

RICHARD P. CHAFFIN
PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR

Richard P. Chaffin, of Forest, Virginia, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 87th International Convention, held in Detroit, Michigan, USA/Windsor, Ontario, Canada, July 5-July 9, 2004.

Past Director Chaffin is a farmer and real estate developer/manager.

A member of the Forest Lions Club since 1973, Past Director Chaffin has held many offices within the association, including club president, Lioness chair, membership chair, zone chair and two-time district governor. Additionally he has served as president, treasurer and board member of the Lions of Virginia Foundation; secretary-treasurer of the Virginia Association of Past District Governors and director of the Old Dominion Eye Foundation.

In recognition of his service to the association he has received numerous awards, including the 100% Club Secretary Award, 100% Club President Award, the District Governor's Appreciation Award, the 100% District Governor's Award, the District Governor's Excellence Award, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association grants its members. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Past Director Chaffin is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including director of the Augusta Mutual Insurance Company, the Peaks of Otter Soil and Water Conservation District and the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. In the past, he served as president of the Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce, the Central Virginia chapter of the American Institute of Banking, and firefighter/president/director of the Forest Volunteer Fire Department. He also served as president of the Bedford Mutual Insurance Company, director of the Central Virginia chapter of Professional Construction Estimators, Roanoke Farm Credit ACA director and president and treasurer of the Central District-Associated General Contractors of Virginia.

Past Director Chaffin's wife, Debbie, is also a Lion and a Melvin Jones Fellow.