



# Toledo Bend Lake Association Newsletter

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## SEPTEMBER 2018 ISSUE

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

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **SEPTEMBER 6, 2018**

**Blood Drive 5:30 pm**

**Monthly Membership Social  
7:00 pm**

**SCOA Toledo Town**

#### **SEPTEMBER 12, 2018**

**BU Banquet Committee  
Meeting**

#### **SEPTEMBER 22, 2018**

**Sabine Parish Fall Trash  
Bash**

**September Membership Social** – Please join us for the monthly Membership Social on Thursday September 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sabine Council on Aging (SCOA) facility, Highway 191 North of Toledo Town. The entrée will be gumbo and rice. Please bring a side dish or dessert and join us on September 6. Our guest speaker will be Todd Driscoll, Texas Parks and Wildlife, East Texas District Fisheries Supervisor. We will also be conducting a blood drive, and Life Share will be on site starting at 5:30 pm.

**The TBLA Board of Directors** – The Board met on August 21 and further discussed details of a previously approved grant request to fund 13 boat ramp signs for Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries that will document creel limits for anglers and give a brief description of the TBLA Lunger Bass Program. Final sign design and number will be determined at the September Board meeting. The next TBLA Board meeting will be on Tuesday, September 18, at 6:30 p.m. at the Toledo Town SCOA building.

Also, we will conduct the annual Board Election at the October Membership meeting on Tuesday, October 4. Three current Board members are seeking re-election. Gaynell Goodeaux, Phil Medine, and Deb Pennington are seeking re-election to the Board. Rhonda Dean is not seeking re-election. The Nomination Committee, led by Gaynell Goodeaux, has nominated Derek Mong as a candidate for election to the Board. Derek's resume is included below for your information prior to the election on the fourth of October. Because we have only one vacating Board member and one new candidate, the election will be conducted by acclamation at the meeting. If you are interested in serving on the Board in the future, please contact Gaynell Goodeaux. You must be a member of TBLA for at least one year prior to the election to be eligible.

#### **Derek Mong Bio:**

Derek was born in Ohio in 1979 to C. David and Deborah Mong. Derek and his family moved often as his father was a member of the United States Coast Guard. Dave was stationed in Morgan City LA in 1992. It was only a short time later that Derek and his father made their first trip to Toledo Bend. Derek has been coming to Toledo Bend for over 20 years and decided to make it his permanent home in 2009. Derek met his wife Tammy Davis and were wed in 2012. Derek and Tammy have two children. Kaitlin will be attending Louisiana School for Math, Science and The Arts in the Fall. Jase will be starting Pre-K at Negreet.

Derek graduated from South Lafourche High school and is an alumni of Panola College where he earned his Associates of Applied Science in Occupational Therapy. Derek graduated Magna Cum Laude in his class and during his college time was appointed Treasury/Secretary of the SOTA club which was a fundraising organization that spend funds performing community service projects such as building wheelchair ramps for people in need and purchasing medical equipment such as wheelchairs and for those that cannot afford it. Derek currently is the Director of Rehab for TMC.Inc working at Avalon Place, skilled nursing facility in Kirbyville, TX. Derek helps plan and execute 4-6 fundraising events per year for his company's philanthropy division, Together Making Changes, where they raise over \$200,000 per year companywide for various charities including The Children's Miracle Network and the Wounded Warriors Project.

Derek is an avid bass tournament angler whom has earned many accolades in his 33 year fishing career. Derek and his father have competed in organized bass tournaments since he was 5 years old and have gained many friends and experience in the fishing world especially around Toledo Bend. Derek and his wife Tammy are tournament directors for the Texas Bass Couples Tournament Circuit where they hold tournaments on Toledo bend. Derek and Tammy also compete in many of the tournaments that visit

Toledo Bend such as Bass Champs and Texas Team Trail. Derek has been a member of the TBLA for 6 years and has supported the TBLA yearly at the Bass Unlimited Banquet.

Derek is a participant in the TBLA's Lunker Bass Program where he has entered six fish into the program over the last 7 years and has been published several times in the Louisiana Sportsman Magazine for his accomplishments and interviews about fishing on Toledo Bend.

**TBLA to participate in the Sabine Parish Fall Trash Bash-** TBLA members will have an opportunity on Saturday September 22 to participate in the parish-wide trash pick-up campaign. We know that many of you will participate. We need volunteers to help us pick up along our Adopt A Road section of Hwy 191 from Toledo Town to the Lanana Bridge.

TBLA volunteers will meet at the SCOA Building on 191 at 7:00 am on that Saturday for a brief safety meeting and assignment of the road sections to be cleaned by the team. Fifteen to twenty volunteers can take care of this section in less than two hours. We hope you will volunteer for this effort.



**Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program** –We now have 14 Lunkers in the 2018-2019 Lunker Program. Despite the hot weather and hot lake water, we continue to receive entrants into the program. Many of these fish have been caught at night, and night fishing is a good way to beat the heat as we go through the later part of the season. Good luck to all of you that continue to chase these fish of a lifetime.

Congratulations to Michael Woods, Jr. of Many with his 10.32lb Lunker #14 for this year's Lunker Program.

**Safety Awareness for the Lake** – Labor Day is just around the corner, and it will mark the last big summer weekend. Boat traffic is often high on this weekend, so please pay attention to the other boats and just like in a car, please drive defensively. Also, the Lake level is hovering around 168.5 msl, 3.5' below full pool, and more and more stumps are showing or shallow enough for someone to strike one easily. Please be observant for these underwater obstacles as the Lake continues to fall during this seasonal dry weather.

**2018/2019 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](mailto:bruce.rogers@hughes.net).

2018/2019 TBLA 52-Gun Raffle Winners			
Date of Award	Guns	Number	Winner
07//27/18	Rugar 10/22 Walnut Deluxe rifle	038	Jim Mifflin
08/03/18	Remington 870 Express 12 ga. shotgun	789	Clinton McNeil
08/10/18	Savage Axis II 270 rifle w scope package	503	Andy Payne
08/17/18	Henry Golden Boy .22 rifle	048	Carl Hamilton

**Many Community Center Upcoming Events –**

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

- Sept 1- Guns of Navarone 7 p.m.
- Sept 15- Grease, the Musical 7 p.m.
- Oct 6- War Room

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

- Sept 22-Jerad Bridges Band 7 p.m.

**Other Upcoming Community Events-**

**The Sabine Parish Ducks Unlimited Banquet** will be held Wednesday, September 26 in Zwolle at the Tamale Festival Building at 6:00 pm. Contact Ricky Yeldell at 318-315-1382 if you would like to purchase tickets to attend the Banquet.

**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).

