

# Officers and Directors Lions Clubs International 1985-1986



**Joseph L. Wroblewski**, of Ashley and Forty Fort, Pennsylvania, is the President of Lions Clubs International. He served as a 100% District Governor and, in 1976-78, was a member of the International Board of Directors and a Board Appointee the following year. President Wroblewski is a recipient of nine International President's Awards, an Extension Award, the Advancement Key, the Ambassador of Goodwill Award and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. He is a funeral director with funeral homes in both Ashley and Forty Fort, and is a member of the Pennsylvania and National Funeral Directors Associations. President Wroblewski is a former president of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Heart Association, the Pennsylvania Association of Personnel Services and the National Employment Association. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Catholic Youth Center. He and his wife, Normajean, are Roman Catholics and have four children—Lisa, Joseph, Eric and Marla, and one granddaughter, Gennie.



Sten A. Akestam



Judge Brian Stevenson



Austin P. Jennings

**Bert Mason**, of Donaghadee, Northern Ireland, is the Immediate Past President of Lions Clubs International. He was Charter President of the Belfast Lions Club, the first Lions Club in Northern Ireland, and served as a 100% District Governor in 1969-70 (the first District Governor of 105-1 which linked the North and the South of Ireland). He served as Council Chairman in 1970-71 and as Chairman of the Multiple District 105 Youth Activities Committee in 1972-74. Immediate Past President Mason was a member of the International Board of Directors in 1976-78 and a group leader at the 1979 and 1980 District Governors-Elect Schools. He has received the District Governor's Extension Award, nine International President's Awards, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Lion Mason is the chief executive officer of the largest printing and packaging company in all of Ireland. He is a Presbyterian and he and his wife, Beryl, have two sons, two daughters and three grandsons.



**Sten A. Akestam**, of Stockholm, Sweden, First Vice-President, served as a 100% District Governor, as an International Director in 1977-79 and has received the Master Key, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, eight International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. He has also received the Extension Award for the first and only English-speaking Lions Club in Scandinavia. Vice-President Akestam initiated the Red Feather Campaign in Sweden and is an advisor to similar campaigns in Norway, Finland and Iceland. He also organized the first International Youth Camp in 1961. He is the owner of a House Management Company and a board member of the Association of Swedish Enterprisers. Vice-President Akestam is a Lutheran and he and his wife, Martha, have two daughters and a son.

**Judge Brian Stevenson**, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, Second Vice-President, served as an International Director in 1977-79 and as a Presidential Appointee to the International Board of Directors for the following two years. He has recorded 18 years of perfect attendance and has received the 100% District Governor Award, the Membership and Advancement Keys, seven International President's Awards, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Vice-President Stevenson has been in private law practice, served as a Special Prosecutor in the Canadian Department of Justice and, in 1974, was appointed for life as a judge to the Provincial Court of Alberta. He is a member of numerous professional organizations and has authored articles on legal matters. Judge Stevenson is a member of the United Church of Canada.

**Austin P. Jennings**, of Woodbury, Tennessee, is the Association's Third Vice-President. He served as an International Director in 1976-78 and has received numerous recognitions for his service to Lionism, including four Extension Awards, the Key Award, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, seven International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Vice-President Jennings is a jeweler, diamond broker, newspaper publisher and marketing specialist. He is active in professional organizations and is the founder of both his Community Library Association and County Historical Society. Vice-President Jennings is a Baptist and he and his wife, Carmine, have two children.

## International Directors

**Ramon D. Bagatsing**, of Manila, Philippines, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has received the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, the International President's Award and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Director Bagatsing is a member of the Philippine Bar, the Mayor of Manila and has served in a wide range of public capacities including the Philippine Congress and

National Assembly. He also served as a cabinet member for the Presidential Agency on Reforms and Government Operations. Director Bagatsing has been active in numerous community organizations, among them the Red Cross and Boy Scouts. He is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Annie, have seven children.

**Dr. Walter W. Ballard, Jr.**, of Pueblo, Colorado, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has received the 100% Club President's Award and two International President's Awards. He has recorded 17 years of perfect attendance. Director Ballard has been chairman of numerous committees on the Club, District and Multiple District levels. He is a dentist and active in professional groups and community organizations, including the chamber of commerce and Boy Scouts. He also served as vice-chairman of the State Board of Dental Advisors. Director Ballard belongs to the United Methodist Church and he and his wife, Joanne, have two children.

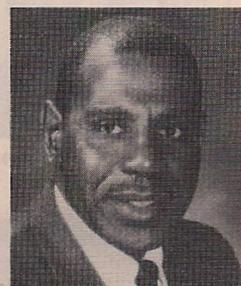
**M.P. "Mike" Butler**, of Kerrville, Texas, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and as his Multiple District's Treasurer. He holds the Master Key and has received the Extension Award, District Governor's Extension Award, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, two International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Director Butler is the owner and operator of a construction company and is active in numerous civic, professional and athletic organizations. He is a Baptist and he and his wife, Annette, have four children and three grandchildren.

**Zander Campos Da Silva**, of Goiania, Brazil, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and, while Governor, organized 23 Lions Clubs in his District. He has received three International President's Awards, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award and numerous other recognitions for his work in Lionism. Director Da Silva has also been active in the establishment of Leo Clubs in his District, has published six books about Lionism and has served as Editor of the Portuguese language edition of THE LION Magazine. He is a lawyer and works in the advertising field. Director Da Silva is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Zilma, have two children, Zander, Jr. and Zandarlene.

**Dr. Earl Dotson**, of Columbia, Virginia, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has received five Extension Awards, the Master Key and five International President's Awards. He was also awarded a special citation from the Commission for Visually Handicapped in recognition of his service to the Rehabilitation Center for the Blind. He was commissioned by the Governor of Virginia in 1980 to serve the Commonwealth of Virginia for a term of seven years. Director Dotson is a dentist and active in numerous professional organizations and community groups, especially those involved in assistance to the blind. He is a Methodist and he and his wife, Bobbie, have two children.



Ramon D. Bagatsing



Dr. Walter W. Ballard, Jr.



M.P. "Mike" Butler



Zander Campos da Silva



Dr. Earl Dotson



Lawrence A. "Larry" Emerton

**Lawrence A. "Larry" Emerton**, of Goffstown, New Hampshire, Director, served as a 100% District Governor, is a Key Member and has received two District Governor's Appreciation Awards, two District Governor's Extension Awards, two Extension Awards and two International President's Awards. He served as Chairman of the New England Leadership Training Seminar for Cabinet Officers and also as Charter President of the Lions Twin-State Soccer Association. Director Emerton is the owner of a real estate appraisal firm and is active in many community organizations. He is a Congregationalist and he and his wife, Elaine, have two children and four grandchildren.

**David Fernandez F.**, of Magdalena de Kino, Mexico, Director, has served in a number of District and Multiple District capacities, and was a 100% District Governor. He has also received an Extension Award and two International President's Awards. Director Fernandez is a businessman in construction and auto parts, as well as being a farmer and rancher. He is active in numerous community affairs, including having served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Mexican Red Cross in Magdalena. Director Fernandez and his wife, "Panchita," have seven children.



David Fernandez F.

**Dr. Hans-Georg Jackel**, of Steinbach, near Frankfurt, Germany, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and is a recipient of the Top Ten International Relations Award and three International President's Awards. He was Council Chairman and has served his District and Multiple District in a number of capacities. Director Jackel is an industrial and business consultant and holds a doctorate in political science. He is involved in many business enterprises and is the co-founder of Europe's largest center for heart and coronary diseases. Director Jackel is a Protestant and he and his wife, Denyse, have three children.

**Dev Kapoor**, of Arusha, Tanzania, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and is the recipient of four Extension Awards, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award and four International President's Awards. He is also a Key Member. Director Kapoor is a retired Judge of the High Court of Tanzania, has written, produced and directed over 50 plays and is active in many community organizations. Director Kapoor is a Hindu and he and his wife, Sneha, have two sons.



Dr. Hans-Georg Jackel

**James N. O'Connor**, of Gurnee, Illinois, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has received three International President's Certificates of Appreciation, four International President's Awards and the Extension Award. He is also a Key Member. Director O'Connor served also as Council Chairman and as a member of the Blue Ribbon Committee of the Lions of Illinois Eye Research Institute. He is a C.P.A. and the managing partner of his firm. Director O'Connor is a Roman Catholic and active in his church. He and his wife, Joan, have six children.

**"Mathew" Seishi Ogawa**, of Tokyo, Japan, Director, has received the 100% District Governor Award, the Membership Key, six International President's Awards and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. He has served as his Council Chairman and has been heavily involved in International Conventions and OSEAL Forums. Director Ogawa is the Executive Director of a mass communication center, a university instructor and is involved in other areas of the creative and communications field. He is associated with a number of voluntary organizations. Director Ogawa and his wife, Ikuko, are elders in the Matsuzawa Church (United Church of Christ of Japan) and have five children.

**Raul M. Scheelje C.**, of Miraflores, Lima, Peru, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and Council Chairman. He has received the District Governor's Extension Award, two Extension Awards, two International President's Awards and numerous other recognitions on the Club and District levels. He is a Key Member and has recorded 26 years of perfect attendance. Director Scheelje is the president of a construction company and was manager of an architectural firm. He is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Elena, have seven children and fifteen grandchildren.



Dev Kapoor

**Vern Seipkes**, of Staples, Minnesota, Director, served as a District Governor, Council Chairman and as a Director of the Minnesota Lions Eye Bank. He has received the Guiding Lion Award, the 100 Club Extension Award, three International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Goodwill Award. Director Seipkes is a school rehabilitation counselor and has been a high school teacher and athletic coach. He has been active in numerous civic and athletic organizations. Director Seipkes is a Congregationalist and he and his wife, Lavonne, have three children and six grandchildren.



James N. O'Connor



"Mathew" Seishi Ogawa



Raul M. Scheelje C.



Vern L. Seipkes



Leo Tyquin

**Leo F. Tyquin**, of Skye, Victoria, Australia, served as a 100% District Governor, has recorded 16 years of perfect attendance and is a recipient of the International President's Extension Award and three International President's Awards. He also served as Council Chairman for Multiple District 201 and was an Appointee to the International Board of Directors in 1979-80. Director Tyquin is a businessman and the managing director of a specialist marketing company. He is involved in his community in a number of capacities. He is a Catholic and he and his wife, Win, have five children.

**Dr. Jack W. Weber**, of Dix Hills, New York, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and as President of the New York Organization of Past District Governors. He has received the Extension Award, the Three in '83 Award, the Membership Advancement Key and two International President's Awards. He has also recorded 31 years of perfect attendance. Director Weber is a retired dentist and a member of numerous community and professional organizations. He is of the Jewish faith and he and his wife, Betty, have five children.



Dr. Jack W. Weber

**George L. "Mick" Barrus**, of Meeteetse, Wyoming, Director, served as his Multiple District Council Secretary/Treasurer, editor of his Multiple District newsletter and as a 100% District Governor. He has received the District Governor's Extension Award, International President's Award and the Senior Master Key. Director Barrus is a teacher and he has served his town as mayor and councilman. He has also been a municipal judge, a hospital trustee and is active in coaching. Director Barrus is a Unitarian.

**John D. Buffington**, of Charleston, West Virginia, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and as President of the West Virginia Lions Sight Foundation. He has also served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Medical Eye Bank of West Virginia. Director Buffington has received three Extension Awards and the Key Award and has recorded 23 years of perfect attendance. He is a retired telephone company staff manager and is active in a number of community affairs. He is a Presbyterian and he and his wife, Eleanor, have two children.



George L. "Mick" Barrus

**Quinten E. Crockett**, of Preston, Idaho, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has received Extension Awards, the International President's Award and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. He has recorded 27 years of perfect attendance. Director Crockett is active in his Multiple District and has been a discussion leader at six USA/Canada Forums. He is an educator and businessman. His many community activities include the American Red Cross, Boy Scouts and Chamber of Commerce. Director Crockett is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and he and his wife, Dorothy, have seven children.

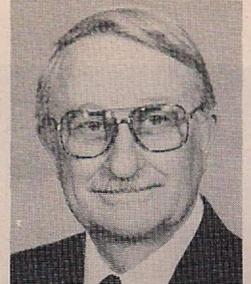
**Norman M. Dean**, of Bettendorf, Iowa, Director, has received six Extension Awards, the 100% District Governor Award and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. He is also a Master Key Member and has served as a Trustee and President of the Iowa Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. Director Dean is a vice president of manufacturing and his civic and professional activities include work with Community College Vocational Advisory Committee, Improvements Committee YMCA, Forest Products Research Society, Quad City Technical Council and Association of Time Study Engineers. He is a Protestant and he and his wife, Shirley, have three children.



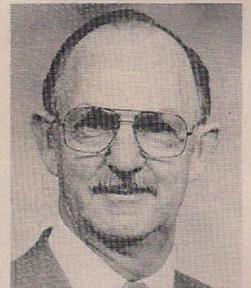
John D. Buffington

**Robert J. Drabek**, of Winner, South Dakota, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and Council Chairman. He is a Key Member and has received the Rebuilding Lion Award, six Extension Awards and the District Governor's Extension Award. He is involved in private business and business consulting and served as president of his Chamber of Commerce. Director Drabek has also been active in the United Fund and the Camp Fire Girl and Boy Scout Councils. He is a member of the United Methodist faith and he and his wife, Bev, have three children.

**Dr. Jose Alfredo Elias**, of Asuncion, Paraguay, Director, served as District Governor and has recorded 22 years of perfect attendance. He has received two 100% President's Awards, the Extension Award and the International President's Award. He has been a speaker at a number of Latin American Forums. Director Elias is a surgeon specializing in otolaryngology and a member of many medical organizations. He is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Maria, have five children.



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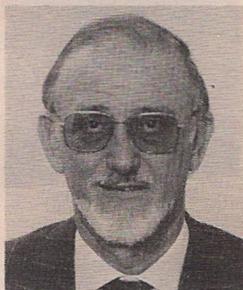


Dr. Jose Alfredo Elias



Thor Hauge

**Thor Hauge**, of Fagernes, Norway, Director, has served as District Governor and as Chairman of both the Scandinavian and Norwegian Convention Committees. He is also Chairman of Norway's International Youth Camp for the Handicapped. Director Hauge has received the Extension Award and the International President's Award. He is a bank manager and has been involved in tourism. Director Hauge is a Protestant and he and his wife, Edith, have two children.



Carlos J. Hernandez

**Carlos J. Hernandez**, of Las Palmas, Spain, Director, served as a District Governor and has been very active in his Club as LCIF Advisor. He has received numerous awards for his service to Lionism, including the Extension Award and the Guiding Lion Award. Director Hernandez is an economist and serves as an advisor to many companies. He is also a charter member of the Spanish Center for Public Relations and is active in the areas of tourism and real estate. Director Hernandez is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Lili, have two children.



Kenneth E. Lautzenheiser

**Kenneth E. Lautzenheiser**, of Jerome, Michigan, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has recorded 18 years of perfect attendance. He has received the S.A. Dodge Distinguished Service Award, the Master Key, five Extension Awards and the International President's Award. He has served as a member and chairman of numerous state committees and is a charter member of three Lions Clubs. Director Lautzenheiser is a marketing representative for his chamber of commerce and has been a high school teacher, school business administrator and school superintendent. He has also served in a wide variety of voluntary capacities in his community. Director Lautzenheiser is a Methodist and he and his wife, Rowena, have two children.



H.H. "Ernie" Moore

**H.H. "Ernie" Moore**, of Bramalea, Ontario, Canada, Director, has recorded 20 years of perfect attendance and served as a District Governor, Council Chairman and Treasurer of Multiple District A and of the Lions Foundation of Canada. He has received the Key Award, three Extension Awards and the International President's Award. Director Moore is an audit manager with the Provincial Government of Ontario. He has also been involved in a community recreation program and the Boy Scouts. Director Moore and his wife, Julie, have three children.

**Takeshi Nioka**, of Kure, Japan, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and as Editor-in-Chief of the Japanese language edition of THE LION. He has recorded 25 years of perfect attendance and received the Master Key, the Melvin Jones Fellow Award and two International President's Awards. Director Nioka is a businessman and the president of three companies. His other community activities include cultural organizations, PTA and international exchange and he was awarded the Blue Ribbon Medal from the Emperor in recognition of his community service. Director Nioka is a Buddhist and he and his wife, Ikuko, have five children.

**Gordon R. Post**, of Denville, New Jersey, Director, has been a 100% District Governor and is a recipient of the Extension Award and the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. He has served as Vice-President of the District 16-E Eye/Earmobile Foundation and he is a Key Member. Director Post is the owner of gift shops and for two years was president of his chamber of commerce. Currently, he is a member of the board of directors of the New Jersey Foundation for the Blind. Director Post is a Protestant and his wife's name is Christel.

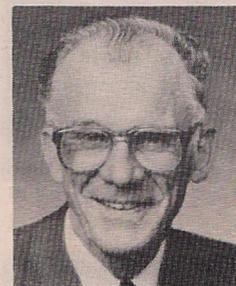
**William C. "Bill" Russell**, of Fairbanks, Alaska, Director, served as a 100% District Governor and has held every major chairmanship on the District and Multiple District levels. He has also been a member of the board of directors of his District's Eye Bank for ten years. Director Russell is a general contractor for residential and commercial buildings. He is of the Protestant faith and has two children and five grandchildren.



Takeshi "Tak" Nioka



Gordon R. Post



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