



# Biloxi Lions Club

## LIONS ROAR

Founded February 18, 1924

<http://biloxilionsclub.org>



2nd Edition

March 2020

### 2019-2020 OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT**  
MATT BONEY

**1ST VP**  
THOMAS QUAVE

**2ND VP**  
REV. ELIJAH MITCHELL

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**TREASURER**  
GREG CRAPO

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**ROAR EDITOR**  
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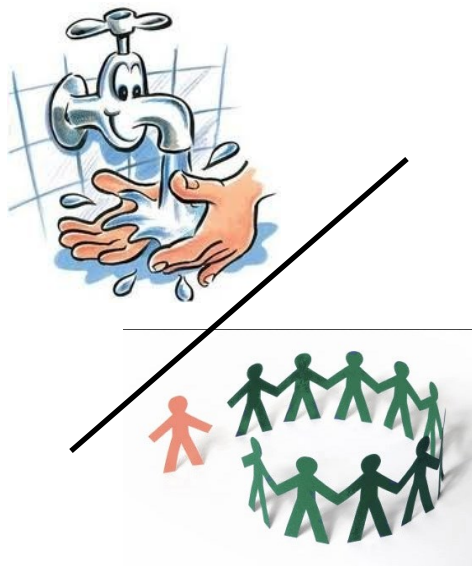
**1 YR DIRECTORS**  
JAYE BRICE  
KATHLEEN TALLEY

**2 YR DIRECTORS**  
STAR RANSONET  
TADD GABRIELSON

**3 YR DIRECTORS**  
HARVEY NIXON  
JUDY GAVIN

**EX OFFICIO**  
WAYNE ROSS

## BILOXI LIONS CLUB CANCELS MEETINGS



To ensure the safety of our Biloxi members, and to observe the current governmental advisories during the uncertainty of the COVID19 outbreak, the Board of Directors made the decision to cancel the next 3 weekly meetings.

**The dates the Club will not be meeting are:**

**March 25  
April 1 & 8**

Wednesday, April 15th is the tentative date we hope to resume our weekly meetings. However, the April 15th date is contingent upon current governmental advisories of the COVID19 virus at that time.

In the meantime, you won't be left out. Member updates will be distributed as they are received via individual emails and through the weekly Biloxi Lions ROAR newsletter.

**Please check your emails often...**

Wash your hands and stay safe!  
In Biloxi—We Serve!

## UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

<b>MAR 18</b>	<b>MEETING CANCELED—COVID 19 ADVISORY 10 or less</b>
<b>MAR 25</b>	<b>MEETING CANCELED—COVID 19 ADVISORY 10 or less</b>
<b>APR 1</b>	<b>MEETING CANCELED—COVID 19 ADVISORY 10 or less</b>
<b>APR 1</b>	<b>See's Candy, Drive Through Pickup, Old Virginia College Parking Lot, Popp's Ferry and Cedar Lake Road, Biloxi, 39532 5-6 pm</b>
<b>APR 8</b>	<b>MEETING CANCELED—COVID 19 ADVISORY 10 or less</b>
<b>APR 12</b>	
<b>APR 15</b>	<b>Resume Weekly Meetings—contingent COVID19 status</b>

## BILOXI LIONS CLUB – 2020 NOMINATIONS

The Nominating Committee presents the Club with the following nominees for the 2020/2021 Board. Please note that there is no vote for the 2 Year Directors, as they were voted in last year as 3 Year Directors and they are simply moving up accordingly.

**PRESIDENT (please choose one)**

- o Tom Quave
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST VICE (please choose one)**

- o Elijah Mitchell
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECOND VICE (please choose one)**

- o Melinda Freeman
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRD VICE (please choose one)**

- o Star Ransonet
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**TREASURER (please choose one)**

- o Greg Crapo, incumbent
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECRETARY (please choose one)**

- o Joe McCormick, incumbent
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**ROAR EDITOR (please choose one)**

- o Penny Edwards, incumbent
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**TAIL TWISTER (please choose one)**

- o Tadd Gabrielson
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**LION TAMER (please choose one)**

- o Gerald Gardner
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN (please choose one)**

- o Cindy Bamburg, incumbent
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**THREE-YEAR DIRECTOR (please choose two)**

- o Jaye Brice
- o Suzette Duhe'
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**TWO-YEAR DIRECTOR (no vote needed)**

- Harvey Nixon
- Judy Gavin

**ONE-YEAR DIRECTOR (please choose two)**

- o Darryl Galey
- o Ronnie Cochran
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- o Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Biloxi Lions Club Members:**

In order to maintain proper protocol in the nominations and in the election of our Officers and Board of Directors this is the **SECOND** Reading (or in the case at the start of the COVID19 social distancing—**SECOND** notification) of the slate of nominations for the 2020/2021 Officers and Board of Directors presented by nominating committee.

This slate would have been read at the March 25, April 1 and April 8 meetings with the election to be held on April 15, 2020.

The slate will be included in the ROAR each week through April 8 to give members the opportunity to submit the names of other nominees for a particular position. Remember, if you submit a name, the member must be eligible to hold the position and must be willing to serve in the position for the length of designated term.

So, after reviewing the slate, and if you wish to make a nomination, please email Lion Penny Edwards ([lionpennyedwards@gmail.com](mailto:lionpennyedwards@gmail.com)), who is acting as contact person, with your nominee's name and the position. All nominations must be received no later than April 8th to be included on the April 15, 2020 ballot.

Should it be apparent the April 15 meeting not be allowed because of the COVID19 situation then the voting ballot will be mailed to you immediately following the April 8th last reading (notification in the ROAR) of the slate of nominations. So, that every member gets a ballot and the opportunity to vote, please up date your mailing address by return email if it needs updating. Your ballot must be returned back to the Club by April 15, 2020 to be counted.

However, if the COVID19 situation allows us to meet on April 15th, voting will take place in person at that meeting.

## March 18, 2020 Club Meeting Recap

*Biloxi Lions Club did not meet on 3/18 due to COVID19 Social Distancing*



Dr. Courtney Ray, Southern Eye Group, proudly showing his Biloxi Lions Club 'limited edition' ink pen he received for being our guest

### Honoring Helen Keller's Charge

On March 11th Dr. Courtney Ray made his first visit to the Biloxi Lions Club with slideshow on cornea transplants. It starts out quoting Helen Keller's request at the 1925 Lions Convention for Lions to be the champions of the blind.

Dr. Ray trained at the Mason Eye Institute where he completed both a residency in Ophthalmology and a Fellowship in Cornea and Extended Eye Disease. He is a Board Certified Ophthalmologist practicing in Florida, California and Mississippi.

His presentation to the members included cornea donation eligibility, yearly donation numbers, harvesting procedures and time allowed for harvested corneas to be transplanted into recipient patient.

We are sure that Dr. Ray will not be a stranger to the Biloxi Lions Club in the future.

### In Biloxi - We Serve

#### Closures/Cancellations Known At This Time

1. **Mid-South:** Mid-South Lions office will close tomorrow through April 6 per stay-home ban. Mail and applications will be processed, however, all elective surgeries have been suspended until further notice. Lions Leaders Weekend, Give the Gift Dinner/Auction, cancelled April 24-25, Memphis. Rescheduled for August 21-22; Golf Tournament, Cataract-A-Thon & Annual Mtg still on schedule for June 5-6 at this time
2. **Lions of MS Boys Leadership:** cancelled March 27-29
3. **Lions of MS Diabetes Awareness Camp:** cancelled June 5-7
4. **Lions International HQ** in Oak Brook, Illinois: closed until at least April 7, 2020
5. **Lions International Convention:** June 26-30 will not be held in Singapore as originally planned. The Convention Team will be working to diligently assist registered members. Full refunds will be made for all registration fees paid. Please be patient and do not contact LCI Registration to make inquiries as they establish cancellation details. Any additional information regarding an alternative LCI convention site will be made available if, and when, approved by Lions Board of Directors.

#### SEE'S CANDIES EASTER/SPRING CAMPAIGN

Due to the cancellation of the April 1st & April 8th club meetings a 'drive through' type candy pickup will take place to ensure the cautionary procedures of social distancing is met.

**Wednesday, April 1, 2020**

**Old Virginia College Parking Lot**

**Popps Ferry Road and Cedar Lake Road, Biloxi 39532**

**5:00—6:00 pm**

Should you not be able to pick up your candy for any reason on April 1st please contact Lion Penny to make other arrangements.

[lionpennyedwards@gmail.com](mailto:lionpennyedwards@gmail.com); call/text at **228.383.0801**.



Right: Photo of participants at the Lions of MS Girls Leadership weekend  
Photo provided by Lions Carl and Dorothy Neligh.  
Additional photos will be shared in next ROAR.