



# New Member Orientation

[Insert Club Name Here]

# New Member Orientation Summary



- New member orientation is broken out into four sections:
  - Who Lions Are
  - Your Club
  - District and Multiple District
  - Lions Clubs International (LCI)

# Who Lions Are



- Lions are men and women dedicated to serving those in need, whether in their own community or around the world.
  - Nearly 1.4 million members
  - Over 200 countries
  - More than 46,000 clubs



- **Vision Statement:** To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.
- **Mission Statement:** To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.
- **Motto:** “We Serve”
- **Code of Ethics:** LCI has a code of ethics which set the standard that Lions should aspire to adhere to.
- **Purposes:** LCI has a list of purposes to convey why Lions clubs exist.

The benefits of Lions clubs membership are numerous, and include:

- Helping those in need
- Making a difference in your community
- Having an impact on those in need worldwide
- Developing leadership skills
- Enhancing communication skills
- Utilizing planning and organization skills
- Working hands-on to meet community needs
- Meeting new people
- Opportunities to network
- Opportunities to travel

Lions Clubs



International



[Insert club name here]

- Year chartered:
- Number of charter members:
- Clubs sponsored by us:
- Significant awards or achievements:

- President:
- Immediate Past President:
- Vice President:
- Secretary:
- Treasurer:
- Lion Tamer:
  - Responsible for club property (such as flags, banners, gavels, etc.). The Lion Tamer also keeps order and distributes materials at meetings.
- Tail Twister:
  - Serves to promote harmony, good fellowship and enthusiasm at club meetings through the judicious imposition of “fines” on members.
- Membership Chairperson:



- [List the traditions your club participates in and explain to the new member why the club does them.]

- Officers are elected annually
- Club president appoints a nomination committee in March
- The nomination committee selects candidates
- The club votes on in April
- The term begins July 1<sup>st</sup>

# Service and Fundraising Activities



- [List the service projects your club is involved in.]

# Meetings



- When:
- Where:

- Total Dues
  - Club dues:
  - District and multiple district dues:
  - International dues: US\$41 (for the 2012-2013 fiscal year) and US\$43 per year thereafter.
- Activities Budget
- Administrative Budget



- [List all forms of club communication including newsletters, e-mails, Facebook page, Web site etc.]



# District and Multiple District

- There are 750 districts with 35 or more clubs and at least 1,250 members in each district.
  - Each district has a district governor
- Multiple districts are formed by two or more districts within a territory.
- Our Multiple District:
- Our District:



- District conventions are held to:
  - Develop fellowship among the Lions of the district
  - Conduct general district business
  - Elect the district governor and other district-elected officers
  - Conduct seminars
- [Insert information about this year's district convention.]

# How the District and Multiple District Communicate



- [List all forms of district and multiple district communication including newsletters, Facebook page, e-mails, Web site etc.]

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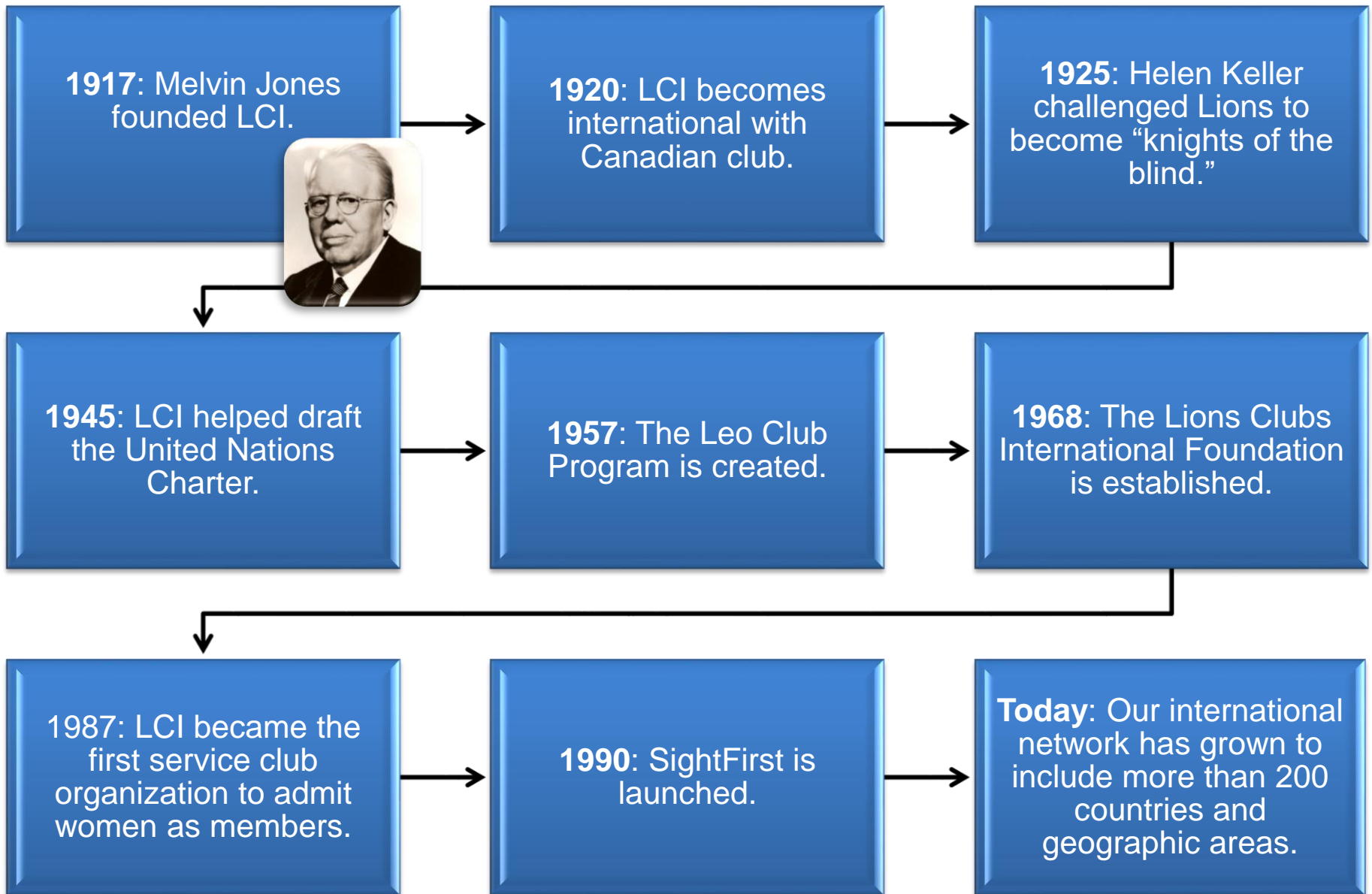


International



Lions Clubs International

# History



# Name and Logo



- The official name of the association is “The International Association of Lions Clubs” or simply “Lions Clubs International.”
- The name Lions was chosen on a secret ballot over several others because the lion stood for strength, courage, fidelity and vital action.
- The Lions logo consists of a gold “L” on a blue field surrounded by a gold circle. On either side of the circle is the profile of a Lion’s head, one looking back upon a proud past and the other looking optimistically toward the future.



- International officers implement policy and serve as inspirational leaders of the world's Lions.
  - International President:
  - First Vice President:
  - Second Vice President:
  - Immediate Past President/LCIF Chairperson:
- The International Board of Directors is the governing body of the association.
  - 34 members and 8 board appointees
- The International Constitution and By-Laws govern the operations of the association and establish the rules by which the association is to function.

- Convention brings together thousands of Lions from around the world for a week of business, education, celebration and fellowship.
  - 2013: Hamburg, Germany
  - 2014: Toronto, ON, Canada.
  - 2015: Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.
  - 2016: Fukuoka, Japan.
  - 2017: Chicago, Illinois, USA  
LCI returns to Chicago to celebrating its 100th Anniversary!





# International Headquarters



- Located in Oak Brook Illinois
- Approximately 275 staff members in 11 divisions:
  - Club Supplies and Distribution
  - Convention
  - District and Club Administration
  - Extension and Membership
  - Finance
  - Information Technology
  - Service Activities
  - Leadership
  - Legal
  - LCIF
  - Public Relations and Communication





- LCIF grants an average of US\$30 million annually. It provides clubs with the means to build schools, health clinics, vocational rehabilitation, training centers and other projects that address community needs.
- LCIF SightFirst reduces and eliminates blindness worldwide. The program targets the leading causes of preventable blindness which affects millions of people each year.
  - Since its launch in 1990, Lions have raised over US\$415 million for SightFirst, making LCIF the world's largest blindness prevention organization.



**Lions Clubs International**  
**FOUNDATION**

- LCI provides training and development opportunities for Lions. The Global Leadership Team (GLT) is the driving force behind these programs, including:
  - Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes
  - Faculty Development Institutes
  - Regional Lions Leadership Institutes
  - District Governors-Elect Seminar
  - Multiple District Leadership Development Funding
  - GLT District Funding Support Program
  - Webinars
  - Lions Learning Center

- Service activities generally fall into the following categories:
  - Community Services
  - Disaster Preparedness and Relief
  - Environmental Services
  - Health and Wellness
  - International Relations
  - Opportunities for Youth
  - Services for Children
  - Global Service Action Campaigns
- Service is reported using the Lions Club Service Activity Report.

- LION Magazine
- E-mail Messages
- Web site
- Social Networking
  - Facebook
    - [www.facebook.com/lionsclubs](http://www.facebook.com/lionsclubs)
  - Twitter
    - <https://twitter.com/lionsclubsorg>





# **Welcome to our Lions Club!**

Any Questions?