

**ROBERT KLEIN**  
**PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Robert “Bob” Klein, of Stony Point, New York, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association’s 82nd International Convention, held in San Diego, California, USA, June 28-July 2, 1999.

Past Director Klein is a retired regional staff director of the New York State United Teachers.

A member of the North Rockland Lions Club since 1975 with 32 years perfect attendance, Past Director Klein has held many offices within the association, including charter club president, district governor and director of the Multiple District 20 Past District Governor Organization. In addition, he is the founding president and was a steering committee member of the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation. He has served as a discussion leader and moderator at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

In 2001, Past Director Klein was appointed as Chairperson of the LCIF 9/11 Central Steering Committee that distributed US\$3.2 million for September 11 victims and their families. He was the fund administrator for the LCIF September 11 Fund.

In 2005, Past Director Klein was appointed by the Lions international president to serve as the Lions representative to UNICEF in New York. As such, he is an appointed member of the NGO Committee for UNICEF’s Working Group on Violence Against Children. He is also involved with the US Fund for UNICEF and the Lions-UNICEF School-in-a-Box program.

In recognition of his service to the association, Past Director Klein has received numerous awards, including the Lion of the Year award, the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award, the 100% Club President Award, a 30 Membership Key Award, Extension and Rebuilding Awards, the 100% District Governor Award, three International President’s Awards, an International President’s Leadership Medal, four International President’s Certificates of Appreciation and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association gives to its members. In addition, he is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, Helen Keller Fellow and a Governor of Excellence.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past Director Klein is past chairman of the board of the Association for Visually Impaired and is a member of the board of directors of Guiding Eyes for the Blind. He is also founder of the Van Tassell Society, a Lions affinity group working to promote the activities of Guiding Eyes for the Blind, and chairman of the agency’s Major Gifts committee.

Past Director Klein and his wife, Evelyn, also a Lion, have two children and six grandchildren.

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