



# Toledo Bend Lake Association Newsletter

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## FEBRUARY 2018 ISSUE

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

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**2018 Membership  
Renewals due now**

**Feb. 1, 2018**

**TBLA Monthly Social Dinner  
SCOA Toledo Town  
7:00 p.m.**

**April 5, 2018**

**BU Poster Unveiling**

**April 20, 2018**

**2018 BU Banquet**

**FEBRUARY Membership Social** – The TBLA FEBRUARY general membership social will be held on Thursday, FEBRUARY 1, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sabine Council on Aging (SCOA) facility, Highway 191 North of Toledo Town (29275 Hwy. 191 N, Many, LA 71449).

LifeShare will be conducting a Blood Drive at the next meeting, beginning at 5:30 pm. Due to all of the illness associated with this year's flu season, there is a blood shortage in our area. We encourage everyone that is able to donate to participate in the Blood Drive.

Our guest speaker will be Warren Founds, the new Executive Director of SRA Louisiana.

Scottie Lucas will be preparing a Cochon de Lait. Please bring a side dish or dessert and join us for the meal and monthly meeting.

**The TBLA Board of Directors** – The Board met on the Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> and finalized Committees, heard a grant request presentation from the Hemphill Hornets fishing team, approved the 2018 financial budget, and approved a number of Bass Unlimited Banquet requests. The next TBLA Board meeting will be on Tuesday, February 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Toledo Town SCOA building.

**The next Bass Unlimited 2018 Banquet Planning Meeting** – The next BU meeting will be held Tuesday, February 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the SCOA Building at Toledo Town. Please join us to plan this important event. If you are interested in serving on one of the committees or volunteering to work at the banquet, please plan to attend this meeting. Anyone interested in serving on one of the 2018 Bass Unlimited Committees or interested in volunteering to help with one of our other projects or committees, please contact myself, Gaynell Goodeaux, or Deb Pennington. I can be reached any time by email at [gmoore07@yahoo.com](mailto:gmoore07@yahoo.com) or by phone at 281-798-7131 or 318-256-2495. Gaynell's contact information is [nedgoodeaux@gmail.com](mailto:nedgoodeaux@gmail.com) and 318-256-0501 or 337-842-7814. Deb can be reached at [2debpennington@gmail.com](mailto:2debpennington@gmail.com) and 318-315-2448.

Planning activity is moving into a higher gear for the 2018 Annual Bass Unlimited Banquet & Auction, Poster Unveiling Ceremony, and Grand Prize Raffle. TBLA will hold its annual **Poster Unveiling on April 5**, when the public is invited to view the unveiling of the 2018 poster painting and meet the artist. Pre-orders for the 2018 posters, as well as raffle tickets for the 2018-2019 52-Gun Grand Prize Raffle are now available for sale on the TBLA website through PayPal. Put **Friday, April 20, 2018, on your calendar for the 16th Annual Bass Unlimited Banquet** to be held at Cypress Bend Park. That night will also include the drawing for the first two winners of the 2018-2019 52-Gun Grand Prize Raffle. BU Banquet tickets will go on sale in February. You can contact Gaynell Goodeaux at [nedgoodeaux@gmail.com](mailto:nedgoodeaux@gmail.com) and 318-256-0501 or 337-842-7814 for Banquet Tickets after Feb 1. Please check out the TBLA web site and see the recent changes that have been made to make it easier to navigate and find Gun Raffle tickets, BU Poster pre-sales, and membership renewals, all of which can now be purchased on line on our website.

**Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program** – We currently have 13 Lunkers in the 2017-2018 Lunker Bass Program. George Jeane caught a beautiful 10.32 lb. lunker to take big fish honors in the recent Texas Team Trail Tournament held here on the Lake. There were 2 stringers over 27 lbs., 2 others over 25 lbs. 13 total stringers over 20lbs, and a total of 18 stringers over 19 lbs. in this tournament under very cold and challenging conditions. Two of our members, Harold Allen and Matt Loetcher were the tournament winners with an impressive 28.74lb stringer of five fish. The Lake is still producing some impressive results, even though the number of 10 lb class fish are down so far this season. The water temperatures are currently 45-49 degrees. In spite of the cold weather and cold water, this is a great time to catch a lunker if you can tolerate the conditions.

**Safety Awareness for the Lake** – The Lake has cooled off considerably with Lake surface temperatures falling into the forties. Hypothermia is a real danger for anyone that might accidentally fall into the water under our current conditions. Try to take a partner, wear your life jacket at all times, and keep a set of dry clothes and a towel on board your boat this time of year. In the last month, an angler who was participating in a bass tournament in Florida was swept out of a bass boat when it speared a wave in cold and rough conditions, resulting in his drowning. Also, here on Toledo Bend, the tournament activity has begun and will increase going forward which means more boats running the lake. Please be aware of other boats operating around you to avoid collisions which can result in serious injury, and please do not take chances on the open Lake when the winds are blowing above 15 - 20 mph.

**2018/2019 52 Gun Raffle News** – Tickets can now be purchased for the 2018/2019 52 Gun raffle by contacting Bruce Rogers by Phone: 281-543-0184 or Email: [bruce.rogers@hughes.net](mailto:bruce.rogers@hughes.net). Bruce will also be selling 2018/2019 52 gun raffle tickets at the February 1 membership social.

2017/2018 TBLA 52-Gun Raffle Winners			
Date of Award	Guns	Number	Winner
12/29/17	ATI Calvary 12 Ga O/U shotgun	304	Ricky Trahan
01/05/18	Ruger American .308 Rifle	933	Mac Lyddy
01/12/18	Mossberg Patriot .30-06 Rifle w Scope Package	989	John Williams
01/19/18	Remington 870 Express 12 ga camo Pump Shotgun	694	Jeff Cardwell

### **Many Community Center Upcoming Events** –

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

- Feb. 3 – Valentine's Day Special -Casablanca 7 p.m.
- Feb 17 – Message In a Bottle 7 p.m.
- Mar. 3 – Shrek the Third 7 p.m.
- Mar. 17 – Wonder Woman 7 p.m.

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

- Jan. 27 – The Arenos, Gospel “Music to Believe In”
- Feb. 10 – Richard Cook, Elvis Tribute Artist- Annual Valentines Show
- Mar. 24 – Bud Christian & Homemade Jam popular, country, blues

**TBLA Membership Renewal** – Please note that it is time to renew your TBLA annual membership if you have not already done so. Please send in your 2018 renewal dues as soon as possible. We thank you if you have already renewed!

You can help us save money by providing your e-mail address as a means of receiving your copy of the TBLA newsletter.

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*If you have questions or comments relative to the contents of this Newsletter, please contact me at [gmoore07@yahoo.com](mailto:gmoore07@yahoo.com) or call me at 281-798-7131 or 318-256-2495. Gary Moore, TBLA President*

## 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).

