



**September 17-19, 2020**

**Louisville, Kentucky**

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**January 2020 Newsletter**

## From our General Chairperson, PID Harvey Whitley



As we begin 2020, in anticipation of an outstanding Forum in Louisville, we take time to reflect back on the recent loss of our deceased Honorary Chairperson 1VP Haynes Townsend. His loss has left us all in a state of disbelief as many remember him as "the man in the bowtie". Haynes was a friend to all and always had a kind and encouraging word whenever you spoke with him. He was always approachable and displayed boundless wisdom. His smile and sense of humor will be missed by all. Our prayers for

peace and understanding go out to Donna and the family.

We now welcome as our Honorary Chairperson newly appointed 1VP Doug Alexander. We know that Doug will continue to assist the Forum Planning Committee in every way possible. He has served on the committee in the past and is very familiar with our goals to provide the best learning experience possible for our Forum attendees.

Your Forum Planning Committee and Louisville Host Committee are putting together an outstanding program of seminars and fun events for you. Come join us---

**"And We're Off...To Winning Leadership!"**

PID Harvey Whitley

General Chairperson, Louisville 2020



**REGISTER NOW**

**AT EARLY BIRD RATE**

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Fellow Lions, Leos, Friends and Guests;

The 44th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is coming to Louisville, KY. on September 17-19, 2020. The Commonwealth of Kentucky, in conjunction with the City of Louisville, is ready and waiting to help make your visit to Louisville one of the best times at a Forum. The Host Committee and the Lions of Kentucky have been working on this event for the last two years and are very excited that it will happen in just a few short months.

Our Host Committee we will be available to get you from the hotels to the Kentucky International Convention Center (KICC) as well as to favorite venues like:

\*Louisville Slugger Museum

\*The Muhammad Ali Museum

\*The Belle of Louisville Steamboat

\*Churchill Downs

\*The Bourbon Trail

\*Whiskey Row and many more.

To enjoy everything being planned, you must register. Registration is required to enter the KICC to experience the Forum. There is still time to register, but to get the hotel of your choice early registration is best. At the end of May, the cost will increase. Go to [lionsforum.org](http://lionsforum.org) and register NOW!

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## Seminars...Seminars...Seminars

We are off...and running! The Forum Seminars Committee has been working very hard to bring new and exciting seminars to the 2020 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Eighty-two education sessions are planned on numerous topics. Here are a few:

- Lions University Overview and Graduation
- Lions University
- NAMI: North American Membership Initiative
- Legal Issues
- LCIF Grants
- LCI Leadership and Membership Grants
- CPR for Lions
- Public Speaking Tips
- Sponsoring a LEO Club
- Chartering a Campus Club
- Global Causes
- And, so much more

You'll hear about diabetes from a blind individual, learn about e-glasses, dementia, and service dogs that deal with other afflictions besides sight. There will be seminars on successful environmental projects, cyber security, food insecurities and how Kentucky is combating this challenge.

This year we are inviting three of our "Founding Fathers" to reminisce about the beginning of this great leadership experience. We will repeat last year's seminar with four recent Past Presidents who will share their views for the future of our great association.

Local LEOs participated in planning a fun, educational and exciting experience. Plus the LEOS will play a major role in the Service Project.

For those who don't want to sit all day, the Zumba class will focus on fitness and a healthy lifestyle. The Strides Walk is scheduled for Thursday at 11:15, just after the Childhood Cancer Symposium. This year, walkers can choose to walk half a mile, one mile, or a mile and a half to raise funds and bring attention to diabetes.

ALL attendees will be able to participate in the Service Project.

Let's hope we have piqued your interest. We're looking forward to seeing many new, as well as familiar, faces September 17-19 in Bluegrass Country.

2020 USA/Canada Lions leadership Forum Seminars Committee,

Cindy Gregg, Seminar Chairperson  
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