

Biloxi Lions Club

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4th Edition

June 2021

2020-2021 OFFICERS

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Lion President Tom Quave presents the 2020-2021 Rookie of the Year Award to Lion Katie Peterson.

Lion Katie was unable to attend the 98th Biloxi Lions Club Installation and Awards Presentation program on June 16, 2021.

Lion Katie, a lady of few words, expressed her gratitude to the club for being honored with this award.

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

JUN 30	Carl Boyanton, candidate for Congress
JULY 4	
JULY 7	Kirk Allen, CEO, Mississippi Aquarium
JULY 14	Col. Stuart M. Rubio, Commander, 403rd Air Force Reserve Com. KAFB
JULY 20	Board Meeting, Camp Wilkes, noon
JULY 21	Joe Spraggins, MDMR Executive Director
JULY 28	Allison Cook, CHEVRON

The Biloxi Lions Club meet each Wednesday at noon

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

June 23, 2021 Installation & Awards Banquet

- Meeting was called to order by Lion President Tom Quave; *God Bless American* was led by Lions Miriam, Darrell and Jerry; The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Lion Carl; and Prayer was offered by Lion Jerry
- The 50/50 split the pot—one was not held; King of Clubs Progressive— one was not held
- Guests: in-person: Lion Margot introduced son Glenn; Lion Elijah introduced Lion Mable Robinson; and Lion Katie introduced Kathy Necaise. Lion Star joined the meeting by zoom
- Lion Pres. Tom presented Lion Katie Peterson with the Rookie of the Year award. Lion Katie was unable to attend the June 16th Installation and Awards Presentation. Photo on front page. More from the 98th Installation and Awards program on pages 4 & 5
- Lion Greg announce he had the raffle tickets for the Scoop Coup vehicle, which was donated to the Biloxi Lions. The raffle tickets are \$10.00 for 3 tickets and \$20.00 for 10 tickets. The drawing is planned for mid December
- Lion Penny announced the sign up sheet for the months of July, August, and September **is on the back table**
- The June 23rd dessert was provided by Lion Andrew. The strawberry shortcake was soooo good!
- Lion Jerry introduced our speaker Karma Snyder, NASA/SSC Range Safety Manager. Karma presented her program via zoom. photos on page 3

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 of MS 2021 DATES TO REMEMBER

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

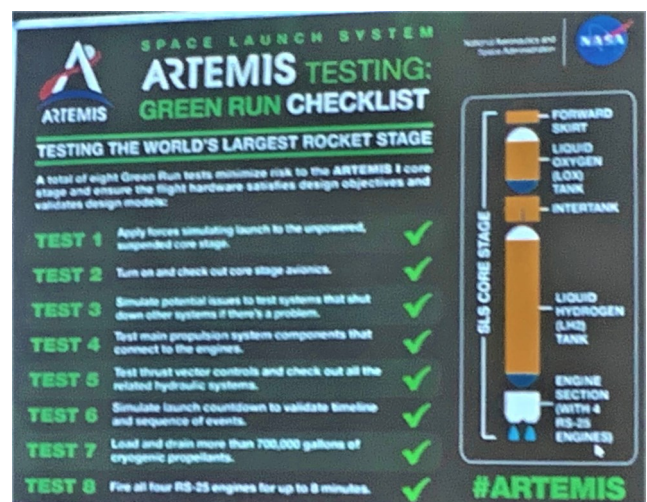
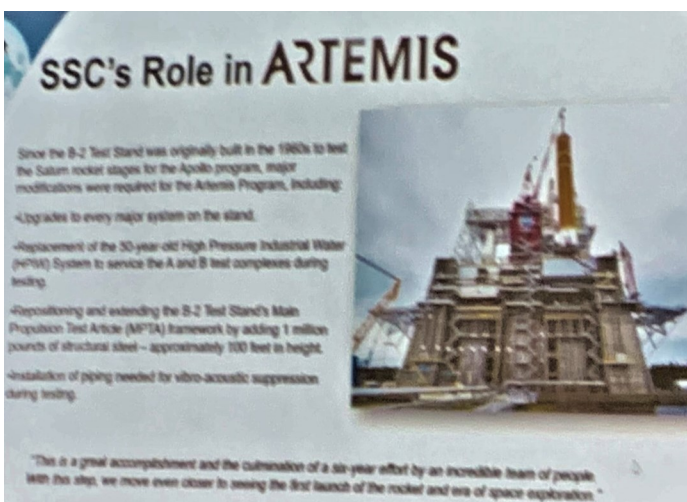
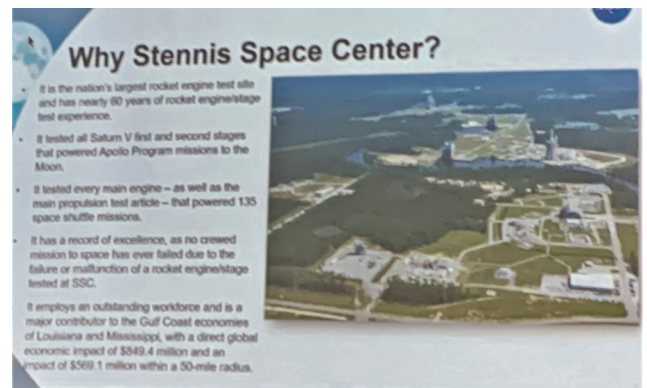
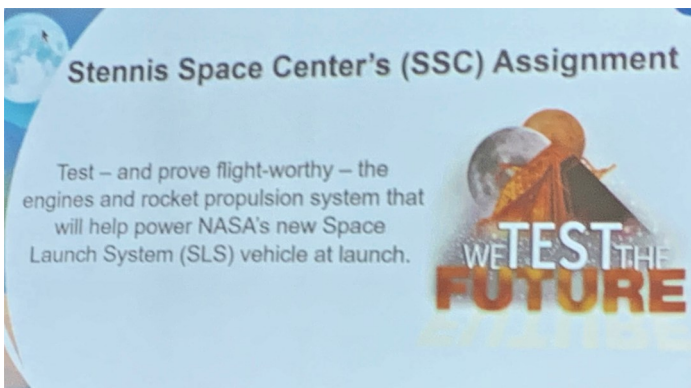
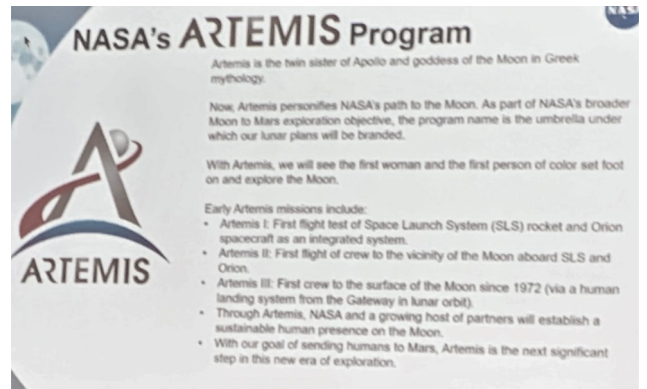
Lions Dessert Sign-Up Pledges

June 30	Lindsey Moore
July 7	Penny Edwards
July 14	Lindsey Moore
July 21	Open
July 27	Cindy Martin

Meal attendance average 22-28
The Dessert Sign-up Sheet for July-September is now available at the meetings







As Promised...more from the Biloxi Lions 98th Installation and Awards Program—June 16, 2021

Lion Bo was unable to attend the **98th Installation and Awards Program—June 16, 2021** but he was reached by telephone the night of the event. Lion Harold Roberts is delivering the plaque and going to send a picture of the presentation when made.



Hall of Fame Inductee - June 16, 2021: Lion Rev. James Beauregard Roberts

The Very Rev. James 'Bo' Roberts was inducted into the Biloxi Lions Hall of Fame on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at the Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum in Biloxi.

Father Bo served as rector of St. Mark's for 44 years, from 1969 until his retirement in 2013. He was named Rector Emeritus in 2018 in honor of his continued service. He assists clergy at St. Mark's while also serving as a supply priest for the Coast Convocation.

Lion Bo joined the Biloxi Lions in August, 1966 and is the longest tenured member still active today.

Lion President George Romey died on Tuesday, December 4, 1973 and Rev. Bo stepped up to complete his term, which would not end until June 30, 1974. He was elected to his own term in 1974 and served through June, 1975. Rev. Bo was the first to serve more than one term as President in the history of the club. To date, no Lion has ever been elected to 2 terms as President.

Lion Rev. Bo served on numerous committees and was always a mentor to young Lions and something of a club historian with his knowledge of the happenings of the club even before his time as a member.

Never one to say no, Lion Bo has always answered the call when someone was needed to serve.

Lion Bo received the Lion of the Year in 1990;

Given to the Lion who gave the biggest effort during the current fiscal year, July 1 - June 30, in all aspects of Lionism: Service, Attendance, Membership Growth, Participation and Fund Raising.

Was the Clubs first recipient of the 'Leader Dog Award' in 1999

The Award honors an individual club member for their consummate service, dedication and commitment to Lionism and Leader Dogs for the Blind with an engravable Founders Tribute Plaque, recognizing a \$500 donation made on behalf of the named recipient.

And received the award of awards, the Melvin Jones Fellowship in 1992

Melvin Jones Fellows receive a special lapel pin, a plaque and a congratulatory letter.

The MJF Program was established in 1973 in honor of Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions Clubs International. The MJF program recognizes donations of US\$1,000 to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

Chosen by a committee of the Past Recipients of the Award. This is a Lifetime Achievement Award.

We are proud to honor The Very Rev. Lion James Beauregard Roberts with induction into the Biloxi Lions Hall of Fame.

Saints Squares 2021



NOW on SALE

This is a Fund Raising Project

**Less than a week till Random Draw
Selling Out FAST!**

**All Proceeds after Pay-Outs
Go to the Charitable Projects of Lions**

Email: BiloxiLions@gmail.com

for your squares today!

More from the Biloxi Lions 98th Installation and Awards Program—June 16, 2021



Arthur Larry Sturgis Hall of Fame Inductee, Wednesday, June 16, 2021
Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum
Biloxi, Mississippi

We are proud to honor Mr. Arthur Larry Sturgis with induction into the Biloxi Lions Hall of Fame.

Larry rejoined the Biloxi Lions in May, 1982. Serving on numerous committees, his favorite passion was always the Camelia Queen pageant where he served multiple positions, but most notably as the Judges liaison.

Lion Larry served as President of the club in 1985 – 86 after working through the Vice President offices. He also gave many years as Roar Editor and 2 different stints as club secretary from 2004 – 06 and again from 2009 – 2012.

Serving many offices beyond the club level, Lion Larry was chosen as District Secretary for 30 – N for 1988 – 1989.

Lion Larry was endorsed by the Biloxi Lions to serve at the State level and was elected District Governor for 1998 – 99.

Lion Larry was selected:

Lion of the Year 1987:

Given to the Lion who gave the biggest effort during the current fiscal year, July 1 - June 30, in all aspects of Lionism: Service, Attendance, Membership Growth, Participation and Fund Raising.

Presented with the Edwin Dalstrom Distinguished Service Award in 2003:

The highest honor that a club or district can bestow through Mid-South Lions Sight and Hearing Service is named for the organization's first president, Edwin Dalstrom. The Biloxi Lions honor Lion Larry with this prestigious award by making a \$1,000 contribution to Mid-South.

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Received from Lion Larry...

An open letter to the membership.

I was dumb-struck! I remember hearing my name. I remember walking to the front. I think I remember being handed the beautiful award. From there on, I don't know what I said or did exactly. To be sure to set the record straight, I hope I can express myself better in this letter.

When the dust settled and I was home sitting down, I took a long look at the award. I read it... several times. I am so humbled to receive this honor and thank everyone for thinking of me.

I'm not even sure what I said when I was accepting this honor but it wasn't enough. I had some periods in my life that were very depressing, and I don't know what I would have done if I didn't have my Biloxi Lions family at my side. I know of no words that can possibly express my gratitude that you were there when I needed you.

It's not just the rough times that Lions have been there. So many good things have happened to me while a Lion. We have shared many moments together. Sometimes it may have only been a couple of Lions and other times it was shared with more. The point is, each of you, as you go through the years as a Lion will find how important our club is to you. They are always there, rain or shine.

Biloxi Lions is far more than a service organization. We are there for each other also. It goes with the times. Older members pass on and younger members come to fill the void. Every one of you is important to each other.

I am blessed to be a Biloxi Lion. I feel blessed to be selected to the Biloxi Lion Hall of Fame. I am honored to be with such a select group. Thank you.

**Warmest Regards,
Lion Larry**

MID-SOUTH LIONS NEWS...

From: Brad Baker

Subject: **Visiting Lions Day August 14**

Date: June 15, 2021

Mid-south Lions is hosting our first Visiting Lions Day on Saturday, August 14 Hamilton Eye Institute, 930 Madison Ave in Memphis. Registration is free www.midsouthlions.org. We are only accepting online reservations for this event. Attendees will be responsible for travel and lodging. Dress is casual but wear comfortable shoes for the tour.

Our event will begin at 9:45 AM in the Freeman Auditorium on the 3rd floor with a general session. Tours of the operating room suites/skills transfer lab, the one-of-a-kind pediatric floor and research floor will begin promptly at 10 AM. During lunch we will hear from our world-renowned ophthalmologists on "Advances in Ophthalmology", then we'll have our final session on "What You Always Wanted to Know About Mid-South Lions."

Please consider visiting with great Lions from Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee; hearing from doctors who help make miracles for your patients daily; meeting the Mid-South Lions, officers, and board members and having a ton of fun while being inspired what Lions are doing at Mid-South.

There always lots of things to do in Memphis.

For questions regarding our Visiting Lions Day, please contact Mid-South Lions office at 888-546-6042 or check out details on our website www.midsouthlions.org **Seating is limited so please register TODAY!** Thanks!

Feel free to share this with everyone on your email list. You do not have to be a Lion to attend.

Together in service,
CC Brad Baker, CEO
Mid-South Lions



Photos courtesy of Lion Teresa Wieck Martin: On June 4 the Biloxi Lions Mid-South members participated in the Annual Mid-South Golf Tournament Fundraising Event in Olive Branch, MS. I haven't heard the outcome of scores but I really dig those vivid golf shorts! Thank you Biloxi Lions and Lion Teresa for sharing the photos. **Previously inadvertently omitted...photos courtesy of Lion Greg Palmer, Madison Lions Club**

Mid-South Lions News and Calendar Updates

- August 14 - Mid-South Lions Quarterly Board Meeting**
Hamilton Eye Institute, Memphis
- August 14— "Visiting Lions Day"**
Hamilton Eye Institute, Memphis TN
With no "Lions Leaders Weekend" due to COVID a one day Lions Leaders Weekend will be held on Saturday, Aug. 14. It will include HEI tours with the Medical Staff and other learning activities. See above information notice from Mid-South CEO Brad Baker
- Sept. 18 - Cooper-Young Festival, Memphis**
Mid-South Lions will be hosting the Kids Fun Zone, More info to come

Just in from Lion Greg Palmer, 30S 1st Vice District Governor Elect and President of the Madison Club...

I would like to make you aware that Rita Robbins, President of the Hazlehurst Lions Club is spearheading a "MS Lions Club at Trustmark Park". We Lions have an opportunity to gather at Trustmark Park, on Wednesday, July 21st for the 6:35 pm game. Tickets are \$25 per person, which includes the game ticket, food and drink on the second level of the stadium. The MS Braves will flash on the big screen, it is MS Lions Night at Trustmark Park!

Here is an opportunity to visit with fellow Lions and an enjoyable night of a minor league baseball game. Email me if you want to be a part of this fun evening with fellow Lions. Spouses are invited to attend with us.

Also, on September 30, 2021 the Madison Club is hosting a golf tournament at Whisper Lake in Madison.