

# Biloxi Lions Club

# Lions Roar



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#### Ocean Springs Lions Club Fundraiser

For those of you that want to help the Ocean Springs Lions Club, they will be having a fund raiser this Thursday through Saturday. They will have a Sno-Cone booth in downtown Ocean Springs for Crusin' the Coast. If you want to donate some of your time, their schedule is between 7 AM to 5 PM.

# **Eye Screening Opportunity**

We are looking into a possible eye screening at the Ohr Museum. This is about 3 to 4 weeks out so please watch for more information.

## **October Board Meeting**

We will have our October Board meeting next week at Camp Wilkes. All are welcome to attend. The meeting starts at noon.

#### **Scooter Booth**

There is word coming in that \$380 has been raised today at our booth for Crusin' the Coast located across from the Biloxi City Hall.

# **Desserts for our Meetings**

We are still looking for people to sign-up to bring desserts for our meetings in October through December.

# **Nut Sales**

Next Wednesday is the last day to have your sales orders turned-in! Please contact Melinda Freeman for any questions.

# **Guest Speaker**

Our guest speaker was Brad Baker, Executive Director for Mid-South Lions.



At Mid-South, we currently have a lengthy waiting list. Last year, between March and June, the hospital was closed to elective surgeries. But that didn't stop the applications from coming in; people still needed help. As a result, our waiting list doubled during that time frame. Our treatments and surgeries have a lot of donated items. For example, we only charge \$250 for hearing aids and cataract surgeries, which is quite a bargain.

There are some people on our waiting list that have been waiting for 2 years to get cataract surgery or some other sight saving surgery! These people are relying on Mid-South and Lions to provide the miracle of sight. These people are not freeloaders,

rather they are people who have fallen through the cracks of other services. They are not looking for a hand out, but a hand up! We are only lacking one thing to help them. We have the facilities, we have the staff, and we have the doctors; we just need more money to provide them these services. With all that we have, we still need \$250 per patient to provide these services. While the cost is more than reasonable, that's what we need. Now, I know you are being hit on all sides, both individually and collectively, for all kinds of worthy causes. There is one thing I will ask you to do, please visit our web site "midsouthlions.org". Once you are there, you will see buttons that say "CLICK HERE TO DONATE NOW". If you click on the button, it will take you to our giving web site where you will find many options to donate. You can make a one-time donation or a recurring one such as a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual donation. If you do make a recurring donation and change your mind, you can stop the donation, change the frequency of your donation, or change the amount. Also, we are a 501(c)(3) organization so all of your donations are tax deductible.



## **Up Coming Speakers**

Many thanks to Lion Jerry Dodge and everyone else that has helped to arrange speakers for us. The following is a list of speakers through the end of this year:

October 13th, Joe Nicholson, Jackson County Narcotics

October 20th, Bill Lavers, Harrison County Development Commission, Executive Director October 27th, Mississippi Aviation Heritage Museum

November 3rd Dr. Farrow November 10th, Chris Foret, Coast Transit Authority

November17th, Stacey Riley, Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence

November 24, No meeting

December 1st, Wayne Rodolfich, District Superintendent, Pascagoula-Gautier School District

December 8th Biloxi High School Show Choir December 15th is open at this time December 22nd & 29th, no meeting