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## **Wayne A. Madden, Indiana Business Leader, Elected Lions Clubs International President**

OAK BROOK, IL, USA, June, 26, 2012 – Wayne A. Madden of Auburn Indiana, USA, was elected president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 95th International Convention, held in Busan, Korea June 22-26, 2012. President Madden is an insurance agent and a certified insurance counselor.

President Madden will lead the association that has more than 1.35 million members in more than 46,000 clubs in 206 countries and geographic areas around the world. He will also help set the direction for Lions Clubs International Foundation and the foundation's SightFirst Program to rid the world of preventable and reversible blindness.

A member of the Auburn Lions Club since 1984, President Madden has held many offices within the association including Campaign SightFirst II sector coordinator for Indiana. He also served as president of the Indiana Lions Foundation.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received many awards, including Life Membership in the Association and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is a Charter W.P. Woods Fellow, a Kentucky Colonel, a Duke of Paducah, a Helen Keller Fellow and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In 2008, he was recognized for his humanitarian service by the governor of Indiana as a Sagamore of the Wabash, the highest honor the governor can bestow.

Lions clubs are known for their efforts to preserve sight and eradicate blindness, as well as their commitment to community service and helping youth. To learn more about Lions Clubs International, visit [lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org).