

Officers & Directors 2006-2007



Jimmy M. Ross
International
President

Jimmy M. Ross of Quitaque, Texas, is the president of Lions Clubs International. He is a member of the Quitaque Lions Club and served as a district governor, council chairperson, council secretary and, in 1996-1998, as an international director. Among the many posts he has occupied as a Lion, President Ross has been a member of the Multiple District 2 Long-Range Planning Committee and chairperson of his state's Membership and Extension and Convention committees. He has served as his district's McGruff chairperson, director of the Texas Leadership Institute and seminar presenter at seven international conventions and seven USA/Canada Forums. President Ross has helped to organize more than 400 Lions clubs.

He has received a number of recognitions for his contributions to the association, including numerous District Governor's Appreciation awards, nine International President's awards and

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Dr. Ashok Mehta
Immediate Past
President

Dr. Ashok Mehta, of Mumbai, India, is the immediate past president and chairperson of the LCIF Executive Committee. He is the second Indian to be president of the world's largest service club organization.

Immediate Past President Mehta is the chairperson and managing director of a company in India and is actively associated in various capacities with more than a dozen major medical, educational, welfare, social and cultural institutions.

He joined the association in 1963. A visionary with unfaltering focus, he organized more than 30 eye camps throughout India and Africa and has presented papers on sight conservation and other topical issues at Lions international forums and conventions. He served on the Campaign Sight-First International Committee from 1990 to 1994, which witnessed the campaign exceeding its goal and raising US\$143 million for SightFirst projects.

Immediate Past Presi-

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Mahendra Amarasuriya
First Vice President

Mahendra Amarasuriya of Colombo, Sri Lanka, is the first vice president. A graduate of science, he is a member of the Lions Club of Galle, was a 100% District Governor and has recorded 15 years of perfect attendance. He served as an international director from 1991-1993.

First Vice President Mahendra has received the Master Key, eight International President's Certificates of Appreciation, the Leadership Award, eight International President's awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, First Vice President Mahendra has chaired and served on boards of many companies throughout his country. Currently, he is chairman of the Commercial Bank of Ceylon, Pelwate Sugar Company and Serendib Flour Company, and a trustee of the Eye Donation Society of Sri Lanka. He is also a past chairman of United

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Albert F. Brandel
Second Vice
President

Albert F. Brandel of Melville, New York, is the second vice president. He is a member of the West Hempstead, New York, Lions Club and an associate member of the Melville Lions Club. He served as an international director in 1993-1995 and has held numerous offices at the club and district levels, including 100% District Governor. He has sponsored 42 new members, served as a presenter and panelist at USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums and worked with the Long Island Lions Eye Bank as a cornea transporter. Second Vice President Brandel has been the association's representative to UNICEF for 10 years and helped coordinate Lions' and LCIF relief efforts at the World Trade Center following September 11, 2001. He has also served as a group leader at numerous District Governors-elect Schools.

Among the many recognitions he has received from Lions Clubs International are the Supreme Extension

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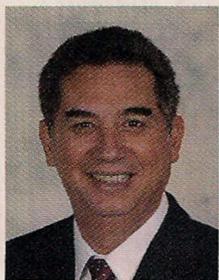


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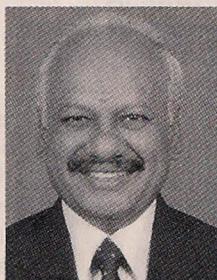
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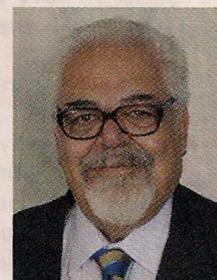
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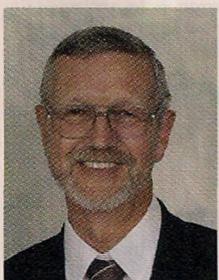
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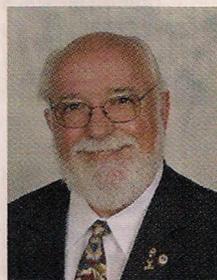
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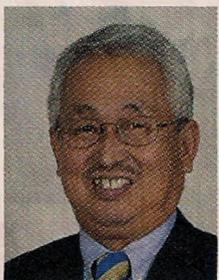
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Mehta

dent Mehta's contributions and leadership qualities have been outstanding. He has earned distinction by having presidents of Lions Clubs International confer the coveted President's Medallion upon him for the past 22 years, was declared 1986 "Man of the Year" by the Jaycees in Mumbai, was nominated by the government of Maharashtra to the senate of Mumbai University for a five-year term in 2000, has been appointed by the government to several committees for Awareness and Prevention, and appointed by the Maharashtra government as Sheriff of Mumbai in 2001 for a one-year term.

Lion Mehta has participated in 29 international conventions, 20 USA/Canada Forums, 30 India, South Asia, Africa & Middle East Forums, along with eight Lions conferences in Far Eastern countries. Ten international presidents chose to appoint him as a member of the faculty at District Governors-elect seminars. He was also appointed chairperson of the District Governors Orientation Program at the 75th International Convention in Hong Kong and, since 1990, has been chosen 12 times as a group leader.

As international president, his theme, "Passion to Excel," motivated Lions around the world for greater impact on humanitarian services and fellowship. A Doctoral Degree in Humanities was bestowed on him from World University and he has also been serving for a number of years as the Managing Trustee of Diwaliben Mohanlal Mehta Charitable Trust. In addition, Lion Mehta has been instrumental in mobilizing international support in times of major catastrophes, including earthquakes and cyclones in various parts of the country. His name is synonymous with sympathy and support for those who need it the most during times of illness and serious health problems. He has played a pivotal role for more than 15 years in coordinating cardiac care treatment for "Blue Babies" from Africa at hospitals in India. His Peace Mission to

Pakistan promoted by Lions of the two nations added to the spirit of building bridges between people of both countries.

Immediate Past President Mehta, along with his wife, Kokila, and daughter, Shital, are Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows.

Amarasuriya

Motors Sri Lanka, Employers Federation of Ceylon, International Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka, Planters Association of Ceylon and National Agribusiness Council of Sri Lanka and a past board member of the Employees Trust Fund.

First Vice President Mahendra resides with his wife, Kushlani, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, who coordinated programs for underprivileged children through the efforts of 15 Lions clubs in Sri Lanka, funded by Terres des Hommes of The Netherlands, for 28 years.

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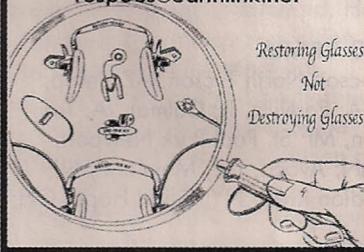
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Date: January 17-21, 2007
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Ross

the Ambassador of Good Will Award. President Ross is a life member of the District 2-T1 Eye Bank, the Texas Lions Camp and Girls Town. He is a Jack Weich Fellow, James T. Coffey Fellow, Helen Keller Fellow and Texas Lions Fellow. He is also a member of the Texas Lions Hall of Fame and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

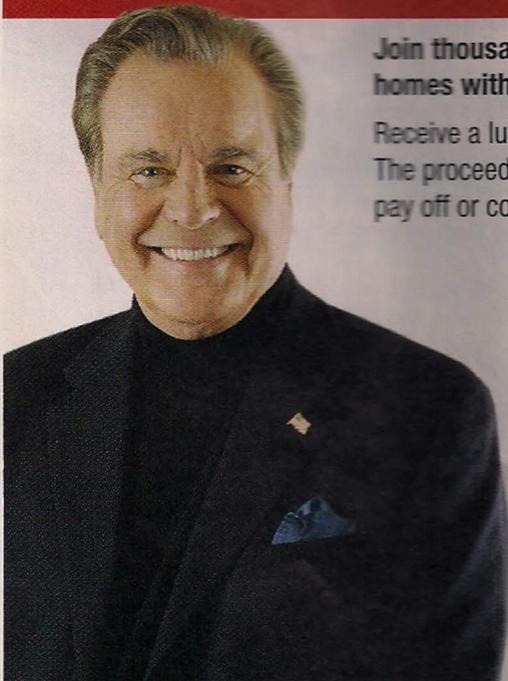
President Ross is a retired businessman and judge. His community involvement has included his chamber of commerce, the Boy Scouts and organizer and chairperson of a county-wide task force for industrial and tourism development. President Ross and his wife, Velda, have three daughters, two sons-in-law and a granddaughter.

Brandel

Award, the 30 Member Key, 12 International President's awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In addition to his activities as a Lion, Vice President Brandel has served as a Little League volunteer and is a Eucharistic Minister in his church. He was also a member of the board of directors of the United Nations Association of the USA and is a retired police detective.

Second Vice President Brandel's wife, Dr. Maureen Murphy, also a Lion, is an anesthesiologist and currently practicing at a community hospital.

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