



## NEW MEMBER INDUCTION CEREMONY



### CALL TO ORDER

We gather here to (today/this evening) to induct (name inductees) into our club. At this time, the inductee(s) and sponsor(s) will come forward.

### WELCOME

I welcome you to Lacey Sunrise Lions, a club that belongs to Lions Clubs International, the world leader in humanitarian and community service. Around the world, Lions Club International is the largest service organization with over 1.35 million members in 47,000 clubs.

I am pleased to induct you into the Lions Family, and I am excited to have you become part of the Power of Lions.

### What is the Power of Lions?

Quite simply, it is the power to change the world for the better. When we give eyeglasses to a child in Tanzania or a homeless man in Lacey, or when we give dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders, or college scholarships to high school students, that is the Power of Lions.

When we give food to the needy, help a veteran overcome the hardships of war, or provide a kid with diabetes a summer camp experience, that is the Power of Lions.

### LION CODE OF ETHICS

As Lions, we hold ourselves to the absolute highest standards in everything we do. Our members and clubs are dedicated to serving others, and it shows. We champion kindness in our communities and actively work to improve the lives of all people. In this light, we follow a code of ethics:

To Show My Faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

To Seek Success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

To Remember that in building up my business, it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action toward others, to resolve such doubts against myself.

To Hold Friendship as an end and not as a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

Always bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

To Aid Others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not destroy.

By joining Lacey Sunrise Lions today, you have chosen to become one of those people who can change the world. Welcome to the Power of Lions.

## LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL HISTORY

You are becoming part of a distinguished service history that dates back to 1917, when Lions Clubs International began as a dream of Chicago insurance man Melvin Jones. He believed local business clubs should expand their horizons from purely professional concerns to the betterment of their communities and the world at large.

## PLEDGE

Since you decided to become part of Lacey Sunrise Lions, I now ask that you respond to my words with a simple *I do* or *I will*.

Do you hereby accept membership in Lacey Sunrise Lions, knowing you are encouraged to participate in club functions?

To the best of your ability, will you abide by the Lions Code of Ethics, attend meetings whenever possible, and contribute your share to the programs of this club, district, and Lions Clubs International?

You are now official members of Lacey Sunrise Lions.

## PIN PRESENTATION

Your sponsor will now present to you the Lions emblem pin, which signifies membership. Sponsors will respond to these questions with a simple *I will*.

As a sponsoring mentor, will you make your new member feel welcome as a part of the Lions family?

Provide your new member with information about the club, its officers and activities by arranging a formal orientation session?

Assist the new member in developing into an outstanding Lion and help them change the world through the Power of Lions?

## CLOSING

Congratulations to the new members and welcome to the greatest of all service club organizations—the International Association of Lions Clubs. Welcome to the Power of Lions!