

# Mid-South Lions 2017-2018 Handbook





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April 2017

Dear Lion Leader:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SERVICE TO THE SIGHT AND HEARING IMPAIRED! There are many ways you can personally, and as a club, help those in need through the various service projects at your disposal. Mid-South is one of those that can make a difference in the lives of people from YOUR community.

Many of you have asked for information about Mid-South, and I hope this handbook will answer some questions about YOUR organization.

As you know, Mid-South is supported by the Lions of Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri and west Tennessee. Mid-South provides care to patients from your district and we cover an area of fourteen districts—almost 200,000 square miles with a population of over 12 million. We provide comprehensive care from exams to treatments to remedies to surgeries and follow-up care at no cost to patients.

The ONLY way we can continue this type of charitable care is through partnerships with physicians and medical facilities throughout our service area. Through collaborations with the University of Tennessee ophthalmology department, the Hamilton Eye Institute Surgery Center, the Methodist University Hospital and many other friends of Mid-South, Lions can provide many dollars of medical care for each dollar spent. Our current medical partners are listed at other points in the handbook, and we appreciate all their sacrifices on our patients' behalf.

More than 70 percent of our funding comes from Lions Club-related sources. We spend about 80 percent of every dollar donated on direct patient care. Providing Mid-South services is directly related to Lions contributions. You can personally make a difference in the lives of the sight impaired from your area through our Booster Club and Champions program. There are brochures in your packet for distribution to your friends that will explain how they can change lives by making a tax-deductible contribution to Mid-South.

Thanks again for your support of Mid-South. Anyone is welcome and encouraged to attend Mid-South quarterly meetings. This year's events are June 2-3 for our annual membership meeting, plus the "Give the Gifts XXV" Dinner & Auction. We have a special celebration of our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Saturday, September 16 featuring guests International President Bob Corlew and Lion Dianne. Both of these meetings are in Memphis. We have special meetings on November 17-18 in Branson, MO and on March 2-3, 2018 in Hot Springs, AR.

Together in Service,

PDG David Caldwell  
President 2016-2017 and fellow CHAMPION  
Jackson, TN

## **MID-SOUTH LIONS SIGHT AND HEARING SERVICE**





## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Mid-South Lions Sight And Hearing Service, Inc was founded in 1942 by a committee from the Memphis Downtown Lions Club. The organization was started to provide quality sight care to indigent people from the Memphis area. The logic of this action was that by inviting Lions from all over Memphis to participate in this service, more people could be helped. The collective power of Lions from

all over four states has enabled Mid-South to provide the gifts of sight and hearing to over 35,000 people.

Patients falling within federal indigence guidelines (these are set by Congress every January) are eligible to receive service provided they are sponsored by any Lions Club. Most Lions Clubs that sponsor patients are also contributors to Mid-South. A suggested giving amount is only \$25 per member, but many clubs contribute much more. While there is no cost to patients or clubs for medical care, Mid-South does require a payment (currently \$250) for hearing aids. Clubs are also responsible for the purchase of eyeglasses if they are prescribed. A full list of club responsibilities is documented later in this handbook.

There are very few sight-related services that cannot be addressed through Mid-South clinics, however brain tumors or other cancers do not fall under Mid-South's services. Currently, due to financial restrictions, we have a waiting list at most of our locations. All cases are treated as critically needing care, but some conditions are more emergent than others. The ultimate decision on prioritizing cases is made by physicians.

The usual VISION referral process goes something like this: a prospective patient contacts the local Lions Club about a vision problem; the Club refers the patient to a local optometrist for an exam; if a condition exists that is beyond the help of eyeglasses, the Club then refers the patient to Mid-South (see Club Responsibilities for detailed instructions); once Mid-South determines the patient meets financial guidelines, the patient is put on the appropriate clinic's waiting list; the clinic then contacts the patient to set up an appointment; the patient's first visit is almost always an exam only; if surgery is required, then the physician sets up that appointment; surgery is then performed and a follow-up appointment is made, and the process continues from there. A patient is approved for ONE YEAR from their first appointment date. After that, the patient must be reapproved by the referring Lions Club prior to further treatment.

*“The ultimate expression of generosity is not in giving of what you have, but in giving of who you are”...Dr. Johnetta B. Cole*

The people who are really the “STARS OF SERVICE” in our program are the doctors and facilities who cooperate with us to provide care. Without the donation of physicians’ services and facilities discounts, there is no way Mid-South could continue to provide care to the needy.

Our longtime partners, the University of Tennessee, Hamilton Eye Institute Surgery Center, Methodist University Hospital, ophthalmologists from all over our four-state area and the facilities listed below are true HEROES to over 35,000 people who have received their sight or hearing through our program.

Without the Lions of our four states, none of this would be possible. **THANKS!**



And here are some of the faces of the key component of our organization, the people who successfully treat our patients:

## ARKANSAS:



*Dr. Marx*

Dr. Doug Marx of Sneed Eye Clinic provides top notch care to Mid-South patients from north central Arkansas and south central Missouri.

In Hot Springs, Mid-South patients are seen by Dr. Graham Holt at the Holt Eye Center.



*Dr. Holt*



*Boozman Hof Staff*

Our first “satellite” partner was the Boozman Hof Eye Center in Rogers. These generous surgeons have been donating services to Mid-South patients since 1996.

Our newest cooperating facility is Vold Vision Center in Fayetteville. They have already demonstrated a charitable heart and surgical expertise in treating patients from northwest Arkansas.



*Dr. Vold*

## MISSISSIPPI:



*Dr. Ashford*

In Jackson, MS Dr. Bill Ashford of the Ashford Eye Clinic provides Mid-South patients with a host of ophthalmologic services.

On the gulf coast of Mississippi in offices located in Ocean Springs and Pascagoula, Dr. Franklin Rawlins, Dr. Holly Bowie of the Gulf Coast Eye Center and Dr. Robert Ross of the Mississippi Eye Surgery Center offer Mid-South patients comprehensive ophthalmology care, laser

treatments and surgeries allowing patients from the area to avoid the long trips to Memphis for treatment.



*Drs. Bowie & Rawlins*



*Dr. Bennett,*

Dr. Dan Bennett, a member of the Columbus East Lions Club, stepped up to help Mid-South patients many years ago. His efforts on our patients' behalf have led to dozens of sight-saving treatments.



## MEMPHIS AREA:

In 1942, Mid-South's founding fathers were delighted when they discovered that ophthalmologists in the Memphis area were willing to donate their time and talent to help the Lions provide sight to those less fortunate. Since then, Mid-South has been working with the University of Tennessee and Methodist's hospital facilities.

Currently, UTHSC provides the bulk of our professional care in Memphis, still at no cost to Mid-South. They also support Mid-South through their Lions Club. Here are just a few of our medical miracle workers:



*Dr. Chris Fleming*



*Dr. Natalie Kerr*



*Dr. Brian Fowler*



*Dr. Elliott Kanner*



*Dr. Matt Wilson*

The Charles Retina Institute is also a long-time partner of Mid-South. The surgeries these doctors provide are usually emergency cases where sight hangs in the balance.



*Dr. Jorge Calzada*



*Dr. Steve Charles*



*Dr. Stephen Huddleston*



*Thomas Ocular Prosthetics*

Thomas Ocular Prosthetics provides life-like orbs for patients who require an artificial eye. While this obviously does not restore vision, the difference in self-esteem is priceless.

These world-class providers and many others make Mid-South the "Miracle A Day" organization it is today.



Mid-South's miracles are made by many elements working together. The only way our patients have any chance to receive care is because these factors work together: Our medical partners must continue to provide deeply discounted services (if we had to pay full prices, it would be impossible for us to continue); our volunteers in the field must continue to find patients who need to be referred (without patients there would be no need for Mid-South); our Lions Clubs must continue to make annual contributions to Mid-South (we can't survive without Lions Club funds); and individuals must continue to participate in our fund-raising events (these funds are essential in the summer and fall).

So here are some ways you and your club can help fund medical care for the sight and hearing impaired from YOUR community:

### **OPERATING FUND**

This is the most important fund of all. Club contributions are almost always put into the operating fund so that Mid-South can function. Most times these funds pay cash patient services, anesthesia, facility fees, radiology and hotel bills. These funds also are necessary for office expenses, salaries, phones, computers, supplies, travel, convention registrations and meeting expenses. Sometimes these funds are used to match grants. Please make every effort to budget funds for Mid-South each year. Even with all our discounts, we still need cash to make things work.

### **INDIVIDUAL GIVING**

In 1993, we began a program patterned after athletic support groups...a Booster Club. Well over \$150,000 has been generated through this program. To join, a person must contribute at least \$25 annually. This is about 7 cents a day. Membership renews each year on July 1 regardless of the date the donation is made.

Maybe the most important program of all is our Champions. This was developed as a convenience for donors who didn't want to bother with an annual renewal. However, it has grown into a significant source of individual giving. To be a Champion, a person must commit to donating a minimum of \$10 per month through a bank draft or credit card purchase. Many people give more than \$10, and many donate quarterly or semi-annually through their chosen method.

If only 10% of all our Lions would become Champions, Mid-South would never have a waiting list for patients. Please consider making your commitment today...it will keep someone from going blind.



## **SPECIAL EVENTS AND OTHER GIFTS**

INFORMATION ON ALL THESE PROGRAMS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE  
[www.midsouthlions.org](http://www.midsouthlions.org)

### **GIVE THE GIFTS DINNER & AUCTION**



2017 marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Give the Gifts Dinner & Auction. Since 1992, the auction has raised well over \$250,000. This year's event is on Saturday, June 3 and for the first time, will be held at the Hamilton Eye Institute. This annual event produces cash flow to help Mid-South provide service through the financially dry summer and fall. We need suitable NEW items to be auctioned, ads for the program and attendees for the event.



### **MID-SOUTH LIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Our annual golf tournament is sponsored by Sam Ware and other generous donors. This year's tournament is set for Friday, September 15 at Cherokee Valley Golf Course in Olive Branch, MS. Brochures with details are available through the office.

### **ANNUAL AND AUCTION PROGRAM ADS**

For many years, Mid-South has produced annual meeting and auction programs. Clubs, individuals, districts and even states can purchase ads in our program. Quarter page ads are \$50; half page ads are \$80 and full page ads are \$100. You may provide your own ad copy, or Mid-South can create an ad to your specifications.

### **MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS**



Mid-South accepts memorial or honorary contributions and produces very handsome acknowledgement cards that are sent to the family and to donors. Memorials or honoraria should be \$10 or more. What a great way to remember or recognize a friend of Lionism. As always, all contributions to Mid-South are tax-deductible.

### **PLANNED GIFTS**

To provide for future service, Mid-South encourages gifts as bequests, gifts of life insurance, stocks, bonds or other gifts that will benefit the giver and will grant on-going service to those in need through Mid-South. Gifts of property, assets or cash can reap huge financial and estate tax benefits, and can even expand inheritances through organizations like Mid-South. Mid-South Lions is a federally registered 501c3 not-for-profit. Mid-South can provide additional information on these types of gifts, or you can consult your personal tax professional to get details.

## FREEDOM FROM BLINDNESS



Because we know how hard you work to raise funds, Mid-South is reluctant to ask you to do more, but in order to address the growing number of requests for service, it's become necessary to ask Lions Clubs to go an extra mile. The campaign is called "Freedom from Blindness" and we are asking every Lions Club to hold a special, above-and-beyond your current contributions fund raising event sometime this summer. These extra funds will be used for patient care and should help reduce our waiting lists. Please make plans to join this effort...even if you just ask your Club members to become Champions (one Club does this very successfully).

Instead of standing out in the hot sun working another White Cane Day or Pancake Day, ask Club members to commit \$10 per month to become a Champion. I'm sure many members would prefer that to working another project. And those funds would continue to benefit our patients throughout the year. Try it, you might like it.

## 75 YEARS OF SERVICE

Throughout 2017, Mid-South will celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There will be some special fund raising events and programs designed to help people from all over the four-state area find a way to help Mid-South provide even more service. Be on the lookout for announcements about these special programs.

We will celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Saturday, September 16 at the Hilton Memphis with guests International President Bob and Lion Dianne Corlew. Details for this diamond anniversary event are forthcoming.

## "THE MONARCH" AND "THE CRUSADER"

In 2003, Mid-South commissioned nationally known wildlife artist Phillip Crowe to create a one-of-a-kind painting, "The Monarch". In 2015, we asked Little Rock artist Holly Tilley to create a dynamic partner to "The Monarch". This beautiful and colorful rendition of a running lion is titled "The Crusader"

(after Helen Keller's admonition for us to join the crusade against darkness). You can get your own hand-numbered and signed print of either of these wonderful works of art. Give them to visiting dignitaries, Lion-of-the-Year recipients, people who help with your eyeglasses or screening programs, or just get both for your home or office. You can order by contacting our office or get details at [www.midsouthlions.org](http://www.midsouthlions.org)



THE MOST CONVENIENT AND EFFECTIVE WAY TO GRANT MIRACLES LIKE THESE ARE THROUGH THE CHAMPIONS PROGRAM. YOU CAN PERSONALLY GIVE THE GIFTS OF SIGHT OR HEARING BY JOINING TODAY!



A Champion is defined as someone who is a hero, a defender, a booster, or friend who is the best at what they do. You can become a Champion of Mid-South's cause by authorizing Mid-South to set up a direct withdrawal from your bank account or charge to your credit card. Donations can be set up as monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or even annually at a minimum of \$10 per month. It's the safest, most secure and most consistent way to provide sight and hearing to those in need. PLEASE BECOME A CHAMPION TODAY!

### **CONTRIBUTING ON THE WEB WITHOUT ANY COST TO YOU**

Help support Mid-South Lions by joining our cause on several internet sites including Amazon, Kroger and Goodsearch. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), [Kroger.com](https://Kroger.com) or [goodsearch.com](https://goodsearch.com) and designate Mid-South Lions as your charity. Purchases you make through Amazon Smile or Kroger, they will donate a percentage to Mid-South without costing you another cent. If you use goodsearch.com as your search engine, for every search, Mid-South will receive a penny. Separately, these amounts are not significant, but if we get enough people using these sites, Mid-South patients will reap the rewards of your purchases...and it won't cost you anything extra! Please consider these easy ways to help Mid-South.

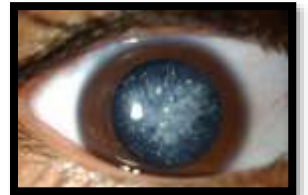


# WHAT MID-SOUTH CAN DO FOR PEOPLE IN YOUR AREA



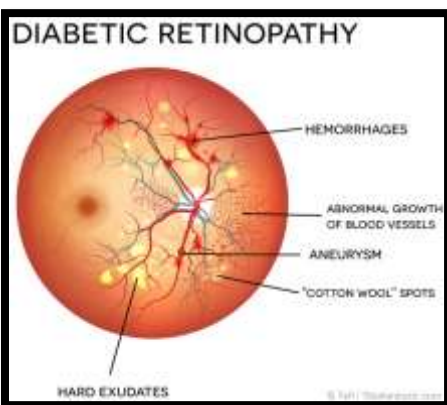
The best way to serve people in your area who cannot afford sight or hearing care is to refer them to Mid-South. Remember that there is no cost to patients and clubs only pay for transportation, eyeglasses and hearing aids. Physicians who help Mid-South patients can treat practically any sight-related problem and our audiologists are experts at prescribing and fitting hearing aids. These are a few conditions addressed by Mid-South.

Removing CATARACTS is the most prevalent surgery performed through Mid-South's clinics. Cataracts are usually found in people over 50 years of age involving a calcified covering of the lens of the eye. Most of the time surgery is the sole treatment for removing cataracts. The surgery is done routinely on an outpatient basis.



ESOTROPIA, EXOTROPIA AND STRABISMUS are terms used to describe crossed eyes. There are several therapies used to correct these problems with the last resort being eye muscle surgery. Patches, glasses and other methods are tried to strengthen the affected eye. If all else fails, surgery can be performed to adjust the eye muscles. These treatments are best if found early in life, and are tremendously successful in restoring vision.

GLAUCOMA is one of the leading causes of blindness in developed countries. There are several treatments including medication, laser procedures and tear duct surgery. Glaucoma is caused by elevated pressure in the eyeball and affects people of all ages. Glaucoma patients' peripheral vision is affected, as shown in this picture.



In the past few years, we have purchased equipment for the Hamilton Eye Institute Surgery Center that allows us to treat serious retinal problems, diagnose and treat glaucoma cases and established the finest pediatric eye center in the world. Prior to these purchases the high expense and low success rate of treating DETACHED RETINA cases made them prohibitive. However now through LCIF grants and support of the Memphis Downtown Lions Club and other entities, surgeons from the Charles Retina Institute treat these cases in the HEI facility. Many times, detached retina is caused by DIABETIC RETINOPATHY or trauma.

HEARING AIDS comprise the most prominent diagnosis of all Mid-South patients. We use Lions Clubs International's Affordable Hearing Aid Program to purchase devices to relieve hearing loss.



## WHAT YOU AND YOUR CLUB CAN DO FOR MID-SOUTH



There are several things that you can do to promote and support Mid-South and the service provided to people in your area.

1. Attend Mid-South meetings. We need your input and leadership as we decide how best to conduct the business of Mid-South. From fund-raising projects to the expenditure of funds, your voice is very important. If you can't come, perhaps you can send your sight and hearing chair or another club representative. Our board is made up of mostly Lions, so there are leadership opportunities for you as well.
2. You are one of the main cogs in our communications mechanism. Please help us get the word out to your club members and community by following through on communications you receive from Mid-South. The service we provide is very important to your club and to those in need from your area. Please use every means at your disposal to spread the word about Mid-South and what we can do to help people. If you need any information, please go to our website [www.midsouthlions.org](http://www.midsouthlions.org) or contact our office at 888-546-6042.
3. Encourage your club to invite a Mid-South representative to be your program at least once per year. We have individuals who are dedicated to bringing the Mid-South message to your club personally. Or if you prefer, we have several interesting and informative videos that you can download from YouTube or get from the office.
4. Encourage your District Governor to invite representatives from Mid-South to speak at your district convention. We need direct contact with multiple clubs at these venues to spread our message of service.
5. Please ASK people to become Booster Club members or, better yet, Champions. You do not have to be a Lion to support Mid-South. Over 70% of all Mid-South funds come from Lions Clubs or Lions. Without this support, we would not be able to continue making miracles for people in your community.
6. Our business hours are 9 am – 5 pm Monday through Friday and our contact information is [info@midsouthlions.org](mailto:info@midsouthlions.org) or call us at 888-546-6042.

## RECOGNITION PROGRAMS

### THE EDWIN DALSTROM DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

At the request of some of our past presidents, Mid-South created this award named for our first president. Since its inception in 1994-1995, clubs have honored over 1,000 people with this award that can only be given by Lions Clubs, Districts or Multiple Districts (in other words, you can't buy this award). We hope this award will

encourage clubs to donate at least \$1,000 per year so they can honor one or more of their members. The \$1,000 must be donated during a single Lions year.



For those truly distinguished recipients who have been awarded more than one Dalstrom Award, we have the Progressive Dalstrom pin, much in the same spirit as the Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship. The handsome new pin will feature jewels that are added for each award received.



### L. B. BAKER HALL OF HONOR

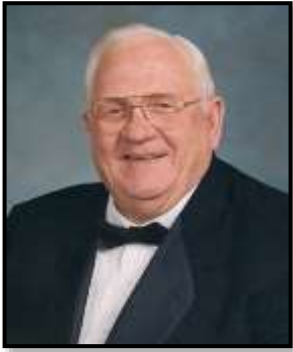
The L. B. Baker Hall of Honor was established by the Past Presidents in November 2003 as an award that recognizes many years of outstanding service and leadership in Mid-South. The Hall of Honor is named in honor of Mid-South Lions Past President L. B. Baker.

L. B. Baker was a member of the Trumann, Arkansas Lions Club for 41 years. He was involved in Mid-South for over 25 years, serving as President in 1984-1985. L. B. was a man who dedicated his life to serving his community. He was one of Mid-South's most passionate supporters, and a larger-than-life leader of our organization. So, in November 2003 he was the first inductee, and the namesake of our Hall of Honor.

Since establishing the Hall, only the most ardent and long-time Mid-South supporters have been inducted. Each inductee mirrors and exhibits the same call to service that people remember in L. B. Baker. And although he passed away in March 2006, his legacy lives on through his children, grandchildren, friends and Mid-South.



# *L. B. Baker Hall of Honor*



\*L. B.  
BAKER  
2003



\*ED  
DALSTROM  
2004



\*MAX  
FURBRINGER  
2004



\*CLIFF  
PIERCE  
2004



\*DR.  
LOUIS  
LEVY  
2004



\*CHRIS  
HOLBROOK  
2004



DR. RALPH  
HAMILTON  
2005



FREDDIE  
JOYCE  
2005



\*LARRY  
MARTIN  
2005



\*JOANN  
ROWE  
2006



CHRIS & LISA  
CLINTON  
2007



\*ELWYN  
"CHIEF"  
SIEVERS  
2008



MARY SMITH &  
\*DR. BARRETT  
HAIK  
2009



HENRY  
LAMB  
2014



B. G.  
TATUM  
2014

\*Deceased  
Inductee not pictured \*Harry Wilson



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## 2017-2018 MEETINGS

- JUNE 2-3, 2017 Annual membership meeting and  
“Give the Gifts XXV” Dinner & Auction  
Hamilton Eye Institute, Memphis, TN
- SEPTEMBER 15 Mid-South Lions Golf Tournament  
Cherokee Valley Golf Course, Olive Branch, MS
- SEPTEMBER 16 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
With LCI President Bob & Lion Dianne Corlew  
Hilton Memphis, Memphis, TN
- NOVEMBER 17-18 Quarterly Meeting, Grand Plaza Hotel  
Branson, MO
- MARCH 2-3, 2018 Quarterly Meeting, Clarion On-The-Lake  
Hot Springs, AR
- JUNE 1-2, 2018 TENTATIVE DATE FOR ANNUAL MEETING  
Memphis, TN



## OUR 2016 – 2017 OFFICERS



This year's president is PDG David Caldwell from the Jackson Old Hickory, TN Lions Club



Vice Presidents for this year are PDG Walt Hamer from Monett, MO; PDG Bill Heywood from Columbus East, MS; PDG Art Ritter from Bryant, AR; and Lion Scott Shelhamer from Bartlett, TN



The 2016-2017 Secretary is DG John Collier from Hope, AR; and the Treasurer is PDG James Griffin from Hope, AR



PCC Matt Webber from Cabot, AR is our Immediate Past President

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LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND ..... 888-777-5332

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MID-SOUTH EYE BANK..... 901-448-8264

**MID-SOUTH LIONS OFFICE ..... 888-546-6042**  
**..... 901-543-5466 (LION)**

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In 2013, Mid-South Lions  
was recognized as  
Best Social Service Organization  
by "Best of Memphis"



The Inaugural Crystal Award  
For Outstanding Philanthropic  
Organization  
Presented to Mid-South in 1989

## Recognition of Mid-South's service

The HOPE Award  
Presented by Methodist Hospital  
Volunteer Association



Memphis Federation of the  
Blind Presents Mid-South  
Their Appreciation Award 2006



Recognized by President Barack Obama  
And Lions Clubs International as  
Champions of Change  
2012