



# Biloxi Lions Club

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Alan Lusk, Tickets Operations,  
And  
Barry Lyons, Ambassador  
Shuckers Minor League Baseball

### Play Ball... It's Shuckers Time!

Shuckers Minor League Baseball Team's Ambassador, Barry Lyons, visited the Club to bring all the new exciting changes with Shuckers Baseball and the new college games coming to the ball park.

The MGM field will host the Hancock-Whitney Classic seeing two College World Series teams, the MSU Bulldogs and the Texas Tech Red Raiders meet on March 10-11.

The Shuckers will start their 70 games home season on April 9th with a 5 game stand.

"Mike Guerrero is returning for his 4th year as manager and will be assisted by 2 new coaches" stated Lyons. Lyons further added "Our front office, managed by Hunter Reed, has most of our key staff returning this year."

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## UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

FEB 19	Biloxi Outstanding Citizen Award
FEB 20	Board Meeting, McAlister's Rest. noon
FEB 26	Wayne Rodolfich, Pasc, Sch Dist; Board Minutes Review
MAR 4	Jessica Johnson, Infinity Science Center
MAR 11	Dr. Courtney Ray, Southern Eye Clinic; Sees Candy Deadline
MAR 18	Susie Harvill, Human Trafficking
MAR 19	Board Meeting, McAlister's Rest. noon
MAR 25	Marcus Boudreaux, Blx Sch Dist; Board Minutes Review

*Meetings are noon every Wednesday at One Thirty One Lameuse, Downtown Biloxi*

## February 12, 2020 Club Meeting Recap

- ◆ Meeting called to order by Lion President Matt Boney; Lions Darrell and Jerry led us in song; Lion Nona led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Milt offered prayer
- ◆ Lion Dick introduced his son Marty
- ◆ Lion Jerry won the 50/50; Lion Greg drew the 6 of Diamonds in the King of Clubs Progressive
- ◆ Lion Carl announced that the Girls Leadership Weekend is March 13-15 and the Boys Leadership Weekend is March 27-29. Both will be held at Roosevelt State Park
- ◆ President Penny kicked off the See's Candies sale with the distribution of the order forms. This year we used our own forms so to include MS State sales tax to each item. Deadline is March 11
- ◆ Lion Wayne said that 'Outstanding Citizen' will be Feb 19th
- ◆ Pres. Matt reminded Board Members of the Board Meeting on Feb. 20th
- ◆ Lion David introduced our speaker, Biloxi native and Shuckers' Ambassador, Barry Lyons, and Alan Lusk, ticket operations

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When asked about the Conference USA changes coming up he explained the process of the elimination of 42 minor league teams, however, "the Shuckers are not on the list!" "We have a solid affiliation with the Milwaukee Brewers association. Also, over 20 players have gone from the Shuckers to be major league players."

Lyons introduced, Alan Lusk, the Shuckers Ticket Operations. Alan highlighted the new Shuckers Nation membership plan with the new perks such as season tickets payment plan, merchandise discounts, league speakers, and batting practice opportunities with the Shuckers players.



### MID-SOUTH LIONS NEWS

April 24-25 is a combination of the Mid-South Lions Leaders Weekend 2020 and the "Give the Gifts" Dinner and Auction. As mentioned in an earlier ROAR Edition, Friday, April 24th, is the "Give the Gifts" Auction and Dinner, and Saturday, April 25th, is the tour of the Hamilton Eye Clinic and sessions on how you can learn how your money is benefiting those in need with sight and hearing services.

This year the Annual Auction will include online bidding, not only the night of the event, but has just been opened for early bidding. So, if you can not make the Dinner and Auction you can still bid by registering at: <http://www.biddingowl.com/midsouthlions>. For your convenience a 'QR Code' image was provided by Scott Shelhamer, however, the ROAR editor has been unable to get it to load to the newsletter at this time. Hopefully, that issue will be rectified for the next ROAR.

And, auction items are still being collected. If you have a gift closet with new items you feel will worthy of this awesome fundraiser please see Lions Greg, Penny, Wayne, Teresa. Lion Greg can take a small amount of items when he goes to the MidSouth Quarterly Mtg on March 14.

No, gift closet, no problem. If you have any size and type attractive woven, wicker, plastic, metal baskets or tubs that can be used in making gift baskets you can donate, we want them! Plus any gift basket making materials like crinkled paper, colored Easter straw, clear gift basket bags, ribbon, raffia, tulle, etc. to complete a basket would be greatly appreciated.

A Leaders Weekend 2020 registration form is on page of the ROAR.

Complete (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)  
and mail as soon as possible

(PLEASE NO RESERVATIONS BY E-MAIL or PHONE)

to Mid-South Lions, 930 Madison,  
Suite 101 Memphis, TN 38103

VDG / DGE     OTHER LION LEADER  
 HOST

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, ST ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 18, 2020**

**FRIDAY 4/24 ONLY**

PLEASE ENCLOSE \$120 CHECK OR CARD #

CARD # \_\_\_\_\_

EXP DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY 4/24-25**

PLEASE ENCLOSE \$220 CK OR CARD #

ROOM TYPE:     1 BED     2 BEDS

**NO ROOM NEEDED**

**ALL ROOMS ARE NON-SMOKING**

Dear Lion President: MID-SOUTH IS COMBINING THREE GREAT EVENTS INTO ONE WEEKEND: LION LEADERS WEEKEND, EXAM-A-THON AND OUR GIVE THE GIFTS DINNER & AUCTION WILL ALL BE HELD ON APRIL 24-25, 2020!

Please look over the enclosed 2020 Lion Leaders Weekend and auction brochure. It has information about a weekend that will enhance the way your Club serves your community.

Not only will you see the state-of-the-art facilities utilized by your Mid-South Lions Sight And Hearing Service, but you will be able to discuss service projects, fundraisers, activities and events with Lions from Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee. One of the tour stops this year will include our Exam-A-Thon in preparation for the 2020 Cataract-A-Thon! Plus, we will have great food, fun and excitement as we include our Give the Gifts Dinner & Auction on Friday night.

This special weekend will include live and silent auctions on Friday evening, and on Saturday, you will hear from some of the most renowned ophthalmologists in the world, see some of the absolute latest technology, walk through Exam-A-Thon with patients, as well as hear some of the miracle stories from patients who have been served plus you will learn about the long and illustrious history of Mid-South.

This is a once-a-year opportunity for leaders in your Lions Club to observe, learn and put into action methods and experiences that will help your Lions Club provide sight and hearing to those in need from your community.

What is the cost? 1) Your time and 2) Expenses for travel and lodging (see brochure for hotel rates). What is the benefit? 1) Your Lion leaders will bring back more enthusiasm and expertise for serving those in need 2) Leaders will have more ideas on what other clubs do to raise money and ways to serve better and 3) Attendees will actually see our medical facilities through the eyes of our doctors and actual patients as they are examined...and hear what a positive difference YOU are making through Mid-South Lions. **AND, everyone LOVES an AUCTION!**

Join me and the Lions of our four states at the 2020 Lion Leaders Weekend. You and the people you serve will be glad you did.

Complete the attached form and return it to Mid-South to make reservations. To secure your room and set our meal guarantees, we need your reservations no later than April 18, 2020.

Together in service,

*Art Ritter*

PDG Art Ritter, Mid-South Lions President 2019-2020