

**KAY K. FUKUSHIMA**  
**PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT**

Kay Fukushima, of Sacramento, California, USA, was elected to serve as president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 85<sup>th</sup> International Convention in Osaka, Japan, July 8-12, 2002.

Past President Fukushima is in the insurance industry.

A member of the Sacramento Senator Lions Club since 1965, Past President Fukushima has held many positions within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, deputy district governor, district governor in 1978-79 and vice chairperson of MD 4 (California and Nevada, USA). He served as an international director on the association's board of directors from 1986-88. Past President Fukushima was a member of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning Committee from 1988-91 and is the author of the forum operational manual. He also served as a District Governors-elect school group leader from 1994-99 and as a member of the original Leadership Institute Faculty from 1994-97, the first three years of the institute. Additionally, he served as general convention chairperson in 1988, Denver, Colorado, USA, and made many major changes to the convention. He also was an original member of the North American Membership Committee.

Often, Past President Fukushima has taken the initiative to advance the Lions in his area and around the world. Through his work, he initiated the first MD 4 Leadership retreat, helped to create the first *MD 4 Leader* (a 12-page regular newspaper), chaired the MD 4 Lions Convention and established the MD 4 Lioness Program. He also produced and directed the MD 4 orientation and recruiting video titled "And the Lions Roar"; chaired and developed the MD 4 White Cane promotional program; and developed, created and tested the MD 4 base membership program called "Operation Lionism."

Past President Fukushima has received numerous awards in recognition of his service to the association, including life membership, the 100% Club President Award, the 100% District Governor Award, three Extension Awards, four Lion of the Year awards, a Master Key Award, four International President Leadership Medals, eight Presidential Certificates of Appreciation, 11 Presidential Medals and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a Progressive Helen Keller Fellow and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lion activities, Past President Fukushima is involved with the Sacramento Zoo and a number of community youth recreation programs. He is also active in various professional associations.

Past President Fukushima and his wife, Denise, have two children and four grandchildren.