

Lions Club of North Ridgeville
Melvin Jones Fellows

Who is Melvin Jones?

Melvin Jones was the founder of Lions Clubs International.

"What if these men," Melvin Jones asked, "who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?" Thus, at his invitation, delegates from men's clubs met in Chicago to lay the groundwork for such an organization and on June 7, 1917, Lions Clubs International was born.

-- *Melvin Jones Biography*. Retrieved from <http://www.lionsclubs.org/>.

About Our Melvin Jones Fellowship Award

Lions Clubs International recognizes outstanding individuals by bestowing on them an award that is named for its founder, Melvin Jones. This Fellowship Award is the highest form of recognition and embodies humanitarian ideas consistent with the nature and purpose of Lionism. The recipient of this award becomes a model because of the exemplary service to his club and the community for which it serves.

Previous Melvin Jones Fellowship Award recipients meet each year to discuss potential award recipients. An award is not granted each year. It is instead granted only if there is a Lion who earned it. This decision is made by previous award recipients only. The Officers, Board, and other Lions do not weigh in on this decision.

We are proud to have within the Lions Club of North Ridgeville individuals who have received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Lion Bob Schmittgen (Charter Member)- deceased

Lion Bob Elliott (Charter Member)

Lion George Smith- deceased

Lion David Bogner

Lion Bill Comerford

Lion Don Edgar

Lion Bob Franks

Lion Neil King

Lion Kevin McNulty

Lion Bill Shaffer

Lion Carol Shaffer

Lion Dawn Fitz

Lion Sarah Miller

Lion Ed Walker

Lion Andy Steirer

Lion Dan White

Lion Kelly McCarthy

Lion Tonya Stillwell

Lion Selena Kimble

Lion Dawn Fitz

Lion Sarah Miller

Lion Ed Walker

Honorary: Nancy Franks