

**GARY F. BROWN**  
**PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Gary F. Brown, from Cape Vincent, New York, USA was elected to serve as international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 101st International Convention, held in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, June 29 through July 3, 2018.

Director Brown worked in the field of investment management for 37 years prior to selling his firm and retiring from active management in 2018.

Director Brown became a Lion in 1984. He has held a number of offices within the association including club president, zone chair, district governor, and district leadership development chairperson. He has also served as council chairperson, multiple district convention chair and multiple district GLT chairperson. In 2007, he graduated from the MD 20 RLLI, where he would later serve for nine years as faculty. Also, in 2010, he graduated from the LCI Faculty Development Institute. As an international director, he served three years as vice chair of the leadership development committee and two years as part of the executive committee.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received many awards including six International President's Awards, an International President's Leadership Award, numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation, and an Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He was also awarded a Progressive Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award, as well as a Lions of Pennsylvania Fellowship. Director Brown is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow and a member of the LCIF Legacy Society.

In addition to his Lions activities, he was an active member of the Boy Scouts of America where he was recognized with the Scouter's Key, Scouter's Training Award, and the Award of Merit. He is passionate about increasing diabetes awareness and education and has become a Certified Diabetes Paraprofessional in order to do so.

Director Brown and his wife, Lion Barbara, who is also a Melvin Jones Fellow and recipient of the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award, have two sons and three grandchildren.