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61st Camellia Queen's First Official Visit

The 2019 Camellia Queen, Grace McLoughlin, made her first official appearance by visiting the Biloxi Lions meeting.

Grace is a senior at St. Patrick High School. She is the daughter of Lisa and Michael McLoughlin of Biloxi. Her sponsor for the pageant was Vickie Gryder with Fidelis Realty.

Joining Grace at the meeting was her mother, Lisa, her sponsor, and Dr. Matt Buckley, St. Patrick's Principal.

Grace expressed her
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61st Camellia Queen
Miss Grace McLoughlin

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UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

JAN 30	Kathleen Williams, MS State Board for Epilepsy
FEB 1-2	District 30S Mid-Winter Convention, Biloxi
FEB 6	Harrison Co. Deputy Tax Assessor, Homestead Exemption
FEB 6	Deadline for Outstanding Citizen Nominations
FEB 13	Mike Montgomery, The ARC of MS (disability service)
FEB 20	Biloxi's Outstanding Citizen Luncheon
FEB 21	Board Mtg, McAlister's Restaurant, noon
FEB 27	No Speaker, Board Minutes Review

Meetings are noon every Wednesday at the Biloxi Yacht Club

January 23 , 2019 Club Meeting Recap

- ◆ Meeting was called to order by Lion President Wayne Ross. Lions Jaye, Tina and Darrell led the song; Lion Bob led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Ronnie offered prayer
- ◆ Club Guests: 61st Camellia Queen Grace McLoughlin, Hannah Francis (top 5 and most ticket sales); Jasmine Martin (Miss Congeniality) and Chloe Cooper (top 5). Lion Jane introduced her quests: Grace's mother Lisa, sponsor Vicki Gryder and St. Patrick High School Principal Dr. Matt Buckley;
- ◆ Pres. Wayne presented Lion Darrel with his Silver Centennial Pin (photo below)
- ◆ DG Carl reminded members to mail in their 30S Mid-Winter Convention (Feb. 1-2 in Biloxi) registration. Training will be offered starting 1:00 pm on Friday, Feb 1 at the Biloxi Visitor Center and displayed the District 30S Destiny's Strides Walk t-shirt
- ◆ Lion Jaye highlighted the pageants. Her recognitions are listed below.
- ◆ Lion Melinda thanked the tabulators for the pageant and presented Pageant Director Lion Jaye with a small token of the Club's appreciation for all she does to make both pageants (and our major fundraiser) a reality
- ◆ Lion Ronnie announced the nomination deadline for the Biloxi Outstanding Citizen is Feb 6 with the selection committee meeting on Feb 7. The Biloxi Outstanding Citizen Award will be made on Feb 20th at the Yacht Club luncheon
- ◆ Lion Secretary Joe gave the review of the January 17th board meeting
- ◆ Lion Jaye, Pageant Director, introduced the 2019 61st Camellia Queen Grace McLoughlin

Lions of MS District 30S Mid-Winter Convention Friday-Saturday February 1st & 2nd Biloxi Visitor Center

Registration starts Friday at 9 am with training beginning at 1 pm



Lion Darrel Galey receiving his Silver Centennial Pin from President Wayne

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deepest appreciation to the Biloxi Lions Club for giving young ladies the opportunity to participate in a scholarship pageant. She thanked her sponsor, Vicki Gryder, and her parents for their support.

Also, joining Grace at the meeting was top 5 winners Hannah Francis (most ticket sales winner) and Chloe Cooper, as well as, the Camellia Queen Pageant Miss Congeniality honoree Jasmine Martin.

Miss Gulf Coast Maggie Shoultz

Due to school obligations Miss Gulf Coast Maggie Shoultz was unable to attend the meeting for her first official appearance. Maggie's parents are John and Virginia Shoultz of Pelahatchie, MS and are her sponsors. She is a graduate of East Central Community College.

Lion Jaye said that she, Maggie, and Maggie's mother Virginia will become very well acquainted in the next 5 months as they prepare for the Miss Mississippi USA Pageant in Vicksburg. Lion Jaye revealed that Maggie had competed last year and is very knowledgeable of the pageant requirements. In closing, "It is also a plus that Maggie won the talent competition at the Miss Mississippi last year. She will represent the Gulf Coast well!" Lion Jaye expressed with a smile.

Pageant THANK YOUs

"The pageant is a team effort" said Lion Jaye and she thanked the 'Tuesday Luncheon' Pageant Committee: Lions Melinda, Star, Penny, Wayne, Greg, and Ronnie; all the members who came out to support the pageant; Lions Teresa, Tina, and Cindy for manning the ticket table; Lions Jane, Brandy and Rainnah for their assistance to the contestants; all the members who sold program ads and in particular Lion Melinda for the always beautiful program she oversees, often with last minute changes; to our Camellia Queen and Miss Gulf Coast Contestants and our 3 Pageant Judges Alice Lawson, Vickie Bailey and past Camellia Queen McKenzie Irish; and last but not least, to the Beau Rivage Resort and Casino for its support of the Pageants with the providing the venue each year.

Lion Melinda thanked the membership for participating in program ad and ticket sales and the tabulators Lions Ronnie, Cindy and Penny for missing most of the pageant to tabulate the Judges scores. And in closing, Lion Melinda presented Lion Jaye with a small token of our appreciation for another successful year.