

# Biloxi Lions Club

## LIONS ROAR

Founded February 18, 1924

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1st Edition

April 2019

### 2018-2019 OFFICERS

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**3RD VP**  
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HARVEY NIXON

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**2 YR DIRECTORS**  
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GAIL WILLIAMS-  
HOCKENHULL

**3 YR DIRECTORS**  
STAR RANSONET  
TADD  
GABRIELSON

**EX OFFICIO**  
RONNIE COCHRAN

### See's CANDIES, 2019 Spring Fundraising



**Peanut Butter Egg**  
An irresistible treat.  
3 oz \$6.90 #9499



**Chocolate Butter Egg**  
Creamy and delicious.  
3 oz \$6.90 #9500



**Bordeaux Egg**  
A salty classic.  
3 oz \$6.90 #9501



**Nuts & Chews**  
Yummy, crunchy and chewy.  
Delivered in seasonal wrap.  
1 lb \$21.00 #334



**Marshmallow & Scotchmallow Eggs**  
One look, two yummy eggs.  
3.4 oz \$6.90 #9493



**Bunny Hop Box**  
Full of love favorites.  
4 oz \$7.90 #9542



**Assorted Lollypops**  
Vanilla, Butterscotch, Craft Liqueur and Chocolate.  
Approximately 30 lollypops.  
1 lb 5 oz \$20.00 #296



**Toffee-ettes**  
Crummy softies, milk chocolate and almonds.  
1 lb \$21.00 #316



**Assorted Chocolates**  
Milk and dark decadence.  
Delivered in seasonal wrap.  
1 lb \$21.00 #318



**Peanut Brittle**  
Buttery, crunchy and irresistible.  
1 lb 8 oz \$20.00 #355



**Gift Certificate**  
Redeemable at any See's Candies shop.  
1 lb \$21.00 #787 (redeemable continental U.S.)  
1 lb \$22.90 #789 (redeemable Hawaii)

### CANDY IS HERE

See's Our Candy order has arrived! If you took orders... your order will be brought to the

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH**

Biloxi Club meeting for you to pick up.

**PLEASE attend to pick it up.** Delivery to you may not be available.

**DEADLINE** to turn in collected monies is May 8th However, Penny will take your candy money at any meeting.

If you want to be billed just let Penny know so she can inform our Treasurer, Greg.

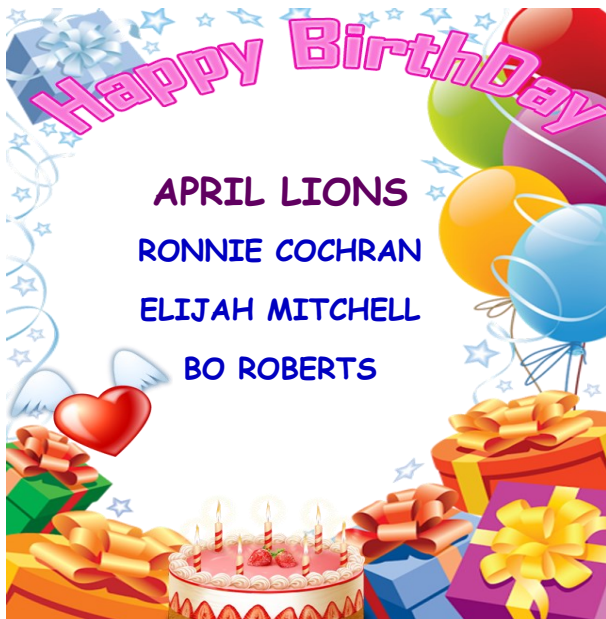
### UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

<b>APR 10</b>	<b>SEE'S CANDY ORDERS DISTRIBUTED AT MEETING</b>
<b>APR 10</b>	<b>"Sailor of the Year" - Brian Lamar, presenter</b>
<b>APR 12-13</b>	<b>Mid-South Lion Leaders Weekend, Memphis</b>
<b>APR 18</b>	<b>Board Meeting, McAlister's noon</b>
<b>APR 24</b>	<b>Board Meeting Minutes Review</b>
<b>MAY 3-4</b>	<b>Lions of MS State Convention, Oxford</b>
<b>MAY 8</b>	<b>Mother of the Year Presentation</b>
<b>MAY 15</b>	<b>Carroll Campbell, City of Biloxi Tree Committee</b>

*Meetings are noon every Wednesday at the Biloxi Yacht Club*

## April 3, 2019 Club Meeting Recap

- ◆ Meeting called to order by Lion President Wayne. Lions Darrel, and Dick led the song; Lion Penny led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Jerry offered prayer
- ◆ 50/50 winner: Lion Penny; Lion Darrell drew the 5 of Spades in the King of Clubs Progressive
- ◆ Lion Penny announced that the candy will be arriving on April 5th and volunteers would be appreciated to help separate the candy. Orders will be brought to the April 10th Club meeting, Please attend to pick up your orders
- ◆ It was announced that Lion Jude is at MD Anderson but is expected to return to Biloxi soon and would be admitted to a skilled nursing facility
- ◆ Lion Robert announced the new (returning chef) to the Yacht Club and hope all enjoyed the menu. The members enjoyed the Wednesday's meal and is pleased to hear this announcement.
- ◆ Wayne announced the Lions of MS State Convention is May 3-4 in Oxford and the Delegate Credentials are available for those attending and eligible to represent the Biloxi Club
- ◆ Pres. Wayne made the 2nd reading of the 2019-2020 Slate of Officers
- ◆ Lion Jerry introduced the speaker Zach Scruggs with 2nd Chance Mississippi



## 2019–2020 Slate of Officers Nominations

- President—Matt Boney
- 1st Vice President—Thomas Quave
- 2nd Vice President—Elijah Mitchell
- 3rd Vice President—Melinda Freeman
- Secretary—Joe McCormick
- Treasurer—Greg Crapo
- Lion Tamer—Suzette Duhe'
- Roar Editor—Penny Edwards
- Membership Chair—Cindy Bamburg
- Tail Twister—Darrell Gale
- 1 Yr. Director—Kathleen Talley  
Jay Brice
- 2 Yr. Director—Star Ransonet  
Tadd Gabrielson
- 3 Yr. Director—Harvey Nixon  
Judy Gavin  
Dorothy Nehlig
- Ex Officio—Wayne Ross



**BEING PRO-ACTIVE  
IN  
PROTECTING  
OUR  
COASTAL  
ENVIRONMENT**



The speaker for March 27th meeting, Dr. Eric Sparks with the MSU Coastal Research & Extension Service, is no stranger to the Biloxi Club having previously addressed the issues our coastal areas face. Eric is also the Assistant Director for Outreach and A Coastal Ecology Specialist for Sea Grant Mississippi-Alabama.

His work focuses on estuarine and wetland issues, including coastal restoration and restoration research. Through his slideshow presentation he gave an update on the Living Shoreline project at Camp Wilkes. Reaching its completion, Eric explained how installing a living shoreline in areas of midrange to severe erosion will not only assist in further erosion but will also bring about the natural restoring of marine plants and marine life. He stated the Camp Wilkes project will give a local location to serve as a demonstration project for others seeking a solution or alternative to their erosion issues.

Another area Eric is involved with is the Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium. This program is administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and is a federal/state partnership. The bi-state resources include nearly 3,200 sq. miles of inland water and 966 miles of estuarine shorelines and support more than 7M residents. MASGC's volunteers of Coastal Clean-up (which the Biloxi Club volunteers at Deer Island is only 1 of their 15 areas) help eliminate the marine trash, Eric hates the word debris, "it is trash" he states, "that floats and washes up onto beaches and into marine inlets." This trash, mainly plastic bottles and containers, breakdown into particles which seeps back into our water system, and our marine wildlife food supply. "Many marine animals either gets tangled in the plastic trash or consumes it and are slowly starving to death" citing a recent story about a dead whale found with over 88 lbs. of plastic in it's stomach.

To volunteer for any of Eric's volunteer programs email him at [eric.sparks@msstate.edu](mailto:eric.sparks@msstate.edu) or volunteer with the Biloxi Lions for the annual Deer Island Clean-up.

**GIVING A 2ND CHANCE TO THOSE WHO NEED A "LIFE-LINE"**



**Zach Scruggs  
2nd Chance Mississippi**

April 3rd's speaker, Zach Scruggs mentioned two numbers he said is important to Mississippians...1 and 50.

Explaining Mississippi ranks #1 as the nation's top state with registered charitable organizations. That good isn't it? As Lions we know, we give when we serve. Mississippi also ranks #1 for its Community College programs.

However, it's the #50 he wanted to speak to the club about. That number is where Mississippi ranks in our uneducated and unskilled adults being employed. Not good, that's last in the country!

Zach learned this fact the hard way when he taught adult education classes in federal prison. It is a requirement for all incarcerated federal inmates if they do not have a high school diploma to take these classes. The state prison system offers adult classes but they are not mandatory.

Also from this experience, Zach's father, Dickie, realized that Mississippi's uneducated unskilled adult population may need help facing other barriers to get the educational and skills training they need to join the workforce. Thus, working with state agencies 2nd Chance Mississippi, a non-profit organization, was form in 2017.

Through coordination between our state community colleges and 2nd Chance Mississippi, adults can obtain funds or assistance for things that pose a serious barrier which may keep them from obtaining a degree or skills training, such as daycare, transportation, and food or rent assistance.

"2nd Chance is a life-line to remove these barriers" states Scruggs.