LAURI MERIVIRTA PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Lauri Merivirta, of Pori, Finland, served a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs following his election at the association's 78th International Convention, held in Seoul, Republic of Korea, July 4-7, 1995.

Past Director Merivirta is doctor of veterinary medicine.

A member of the Pori (Ulvila) Lions Club since 1974, Past Director Merivirta has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairman, region chairman, district governor and council chairman. He also served as a member of the Ecuador Eye Clinic committee.

Past Director Merivirta has received numerous awards in recognition of his contributions to the association, including three International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a member by the association. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past Director Merivirta is a city councilman and a member of the board of directors of an insurance company.

He and his wife, Tuire, have four children.