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ROAR Newsletter

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<u>PAST PRESIDENT</u> MELINDA FREEMAN Biloxi Lions Club Begins Their 100 Years Celebration with Challenge Coin





The 100 Year Anniversary Challenge Coin was unveiled at the 11.12.2023 Board Meeting and is now available for purchase for \$10.00 each. The quantity is limited.

Get your coin today by contacting Club President Lion Jerry Gardner.

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

NOV 15	Board Meeting Minutes Review
NOV 22	Thanksgiving Week, NO MEETING
NOV 29	Baylee Beightol, "Miss New South"
DEC 2	30S District Mtg. State Office, Flowood, 1:00 pm Date Changed from October 28
DEC 6	BHS Choir Christmas Program
DEC 13	Mary Beth Geiser, Lion Matt's niece for a school project
Dec 14	Board Meeting, Location TBA
	Christmas and New Years Weeks NO MEETINGS. First meeting in 2024 is January 3rd.
JAN 10	Dist. 30S District Governor Thomas Corlett
JAN 19- 20	District 30S Mid-Winter Convention, Hattiesburg
FEB 17	Biloxi Lions Club 100th Birthday Celebration, Biloxi Visitor Center

11.8.2023 Meeting Recap

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

Guests: none; Zoom: none

50/50 drawing: \$20 was won by Lion Elijah: King of Clubs Progressive: Lion Wayne drew the 9 of Spades. Winners pot is \$112

Auction Item: none

Club Business and Announcements:

1. Lion President Jerry's Announcements:

A) Saints tickets raffle (for Dec. 10th game) is available through 11/26th from Lion Carl to help Boys Leadership committee purchase a trailer. Boys are still needed to attend the Conference in March

- B) BLC raised \$3500 for the 20 Guns in 20 Days Raffle. Winning names can be located at the State Website under Members
- C) Nov. Board meeting will be held at El Saltillo Mexican Restaurant, Edgewater Village, at noon tomorrow
- D) A few Nut Orders still need to be picked up. Lion Melinda has extra bags (no tins) available and are also at 2 Cadence Banks
- 2. Lion Judy passed around a signup sheet for Avery McKinley \$25 Donation. Let's become a 100% Club
- 3. Lion Greg announced that Mid-South Lions has a Salute to Our Veterans Video on the Mid-South website midsouthlions.org
- 4. Lion Jaye said that she heard from Lion Teresa that the State Convention preparation and plans are on schedule for the April 2024 Convention in Biloxi
- 5. Thank you to Lion Kathryn for the red beans and rice meal. Lion Melinda sent her apologies for not being able to attend and provide dessert
- 6. **Program:** Lion Jerry introduced today's speaker Dr. Hayley Favre, Ophthalmologist, Eye Associates of the South and Memorial Hospital

WHAT IS GLAUCOMA?

Dr. Hayley Favre joined the Eye Associates of the South in 2023 as an Ophthalmologist specializing the cataracts and glaucoma. She is the only full-time, fellowship trained glaucoma specialist on the Miss Gulf Coast.

Today her presentation was on "WHAT IS GLAUCOMA?" Using a power point presentation Dr. Favre put all the medical terms into very easy to understand layman terms and analogies.

Glaucoma, the leading cause of blindness in people 60 years and older, causes damage to the optic nerve, often associated with high intraocular pressure. About 5% of people age and older develop glaucoma and % of those age and older.

The normal human eye is filled with a clear liquid which fills continuously and drains away while maintaining the same amount of liquid. Glaucoma is where the drain opening closes and allows the liquid to build up increasing the pressure inside the eye. Over time the increased pressure can reduce vision and can cause blindness that can not be reverse. The major risk factors on getting glaucoma are: High Eye Pressure; Age (>40 for persons of African descent); Family History; African or Asia descent; Being Nearsighted; Diabetes; and Long-term Drug Use. Four type of glaucoma are: Primary Open Angle Glaucoma which is from an unknown cause; Primary Angle Closure Glaucoma from unknown cause causing a lot of pain; Secondary glaucoma develops from a known cause such as eye injury, cataract, tumor or diabetes; and Developmental Glaucoma (Congenital) rare condition which occurs in babies and children.

How is glaucoma diagnosed? Measure Eye Pressure; Inspect Eye's Drainage; Test Peripheral Vison; Examine Eyes for Optic Nerve Damage; Take Picture or Computer Measurement of Optic Nerve; Measure Thickness of Cornea.

Treatment Options...With the Goal to Lower the Pressure...

Medication Drops; Use Laser; or Surgery. Dr. Favre ended the explaining the different types of surgeries which can be performed to correct the drainage and pressure should the medication or laser alone not continue to work.



FR: Lion Jerry Dodge Dr. Hayley Favre Danyell Wiebrock

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 just by clicking the ZOOM HERE button.

Or, by the following information below

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

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NOVEMBER LIONS

Jerry Dodge Leslie Johnson' Tom Quave Kathleen Talley Brad Baker

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

Just wanted to REMIND the Biloxi Club members that there will not be a Biloxi Lions Club meeting on the following dates...

> **Wednesday November 22** Wednesday December 20 **Wednesday December 27**



Also, Lion Penny will not be attending the Biloxi Club Mtg on Wednesday Nov 15, as she will be having her 1st Cataract Surgery that morning. So no ROAR newsletter... She should be able to attend the Nov. 29 meeting.

WISHING EVERYONE A SAFE AND BLESSED **THANKSGIVING**

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.

Nov — Dec

October **NOVEMBER**

15th Jave Brice 22nd Thanksgiving, No Mtg **Mary Jo Walsh** 29th

DECEMBER

6th **Cindy Bamburg** 13th Jaye Brice 20th **Christmas, No Mtg** 27th **New Years, No Mtg**





Jan. 2024

Mid-South Lions MECA Cataract-A-Thon, Details Coming Soon

Jan. 19-20, 2024

District 30S Mid-Winter Convention Hattiesburg, Doubletree Hotel

Feb. 17. 2024

Biloxi Lions Club 100th Celebration Biloxi Visitor's Center, 6-10p,

April 12-13, 2024

Mid-South Lions Visiting Lions Week-end, Memphis, TN

April 29-30, 2024

Lions of MS State Convention Biloxi, MS, Additional Information in upcoming Magnolia Publication

June 7, 2024

Mid-South Lions Golf Tournament Olive Branch, MS

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June 8, 2024

Mid-South Lions Cataract-A-Thon

June 21-25, 2024

Lions International Convention Melbourne, Australia

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