

Biloxi Lions Club



LIONS ROAR

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2020-2021 OFFICERS

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Biloxi's Mother and Father of the Year 2021

Joint Award Presentation

May 5, 2021

Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum
noon



Photos are of the Presentation Award for the 2020 Mother of the Year recipient Melissa Batia Williams and the Presentation Award for the 2020 Father of the Year recipient Richard Wayne Ross, Jr.

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

MAY 5	2021 Mother & Father of the Year Joint Award Presentation
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
MAY 26	Corey Christy, Outreach Program Dir., Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum
JUN 15	Board Meeting, location TBA
JUN 16	Installation & Awards Dinner, Seafood Museum (Evening Event)

The Biloxi Lions Club meet each Wednesday at noon

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

April 28, 2021 Club Meeting Recap

- The meeting was called to order by Lion President Tom Quave; Lions Miriam, Pete & Jerry led us in 'God Bless America'; Lion Dorothy led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Jerry offered prayer
- 50/50 was won by Lion Greg; Lion Jerry Dodge's guest, Bruce, drew the 7 of Hearts in the King of Clubs Progressive
- In-person Guests: Lion Jerry introduced his friend and guest Bruce Roberts; Lion Austin joined us via Zoom
- Lion Matt announced the Joint Mother of the Year and Father of the Year Presentation on May 5th
- Lion Penny on behalf of Lion Cindy, who had a Hospital meeting and could not attend, thanked the Biloxi members who were able to volunteer at the Camp Wilkes fundraiser on April 24th. The rough estimate of \$3500 was made at the event
- Lion Pres. Tom had Lion Suzette explain why she was dressed in a very becoming costume. She explained it was Super Heroes Day with the staff at Gulfport Behavioral Health dressing as Super Heroes and parading the halls of the children's wing. I did not get a pic Lion Suzette, you'll have to wear your Super Hero outfit again!
- Lion Glenn furnished pralines for dessert. I do not think there were any left overs! Thank you Lion Glenn
- Lion Jerry introduced the speaker, local attorney—now author, Candace Cox Wheeler. Candace reviewed her 1st novel, *Cradle in the Oak*. She was joined by attorney husband David Wheeler. Photos page 3

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**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=V25tWXJMRkRXdGRWTTIHSJJsMEZWUT09>

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

May 5	Penny Edwards
May 12	Open
May 19	Suzette Duhe'
May 26	Star Ransonet
June 2	Open
June 9	Open
June 16	Installation Dinner, Dessert provided
June 23	Open
June 30	Open 28



Meal attendance average 22-28

Lions of MS 2021 DATES TO REMEMBER

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

July 30-Aug 1, 2021 **Lions Deaf Camp, Biloxi, MS (moved from April 17-19)**



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)

Here it is folks..

A once in a life time photo of Lion Greg Crapo speechless!

Lion Greg drew the King of Clubs at the 4/21/2021 meeting.

The pot was at \$741. Lion Greg was presented with half, \$370.50, at the club meeting on 4/28.

The new King of Clubs Progressive fundraiser started over on 4/28 with 103 cards (2 decks of playing cards but with only 1 King of Clubs)

Congratulations Lion Greg!



Lions of MS State Convention

10 Biloxi Lions attended the Lions of MS State Convention, April 30-May 1, in Louisville, MS at Lake Tiak O'Khata.

District 30S 2020-2021 Cabinet Secretary

Joe McCormick

PDG Greg Crapo

PDG Cindy Bamburg

PDG Carl Nehlig

2021-2022 President Elect Elijah Mitchell

2021-2022 3rd VP Elect Gerald Gardner

2021-2022 Secretary Elect Penny Edwards

2021-2022 Tail Twister Elect Dorothy Nehlig

Lion Miriam Mitchell, and daughter Juanita

Lion Teresa Wieck-Martin

In Biloxi We Serve!

Local Attorney Publishes Her First Book *Cradle in the Oak—A Novel*

A found newspaper clipping dated 1906 leads local attorney Candace Cox Wheeler on a 3 1/2 year journey of research to bring the true story of an ancestor to the pages of her first novel.

During her visit to the Biloxi Lions Club Candace shared how the research took her down different avenues to make her character "Carrie Burns" come alive. From the local Mississippi Gulf Coast communities, land marks, family names, industries, to the prevailing fashions, leisure activities and coastal cuisine Candace carries readers back to the yesteryear of coastal life in 1906.

After reading a short excerpt from the book, which had us experiencing the sights and smells of sailing to Ship Island with Carrie, Candace took questions from the club members.

At the conclusion of the meeting a book signing was held with several members standing in line, book in hand, for Biloxi's newest author to autograph their copy.

A portion of the proceeds from the *Cradle in the Oak* will go to the Biloxi Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum, which offers the book for sale in its gift shop.

By the way, Candace gave a hint she is already taking Carrie and her family into the 1920's with a second novel of what will become a trilogy. She asked if any member had knowledge of a local event set in the 1920's to please let her know. Gee, come to think of it, a certain Biloxi civic organization was founded on February 18, 1924. Who knows where this tidbit of information may lead.



Above:

Author Candace Cox Wheeler with Lion Jerry Dodge after she is presented with a Lions Club Pen

Below:

Candace signing a copy of the *Cradle in the Oak* for Lion Penny

