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*The Latest News & Information for the 2024
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum*

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THE BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE FORUM

STEVE SHERER, GENERAL FORUM CHAIR

It's been six months since the Forum in Reno and less than six months till we kick off the Forum in Louisville. Perhaps you are still contemplating attending the Forum in September. Let me remind you of the benefits of attending a Forum.



The Forum is an opportunity for Lions to get together and share old ideas and take home new ones. Lions can embrace new ideas to uplift our organization's service, individually and collectively.

The Louisville Forum will include:

- Over 80 seminars with a focus on building personal leadership skills to make our clubs stronger.
- A Leadership Exchange that gives participants quick access to leadership info in a very short time.
- Exhibits with the latest and greatest ideas to share.
- The Forum Store with Lions swag and more.
- A chance to meet and greet our International Officers and Board of Directors
- Four dynamic keynote speakers

All of this under one roof at the Kentucky

International Convention Center, which is within walking distance of all five of our Forum hotels.

And when not attending the seminars or general sessions, a quick trip around town offers several fine restaurants and shops, not to mention the Louisville Slugger Museum, the Muhammed Ali Museum or a short trip to the Bourbon Trail. Or maybe it's just a nice leisure stroll down the Ohio River. There are plenty of things to do to keep you busy while in Louisville.

Also included in this newsletter is a tentative itinerary for the Forum to help you with your planning. Please note that the planning process is still going on, so there could be some minor changes.

Next month we will begin to highlight our keynote speakers. Looking forward to seeing you in September.

Are You A Friend of the Forum?

Friends of the Forum sponsors receive:

- A special ribbon to wear on their name badge at the Forum.
- Their name(s) listed on the Forum website as a sponsor.
- Listed in the official Forum program, and
- One recognition announcement during one of the general sessions during the Forum.

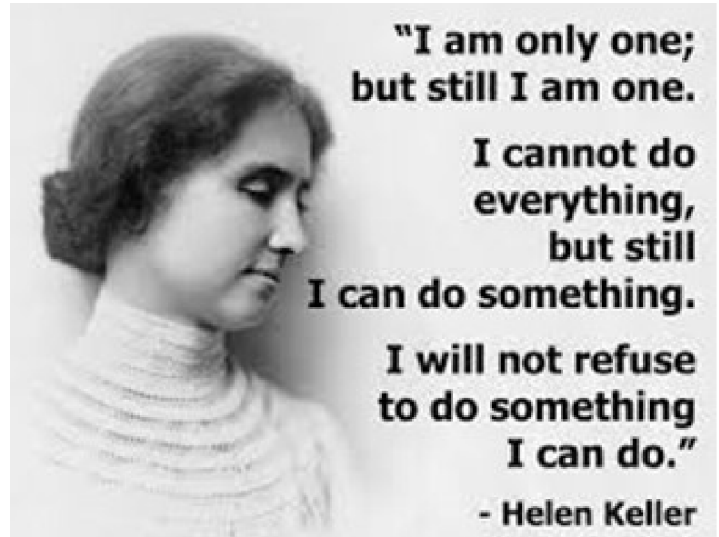
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FIRED UP FOR SEMINARS AT THE LOUISVILLE FORUM

JUSTIN FABER , FORUM EDUCATION TEAM

It seems spring has left us and winter is back, at least today. The good news is we are one day closer to Louisville! I hope you are excited as I am. Your seminars team, Lions Ron Gibson, Dr. Mark Mansell, and I, have been working diligently to present to you the best lineup of seminars we can offer. We received over 200 suggestions. It is very difficult to narrow it down to less than half. If by chance you were not chosen as a facilitator this year, please consider next year. I would boast that our members are more talented than any other group that I can think of. Thank you to all of you for lending your expertise and showcasing your talents.

This year we have a new showcase that we are excited to present. We are highlighting each of our areas of service. You will hear firsthand stories of how our Lions have started tree projects, aided our community to combat hunger, assisted people living with diabetes, and so much more. This will all be in an auditorium setting where each attendee will have a great view and opportunity to take part in the facilitation. But there's MORE! Helen Keller herself will be facilitating a session on how she thinks we have done in our quest as "knights of the blind." There may also be one more guest appearance from



one of our founders, but we will keep that a secret for now!

We will also hear from PCC Kevin from Kentucky on how Multiple District 43 responded to the recent tornadoes. He will facilitate a discussion on how overnight they had to become experts in disaster relief to aid their fellow woman and man. I know I am excited to attend, are you? Lastly, we would not have the great forum that we do without each of you! Thank You! Thank You! Please consider bringing a friend or even a new lion to expand our crowd to be even bigger. We promise we will save you a seat. See you in Louisville!

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STRIDES WALK BACK ON AT FORUM

Due to popular demand of past Forum attendees, a Strides Walk is back on for the Louisville Forum.

The original plan was to have a Strides Event that did not involve walking due to the busy streets around the Kentucky International Convention Center (KICC). However, many past participants have reached out expressing their desire to have a walk. The Executive Committee heard these requests and has decided to return to a Strides Walk on Thursday, Sept. 5.

More details about the Strides Walk will be provided in future issues of The Louisville Pacesetter.



The Strides Walk kicks off at the Reno Forum in 2023.

A BASIC TIMELINE TO HELP YOU PLAN

Here's a basic timeline of the Forum schedule to aid those traveling with their plans. Schedule is subject to change.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4

- 8:00-5:00 Offices Open
- 10:00- Pin Trading
- 10:00- Exhibitor Booth Set-Up

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

- 7:00-5:00 Registration
- 8:00-5:00 Offices Open
- 8:00-5:00 Pin Trading
- 8:00-8:30 Forum Store - Special Needs Only
- 9:00-5:00 Forum Store Open
- 9:30-11:40 Lions Speed Learning
- 11:00-12:00 Strides Shirt Pick-up
- 12:00 Strides Kick-off Photo & Walk
- 2:00-4:40 1st & 2nd Seminar Sessions
- 5:40-5:50 Table Seating
- 6:00 Opening Banquet/Ceremonies

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

- 8:00-5:00 Offices Open
- 8:00-5:00 Registration Distribution
- 8:00-11:15 Forum Store Open
- 8:00-5:00 Pin Trading
- 8:00-5:00 Exhibitor Booths Open
- 8:30-11:10 3rd & 4th Seminar Sessions
- 11:20-11:30 Table Seating
- 11:40 Call to Order/Lunch
- 1:00-5:00 Forum Store Open
- 2:00-4:40 5th & 6th Seminar Sessions

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

- 8:00-3:00 Operations/Planning Committee/Host Committee Offices Open
- 8:00-5:00 Seminars/Lions University Offices Open
- 8:00-11:15 Forum Store Open
- 8:00-3:00 Pin Trading
- 8:00-3:00 Exhibitor Booths Open
- 8:30-11:10 7th & 8th Seminar Sessions
- 11:20-11:30 Table Seating
- 11:40 International President's Luncheon
- 1:00-3:30 Forum Store Open
- 2:00-4:00 Lions University Graduation
- 2:00-4:40 9th & 10th Seminar Sessions
- 5:40-5:50 Table Seating
- 6:00 Closing Banquet/Ceremonies