

Biography: Past International Director – Scott Neely

Scott Neely, of South Charleston, West Virginia, USA, was elected to serve a two year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 85th International Convention, held in Osaka, Japan July 8-12, 2002.

Past International Director Neely is a retired system administrator for the State of West Virginia.

A Lion since 1963 and a member of the Charleston Southridge-Pacesetter Lions Club since 1993, PID Neely has held many offices within the association, including member of the club board of directors, club president, zone chairperson, region chairperson, district LCIF chairperson, member of the Long-Range Planning Committee, district governor and council chairperson. In addition, he served as chairperson of the West Virginia Lions Leadership School, District Leos, District Quest, Multiple District Quest and Multiple District Outreach. He was also a presenter and panelist a four USA/Canada forums and was a member of the International Nominating Committee.

In recognition of his service to the association, PID Neely has received numerous award, including six Leo Extension Awards, five Sponsoring Leo Club Awards, the 35-Member Master Key Award, four Extension Awards, six District Governor Awards, the district Lion of the Year Award, two Council Chairperson Awards, four International President's' Award, two Guiding Lion Awards, the District Governor Excellence Award and the Dudley L. Simms Membership Award. Additionally, he is the recipient of the International President's Award, the International President's Leadership Award, six International Appreciation Awards (Quest) and the Quest International Board of Trustees Award. He is also a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, Helen Keller Sight Award, International Director Recognition Award, and the Ambassador of Good Will Award.

In addition to his Lion activities, PID Neely is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is a Master Mason in the Scottish rite of Free Masonry and a member of the Order of Eastern Star Dunbar Chapter. In the past, PID Neely served on the March of Dimes Greater Upper Kanawha County Board, the committee for the West Virginia (WV) Department of Education Learn and Service American Program, the Nominating Committee for the Governor's Youth Service Awards and many committees for his church. He also was co-chairman for the WV Commission Community Service, coordinator for Building WV Future Service Seminars and chairman of the Governor's Voluntarism Committee for National Community Service.

PID Neely and his wife, Betty, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have a daughter, a grandson and a granddaughter.