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How United Way of South MS Works

Ever wonder how the United Way disperses the funds they receive from the donation you made? Kathy Springer explained in all in great detail at today's meeting. And, by the way, did you know that 99 cents of every dollar donated stays in South Mississippi to help South Mississippians?

Grants—plain and simple—mainly through the Big Community Impact Grant Process. Which by the way open for application next week.

Through teams of dedicated volunteers will a grant application start with a fine tooth examination of the applying organizations board, finances and any conflict of interest to the grant on which they are applying. Once this process is completed an organization will be notified if they qualify for the next step in the full grant process. A qualifying organization will have a team visit the agency or facility and aid the applicant with any further step needed. Then the board of each team will meet together to bring their applicant's full application for the team leaders for approval of the applicant's specific grant.

But United Way's process doesn't stop there. They will work throughout the grant term with the agency or facility to ensure the funding they received is appropriately used to grant specifications and is working as intended. Smaller start up grants are also available.

Examples of how some of the grant funding is used: Community help through local agencies for food/medications, utility assistance; disadvantage youth programs; telehealth partnerships (this was particularly important during the COVID19 pandemic when medical facilities and clinics were limited to received in-person visits); and disaster relief before, during and after.

If you want to donate you can do to www.unitedwaysm.org or to the United Way office located at 11975 Seaway Road Suite B172, Gulfport, MS 39503.



Top: Kathy Springer, ED United Way of South MS

Below: Kathy accepting Lions Pen from Lion Jerry Dodge

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

JAN 18	Open
JAN 19	Board Meeting, Cadence Bank, 2nd Floor, noon
JAN 20-21	District 30S Mid-Winter Convention, Madison MS
JAN 23	Deadline: Biloxi Outstanding Citizen Nominations—See Lion Elijah Mitchell
JAN 25	Author Phillip Levin, MD
FEB 1	Woody Baily, Cruisin' The Coast

The Biloxi Lions Club meet every Wednesday at noon
Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum, first floor, 115 1st Street, Biloxi, MS 39530

1.11.2023 Meeting Recap

Opening: President Melinda Freeman called the meeting to order at 12:05pm; Lions Jaye, Leslie, Jerry and Pete led us in God Bless America; Lion Matt led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Jerry Dodge offered the prayer

Guest(s): Mignon Bouchon, United Way Dir. Of Resource Dev., assisted speaker Kathy Springer; Lion Mary Jo introduced her guest and prospective member Debbie Bailius

Zoom: no zoom attendance

50/50 drawing: \$21.50 was won by speaker Kathy Springer; **King of Clubs Progressive:** Lion Judy Gavin drew the Ace of Hearts

Auction Item: no auction item

Club Business and Announcements:

1. Pres. Melinda asked a trivia question: Who's birthday is it today? Lion Cindy answered correctly—Melvin Jones
2. The Board Meeting for 1/12/2023 has been postponed until 1/19/2023 at the Cadence Bank, 2nd floor at noon
3. Lion Penny reminded members of the Camp Wilkes Annual Meeting on 1/19 at 6 pm and invited members of how much the Lions of MS use Camp Wilkes.
4. Pres. Melinda thanked Lion Kathryn for the baked chicken and her tasty green beans she served today and she also thanked Lion Leslie and Mary Jo for providing the dessert of brownies and chocolate cake
5. A reminder to members that District 30S Mid-Winter Convention is Friday-Saturday January 20-21 in Madison. Your vote is needed on Saturday to support the Club's nominations of PP Elijah Mitchel for 1st Vice District Governor and PP Penny Edwards for 2nd Vice District Governor
6. Lion Jerry Dodge introduced our speaker, Kathy Springer, the Exec. Director of United Way of south MS . Photos front page



Remember the deadline for nominating Biloxi's Outstanding Citizen is Jan. 23, 2023. If you know someone, or know of an organization that would like to make a nomination, please see Lion Elijah for the application

It's not too late to support Club Member Cindy Bamburg, 2022-2023 White Cane Chairman, by completing the form below and mailing in your \$25 Contribution today.

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NAME: _____

CLUB: _____ DIST _____

Amount enclosed (\$25 each) _____ Check# _____ Credit Card _____

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Mail this form, with contribution to: Lions Sight Foundation
431 Katherine Drive
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Don't forget you can ZOOM a meeting if unable to attend in person.

Direct Access to the Biloxi Lions Club weekly meeting is available on our website [Www.biloxilions.org](http://www.biloxilions.org) just by clicking the ZOOM HERE button.

Or, by the following information below

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89166624322?pwd=V25tWXJMRkRXdGRWTTIHSJJsMEZWUT09>

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Meeting ID 891 6662 4322 Passcode: 996230

Log on a few minutes prior to our 12 noon meeting to assure your connection

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Dessert Pledges January-February

JANUARY

4th Penny Edwards

11th Leslie Johnson

18th Star Ransonet

25th Cindy Bamburg

FEBRUARY

1st open

8th open

15th Melinda Freeman

22nd open

The JANUARY-MARCH Quarter Dessert Sign-Up Sheet is available at every meeting on the dessert table. Please sign up and showcase your special dessert. Dessert pledges will be posted in the ROAR in case you forget your date.



JANUARY LIONS

Carl Nehlig Penny Edwards
Wayne Ross Teresa Wieck-Martin

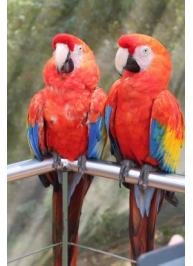
NEWS Flash!!!

Jack and Jill are still on their winter vaca to warmer weather south of Biloxi...

But, lately the climate has been more typical south Mississippi weather...chilly in the morning and warm in the afternoon.

Be on the lookout for Jack and Jill flying around the District 30S Mid-Winter Convention on January 20-21. Hopefully, they will have some very interesting news following the event which they may want to share with you!

Don't forget, if you have any news to share in your Biloxi Lions ROAR newsletter, please just email lionpennyedwards@gmail.com by Sunday am to ensure it makes in that week's edition.



Dates to Save

January 20-21, 2023

District 30S Mid-Winter Convention,
Hilton Garden Inn, Madison, MS

March 10-13, 2023

Girls Leadership Conference

March 24-26, 2023

Boys Leadership Conference

April 15, 2023

Mid-South Lions Visiting Lions Day

May 5-6, 2023

Lions of MS State Convention, Columbus, MS

July 7-11, 2023

International Convention, Boston, MA

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