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5 Months



**ROAR**  
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**20 Guns in 20 Days  
DEADLINE: Ticket Money & Stubs  
OCTOBER 18 AT CLUB MEETING**

In July 2023 the Lions of MS Sight Foundation kicked off the 20 Guns in 20 Days Raffle Fundraiser. Sight Foundation Member 2VDG Lion Penny coordinated the ticket distribution for the Biloxi Club. Lion Penny greatly appreciates the Biloxi Club members' support in their efforts to sell raffle tickets and for assisting in the two 'tent sale' events during the hottest summer days of August 25 and 26th.

There are still tickets available that can be picked up at the October 11th meeting. Lets make one more big push to sell these unsold tickets.

**October 18, 2023** is the deadline to turn in any outstanding money, ticket stubs, and any (hopefully there will be none) unsold tickets. The ticket money and your customers' ticket stubs will be taken to the Sight Foundation Meeting on October 28, 2023. The stubs will be added to the hopper for the November 1st drawing start date. One ticket stub will be drawn daily for the total of 20 days.

Several tickets sold on the coast for the last two years fundraiser have been lucky for their purchaser. We hope this luck will continue for this year.

In Biloxi-We Serve

**UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS**

<b>OCT 11</b>	Jeff Clark, Huntington Ingalls Shipbuilding
<b>OCT 12</b>	BLC Board Meeting, Cadence Bank, noon, BYOL
<b>OCT 15</b>	Vision Screening, Shriners Trunk or Treat, Joppa Center
<b>OCT 18</b>	<b>DEADLINE \$\$ and Stubs to be turned in for 20 Guns in 20 Days</b>
<b>OCT 18</b>	Board Meeting Minutes Review
<b>OCT 25</b>	Elizabeth Anderson, Outreach Coordinator, Maritime&Seafood Museum
<b>NOV 1</b>	Tiffany Bell, Gulf Coast Community Foundation
<b>NOV 8</b>	Open
<b>NOV 15</b>	Board Meeting Minutes Review
<b>NOV 22</b>	Thanksgiving Week, NO MEETING
<b>DEC 6</b>	<b>BHS Choir Christmas Program</b>
<b>DEC 20 &amp; 27</b>	<b>Christmas and New Years Weeks NO MEETINGS. First meeting in 2024 is January 3rd.</b>

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

## 10.4.2023 Meeting Recap

**Opening:** Lion President Jerry Gardner called meeting to order at 12:05pm; The BLC Choir led us in God Bless America; Lion Penny led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Darrell offered the prayer

**Guests:** Prospective member Laurel Luckie ; **Zoom:** none

**50/50 drawing:** \$12 was won by Lion Miriam; **King of Clubs Progressive:** Lion Greg drew the ?

**Auction Item:** Grab Bag of Older Lions Pins donated by Lion Carl. Winner Lion Glenn Bremenkamp for \$20

### Club Business and Announcements:

#### 1. Lion President Jerry's Announcements:

A) Board Meeting on October 12th at Cadence Bank, 2nd floor, noon, BYOL

B) 20 Guns in 20 Days Raffle Ticket Drawing starts Nov. 1st. 20 per ticket/\$100 for book of 6. Book of tickets still available. **Deadline to turn in \$\$ and stubs to Lion Penny is Oct. 18 so she can get it to State Office by Oct. 28th**

C) **Nut Sales Deadline Today.** Lion Greg collected order forms/money for Lion Melinda who could not attend today's meeting, Melinda will order the nuts and estimated delivery is usually the 2nd week in November

D) Saints tickets raffle is available through Lion Carl to help Boys Leadership committee purchase a trailer

E) District 30S District meeting on October 28th, State Office, Flowood

F) Bay Area Chamber of Commerce (which we are a member) Concert on the Causeway, Yul's Place, 6-8 pm. Lion Penny's husband, Thomas, is the entertainer for the event and funds raised to benefit American Cancer Society Men Wear Pink. Bring your folding chairs

2. Treasurer Lion Greg announced that Lions Club statements has been sent. Any questions please contact him

4. Thank you Lion Kathryn for the classic hamburgers and chips meal in honor of Cruisin' The Coast Biloxi Block Party Day and thank you to Lion Cindy for providing the cookies for dessert

5. **Program:** Lion Jerry D. introduced Ms. Jessi James, Coordinator, MS Waterways Inland Cleanup, MSU Extension

## Citizens Scientist Wanted

Jessi James is the Coordinator of MS Waterways Inland Clean Up Program through the MSU Coastal Research & Extension Center. She hold a degree in Marine Biology and a degree in Psychology through MSU.

Her job, as she states, is coordinator of the MSU Extension Inland Cleanup program. She is a full time staff member at the MSU Coastal Research & Extension Service located on Popp's Ferry Road in Biloxi. She has 21 counties, north of the 3 coastal counties, that she is responsible for the inland waterway cleanup programs. She assists each county in various ways, mainly with volunteer help, to collect and remove debris that finds its way along non-marine MS creeks and rivers in the 21 counties. The 3 counties in which she is not the coordinator, but does assist with, is Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson. Those 3 are considered the Coastal Counties and their cleanup program is of marine debris and litter.

As a Grad Student, Jessie currently working on your Masters Degree in Psychology and her paper is on Citizen Scientist-Volunteerism. She is partnering this degree goal of why someone volunteers with her current degrees and job of debris clean up with Citizen Science (you as the Scientists) in a Litter Awareness Litter Sampling Survey project. A flyer of this controlled project is on page 4 of this ROAR newsletter. If this interest you please register with the QR Code or contact Jessi via the contact info on the form if you have questions.

For many years prior to COVID19 the Biloxi Club took an active roll in the Coastal Cleanup project with many club members volunteering time, and often a boat or two, in the cleanup of Deer Island. As one of the Lions International eight focus areas, the environment is very important to us as a Lion. Hopefully, we can once again participate in the Coastal Clean Up Day and maybe encourage fellow inland clubs to do the same in their respective counties Jessi coordinates.



Don't forget you can ZOOM a meeting if unable to attend in person. Please contact Lion Wayne in advance at the number below if you plan to attend via ZOOM.

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>

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 Wayne at 228.348.1334 (or Lion Greg 228.760.0239) for help.**

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## OCTOBER LIONS

*George Azar*

Remember you can reach me c/o Lion Penny's email: [lionpennyedwards@gmail.com](mailto:lionpennyedwards@gmail.com) to help spread any LIONS news you feel need sharing!



Hello Lion Dudes and Dudettes...  
ARLO here... check this out...

### Concert on the Causeway

If you can on October 11 Wednesday evening truck on down to Yul's Place, located at the end of the Popp's Ferry Causeway, for an evening (6-8 pm) of great food, drink and a beautiful Back Bay sunset to support the Concert on the Causeway event. This event's proceeds go to help support local charities.

And...a local entertainer you are very familiar with...Thomas Edwards will be strumming tunes you all know, love and can sing along with.

The October local charity is **Men Wear Pink**, supporting American Cancer Society October Breast Cancer Awareness.

The event is free but, please bring your folding chair... 'Yul' (pun intended) want to sit a spell and enjoy the evening.



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### Dessert Pledges



Your dessert does not need to be home made, we will enjoy store bought just as much, and bring dessert plates if needed. If you are not able to attend the meeting in which you have pledged a Dessert, please ask another member to cover your date.

### Oct — Dec

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|      | <b>October</b>       |
| 11th | Mary Jo Walsh        |
| 18th | Leslie Johnson       |
| 25th | Jerry Gardner        |
|      | <b>NOVEMBER</b>      |
| 1st  | Cindy Bamburg        |
| 8th  | Open                 |
| 15th | Jaye Brice           |
| 22nd | Thanksgiving, No Mtg |
| 29th | Open                 |
|      | <b>DECEMBER</b>      |
| 6th  | Cindy Bamburg        |
| 13th | Jaye Brice           |
| 20th | Christmas, No Mtg    |
| 27th | New Years, No Mtg    |



### Dates to Save

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| <b>Jan. 2024</b><br>Mid-South Lions MECA Cataract-A-Thon, Details Coming Soon                   | <b>June 7, 2024</b><br>Mid-South Lions Golf Tournament Olive Branch, MS        |
| <b>Jan. 19-20, 2024</b><br>District 30S Mid-Winter Convention Hattiesburg, Doubletree Hotel     | <b>June 8, 2024</b><br>Mid-South Lions Cataract-A-Thon                         |
| <b>Feb. 17, 2024</b><br>Biloxi Lions Club 100th Celebration Biloxi Visitor's Center, 6-10p,     | <b>June 21-25, 2024</b><br>Lions International Convention Melbourne, Australia |
| <b>April 12-13, 2024</b><br>Mid-South Lions Visiting Lions Week-end, Memphis, TN                |  |
| <b>April 29-30, 2024</b><br>Lions of MS State Convention Biloxi, MS, Additional Information TBA |  |

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# Citizen Science

## LITTER SAMPLING SURVEY

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS (+18)**

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS INTERESTED IN MARINE DEBRIS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESEARCH STUDY!

VOLUNTEERS WOULD BE ASKED TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE SURVEY BEFORE COMPLETING A QUICK TRAINING SESSION TO LEARN HOW TO COLLECT AND SAMPLE FOR MARINE DEBRIS.

THIS RESEARCH SEEKS TO DIVE DEEPER IN HOW INDIVIDUALS' DEMOGRAPHICS MAY AFFECT CITIZEN SCIENCE DATA COLLECTION, AS WELL AS VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION EFFORTS.

### ELIGIBILITY:

Adults, 18+  
Must be fluent in English

### TIME COMMITMENT:

Survey (10 Minutes)  
Training + Collecting Data  
(90 Minutes)

### LOCATION:

Mississippi State University  
Coastal Research &  
Extension Center  
(Biloxi, MS)

Public Beaches  
(Hancock, Harrison, and/or  
Jackson Counties)

### REGISTER TODAY:



IRB Number : IRB-21-240

If you're unsure of the requirements, or  
have questions contact:

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