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

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# REMINDERS AS WE "SET THE PACE"

STEVE SHERER, GENERAL FORUM CHAIR

The horses are anxiously waiting to get into the paddock to start the race and set the pace for the USA/Canada Leadership Forum in September. We are now less than a month away and registrations look towards a great attendance. Final plans will fall in place over the next couple weeks to ensure a quality program. Here are some reminders so you are ready to come to Louisville.

### **STRIDES WALK**

Don't forget the Strides Walk will kick off at noon on Thursday. Shirt pickup will be at the Kentucky International Convention Center (KICC) on the corner of Fourth and Market streets beginning at 9 a.m.

### **SPEED LEARNING**

The speed learning session will start at 9 a.m. on Thursday in Hall C on the second floor of the KICC.

# **HAT DECORATING CONTEST**

Do not forget to dress in your Derby attire for Thursday evening and wear your best decorated hat to be eligible to win a \$100 gift certificate from the Forum Store.

### **DON'T BE CONFUSED BY ROOM NAMES**

There are several rooms in the KICC, and to avoid confusion please remember that the seminars will be in the "M" rooms and the offices are in the boardrooms. All other Forum events will take place in the A, B, C and E HALLS located on the second floor of the KICC.

The main entrance for all Forum functions will be on the corner of Fourth and Market streets. Please see the map included with this newsletter.

## **DIRECTORS BOOTH**

Don't forget to stop by the International Directors booth to visit with our current board members.

### **SCOOTER RENTALS**

Do not forget if you need use of a scooter at the Forum to contact Louisville Mobility Rentals directly at 502-799-5419 to make arrangements Mention you are with the 2024 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum to get the special discounted rate of \$256.

### **MISSION 1.5 SEMINAR**

Don't forget to mark your calendars to attend the Mission 1.5 Seminar conducted by our International officers on Thursday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in Hall C.

# **STILL TIME TO REGISTER**

If you haven't registered, it's not too late to join the fun. Head to www.lionsforum.org by the end of this month to get registered.

Well, I hope this info helps. I must run back and check on the horses one last time. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you in Louisville as we do our best to SET THE PACE.

# **HATS • HATS • HATS**

STEVE THORNTON, STRIDES/SERVICE CHAIR

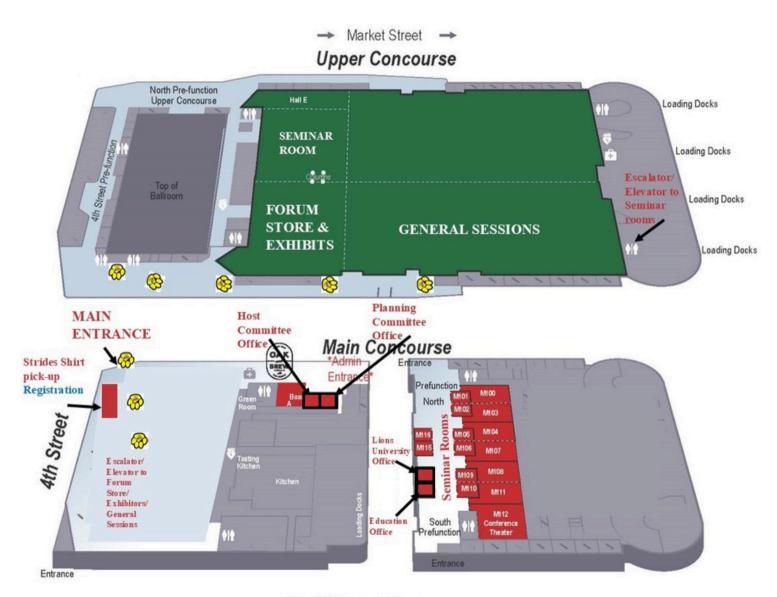
Don't forget to bring your best Derbystyle decorated hat to dinner on Thursday night. Three hats will be selected from the crowd. Those Lions who are wearing them will be invited to come to the stage. The audience will select a winner and that person will receive a \$100 gift card to the Forum store.



# STRIDES WALK RAISES MONEY FOR DIABETES RESEARCH

STEVE THORNTON, STRIDES/SERVICE CHAIR

It's almost here!! The Forum is literally just around the corner. I hope you have registered for the Strides Walk. It will take place at noon on Thursday, beginning in the main lobby of the KICC. T-shirts may be picked up in the lobby starting at 9 a.m. Due to safety concerns with traffic, we will be walking around the outside of the KICC. Come join over 700 of your closest friends in this fun event. Money raised through the Strides Walk goes to Diabetes Research and treatment. Over the past few years, we have raised over \$60,000. Let's get that to \$70,000 this year.



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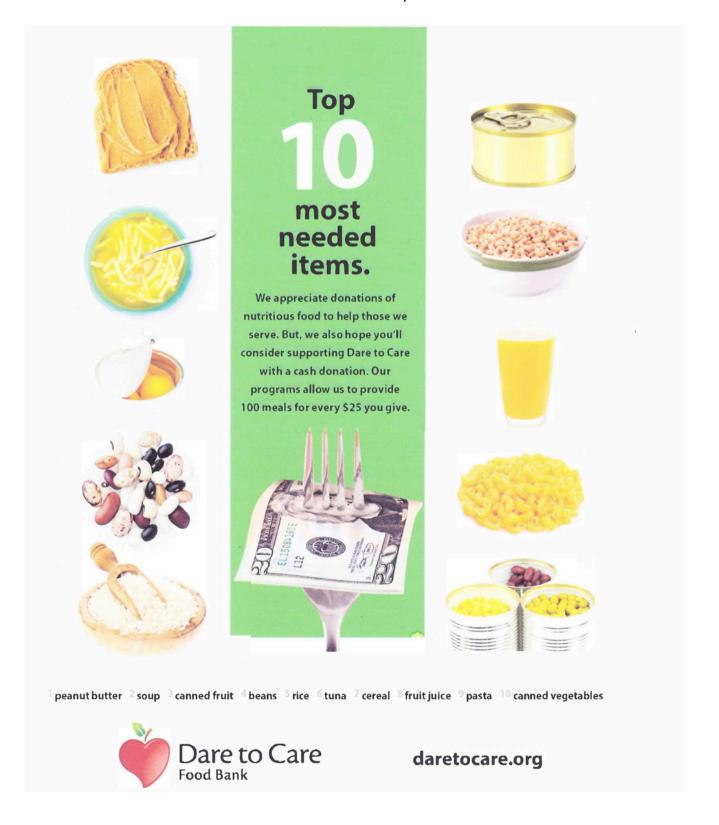
# BRING COLD WEATHER CLOTHING/FOOD FOR SERVICE PROJECT

STEVE THORNTON, STRIDES/SERVICE CHAIR

Our service project needs your help. We are collecting cold weather items, such as hats, scarves, gloves and socks, for the local Louisville area shelters to distribute to those in need. They will be collected near the main entrance to the KICC at the corner of 4th and Market streets.

We will also we collecting food items to be distributed through Dare to Care. They have provided us with a list of the most needed items. Please check the list below and bring what you can. This is a great way to show the Louisville area, and the world, that we live up to our motto, We Serve!

See y'all soon!



# VISIT OUR SPONSORS BOOTHS AND SEMINARS

DAVID WENTWORTH, SPONSORS CHAIR

Sponsors help the Planning Committee keep the registration cost of the Forum at a more affordable level. Please be sure to thank the sponsors at their booths in the Exhibit Hall as well as attend their seminar sessions.

All of the seminars being presented by sponsors will be in Room M100 with the following schedule:

Sept. 6 - 8:30-9:40 a.m. - Plusoptix

Sept. 6 - 10:00-11:10 a.m. - Terri Lynn

Sept. 6 - 2:00-3:10 p.m. - A Ball for All

Sept. 6 - 3:30-4:40 p.m. - Baxter/School Health

Sept. 7 - 8:30-9:40 a.m. - Grouper

Sept. 7 - 10:00-11:10 a.m. - Titmus

We will again this year hold a contest through the Exhibit Hall. Cards will be provided in your welcome

bags when you check in at the Forum. Get stamps from all of the sponsors plus 10 other exhibitors before returning your card to the Friends of the Forum booth in the Exhibit Hall for a chance to win one of two free Forum registrations for the 2025 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Entries must be submitted by 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 7.

Sponsor Exhibit Hall Booth Locations

100 & 102 - Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation

101 & 103 - Plusoptix

113 & 115 - Terri Lynn

122 & 124 - Baxter/School Health

200 & 202 - Friends of the Forum

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