BOONEVILLE LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION, INC.

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> PO Box 1264 Booneville, MS 38829

Meeting Every 2nd & 4th Thursday 6:00 PM BS Bar, Grill & Market



EVENTS COMING UP

December 5 Christmas Parade

December 8 Christmas Party

December 9 Set up Grace YE&P

December 10 Grace 5th Anniversary Banquet

December 15 Woodman Christmas Dinner with Santa— Hardware Building— Volunteers needed



November 6 Rick Wanner

PRESIDENT: LION KATHY LAMB GLOBAL ACTION TEAM CHAIRPERSON



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CATFISH HOTEL SOAPBOX CELEBRATION

A celebration dinner was held after the highly successful Annual Soapbox Derby Races, at Hagy's Catfish Hotel next to Shiloh Military National Park in Tennessee. Twenty of the 30 members and extra volunteers met and traveled the 50 miles to this renown catfish restaurant.

Lions Club Administrative Funds (100% of donations go entirely to charity). Lions members, non-members, family, and friends enjoyed the excellent menu and particularly the selection of homemade pies!

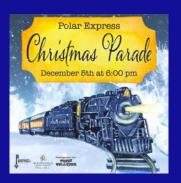
Dinner was paid for everyone there using the just enjoying each other's company.

After all the work of the largest fund raiser ever in club history, it was a welcome night just enjoying each other's company.



VICE PRESIDENT: LION SAM GRAY GLOBAL SERVICE CHAIRPERSON SECRETARY / TREASURER LION RUSS LAMB GLOBAL LEADERSHIP CHAIRPERSON TAIL TWISTER: LION JIM LAMB LCIF CHAIRPERSON

LION PAUL McCUTCHEN DIRECTOR LION TONI STOOP GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON. LION VENESHIA GILLESPIE MARKETING COMUNICATIONS CHAIRPERSON. LION MARTHA GRAY ASSISTANT GLOBAL SERVICE CHAIRPERSON



December 5, 2022

Brandon Palmer will be driving his truck & pulling our Lions trailer. Meet at NEMCC boulevard at 5:00. Lions Club members needed to ride in the back of the truck and throw candy to the kids!

AFTER the parade our club will be making and giving out cotton candy at the Depot with Santa. Lions Club members needed to spin sugar!



December 8, 2022

Lions Club Family Christmas Party at 6:00 pm at the BS Bar & Gril\–Dutch Treat (each person will order from the BS Grill menu) Casual Christmas Attire



December 9, 2022 Grace YE&P Set-Up

December 10, 2022 5th Anniversary Grace YP&E Banquet

LION CLUB VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

December 15, 2022 Modern Woodman Community Christmas Dinner with Santa Hardware Building Lions Volunteers Needed

GLOBAL CAUSE FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER IS HUNGER



A message from Club President Lion Kathy Lamb

WE SERVE IS MORE THAN A MOTTO

November brings with it an official day of giving thanks that allows us to recognize our blessings and to be thankful for the people in our lives.

Did you know that when people across the world think of people who have lent a helping hand...Lions Clubs International lead the way! We are the largest service organization in the world. Our 1.4 million members in more than 47,000 clubs are serving over 200 countries and geographic areas around the world!

To be a member of a Lions Club is to be a member of a team! Together we make a difference in our communities. Since 2021, our local club's membership has doubled. With new members, come new ideas, new energy and diversity.

Do you know how most people become members of a Lions Club? A member invites them to visit the club or to join. That's it. Guess what? We NEED more members!

"We serve" is more than a motto. It's a way of life for Lions Club members. The implications of what we as a group can accomplish is staggering. Today in our world, many families are struggling to make ends meet. One of the most rewarding things that we do is to provide eyeglasses for children and adults who can't financially afford them. We know that children with uncorrected vision problems will continue to fall behind in school. For adults, a pair of glasses often is the deciding factor in holding a full-time job. "We serve" and we can change lives.

Will you make a commitment to invite someone to join us? Today! Right now! Pick up the phone or go to visit a friend and invite them to be a Lion! You'll be glad you did! We can double our membership again if each of us will invite ONE person who joins.

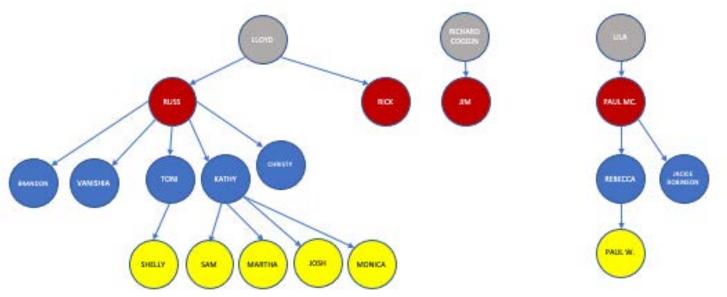
PECANS ARE HERE!

Booneville Lions Club Pecan Chairman, Rick Wanner received Mascot pecans on November 4, 2022. This is our second biggest fundraiser for our club. Booneville Lions Club has been selling pecans for so many years that our community anticipates pecan season.

We have our regular pecan halves and this is the second year to sell chocolate covered pecans. Both are delicious and \$10 a bag. We will be selling through early December. Don't forget to buy some to give as gifts!



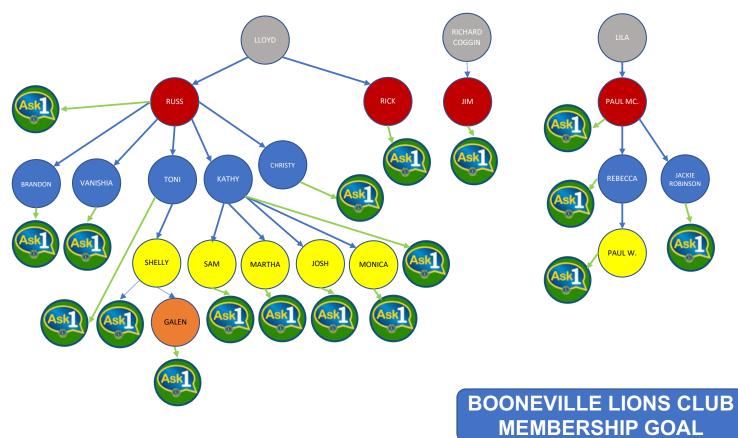
PICK UP YOUR PECANS FROM LION RICK AT TRI-STATE INSUIRANCE



Jim and Rick, as the longest serving club members, have recruited many members through the years who have served in the Booneville Lions Club.

From 8/1/2019 until 8/14/2021 we had no new members. (COVID) From Rebecca joining 8/14/2021 to 11/10/2022 we have added 11 new members, doubling our membership. Below you will see what our club would look like if each member invited ONE person who joined the club.

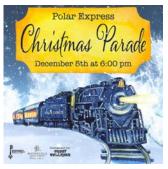
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE WILL END ON APRIL 30, 2023, JUST PRIOR TO OUR CLUBS 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ON MAY 4, 2023!



This is what our club would look like if we each invite someone who becomes a Lion...our goal by April 30, 2023 prior to our 75th Anniversary!







December 5 Christmas Parade - We need to have the people riding in the parade at NEMCC on the boulevard at 5:00 pm to 5:45 pm. Parade rolls at 6:00 pm. Dress warmly! We also need our cotton candy team in place at the Depot at 5:30 pm to start selling at 6:00 until the parade goers leave downtown. People who ride in the parade could help make cotton candy after the parade is over.



December 8 Lions Christmas Party 6:00 pm BS Bar & Grill. Dutch Treat, Christmas Casual. Bring friends and family. Give us (Lion Kathy and Lion Russ) a head count by Dec. 6 so we can have the dining room set up properly. Bring your best "Christmas Trivia" players!



December 9 Grace YP&E set-up for 5th Anniversary Banquet 5:00 p.m. to put chairs around tables and other set up needs. Need 2-3 volunteers

December 10 Grace YP&E 5th Anniversary Banquet ARRIVE 3:15 p.m. Event runs from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. including dinner (free for workers) We will do greeting guests, raffles, and other support as necessary. Dress is dressy (no Lions dress as this is a fund raiser for our Admin Account).



December 15 Modern Woodman Christmas Supper with Santa at Booneville Hardware, Help setup beginning at 12 pm. Help is needed all day from setup, serving supper, and cleanup – ANY TIME is very appreciated. We will wear our Lions aprons. Come when you can anytime from 3:00 p.m. to 7 or 8 p.m. ERIN MADDOX IS OUR LIONS CLUB NOMINEE FOR CHRISTMAS QUEEN



Erin is the seventeen yearold daughter of Mike and Amanda Maddox. She is a senior at Booneville High School.

Good luck, Erin!

DID YOU KNOW?

Any <u>student</u> ages 18-30 joining a Lions Club only pays half of the international dues and no state dues. The one time charter fee is waived.

Lions Clubs pay dues twice a year. For a student membership it is only **\$10.75** in July and January.

New members joining any other month have dues prorated. For instance, a student member joining in November only pays \$3.58 for membership through December 31, 2022.

This is a great tool to increase membership and add some great folks to our club!

NEW MEMBER INSTALLATION



On November 10, 2022, Shelley Greer was Installed as a new member by Lion Andy Kalinowski. Shelley is being sponsored by Lion Toni Stoop. Both Shelley and Toni are employed by MaxxSouth in Booneville. Multi-District 30 LCIF Coordinator, Past District Governor and Past Council Chairman, Andy Kalinowski presided over the installation. Lion Andy is a member of the East Columbus Lions Club.

Shelly's mother-in-law, Sally Greer, and Shelly's husband, Galen, attended the meeting to witness Shelly's induction into the Booneville Lions Club. It was wonderful to have her family with us for this memorable night!



there is a nice lake, a pavilion,

cabins, and a hotel.

The Lions have a special

weekend, so if you call, tell

them you are with the Lions.

Friday night dinner is usually

fun and Saturday night is the

Governor's Banquet, a coat

and tie affair. Meetings and

The club has some funds to

help with hotel expense, first

come first serve, so act fast.

If you can't come for the whole

event you can come for just a

trainings are all day Saturday.

discount for rooms that



MID-WINTER LIONS DISTRICT CONVENTION NOTES....GO!

If you've never been to district convention--here's why you should go this January 6-7, 2023.

It's the BEST place to see what we do in Lions over the whole state and beyond. You will learn more about the larger workings of your Lions Club's part in working together with other Lions Clubs.

You'll find out about training and leadership opportunities available to you.



The best people in the world are Lions! You will meet them at Mid-Winter. They are genuinely ready to help any way they can.

Oh, it's at one of the best kept secrets in Mississippi. A resort called Lake Tiak-O'Khata. A beautiful place but let me tell you about the buffets. Always many, many pies, cakes, and cobblers.

It's too cold for a swim, but

KEEPING THE ROAR IN YOUR LIONS CLUB!

GIVE YOURSELF A CHRISTMAS GIFT BY GETTING YOUR DUES PAID BEFORE OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY!

YOUR DUES HELP FUND THE MANY CHARITABLE CAUSES OF LIONS AS WELL AS THE SUPPORT ORGANIZATION FROM THE STATE TO THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

DUES ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 31, 2022 INDIVIDUAL \$47.50, FAMILY (2) \$73.50 TWICE A YEAR part. It's 2 hours from Booneville.

LCIF PRESENTATION & MJF AWARDS

Multi-District Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Coordinator Andy Kalinowski visited Booneville Lions Club on November 10, 2022, to speak to the membership about reasons we support the foundation every year, install a new member, and award special recognition to three Booneville Lions.

The first order of business was installing new Lion Shelly Greer, sponsored by Lion Toni Stoop. Pictures from that ceremony are on page two of this newsletter with club President Lion Kathy Lamb.

Next, in a complete surprise to the recipients, Lion Andy asked for Lion Jim Lamb and Lion Rick Wanner to join him at the front. Reading from a letter from LCIF, he informed the group these two men were in a rare group of Lions. Both men were awarded their second Melvin Jones Fellows (MJF) award, known as a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow award.

Lion Jim Lamb received his first Melvin Jones Fellow award November 22, 2010. He has been a very active and supportive Booneville Lions Club member for 39 years.

Lion Rick Wanner received his first Melvin Jones Fellow award August 30, 2013. He has been the backbone of our club's annual pecan sales and has the tough job of being the initial contact for all our vision requests. Next, Lion Andy asked District 30M LCIF Coordinator and Booneville Lions Secretary/Treasurer Russ Lamb to come forward. Another letter of award was read from LCIF recognizing Lion Russ Lamb as the clubs newest Melvin Jones Fellow.

Lion Russ has filled several roles at the club and district level, serving as a club president, secretary/treasurer a district treasurer, and has just accepted appointment by Lions Club International Foundation Chairman and Immediate Past President Lion Douglas X. Alexander to represent LCIF to the Lions Clubs of North Mississippi.

Lion Russ received a plaque and a Melvin Jones Fellow Lions pin.

Following all that ceremony it was time to get down to business. Lion Andy presented a slide presentation he prepared exclusively for Booneville Lions. He gave us details of our past involvement with LCIF both as an annual donor and as a grant recipient. Part of the presentation included a 6-minute video from the devastation of Mayfield, Kentucky. He noted, "if you go out to the highway 45 and turn left, about 3 hours from here you will be in downtown Mavfield."

LCIF was in contact with the Lions District leadership in Kentucky within hours of the tornado sending cash to help immediately and coordinating support in the days after for food, water, and shelter. The aid was directed through the local Lions Clubs in and around Mayfield.

Because Lions are local all over the world, LCIF grants are distributed through the local district and its local Lions Club, making Lions one of the first with "boots on the ground" in a disaster. Local Lions know the area, the people, the resources, and the possibly hidden areas of need in their community. Lions Clubs International Foundation has given 1.2 billion dollars in grants since 1968. The grants cover small needs like a matching grant for vision testing equipment in Booneville, Mississippi, and large needs such as hospital equipment, humanitarian needs, disaster relief, and diabetes, to name just a few.

Mississippi has received over 2 million dollars in grants, especially for immediate help for hurricanes and tornados from Hernando and Tupelo to the Gulf Coast.

The meeting closed with rousing cheer of "Roar, Lions Roar!"





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(Left to right) Lion Rick Wanner, Lion Andy Kalinowski, Lion Russ Lamb, and Lion Jim Lamb.



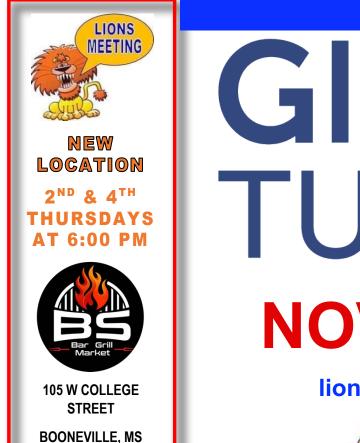
(L-R) Lion Andy Kalinowski, and special guests Lion Jim and Lion Mary Larson from the Tupelo Lions Club.











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