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Archie Bethune Honorees Lions Dr. Carl and Dorothy Nehlig a.k.a. Santa and Mrs. Claus

The Archie Bethune Award finally arrived for Club President Melinda Freeman to present Lions Carl and Dorothy with their Archie Bethune Award.

As announced at the 2021-2022 Awards Banquet on July 13, Lions Carl and Dorothy's portrayal of Santa and Mrs. Claus at many community events during the holiday season 'encouraged' children to have their eyes screened to stay on the good side of their naughty or nice list.

SPOTLIGHT ON A LION Club Treasurer Suzette Duhe

Lion Suzette is a native Biloxian and attended Biloxi Public Schools. After graduating USM with a degree in accounting she became a became a CPA. While working in New Orleans she met her husband Troy. They moved back to her home town and raised two daughters, both of which are now attending USM.

She joined the Biloxi Lions Club in 2004 and has been very active in the club serving on the Board of Directors and has served as President. Lion Troy attends meetings when work allows.

Lion Suzette is the CFO at Behavioral Health System in Gulfport. She currently serves on the Camp Wilkes, Inc. Board of Trustees and is the Regional Executive of the seven chapters in Region 9 of Healthcare Finance Management Association.



In Biloxi-We Serve!

UPCOMING DATES, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

AUG 24	Joe Pace, Mississippi Sea Wolves
AUG 27	Biloxi Lions has tickets for the night's Shuckers Game—\$15 each or 4/\$50
SEP 10	Camp Wilkes 80th Anniversary Fundraiser. Tickets now available.
SEP 15	Biloxi Lions Board Meeting, BancorpSouth Biloxi, 2nd Floor Dukate Rm, noon
SEP 17	Maritime & Seafood Industry Museum Draw Down Fundraiser
Oct 8	Miss Gulf Coast/Biloxi/Gulf Coast Teen Pageant, Slavonian Lodge, Biloxi

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

8.17.2022 Meeting Recap

Lion President Melinda Freeman called the meeting order at 12:05pm; Lions Jaye, Leslie, Jerry and Darrell led God Bless America; Lion Wayne led the Pledge of Allegiance; and Lion Jerry offered the prayer. There were no quests or members on zoom.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Lion Greg; King of Clubs Progressive Lion Gerald Gardner drew the 9 of Clubs. (A correction from 8/10 meeting...Lion Gerald drew the King of Hearts, not Lion Greg.

Club Business and Announcements:

- 1. Lion Pres. Melinda presented Lions Carl and Dorothy with their Archie Bethune Award, which finally arrived. Photo front page
- 2. Lion Treasurer Suzette was this week's Spotlight on a Lion. Photo front page
- 3. Lion Carl made the announcement that the MS Lions Sight Foundation is doing the 15 Gun in 15 Days fundraiser again this year. Tickets are \$20 each or 6/\$100
- 4. Lion Greg gave details on his and Lion Wayne going to Florida to pick up the 100th Anniversary HD motorcycle donated by Lion Mary Jo Walsh. The Harley will be serviced, cleaned and valued.
- 5. Lion Austin still has Shucker tickets for the 8/27/22 game. Please get tickets to sell to make the fundraiser successful. Sold tickets will be distributed next week. Tickets are \$15 each or 4/\$50
- 6. Lion Pres. Melinda reported The Miss Gulf Coast/Biloxi/Teen Pageants Ad Sale sheets you had from last year will be available at next meeting so you can contact your customers about the Oct 8 Pageants.
- 5. Lion Greg made the top 5 finalists for the WXXV Best Community Volunteer. Voting for the winner will start on August 31st.
- 6. Lion USA/Canada Leadership is Sept 15-17 in Calgary, Canada
- 7. The Seafood Museum's Annual Drawdown in Sept 17 and have asked the Biloxi Club to assist them again this year. Volunteer if you can.
- 8. Lion Penny reminded members of the Camp Wilkes 80th Dinner/Dance/Drawdown on September 10 at Camp Wilkes. Tickets are \$40
- 9. Program: Brian Lamar and Ron Jenkins, NCBC, Gulfport. Brian is relocating to Japan and Ron Jenkins, Community Programs, will be working with the communities. Ron presented a hand out of the history the NCMB and the role it plays today. Photos below.



Saying "Until We Meet Again" to an old Friend and Hello to a New Friend

Brian Lamar, Director of Public Affairs at the NCBC in Gulfport, is saying so long for now as he readies to be transferred to Japan. Brian visited the Biloxi Club often for many years keeping us up-to-date on the Naval Construction Battalion Center in Gulfport. Brian introduced Ron Jenkins at the NCBC Community Program. Ron will be our contact for the NCBC until the new Public Affairs person comes on board. Ron presented a brief program and shared a handout on the Naval Construction Battalion Center and it's history in Gulfport.

L: Brian Lamar

R: Lion Jerry presented Lions pens to Ron Jenkins and Brian Lamar

The Biloxi Lions' Miss Gulf Coast, Miss Biloxi, and Miss Gulf Coast Teen pageant will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2022, at the Slavonian Lodge in Biloxi. "It's been a long time since a Miss Biloxi title has been on the coast and the Biloxi Lions Club is proud to bring it back and have it join the Miss Gulf Coast title as a preliminary to the Miss Mississippi Organization" exclaimed Biloxi Lions and Pageant Director Jaye Gilich Brice.

Young ladies participating in the Miss Gulf Coast and the Miss Biloxi scholarship pageant will have an opportunity to represent Biloxi and the Mississippi Gulf Coast at the Miss Mississippi Pageant in Vicksburg in June 2023. Candidates must reside in the State of Mississippi and be between the ages of 17-26.

Our Miss Gulf Coast Teen has a long history with the Biloxi Lions Club but was previously known as the Annual Camellia Queen Pageant. The name was updated several years ago to reflect the connection to our Miss Gulf Coast Scholarship Title. MGCT is open to young ladies ages 15-18.

All three candidate applications can be found on the Biloxi Lions Club website at www.biloxilions.org.

R: 2021 Miss Gulf Coast, Katelyn Perry, inviting young ladies to be the next Miss Gulf Coast.





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 just by clicking the ZOOM HERE button.

Or, by the following information below

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89166624322?pwd=V25tWXJMRkRXdGRWTTIHSHJsMEZWUT09

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Log on a few minutes prior to our 12 noon meeting to assure your connection *Issues Logging on...Please call or text Lion Greg at 228.760.0239 for help



Dessert Pledges

August—September

The ROAR Editor's new allies...my new parrot friends, brought me the following news:



AUGUST

24th Lion Jaye Brice

31st Lion Glenn Bremenkamp

SEPTEMBER

7th Lion Cindy Bamburg
14th Lion Penny Edwards

21st Lion Margot Swetman

28th Lion Glenn Quave

Important Notice!

The Biloxi Club had been scheduled to perform eye screening on Sept. 4th at the St. Mary's Catholic Church FANDANGO event.

Unfortunately, the FANDANGO event has been canceled. There is no word if, or when, it will be rescheduled.

The October-December Quarter Dessert Sign-Up Sheet is now available. Please pledge now. Dessert pledges will be posted in the ROAR in case you forget your date.



Melinda Freeman Gerald Garner Miriam Mitchell Cheryl Berry-Smith Alan Serotta David Stanovich Pete Wilson Brandy Champlin



Sept. 17, 2022 Mid-South Lions: Kids area at the

Cooper-Young Fest.—Memphis

Oct 29, 2022 Lions of MS Sight Foundation Mtg

1 pm Lions State Office, Flowood

January 2023 District 30S Mid-Winter

Convention, Date TBA

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