



“Preparing the Soil with First Timers Part 1”



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Welcome!

***to the 45th Annual
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
September 9 - 11, 2021
Des Moines, Iowa***

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Mission Statement



To develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International.

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2021 Forum Theme



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Forum Registrar



- ❖ Administration of Forum registrations
- ❖ Hotel assignments
- ❖ Enquiries, concerns from attendees
- ❖ Forum Office, Room 301



Lion Geri Drabek

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Registration Distribution

Registration packet pickup is at your assigned Forum hotel. If not staying at a Forum hotel or not picked up by Thursday, your registration packet will be at the Convention Center (Iowa Events Center)

Included in the packet is your name tag and a Forum Program of Events booklet.

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Program of Events



- Rules of Procedure
- Major Forum Sponsors
- Officers & Board of Directors
- Forum Planning Committee
- Des Moines Host Committee



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Program of Events



- Map of Convention Center
- Meet US/CA International Director Schedule
- Featured Speakers in General Meal Sessions
- Forum/Operations/Planning Office – Room 301
- Host Committee Office – 311
- Seminars Office – 321

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Program of Events

- Daily Seminar Matrix
- List of Seminars by Number (description, room assignment, presenter, moderator)
- Schedule of Events (time, activity, location)
- Meal Seating Explanation



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THURSDAY EVENING OPENING DINNER



features

- ❖ a parade of flags for all areas represented by the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum (including MD-60)
- ❖ the talents of young people
- ❖ the inspirational and entertaining talents of young adults associated with the National Speech and Debate Association and other performing arts
- ❖ Joe Everson, the singing painter

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



FRIDAY LUNCH - JESSICA COX
Motivational Speaker, "Possible Thinking" Business Consultant, Guinness World Record Holder



SATURDAY LUNCH - LCI INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT DOUGLAS X. ALEXANDER

"Service from the Heart"



SATURDAY CLOSING DINNER MICHELLE RAY

Keynote speaker, author and thought leader and renowned for her expertise on leadership, accountability, resilience, change and building outstanding cultures.

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Forum Store



- Location: Ballroom B, Level 4
- Hours of Operation:
 - Thursday 8:00-8:30am Special Needs Only
 - Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm Open for All
 - Friday, 8am-11am and 2pm-5pm
 - Saturday, 8am-11am and 2pm-3pm

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Exhibitors



- Location: Ballroom A
- Hours of Operation:
 - Thursday 8:00am-5:00pm
 - Friday 8:00am-5:00pm
 - Saturday 8:00am-3:00pm



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Exhibitors



- ❖ Calgary 2022 Forum Pre-registration
- ❖ Meet the International Directors
- ❖ LCI Support
- ❖ Foundations/Fundraisers
- ❖ Clothing
- ❖ Lions paraphernalia
- ❖ 2021 Peace Posters - Level 4 Lobby



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Meals



- ❖ Each attendee is assigned a colored nametag lanyard
- ❖ Color sections rotate around the room
- ❖ Look for your color outside banquet room for entry
- ❖ Special Needs – seated first
- ❖ Special Meals/Allergies – pre-registered
- ❖ Table host - sitting with & meeting new people encouraged



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Scavenger Hunt with activities to be completed Thursday thru Saturday AM

- Attendees have to pre-register to participate
- ❖ **Strides shirt/Snack pack pickup - Thursday @ 9:30am, Room 104-106**
- ❖ **Informational kickoff – Thursday @ 11:30am, Room 101-103**
- Random draw for qualified participants for a registration to 2022 Calgary Forum
- Lunch will NOT be provided, healthy snack packs will be available.
- Funds from the 2021 Strides Event will go to Camp Hertko Hollow, positive camping experience for children with diabetes.



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Service Related Activities

Idea Garden - Iowa Events Center

Cards in your registration bag. Share your ideas and collect ideas to bring home

Service Showcase - Iowa Events Center

Thursday 8:30am-11:30am

Service Project - Braille Book Assembly

Saturday, 8:30am-11:10am, 2:00pm-3:10pm

National Braille Press is a world leader in the production of Braille and Braille/print materials. We will be supporting their mission by placing Braille “stickers” on children’s board books-allowing both the sighted and the visually impaired to enjoy the selections, destined for distribution through NBP’s Children’s Braille Book of the Month Club.

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Current COVID-19 Protocols



Per CDC and Polk County (Iowa), face coverings should be worn indoors regardless of vaccination status to help prevent the spread of the virus and to protect others.

The Forum strongly encourages all attendees to wear face coverings and practice social distancing where practical during Forum events. Embrace "kindness matters" and respect fellow Lions' personal comfort and precautions of wearing face coverings and social distancing.

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Forum Tips

HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF ATTENDING



- Plan your day in advance (which seminars you want to attend, when to visit the Forum Store, Exhibitors, etc.)
- Be flexible based on comments from others
- Wear comfortable shoes and clothing – Lions attire
- Network with Lions from all across North America
- Friday evening – no Forum program, open for enjoying Des Moines

Have Fun, But Most of All.....

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Days are busy, so get lots of rest!

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Questions???



or email Lion Polly Voon at polly_voon@telus.net

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Thank you!

for attending this virtual seminar and the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

See you on Thursday, Sept 9th, in Des Moines at the "Preparing the Soil with First Timers" Session in Room 302-303, Iowa Events Center, from 2:00-3:10pm

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