DR. DENNIS D. COBLER PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Dr. Dennis D. Cobler, of North Muskegon, Michigan, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 81st International Convention held in Birmingham, England, June 29 through July 3, 1998.

Past Director Cobler is a semi-retired optometrist practicing as a low-vision specialist.

A member of the Muskegon Northside Lions Club since 1980, Past Director Cobler has held many offices within the association, including club president and district governor. In addition, he has served as zone chairman, membership chairman and extension chairman. He has served three years as the Sector Coordinator for Campaign SightFirst II. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In recognition of his service to the association, Past Director Cobler has received numerous awards including two 100% Club President Awards, the 100% District Governor Award, several International President's Certificates of Appreciation, the Guiding Lion Award, eight Extension Awards, a 150 Member Key Award, a Top Ten International Understanding and Cooperation Award, twelve International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association gives to its members.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past Director Cobler is a life member of the Michigan Optometric Association and the American Optometric Association. He is also a member of the Vietnam Veterans of America and the Armed Forces Optometric Society. Past Director Cobler has been honored twice by the governor with the Michigan Special Tribute and the Michigan Volunteer awards.

Past Director Cobler and his wife, Kathleen, have a son and a daughter.