

Biloxi Lions Club



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2nd Edition

April 2019

2018-2019 OFFICERS

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Officers and Directors Elected to Serve 2019–2020

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

The 96th Annual Installation of Officers will be held on Wednesday, June 26, 2019

Further details will be provided by the Installation/Banquet Committee

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

MAY 1	Bridget Turan, Gulf Coast HUB
MAY 3-4	Lions of MS State Convention, Oxford
MAY 8	Mother of the Year Presentation
MAY 8	See's Candy Fundraising Money Deadline
MAY 15	Carroll Campbell, City of Biloxi Tree Committee
MAY 16	Board Meeting, McAlister's Restaurant, noon
MAY 17-19	Lions of MS Sea and Sun Camp, Camp Wilkes
MAY 22	Board Meeting Minutes Review

Meetings are noon every Wednesday at the Biloxi Yacht Club

April 10, 2019 Club Meeting Recap

- ◆ Meeting called to order by Lion President Wayne. Lions Jaye, Darrel, and Dick led the song; Lion Star led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Jerry offered prayer
- ◆ 50/50 winner: Lion Star; Lion Dick drew the King of Diamonds in the King of Clubs Progressive
- ◆ Lion Penny announced that the candy is available for pickup and money deadline is May 8th
- ◆ Pres. Wayne made the 3rd reading of the 2019-2020 Slate of Officers
- ◆ Lion Harvey reminded members of the Diabetes Camp May 31-Jun 2 at Camp Wilkes and any volunteers will be greatly appreciated
- ◆ PDG Cindy Bamburg installed new member Cindy Huffman (photo below)
- ◆ Lion Jerry introduced Brian Lamar, who presented the NCBC's Sailor of the Year and their Military Spouse of the Year

April 17, 2019 Club Meeting Recap

- ◆ Meeting called to order by Lion Pres. Wayne. Lions Dick and Darrell led the song; Lion Greg led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Joe offered prayer
- ◆ 50/50 winner: Lion Cindy; Lion Gerald drew the 4 of Diamonds in the King of Clubs Progressive
- ◆ Lion Jane introduced her brother Lion Bill Wallace and her sister-in-law Aleisha
- ◆ Lion Ronnie said deadline for both Mother and Father of the Year nominations is Apr. 21.
- ◆ 2019-2020 Officer Elections (Members elected listed on front page)
- ◆ Lion Wayne introduced members Lion Penny and Lion Cindy as today's speakers. Lion Penny— on her 1st Mid-South Leaders Weekend and Lion Cindy – on ways to grow Club membership



New Member, Cindy Huffman, receiving her Lions Pin from her sponsor, DG Carl Nehlig



PDG Cindy Bamburg
Biloxi Lions Membership Chair

A refresher course always helps with membership growth. Membership Chair Cindy reminded members of how they became Lions. "You were asked!"

"By asking our friends, family, co-workers, etc., to join us for a meeting is how we grow. Don't be afraid to ask" stated Lion Cindy. "You may not get a yes answer right away but don't give up."

She went on to share other ways to attract the attention of prospective members like utilizing our Biloxi Lions Club business cards. "Just put your contact information on the back and pass them out" Lion Cindy said in closing. "But don't forget to ASK!"

WHY IS MID-SOUTH SO IMPORTANT? My First Time There

Since becoming a member of the Biloxi Club in 2011 I have been urged every year to attend the Mid-South Lions Leaders Weekend. "Why? It's just more training on how to be a Lion," I thought. Boy did I find out how wrong I was. Yes, you do learn what it means to be a Lion, but , it also gives you a clearer understanding of what it means to be part of a 4 state team that strives to meet the charge given to the Lions in 1925 by Helen Keller ... 'be knights to the blind in the crusade against darkness.'

Mid-South Sight and Hearing Service is where we send our applicants when we as a local club can not assist them if their medical needs are beyond just the eyeglasses and hearing aid level. Cataracts needing to be removed are the most referred to Mid-South by the local clubs. From an overwhelming waiting list an idea was formed by the Hamilton Eye Institute Lions Club (comprised of the physicians and staff at HEI) to do multiple cataract surgeries in one day. This one day of surgeries is now performed twice yearly with 30 surgeries done each day. Several other clinics and facilities are now interested in starting a Cataract-A-Thon as Mid-South Lions and the HEI Lions have been doing for several years.

But because I have loved ones who have eye sight issues my time spent at Mid-South



Lion Penny Edwards



Naval Construction Battalion Center Honors Their Sailors and Spouses



The Biloxi Lions Club was honored to have NCBC's 'Sailor of the Year' and 'Spouse of the Year' visit the club on April 10.

Brian Lamar, Assistance Director of Public Affairs for the NCBC, gave a brief update on what's happening at the NCBC and its economic impact on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Then it was his distinct pleasure to introduce BM1 Anthony Chaplin as the NCBC Sailor of the Year and Callie Bunter as the Military Spouse of the Year.

Chaplin, a 12 year member of the Navy, joined directly following high school graduation. He has traveled the world with various duties such as Marine Security, Mine Hunting, Small Arms Marksmanship Instructor, and Anti-Terrorist Command before being assigned to Gulfport in 2017. He currently is the supervisor for Naval personnel serving light duty assignments. He also assist in giving a sense of purpose to members needing mental health supervision.

Callie, a military spouse for 12 years, was selected as a finalist in the DOD sponsored recognition of Military Spouses nationwide. She wears many hats as a full time military spouse, mother, volunteer, and general cheerleader for spouses whose family members are in her husband's command. Her husband's battalion is currently deployed so it is Callie who brings the loved ones left behind together and keeps the family unit going until the deployment is over.

A request was made to remind members of the Club's Dues Structure for prospective members who ask "how much does it cost to belong to the Biloxi Lions Club?" The information was furnished by Club Treasure Greg Crapo.

Biloxi Lions Club Dues Structure

Active Members	\$175	Quarterly
Family Active	\$170	Quarterly
Affiliate	\$150	Semi-Annual
Family Affiliate	\$140	Semi-Annual
Ministers/Privileged/At-Large	\$ 29	Monthly (Plus Meals)
Life	\$ 18	Quarterly (Plus Meals)
Entrance Fee	\$100	Includes Shirt and Badge

Current Dues Cost Breakdown

International Dues	\$ 43	Annually
State/District	\$ 40	
Local Club	\$ 12	

Total Dues Only \$95 /year

Current Meal Cost \$15/\$180 Quarterly (not counting 5th Wednesdays)

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Lions Leaders Weekend and the Hamilton Eye Institute became personal. I saw there is hope through research, development, and long term committed caring. Knowing I can help in a small way to give hope is the reason I want to be part of the Mid-South Lions team. Brad Baker...my sustaining membership to Mid-South Lions is on its way!