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USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

2023 Reno Forum September 21-23, 2023 – Wrap Up

The 47th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Reno, Nevada from September 21-23, 2023 is in the books. Up to 1700 Lions from USA and its Affiliates and Canada enjoyed a great lineup of over 80 seminars, listened to inspiring and entertaining messages from Floyd Smith, Donna Hartley, Striker Corbin and our own LCI International President Dr Patti Hill. We had 65 Lions from MD19 at the Reno Forum!

2024 Louisville Forum, September 5-7, 2024

Next up is the 2024 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville Kentucky. The headquarter hotel is the iconic and historic hotel, The Galt House Hotel, which is the largest hotel in Kentucky with a rich history that dates back to the 1800s.

In keeping with the famous Kentucky Derby, the theme for the 2024 Forum is **“SET THE PACE”**.

From MD19, we are proud to have 3 Lions - PID Anne Smarsh as Vice Chairperson, PCC Polly Voon as Forum Secretary, and PDG Mark Mansell as Education Team Chair - -serve on the Louisville Planning Committee.

Work starts on the planning for the Forum September 30-October 5, 2023 in Louisville.

Be a **Friend of the Forum!** You can help the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum fulfill its’ mission to develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International. There are two different levels available to become a Friend of the Forum. Individual Lions, for the sum of \$150.00, and Lions Couples, Lions Clubs, Lions Districts or Lions Multiple Districts can support this fantastic event for \$250.00. Whether you are planning on attending or cannot attend but believe in the event enough to still be a part of it.

We have four excellent speakers for Louisville – Sam Glenn, Randy Pierce, 2024-25 LCI President Fabricio Oliveira, and Trish Wilson. The Education Committee under the leadership of our own MD19 PDG Mark Mansell is putting together a lineup of quality facilitators, moderators and seminars in an environment of shared learning, positive power and energy where we can embrace new ideas to uplift our Lions service individually and collectively.

Plan on attending the Louisville. We have 607 Lions pre-registered in Reno for Louisville! Put it on your “To Do” list to be completed. The Forum website, www.lionsforum.org, continues to be updated with information on the 2024 Forum. Check it out!