## **Lions Clubs International Sponsorship/Growth Pins.**



October

**Legacy Of Lions** 

F-M-A of 1997

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1998 October



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2013-2014 ^October



### April 1, 2015-June 30, 2018.



2014-201 ^^April



+Centennial Silver April 1, 2015- June 30, 2018.



++Centennial Gold 2016-2017



+++Centennial Diamond 2017-2018

Brief timeline notes: In 1957, the board of directors of Lions Clubs International created the "Lions International Anniversary Membership Development Program" conducted in October. October was chosen to celebrate the 40th year of Lions, founded in 1917 as the International Association of Lions Clubs.

The 1957 charm, Blue and Gold variation pins could be the first award issued in this program.

In 1963 documentation of the first "known" October growth pin appeared in the ads of The Lion magazine. ## 1967 October Golden Anniversary Growth pin.

In 1969 the growth pins expanded to the January-February-March pins. Also in 1969 Lions International attempted a MilLION Member program. Unfortunately LCI did not reach their goal which brings us to 1969 # B1 it was a button not a pin and 1969 # B2 was given to the spouse of a Lion who brought in a new member.

1971 Jan-Feb-Mar was also a button the 1969 & 1971 Jan-Feb-Mar "I'll Get Mine for Dave & Bob buttons" appeared to be the appropriate award according to the "Lion Magazine".

In addition to the January-February-March pins in 1973, Lions International announced the Millionth Members Awards Program. That year LCI reached that goal with Barney Gill being the Millionth member.

Note the variations of growth pins in the months in the 1970's.

The 1980 produced the 1.5 growth pins with LCI trying to reach 1.5 million Lions club members

In 1992 no pin was issued and the "First Lion" program was started. You brought in a new member and you were issued a card, this program only lasted that fiscal year and coincided with the "Key Awards"

In 1995 the "Legacy of Lions" growth pins where added for the months of February, March, & April.

The growth pin award program ended in 2000 but in April 2013 the International Board of Directors revised the "October Growth Award" be changed to the "Membership Growth Award" based on growth in October and April.

- ^ October 2013-2014 Silver Membership Growth Award.
- ^^April 2014-2015 Silver Membership Growth Award.

Also note a Gold Membership Growth Award was also issued if you sponsored a new member in April and October. ### Included in the Centennial membership kit.

- +Silver Centennial Lion: Earned once the new member remains in good standing for a consecutive year and a day and recognition on the LCI Centennial website.
- ++Earn the Gold Centennial Lion award once the new member remains in good standing for 2 years and a day.
- +++ Earn the Diamond Centennial Lion award once the new member remains in good standing for 3 years and a day.

See the website for full explanations and PDF Files at http://www.olptc.org/LCI\_sponsorship\_pins.htm