BILLY C. PEARSON PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Billy C. Pearson, of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 79th International Convention, held in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, July 9-12, 1996.

Past Director Pearson is retired from the aerospace industry.

A member of the Murfreesboro Lions Club since 1966, Past Director Pearson has held many positions within the association, including club president, deputy district governor, district governor and cabinet secretary. In addition, he was a Train-the-Trainer and leadership development chairman for his multiple district.

Past Director Pearson has received numerous awards in recognition of his contributions to the association, including the 100% Club President Award, 100% District Governor Award, a Guiding Lion Award, a 5-Member Key Award, a Presidential Commendation Medal, a Membership Growth Award, three Club President Appreciation Awards, two International President's Leadership Awards, three International President's Awards and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor granted by the association to its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and holds a record of 27 years perfect attendance.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past Director Pearson is a board member of the Ed Lindsey Industries for the Blind, a member of the Rutherford County election committee, a member of the Rutherford County Disaster Agency, a volunteer at Veterans Hospital, a Helen Keller Fellow of the Lions Eye Foundation of California, Nevada, Inc., a life patron of the Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation, a director of Lions Clubs Volunteer Services, Inc., a trustee of Tennessee Lions Charities, Inc. and a board member of the Lions Communications Service. He has also volunteered in March of Dimes, Cancer Crusade and United Way campaigns.

Past Director Pearson and his wife, Frances, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters and two grandchildren.