

George Friedrichs, of Annecy, France is the President of Lions International. He has been a member of his Annecy Lions club since 1952, has held nearly all offices in that club and in his district and received the 100% district governor award. President Friedrichs served as an International Director in 1964-66 and is the recipient of seven International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award. Lion Friedrichs is an electronics engineer, a founder of a world famous precision instruments company and is currently a director and advisor of several companies and a bank. He also serves as a member of various French and international scientific associations. He and his wife, Ninon, are the parents of three married daughters.



## Officers and Directors of Lions International

Robert J. Uplinger, of Syracuse, New York is the Association's Immediate Past President. He has been a member of the Syracuse (Host) club since 1946 and served as International Director in 1964-66. Lion Uplinger has been a zone chairman and a 100% district governor and is the recipient of the Membership Key, two Extension Awards and three International President's Awards. He has served two terms as president of the Syracuse Association of the Blind and is active with the Boy Scouts. Lion Uplinger is an industrial engineer and president and treasurer of Robert J. Uplinger, Inc., distributor of power transmission equipment. He and his wife, Martha, are members of the First English Lutheran Church and have two children.





Tris Coffin



Johnny Balbo



Harry J. Aslan



Raul Buxeda



Talvani Sanfim Cardoso



Dominic J, Carlone



Ralph H. Lynam

Tris Coffin, of Rosemere, Quebec, Canada, is the First Vice-President. An optician, he joined the Montreal (Central) Lions club in 1939, has held all district offices, was a 100% district governor and chairman of the Board of Governors. Lion Coffin served as an International Director in 1961-63, has received two Extension Awards, seven International President's Awards, two International President's appreciation certificates and is a Senior Master Key member. Vice-President Coffin and his wife, Gil, are members of the Roman Catholic faith. He has two married sons.

Johnny Balbo, of Oak Brook, Illinois, is the Second Vice-President. Lion Balbo has held virtually all offices in his LaGrange, Illinois club and was a 100% district governor. He served as International Director in 1965-67 and holds the Senior Master Key and seven International President's Awards. He serves on the Boards of the Hadley School for the Blind, Leader Dogs for the Blind and the Illinois Society for the Prevention of Blindness. Vice-President Balbo is a mobile home park executive. He and his wife, Ann, are of the Roman Catholic faith and the parents of five children.

Harry J. Aslan, of Kingsburg, California is the Third Vice-President. Lion Aslan joined the Kingsburg club in 1949 and has recorded 20-years perfect attendance. He has served as a zone chairman and as a 100% district governor. Currently, he is chairman of the California-Nevada Major Disaster Committee. He was an International Director during 1968-70. Lion Aslan is a Key Member and holds three Presidential Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award. A fruit grower and shipper, he is the owner-operator of a fruit-packing and cold storage plant. He and his wife, Freeda, are the parents of two children.

Raul Buxeda, of Santurce, Puerto Rico, Director, is a past president of the San Juan club and a past district governor. He is a recipient of the Ambassador of Good Will Award and five International President's Awards. Lion Buxeda is an engineer, a member of the American Planning Officials Association and vice-president of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce. A member of the Roman Catholic faith, he and his wife, Lady Boix, are the parents of two sons.

Talvani Sanfim Cardoso, Campos, Brazil, Director, has served as a 100% district governor. He is a Key Member, has 14 years perfect attendance and is a recipient of the International President's Award. Lion Cardoso is a businessman, a charter member of the Commerce Club and holds memberships with the Fiscal Council of the Portuguese Beneficial Society and the Trade Association of Campos. He and his wife, Rosa, are the parents of four children.

Dominic J. Carlone, Belle Chasse, Louisiana, Director, has twice served as district governor and has been treasurer of the Louisiana Lions Crippled Children's Camp. He has received the International President's Award, the Master Key and seven Extension Awards. Director Carlone is the owner of a wholesale-distributor business. His community work includes close associations with both the Boy Scouts and Boys Club. He and his wife, Shirley, are the parents of four children and are Roman Catholics.

Ralph H. Lynam, St. Johns, Michigan, Director, has served as a zone chairman and as a district governor. A former lecturer at the University of Michigan, he is now a member of the Michigan "Rehabilitation of the Blind" sub-committee. He is a Key Member, has a 21-year perfect attendance record and holds the Extension Award. Director Lynam is an accounting and computer application consultant. He and his wife, Doranna, are Episcopalians and the parents of four children.



William C. Ouzts



Albert S. Ozark



Jerome "Jerry" L. Radlinger



Donald W. Schmidt, M.D.



Phil W. Sterker



Henry E. Tinin



Sidney J. (Sid) Bernard



Dr. Barry L. Cohen

William C. Ouzts, Columbia, South Carolina, Director, has been secretary of his club since 1948. He has also served as zone chairman, district governor and for 17 years has been chairman of his state's International Convention Committee. An attorney and holder of AB and LLB Degrees from the University of South Carolina, he has been a city councilman since 1956 and is Mayor Pro-Tem of Columbia. A widower, Lion Ouzts is of the Methodist faith and father of two daughters.

Albert S. Ozark, of St. Johns, Newfoundland, Canada, Director, has held every club office and is a past district governor and multiple district chairman. He is a Key Member and has received seven Extension Awards. An electrical design engineer, he is the president of electrical companies and a member of the Construction Builders Association of Canada. Lion Ozark is an Anglican and he and his wife, Vivian, are the parents of two children.

Jerome "Jerry" L. Radlinger, Dorchester, Wisconsin, Director, was the first president of his club in 1956-57. He was a 100% district governor and holds the Membership Key, Master Key and two Extension Awards. He is an automobile dealer, is a member of the Dealer Advisory Board for U.S. Car Dealers under Nationwide Warranties and holds officerships in several corporations. A Roman Catholic, he and his wife, Betty Jane, have one daughter.

**Donald W. Schmidt**, M.D., Cedartown, Georgia, Director, is a charter member and past president of his club. He was a 100% district governor and a vice-president of the Georgia Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. He is a graduate of the Medical College of Georgia and is now a general practitioner. Lion Schmidt served in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps, rising to rank of Lieutenant Commander. Director Schmidt is a Methodist and he and his wife, Elaine, have three children.

Phil W. Sterker, of Basalt, Colorado, Director, has been a 100% district governor and chairman of his state council. He is a recipient of the Master Key and an Extension Award. Lion Sterker is a building construction superintendent and lodge owner and during World War II served in the Army Air Corps. Lion Sterker is of the Roman Catholic faith and he and his wife, Barbara, are the parents of four children.

Henry E. Tinin, Corinth, Mississippi, Director, has held all club offices and served as zone chairman and as 100% district governor. Director Tinin has received two Extension Awards. Active in civic affairs, Lion Tinin is a past director for the Regional Rehabilitation Center of Northeast Mississippi. He is vice-president and general manager of a dairy products company. He is a Methodist and he and his wife, Mary Lucille, have two children.

Sidney J. (Sid) Bernard, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Director, has been a Lion for 31-years and is a past district governor and former chairman of the District Governor's Council. He has received four Extension Awards and is a Key Member. Lion Bernard's occupation includes both the retail food and real estate businesses and he is past president of the New Mexico Food Dealers Association. He is also active with the American Red Cross. He and his wife, LaVerne, are the parents of two daughters and are Roman Catholics.

**Dr. Barry L. Cohen,** of Parow Cape, Republic of South Africa, Director, served as charter president of his club and as a district governor. He is a Key Member, holds four Extension Awards and has recorded 10-years perfect attendance. He has also served as Editor of the South African Lion Magazine for the past five years. He is a dental surgeon and the director of a company. Lion Cohen is of the Jewish Reform faith and he and his wife, Barbara, are the parents of three children.



R. W. "Denny" Dennis



Herbert B. Diggs



Gustavo Eguren



Octavio Gil Mujica



Dr. Giuseppe Grimaldi



Everett J. (Ebb) Grindstaff



Merle W. Hartle



**Enrique Lim** 

R.W. "Denny" Dennis, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Director; has served as a zone chairman and as a 100% district governor. He is a Key Member and has received the International President's Award and an Extension Award. He is associated with an insurance company and has received his Master's Degree from the University of Idaho. Lion Dennis is active as a lay leader in the Methodist Church. He and his wife, Hazel, have four children.

Herbert B. Diggs, of Oak Ridge, Tennessee, a Director, has been a zone chairman, a district membership chairman and a 100% district governor. Lion Diggs has 20-years perfect attendance and has received a Master Key, an Extension Award and the International President's Award. He is the owner of an insurance agency and a member of the Oak Ridge Board of Education for 12-years. Director Diggs is a Baptist and he and his wife, Verna, have three children.

**Gustavo Eguren**, of Lima, Peru, a Director, has held all major offices at the club and district levels including district governor. He has received the Membership Key and the International President's Award. He is a merchant and the president of his own company. Lion Eguren is president of the Lima Chamber of Commerce and the president of a professional organization. He is of the Roman Catholic faith and he and his wife, Clara, are the parents of five children.

Octavio Gil Mujica, of Temuco, Chile, Director, has served as president of his club and as a zone chairman and 100% district governor. He has also been his district's membership development and retention director. Lion Gil holds the Key Award and other honors. He is an executive and is active in a number of civic groups. He and his wife, Adriana, are the parents of six children and are members of the Roman Catholic faith.

**Dr. Giuseppe Grimaldi**, of Enna, Italy, a Director, has been a zone chairman, a 100% district governor and the chairman of various district committees. He is a physician and a Chief Neuro-Psychiatrist. Professor Grimaldi is chairman of Governmental Welfare Services in Sicily, a member of the Italian Red Cross and is associated with various academies. He is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Christiane, are the parents of three children.

Everrett J. (Ebb) Grindstaff, of Ballinger, Texas, a Director, is a past district governor and has served as president of the Texas Lions Camp for Crippled Children. He is a Key Member and holds two International President's Awards. Director Grindstaff is an attorney and is active in a number of professional and community groups including the Boy Scouts, Jaycees and the State Bar of Texas. He is a Baptist and he and his wife, Jeannette, have two children.

Merle W. Hartle, of Piketon, Ohio, Director, has held all major offices in his club and served as zone chairman, cabinet secretary and 100% district governor. He is the recipient of Membership and Advancement Keys, Extension Awards and the International President's Award. Director Hartle is superintendent of electrical and instrument maintenance for a corporation and is a trustee of the Mid-Ohio Health Planning Federation. He is a member of the Methodist Church and his wife's name is Ruth.

Enrique Lim, of Manila, Republic of the Philippines, Director, has held all major club offices and was a cabinet treasurer and a 100% district governor. He is a Key Member and has received Extension Awards. Lion Lim is a chemist and an industrialist and serves as a part-time lecturer and industrial consultant. Active in his community, he has received service awards from the Red Cross. He and his wife, Victoria, are Roman Catholics and the parents of four children.



Jarl Lindholm



Adolfo Martinez Baeza



Paul E. McCrary



Hiroyuki Oguni



Joseph W. Rabbitt



Colin C. Ringer



Jose A. Saenz de Ormijana

Jarl Lindholm, of Helsinki, Finland, a Director, has served as a zone chairman and as a 100% district governor. He has received numerous Lion honors including the International President's Award. He is a businessman in Helsinki and holds a B.A. Degree in Economics. Director Lindholm is a decorated army veteran and is currently a First Lieutenant in the reserves. He is of the Lutheran faith and he and his wife, Tytti, are the parents of three children.

Adolfo Martinez Baeza, of San Luis Potosi, S.L.P., Mexico, a Director, has held all major offices in his club and district including that of district governor. He also served as Chairman of the National Council of Governors of Multiple District B (Mexico). Among his many honors is the International President's Award. Director Martinez is a merchant, farmer and dealer in animal feed and the owner of a firm which distributes animal feed. He is a Roman Catholic and he and his wife, Elvira, are the parents of eight children.

Paul E. McCrary, of Stillwater, Oklahoma, Director, has been a 100% district governor and chairman of the council of governors. He holds three Extension Awards, two International President's Awards and is a Key Member. He is the director of photo services and ROTC Military Coordinator at Oklahoma State University. A retired major, his World War II decorations include four battle stars, the Purple Heart, and the Bronze Star. Lion McCrary is a Presbyterian and he and his wife, Ines, have two children.

**Hiroyuki Oguni,** of Himeji, Japan, Director, is a charter member and past president of his club and a past 100% district governor. Director Oguni is a Key Member. He

is a graduate of Kumamoto Medical College and is a physician. He is active in professional organizations, the YMCA, and is a member of the Obstetrics and Gynecology Academy and of the Handicapped Children's Association. He and his wife, Chiji, have one daughter.

Joseph W. Rabbitt, of Hyattsville, Maryland, a Director, has been a zone chairman and a 100% district governor. He is a Key Member and served two years as president of the District 22-C Eye Bank and Research Foundation. Director Rabbitt is the treasurer of a corporation and holds a Master's Degree in Commercial Science. He served in the Navy During World War II. He and his wife, Thelma, have two children and are of the Roman Catholic faith.

Colin C. Ringer, of Adelaide, Australia, a Director, is a past zone chairman, cabinet secretary-treasurer, and 100% district governor and is now serving on the District 201-J Save Sight Foundation investigating committee. Director Ringer has received the International President's Award, an Extension Award, the Membership Award and he is a Key Member. He is a Senior Associate of the Australian Society of Accountants and manages a brewing and malting company. He is of the Anglican faith and he and his wife, Lorne, have two children.

Jose A. Saenz de Ormijana, of Madrid, Spain, Director, is a charter member, first secretary and past president of his club. He was the first provisional district governor of District 116 (Spain) in 1967-68 and a 100% district governor the following year. Lion Saenz has received six Extension Awards, three International President's Awards and the Master Key. He is the owner of a hardware store and the manager of a travel agency. He and his wife, Victoria, are the parents of two daughters.