

Count Down 100
10 Months



ROAR
Newsletter

4.19.2023
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**2022-2023
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& BOARD**

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Lion Jerry Gardner's First Visit to Mid-South Lions in Memphis

Lion Jerry traveled to Memphis April 15th with Lions Greg and Wayne to attend the Mid-South Lions Visiting Lions Day and from his brief talk about the experience...he was impressed!

Lion Jerry said the programs presented at the Hamilton Eye Institute were very informative ranging from the different surgical procedures to the current research being conducted. Everyone was so forthcoming with the information he explained and it gave him a new understanding of the work which Mid-South Lions partnering with HEI achieves. He closed with saying that he signed up to be a Champion by making an automatic monthly draft donation to Mid-South Lions.

The funds which Mid-South Lions, a 501c3, raise helps with bringing loss of vision awareness to the public and also help fund procedures that many needy persons may require such a cataract surgery.

Be a Champion today and sign up by going to www.midsouthlions.org and click on Click Here To Donate Now.



Biloxi Lions Jerry and Wayne with there fellow team members at Mid-South Visiting Lions Day. Additional photos in ROAR 4.12.2023 edition

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

APR 26	Loree Gilman RN, Merit Health Chest Pain and Stroke Coordinator
MAY 3	Megan Tomsik, Optometrist
MAY 5-6	Lions of MS State Convention, Columbus, MS
MAY 10	Biloxi Lions Mother of the Year Award Ceremony
MAY 11	Biloxi Lions Board Mtg, Cadence Bank, 2nd floor, noon, BYOL
MAY 17	Brett Montague, <i>EndItForGood</i> , Ending Drug Abuse in America
MAY 19-21	MS Lions Sea and Sun Visually Impaired Camp, Camp Wilkes
JUN 8	Biloxi Lions Board Mtg, Cadence Bank, 2nd floor, noon, BYOL
JUN 14	Father of the Year Award Ceremony
JUN 21	Biloxi Lions Club Installation and Awards Dinner

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

4.19.2023 Meeting Recap

Opening: Pres. Melinda Freeman called the meeting to order at 12:05pm; Lions Darrell, Miriam, and Jerry D. led us in God Bless America; Lion Tom Q. led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Elijah offered the prayer

Guest(s): none **Zoom:** none

50/50 drawing: \$19.50 was won by Lion Cindy; **King of Clubs Progressive:** Lion Judy drew the King of Diamonds; \$1187 to the winner if King of Clubs card drawn today

Auction Item: none

Club Business and Announcements:

1. Lion Pres. Melinda:

a) Thanked Lions Kathryn for her hamburger/beans picnic meal and Jerry D. for providing dessert; Dessert sign-up sheet on table

b) the reading of Slate of 2023-2023 Officers, see below

c) the Lions of MS State convention is May 5-6 in Columbus, **registration form on page 5. Remember we have 2 Biloxi Lions, Lions Elijah and Penny, nominated for 1st & 2nd Vice District Governors, respectively, for District 30**

d) April board meeting minutes were reviewed by Sec. Lion Joe

e) Shuckers game for the Biloxi Lions/Deaf Center ticket sale fundraiser is Sept. 15, First Responders Jersey night. Additional details TBA

2. Lion Elijah spoke announced there are 4 nominations for MOY. Selection now in process. MOY Award is May 10th at noon

3. Lion Jerry gave a brief talk on his first visit to Mid-South Lions Visiting Lions Day last weekend. Photo front page

4. Lion Jerry said that there has been little activity on selling the 100th Anniversary Harley Davidson. Another posting will be made lowering the price a bit to see if more interest is generated

5. Lion Margot said there will be a vision screening at Fatima's SpringFest on May 12&13th. A sign up sheet will be passed around for volunteers

6. Lion Penny reminded members the need of silent auction items for the State Convention and held up a beautiful frame puzzle donated by Lion Judy. All proceeds from the silent auction go to White Cane. Remember you can still contribute individually through Lion Judy or by mailing in the White Cane form on page 4

6. **Program:** PDG Lion Larry Sturgis filled in as our program with the Spotlight on A Lion. Photo below

The final reading of the following 2023-2024 slate of Officers and Board of Directors will on April 26th, followed by the election. Only eligible Biloxi Lions Club members can vote.

President: Gerald Gardner

1st Vice President: Tadd Gabrielson

2nd Vice President: vote on 1

Austin Knue

Jaye Brice

Pete Wilson

Secretary: Joe McCormick

Treasurer: Greg Crapo

Communications/IT: Wayne Ross

Lion Tamer: Carl Nehlig

Tail Twister: Glenn Quave

ROAR Editor: Penny Edwards

Membership: Dorothy Nehlig

3rd Year Director: vote on 2

Cindy Bamburg

Brandy Gunter

Leslie Johnson

Star Ransonet

Biloxi Officers...here's your chance to get your training

Please let your club officers know, there will be **Office Training at the Lions State Convention** in Columbus, on

This training is for **Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Zone Chairmen**. Spread the word. You do not need to let us know you will be attending; just be there!

SPOTLIGHT ON A LION

PDG Larry Sturgis is a 40 year member of the Biloxi Lions Club. "I have held every office at the Club level except Treasurer and have served on many state committees" he proclaimed during the Spotlight on a Lion segment of the meeting. Lion Larry was a very successful local business man following his retirement from the USAF. He shared his venture into the computer sales and service industry and how, through a computer contract with the local hospital, he met his wife Nellicia. Thank you Lion Larry for your continued IN BILOXI WE SERVE!



Don't forget you can ZOOM a meeting if unable to attend in person. Please contact Lion Greg in advance 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)

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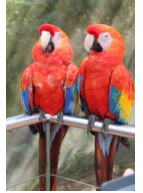
Log on a few minutes prior to our 12 noon meeting to assure your connection

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Dessert Pledges

April—June



APRIL	JUNE
26th Penny Edwards	7th Cindy Bamburg
MAY	14 Father of the Year
3rd Cindy Bamburg	21 Installation Banquet
10th Mother of the Year	28 George Azar
17th Margot Swetman	
24th open	
31st open	

Jack and Jill...

A few of the April 21-23 Lions of MS Deaf Camp photos can be found on page 4

Upcoming Lions of MS Camps



Dates to Save

May 5-6, 2023

Lions of MS State Convention, Columbus, MS

May 17-19, 2023

Lions of MS Sea and Sun Camp, Camp Wilkes, Biloxi

July 7-11, 2023

International Convention, Boston, MA



APRIL LIONS

Ronnie Cochran Elijah Mitchell

Bo Roberts

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P.O. Box 196 Biloxi, MS 39533
228.424.7840

<http://www.biloxilions.org>
<http://m.facebook.com/BiloxiLions>

To enjoy back editions of the Biloxi Lions ROAR newsletter please visit our website.

Thank you to the many Biloxi Lions which have signed up to make their \$25 contribution to White Cane! Lion Judy...You always come through on White Cane...THANK YOU for taking the lead for Biloxi and White Cane!

It's Still Not too Late to make your 2022-2023 White Cane Contribution! See Lion Judy Gavin to sign up OR, Complete the White Cane Form and mail to the Lions Sight Foundation at the address listed on the form.

VISION IN BLOOM
White Cane 2022-2023



NAME: _____

CLUB: _____ DIST _____

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

Credit Card # _____ Exp Dt _____ Security Code _____

Authorized Signature _____

Mail this form, with contribution to: Lions Sight Foundation
431 Katherine Drive
Flowood MS 39232

Make Check Payable to: Lions Sight Foundation, indicate in memo area - Avery McKinley

LIONS OF MISSISSIPPI DEAF CAMP 2023



Just a few photos Jack and Jill wanted to share of the Lions of MS Deaf Camp taken over the weekend. The weather was so perfect for the kids at Camp

Wilkes. Dinner and movie night on Friday evening, arts and crafts project and scavenger hunt on Saturday. Also on Saturday, CeCe and Michael Myers from the Myers School of Music (photos left) let the campers have fun making Music Together by utilizing 5 gal plastic buckets to sit on so they could feel the vibrations made when they hit rhythms on the side of the bucket.

Thank you to Lion Greg and CeCe Myers for taking the photos we borrowed from the Lions of MS Deaf Camp Facebook page.



It is not too late to register for the Lions of MS State Convention, May 5-6, 2023, in Columbus.

LIONS OF MISSISSIPPI



2023 STATE CONVENTION

Registration

May 5-6, 2023

Columbus, MS

Name _____ Phone _____

Spouse _____ Club _____

Total Cost

Registrants (For each attendee over 12) _____ at \$25 each _____

Hall of Fame Fiesta (Friday) _____ at \$30 each _____

District Governors Banquet (Saturday) _____ at \$30 each _____

Total Remittance _____

For credit card payment:

Card # _____ Exp Dt _____

_____ Code _____

Authorized Signature

No refunds after April 15th

Make checks payable to Lions of MS and return registration to:

Lions State Office
431 Katherine Dr
Flowood MS 39232

HOTEL INFO - Make reservations by April 5th!!!

Courtyard by Marriott *	Fairfield Inn	Hampton Inn	Holiday Inn Express
\$114/night + tax	\$104/night + tax	\$124/night + tax	\$109/night + tax
662-245-1540	662-241-1990	662-245-1085	662-245-6133

* *Headquarter Hotel*