

**RAMIRO VELA VILLARREAL
PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR**

Ramiro Vela Villarreal from Nuevo Leon, Mexico, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 98th International Convention held in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 26 through 30, 2015.

Director Vela Villarreal is a civil engineer.

A member of the San Nico De Los Garza Lions Club since 1997, and a Lion since 1989, he has held many offices within the association, including club membership chairperson, district governor, council treasurer, district leadership development chairperson, extension team member, district GLT coordinator and council chairperson.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including the 100% District Governor Award, Membership Key Award, three Extension Awards, seven International President's Certificates of Appreciation and three International President's Awards. He is also a Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Director Vela Villarreal has been active in numerous professional and community organizations, including member of the Honor and Justice Committee and advisor for the newspaper, "El Norte."

Director Vela Villarreal and his wife, Mary, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have one daughter, one son and one granddaughter.