Biloxi Lions Club



LIONS ROAR

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1st Edition

April 2021

2020-2021 OFFICERS

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Back Bay Mission Welcomes New Executive Director

Back Bay Mission, an United Church of Christ Ministry, was founded in Biloxi the early 1920s to give aid to the 'fisher folk' which had immigrated to the area at the turn of the 1900s. 100 years later their mission is Strengthening Neighborhoods, Seeking Justice, Transforming Lives.

The Rev. James Pennington began his position as the new Executive Director in February 2021. As a Mississippi native he feels he has returned home after years of service in other states and in mission work. As a child he had family living on the Gulf Coast and visited the area often prior to his moving to Chicago. He returned to the coast while researching the Civil Rights desegregation demonstrations of the City of Biloxi's beaches that took place from 1953-1962. Little did he know he would return again.

The Back Bay Mission continues their mission by meeting emergency needs and helping people begin their journey out of poverty. This includes assistance with food, housing, medications, obtaining IDs, bill payment, clothing/personal care, home repairs, and addressing other needs of their clients.



Rev. James Pennington, ED Back Bay Mission Accepts the Lions Pen from Program Chair Lion Jerry Dodge.

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGARAMS

| APR 28 | Candance Wheeler, author, Cradle in the Oak (books available) |
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| APR 30-May 1 | Lions State Convention, Louisville, MS, registration page 3 |
| MAY 5 | Mother & Father of the Year Joint Recognition |
| MAY 12 | Sherri Bevis, Singing River Health |
| MAY 14-16 | Sea and Sun Camp 25th Anniversary, Camp Wilkes |
| MAY 18 | Board Meeting, Camp Wilkes, noon |
| MAY 19 | Tom McDougal, Merit Health |
| JUN 16 | Installation & Awards Dinner, Patio 44 (Evening Event) |

April 21, 2021 Club Meeting Recap

- The meeting was called to ordered by Lion President Tom Quave; Lions Miriam, Jaye & Jerry led us in 'God Bless America; Lion Margot led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Rev. Elijah offered prayer
- 50/50 was won by Lion Austin; Lion Greg drew the KING of CLUBS in the King of Clubs Progressive. Lion Tamer Gerald
 was not present to give the total at the meeting but it was later learned the total is \$741, which means Lion Greg's half is
 \$370.50. Congratulations Lion Greg!!! Pics will be in the next ROAR. The drawing starts over again on April 28
- In-person Guests: Lion Greg introduced prospective member Andrew (his application has been submitted); Lion Margot introduced son Glenn
- Lion Cindy introduced someone she found roaming the hospital hallway, Lion Leslie. Lion Larry Is back for the 1st time in over a year. Welcome home Lions Leslie and Larry—you have been missed
- Lion Margot auctioned a item she made, a beautiful cross decorated with shells. The bidding was spirited but Lion Glenn gave the cross a new home (with a contribution from Lion Austin)
- Lion Cindy reminded members of the Camp Wilkes fundraiser on Saturday, April 24. She asked for volunteers if you can
- Thank you Lions Melinda and Alan for furnishing desserts for the club meal on 4/14 & 21. A photo of Lion Alan's cake is below
- Lion Secretary Joe reviewed the April Board minutes. Prospective member Cindy Martin's application was accepted for membership. It was voted to combine this year's Mother/Father of the Year Presentation with the special presentation on May 5th. The Club's delegates for the State Convention are: Lions Miriam, Elijah, Dorothy, Joe and Penny

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=V25tWXJMRkRXdGRWTTlHSHJsMEZWUT09

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



Remember....

The Biloxi Lions Club's email addresses have changed

The Biloxi Lions Club address is now: BiloxiLionsClub@gmail.com
The Not for Profit Corp address is now: BiloxiLions@gmail.com

(The two new emails listed above are not links...you must enter them directly into your contact info listing)

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



Lion Alan's cake was as delicious as it was beautiful! And, the cookies he brought were also enjoyed by many!

LIONS OF MISSISSIPPI

2021 STATE CONVENTION

Registration

April 30-May 1, 2021 Louisville, MS

| Name | Phone |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Spouse | Club |
| | <u>Total Cost</u> |
| Registrants (For each attendee over | 12)at \$25 each |
| or Register - Virtual | \$10 |
| Sight Foundation Dinner (Friday) | at \$25 each |
| District Governors Banquet (Saturd | 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 39232

Hotel 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.