

Biloxi Lions Club

LIONS ROAR

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4th Edition

March 2021

2020-2021 OFFICERS

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3 YR DIRECTORS
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EX OFFICIO
MATT BONEY

Biloxi Lions Inducts Its Newest Member



Welcome Lion Austin!

L: Lion Wayne, sponsor, pins his son-in-law Austin after PDG Carl's induction

R: Lion Wayne, Lion Austin, PDG Carl and President Tom

Lion Austin is also the son of Biloxi Lion Henry Knue

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

MAR 31	See's Candies last pickup at meeting before Easter
MAR 31	Bryan Wallace, City of Biloxi Community Affairs
APR 7	Alden Johnson, Firefighter, ED of the Libertarian Party
APR 14	Capt. Powell, Commander, NCBC
APR 20	Board Meeting, TBA, noon
APR 21	Rev. James Pennington, Back Bay Mission
APR 28	Candance Wheeler, author, <i>Cradle in the Oak</i> , books available
APR 30-May 1	Lions State Convention, Louisville, MS, registration page 4
MAY 14-16	Sea and Sun Camp 25th Anniversary, Camp Wilkes

The Biloxi Lions Club meet each Wednesday at noon

The Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum, 1st floor 115 E. 1st Street, Biloxi, MS 39530

March 24, 2021 Club Meeting Recap

- Meeting called to order by Lion President Tom Quave; *God Bless America* was led by Lions Darrell, Jerry and Pete; the Pledge of Allegiance led by Lion Carl; and Blessing was offered by Lion Anita
- 50/50 was won by Lion Carl; and Lion Pres. Tom drew the 6 of spades in the King of Club Progressive
- In-Person Guests: none; Attending by Zoom: Lions Suzette and Larry
- PDG Carl inducted newest member Austin Knue with sponsor, Lion Wayne, at his side, photo below
- See's Candies orders available for pickup. Lion Dorothy thanked Lions Margot and Carl for helping to separate the orders. Orders not picked up today will be brought to the 3/31 meeting, after the 31st you must make arrangements with her to get your order. Deadline to turn in candy money is 1 month from today. If not turned in by deadline you will be billed the amount of your order or any balance left pending
- Lion Greg showed a brief video of the 3 wheeled car donated to the Biloxi Lions. We will be raffling the car with drawing scheduled for Oct 6th, Biloxi Day for Cruisin the Coast. Tickets will be 3/\$10 or 10/\$20
- Pres. Tom presented the 3rd reading of the nominees for the 2021-2022 Officers and Board
- Lion Cindy, on behalf of Lion Melinda, announced there would be a short meeting of the club Melvin Jones recipients following the 3/31 meeting
- Lion Jerry introduced our guest speaker, Major Johnny Poulos, State Dir. Of Public Affairs, MS Highway Patrol

To enjoy back copies of the Biloxi Lions ROAR newsletter visit our website:

biloxilions.org

The newsletter is posted after each edition is made available

**For Biloxi Lions members who are unable to attend our weekly meetings in person...
The Biloxi Lions invite you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

****** Direct Access to the Biloxi Lions Club Weekly Meeting is now available on our website
biloxilions.org just by clicking the [ZOOM HERE](#) button******

Or, by the following information below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89166624322?pwd=V25tWXJMRkRXdGRWTTIHSjMEZlZlU09>

Or, Dial by your location

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 891 6662 4322

Passcode: 996230

Log on a few minutes prior to our 12 noon meeting to assure your connection
***Issues logging on.... PLEASE call or text Lion Greg at 228.760.0239 for help**

Lions Dessert Sign-Up Pledges

Mar 31	Miriam Mitchell
APR 7	Open
APR 14	Glenn Bremenkamp
APR 21	Alan Serotta
APR 28	Open



Meal attendance average 22-28

**April-June
Dessert
Sign-up Sheet
will be
available at
the next
meeting.**

We are Still Looking!!

Your Help Is Needed!!!!

**We need to locate this
Plaque!!!**

**It was/is/unknown hanging
in the County Courthouse.**

**Is it still there?
Who can volunteer to track it
down?**

**We need to located the
plaque (as soon as possible),
update it and possibly see if
the City will allow us to
transfer it to the Visitors Cen-
ter in Biloxi.**



Lions of MS 2021 DATES TO REMEMBER

Apr 30-May 1, 2021 Lions State Convention, Lake Tiak O'Khata, Louisville, MS

May 14-16, 2021 Sea and Sun Camp, Biloxi, MS
3 Day 25th Anniversary Celebration

CANCELED **Boys and Girls Leadership Weekend**
Diabetes Camp
Mid-south Lions Leaders Weekend



Third Reading of 2021-2022 Officers and Board Members Nominations

President: Elijah Mitchell
 1st VP: Melinda Freeman
 2nd VP: Star Ransonet
 3rd VP: Gerald Gardner
 Secretary: Penny Edwards
 Treasurer: Greg Crapo
 Lion Tamer: Wayne Ross
 Roar Editor: Joe McCormick
 Membership: Cindy Bamburg
 Tail Twister: Dorothy Nehlig

1&2 Year Directors are listed for Information Only. They are Not Up for Election.

1 Year Directors:
 Judy Gavin
 Harvey Nixon

2 Year Directors:
 Jaye Brice
 Suzette Duhe'

Only 2 of the below Nominees for 3 Yr. Director to be elected.

3 Year Directors:
 Anita Caldwell
 Henry Knue
 Kristyn Lowery
 Jane Meynardie
 Katie Peterson
 Margot Swetman

Mississippi Highway Patrol Reaching Out to Save Our Teens' Lives

Major Johnny Poulos, is no stranger to the Biloxi Lions Club, having spoke to us on many occasions regarding how to make our lives safer while driving when he was serving with the MHP Troop K serving Harrison County. This time, as the Director of Public Affairs, Maj. Poulos, shared a very important teenage driving program that MHP is currently providing:

PROM (Leave Return On Monday).

Today with more faster vehicles on the road accidents are bound to happen. The main cause of many of the teen accidents is driver distraction. The root cause of driver distraction is the cell phone. Compound that fact with the lack of seat belt use and the fender bender can become a fatality accident. But, the fatality statistics are indicating its not just one lone teenager, but it multiples of our kids in the same vehicle that are dying.

In 2019 there were 48 teenage driving fatalities. In 2020 that statistic rose to over 70. Which, by the way, ranks Mississippi #2 in the nation for teenage driving fatalities per 100,000 capita. It would not be unreasonable to believe the statistic could go over 100 in 2021 if awareness was not brought to the Mississippi public on a wider scale.

The MHP Public Affairs Division routinely conducts presentations of teen driving education in our schools. However, since March 2020 the COVID19 crisis made it difficult for them to visit schools. Is the reason the number of teen fatality driving is increasing? They think it may.

On **Tuesday, March 30th at 6:30pm**, the MHP live is streaming **PROM (Leave Return On Monday)** on their Mississippi Highway Patrol's Facebook page. While it is targeted for teenage drivers, they want reach everyone: parents, family members, friends, etc., to see the reality of teenage driving fatalities. They say a picture is worth a 1000 words, Major Poulos stated that this graphic video hits home with both sight and sound.



Major John Poulos
 State Director Public Affairs
 Mississippi Highway Patrol



LIONS OF MISSISSIPPI**2021 STATE CONVENTION**

Registration

April 30-May 1, 2021

Louisville, MS

Name _____ Phone _____

Spouse _____ Club _____

Total Cost**Registrants** (For each attendee over 12) _____ at \$25 each _____or **Register - Virtual** \$10 _____**Sight Foundation Dinner** (Friday) _____ at \$25 each _____**District Governors Banquet** (Saturday) _____ at \$25 each _____

Total Remittance _____

For credit card payment:

Card # _____ Exp Dt _____

_____ Code _____

Authorized Signature

No refunds after April 15th

Make checks payable to Lions of MS and return registration to:

Lions State Office
431 Katherine Dr
Flowood MS 39232Hotel Information: Lake Tiak O'Khata
1-888-845-6151
Rooms \$77 + tax
(Efficiency Suites \$145 + tax)*Rooms will not be available at these rates after April 10th.*