William F. "Bill" Gackle, of Kulm, North Dakota, U.S.A., served a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs after his election at the association's 64th annual convention held in Phoenix, Arizona, USA, June 17-20, 1981.

Past Director Gackle is self-employed in farming and ranching with implement and hardware affiliations. He is a veteran of WWII, serving three years in the USAAF and six years with the North Dakota National Guard and a former state legislator, having served 16 years in the North Dakota House of Representatives.

A Lion and member of the Kulm Lions Club since 1965, Past Director Gackle has served in a number of positions including club president, district governor and zone chairman.

In recognition of his service to the association, Past Director Gackle has received numerous awards, including the 100% Club President Award, District Governor's Extension Award, Membership Development Awards, various appreciation and certificate awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association can give to its members. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Past Director Gackle and his wife, Marilyn, have four children.