019 date, and we hope that by making everyone aware as early as possible, that this date will work for our repeat participants.

**The TBLA Board of Directors** – We announced last month that The Board met on April 17th and approved a grant request for a TBLA project to purchase 50,000 Florida bass fingerlings that will be released in June. The TBLA Fingerling Release is currently scheduled for Wednesday June 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30a.m.until noon, at Cypress Bend Park. Details or changes in this schedule will be communicated on our website and both the Toledo Bend Lake Association and Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program Facebook pages. **Participants must be a current member of TBLA.** For those that would like to participate who are not current members, we will be offering memberships at the fingerling release on the 6<sup>th</sup> at Cypress Bend. Fingerlings may be picked up by car or boat. There will be a 2- bag limit per vehicle or boat used to transport the fingerlings. We hope that all of you will help us distribute these fingerlings throughout the lake to ensure as much survival of these fish as possible.

**Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program** – We currently have 39 Lunkers in the 2017-2018 Lunker Bass Program. We have a month left in this year’s cycle so we will likely end up with 40-50 for the final number in this year’s program.

**Safety Awareness for the Lake** – The Lake is now falling after remaining full or above for the last 3 or 4 months. The stumps will be visible again soon or lurking just under the surface for your prop or lower unit. Running only on the marked boat roads will be the only safe way to travel as the Lake begins its normal summer drawdown in the next 60 days.

**2018/2019 52-Gun Raffle News** – All 1000 tickets were sold for the 2018/2019, 52 Gun Raffle. Thanks for the great participation! Bruce Rogers will be emailing all of the ticket holders weekly with the results of the previous week’s drawing. If you have any questions regarding the drawing, please contact Bruce by phone: 281-543-0184 or email: [bruce.rogers@hughes.net](mailto:bruce.rogers@hughes.net).

2018/2019 TBLA 52-Gun Raffle Winners			
Date of Award	Guns	Number	Winner
04/20/18	Howa Legacy .223 rifle with Scope	Live drawing at BU	John Slaughter
04/20/18	ATI Cavalry 12 ga O/U shotgun	Live drawing at BU	Joe Cicardo

**La Wildlife and Fisheries Aquatic Education for Sabine Parish Fifth Graders is set for May 8, 9, and 10 at Cypress Bend Park** – The annual Sabine Parish Aquatic Education for fifth grades will be taking place at Cypress Bend Park from 8:00a.m. till noon and TBLA will furnish 12- 20 volunteers for this event. Lunch will be provided for the volunteers. **Please contact Tim Dean at 318-590-0599 if you can assist with this program on all or part of the 3 days.** This is a truly rewarding volunteer experience and you will be literally teaching a child to fish! Experts are not needed, just some big hearts with a little patience and a love for introducing children to the outdoors. I encourage you to help represent TBLA for this great event.

**Many Community Center Upcoming Events –**

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

- May 5 – True Grit, 7 p.m.
- May 19- Saving Private Ryan 7 p.m.
- June 2- Cinderella 7 p.m.
- June 16- Legends of the Fall 7 p.m.

**Music in Many (ticket prices vary)**

- April 28-Brandy Roberts w/Bud Christian’s Band 7 p.m.
- May 26- Avery Michaels & Exit 209

**TBLA Membership -Thank You!**

We thank you for paying your 2018 TBLA membership!

**You can also help TBLA by asking a neighbor or friend to join us at TBLA.**

**Please use this form to sign them up!**

**TOLEDO BEND LAKE ASSOCIATION 2018 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OR APPLICATION**

Name (include spouse): \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2017 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 2018 dues. Bring to our meeting 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](http://www.toledobendlakeassociation.com).

