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**Biloxi Lions Vision Screening
Biloxi Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum
Christmas Open House**



On December 9th the Biloxi Lions performed Vision Screenings at the Seafood Museum Annual Christmas Open House. And, of course, no Christmas party is complete without Santa and Mrs. Claus, AKA Lions Carl and Dorothy Nehlig. Biloxi Lions Vision Screening Committee Co-chairs Margot Swetman and Tadd Gabrielson had Lions Mary Jo Walsh, Glenn Quave, Joe McCormick, Jerry Dodge, and George Azar assisting with the screenings. Over 30 children had their vision screened.



UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

DEC 13	Mary Beth Geiser, Lion Matt's niece for a school project
Dec 14	Board Meeting, Trinity Café by Joshua, Ohr-Okeefe Museum, noon
DEC 20 & 27	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

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

12.6.2023 Meeting Recap

Opening: Lion President Jerry Gardner called meeting to order at 12:05pm; The BLC TRIO and the BHS Show Choir led us in God Bless America; Lion Pres. Jerry led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Jerry Dodge offered the prayer

Guests: none; Zoom: Lion Jerry's wife Tami, and Lion Kathryn's mother Vicki

50/50 drawing: none

Auction Item: Lion Mary Jo won the rum cake donated by Lion Cindy for \$30

Club Business and Announcements:

1. Lion President Jerry's Announcements:

A) There are still BLC 100th Anniversary Challenge Coins still available. See Lion Pres. Jerry Gardner

B) The December Board Meeting is Dec. 14 and will be held at: Trinity Café by Joshua, Ohr-O'Keefe Museum, 386 Beach Blvd. 39530, at noon. You can order off the menu should you wish

C) No meetings for December 20th and 27th

2. Lion Margot reminded members of Vision Screening have been scheduled Dec 9: The Seafood Museums Christmas Open House from 9:30—4:30. She has a sign up sheet ready so please sign up if you can volunteer for either of the events. At the Shriners Dec. 2nd Christmas Party 9 children were screened with 4 passing and 5 referred

3. Lion Jerry announced the D'Iberville Chamber of Commerce is still taking donations of Dry Food goods to go with the Christmas meals they are giving out to those in need

4. Lion Jerry reminded members the program for the Dec. 13th meeting will be Mary Beth Geiser on Organ Donation for a class project

5. Thank you to Lion Kathryn for the ordering the BEST PIZZA Selection and Lion Cindy for providing her famous Rum Cake and Praline Crack for dessert

6. **Program:** The Biloxi High School Sound Surge Show Choir, Ladies Choir, and the Acapella Pops Choir, directed by Susan Cokely
Photos below

7. ROAR Editor Lion Penny reminded everyone that today will be her last meeting of the year and she wished everyone a blessed and safe holiday season. No ROAR newsletter will be published until after the January 3, 2024

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



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

<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

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DECEMBER LIONS

Greg Crapo Milt Grishman Judy Gavin
 Joe McCormick Sandra Morrison
 Glenn Quave Brandy Gunter

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 December 20

Wednesday December 27



Lion Penny will not be attending the Biloxi Club Mtg on Wednesday December 13, as she will be having her 2nd Cataract Surgery that morning. No ROAR newsletter until after January 3, 2024

The MS Lions Sight Foundation Light for Sight Form is on page 4.

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.

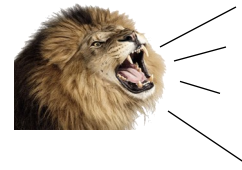
DECEMBER

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

JANUARY

3rd Cindy Bamburg
 10th Carl & Dorothy Nehlig
 17th Star Ransonet
 24th Jerry Dodge
 31st Glenn Bremkamp

Merry Christmas!



Dates to Save

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

June 8, 2024

Mid-South Lions Cataract-A-Thon

June 21-25, 2024

Lions International Convention Melbourne, Australia

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Purchase a Light in Honor of Someone Special
Lights for Sight is a program designed to allow clubs and individuals to recognize a friend, club member or loved one, living or deceased, throughout the year and at the same time show support for the White Cane Program of Mississippi by placing a light on the Christmas Tree in the state office building.

Please consider honoring an outstanding club leader, friend or family member or memorializing a deceased Lion or other loved one with a gift we feel is in keeping with the real meaning of the Christmas season. All gifts will be acknowledged with a card to whomever you choose.

Please share with your club members and duplicate as necessary.

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