

Toledo Bend Lake Association NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>March 7, 2019</u> Monthly Membership Social 7:00 pm SCOA Toledo Town

> March 23, 2019 Sabine Parish Trash Bash 8:00 am-12 pm Parish Wide

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<u>March Membership Social</u> – Our Membership Social will be held on Thursday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sabine Council on Aging (SCOA) facility, Highway 191 North of Toledo Town. Our guest speaker will be Warren Founds, Executive Director of the Sabine River Authority of Louisiana. The entrée for our meal will be crawfish cornbread with crawfish etouffee. Please bring a side dish or dessert and join us.

<u>Please be aware that memberships can be renewed for 2019 at the meeting by mail or online at</u> our website. Soon we will be purging our membership list which is used to mail our newsletter. We do not want anyone to miss out on news related to the Association, so we urge everyone to renew their membership as soon as possible.</u>

The 2019 BU Planning Committee and other volunteer opportunities – Our next Bass Unlimited Banquet Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for March 13th, 6:30 p.m. at the SCOA – Toledo Town location. Anyone interested in serving on one of the 2019 Bass Unlimited Committees should contact myself, Gaynell Goodeaux, or Deb Pennington. I can be reached any time by email at rickyy115@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.

<u>**TBLA Trash Pick-Up**</u> – The first quarterly trash pick-up of 2019 was held on Friday, February 15. A small but dedicated group of TBLA members turned out for our first litter pick-up of the year and completed the task in short order. Thanks to our volunteers for providing a more pleasant view of this section of highway.

Additionally, one of our members, Joe Joslin and his brother-in-law picked up litter at the Sabine River Authority boat ramp on the Texas side of the Lake near the dam, as well as the Newton County boat ramp in Indian Creek. Thanks guys!

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?menuld=28

Boating Safety – Spring is upon us and with it comes an increase in boat traffic on the Lake. Many boaters will be operating their rigs for the first time this season and some vessels may not be lake-ready. Boaters are urged to take care of routine maintenance issues and make sure all systems are go before launching. Special attention should be given to safety systems, including trailer lighting, navigation lights, kill switches and Personal Flotation Devices (life jackets). Don't forget your boat registration, boat decals, and fishing license/Personal Identification. FYI – it is illegal to ride on the deck or gunwale of a motor boat less than 26 feet in length while underway unless the boat has adequate guards or railing to prevent passengers from being lost overboard. This means that passengers in most boats must be in or on a "passenger seat", not the front deck itself, and certainly

Not on a pedestal seat when the big engine is moving the boat. The boat captain is responsible for everything onboard including the passenger safety. Please do your duty to ensure a safe and pleasant boating experience.



Sabine Parish Trash Bash – A Parish-wide beautification event is scheduled for March 23, 2019. This is a great time to gather your family, neighbors or members of any group to which you belong, in a coordinated effort to not only clean-up our Parish but focus the attention of Parish residents and visitors on the importance of controlling litter.

The driving force behind litter control in recent years has been the Sabine Parish Leaders Against Litter Committee. This diverse group of local leaders, from government and civic organizations, business owners and elected officials, with a commitment to preserving the beauty of the Lake area.

The Committee is not only organizing pick-up events but is very active in educational programs to help establish good habits for future generations.

Please answer the call for action and do what you can to contribute to this effort.

<u>Toledo Bend Lunker Bass Program</u>

Jim Miers of DeRidder, LA brought in a 10.96 pound Lunker to Buckeye Landing on February 4, 2019. Jim's fish is Lunker number 20 of the season.

Jared Sattler of Greenwood, LA caught a bass weighing 11.41 pounds on February 9, 2019. Jared's fish was weighed in at Huxley Bay Marina and is Lunker number 21 for the current year.

On February 10, 2019 Malcolm Crochet of Loureauville, LA weighed in a 10.47 pound bass at Fin and Feather Resort that upped the Lunker total to 22.

Lunker number 23 was caught by Kyle Alexander of Baker, LA on February 15, 2019. Kyle's 10.41 pounder was weighed in at Toledo Town & Tackle.

David Riddling of Hemphill, TX logged in Lunker number 24 of the season at Fin and Feather Resort on February 18, 2019. David's fish weighed 11.06 pounds.

Congratulations, Lunker Guys!



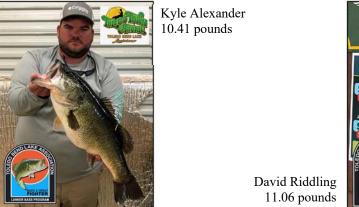
Jim Miers, 10.96



Jared Sattler, 11.41 pounds



Malcolm Crochet, 10.47 pounds





<u>2018 – 2019 52-Gun Raffle News</u> – If you have any questions regarding the 52-gun raffle drawings, please contact Bruce Rogers by phone: 281-543-0184 or email: <u>bruce.rogers@hughes.net</u>.

2018 – 2019 TBLA 52-Gun Raffle Winners					
Date of Award	Guns	Number	Winner		
02/01/19	Remington 870 Express 12-guage shotgun	532	Peggy Lopez		
02/08/19	Savage Axis II 270 rifle	268	Bill Crouch		
02/15/19	Henry Golden Boy rifle	602	Mike Phillips		
02/22/19	Ruger American 270 rifle	146	Bobby Ward		

Community Center Upcoming Events -

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

March 2 – Mary Poppins

March 16- The Greatest Showman

March 21 - Aladdin

Music in Many (ticket prices vary)

March 1 - *Live in Concert* Derrick McLendon with The Justin Merritt Band, Lucas Jagneaux and Tyler Mitchell Tickets - \$10, Veterans and children 10 and under free.

March 9 - "Back to the Fabulous Fifties" with Flashback - 7 p.m. Admission: Adults \$5, Kids \$5, Veterans Free.

March 23 – Michael Wagley, 7 p.m. Tickets – Adults \$7, Kids \$5, Veterans Free.

Other Local Entertainment & Events -

Live music at Gilligan's Crawfish & Grill, 44 Spring St, Many, LA. All nights are BYOB. There is a small cover charge for the band. March 2, Bernie Alan Band March 9, High Performance & Steve Riley March 16, Danny Sepulvado & Next of Kin March 23, Gus Johnson & River Katz March 30, Brad Brinkley

Music on the Square at Historic Fisher Opera House – March 30, 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 <u>www.toledobendlakeassociation.com</u>.