

EBERHARD J. WIRFS
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Eberhard J. Wirfs, of Kelkheim am Taunus, Hessen, Germany, was elected to serve as first vice president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 91st International Convention, held in Bangkok, Thailand, June 23-27, 2008.

Vice President Wirfs is an entrepreneur and retired CEO of his own company.

A member of the Hofheim am Taunus Lions Club since 1985, Vice President Wirfs has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairperson, region chairperson, district governor and multiple district chairperson. He also served as CEO of the German Lions Foundation "Deutsches Hilfswerk," faculty group leader, Europa Forum president, International Convention Election Committee chairperson and international director. In addition, he systematically implemented Lions Quest in Germany, has been involved with the Guiding Lions Foundation, trained incoming district governors for 10 years and worked with the Development Leadership Training System at the club and district levels. He is also an honorary member of the Kelkheim am Taunus Lions Club.

In recognition of his service to the association, Vice President Wirfs has received numerous awards, including the Club President's Appreciation Award, the 100% Club President's Award, the Guiding Lion Award, the Region Chairperson Award, the Zone Chairperson Award, several District Governor Extension Awards, five District Governor Appreciation Awards, a Medal of Merit, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation and Recognition, 10 International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is also a life member of the Texas Lions Camp and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

Vice President Wirfs and his wife, Margit, also a Melvin Jones Fellow, have two sons, Oliver and Marcus. Oliver is married to daughter-in-law Sandra. They have one daughter Hannah-Carlotta.

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