

**Report to MD19 Winter Council Meeting
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**2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
September 21 -23, 2023
Reno, Nevada USA**

2023 Reno Forum September 21-23, 2023

We shall be in the Biggest Little City in the World, Reno, for the 47th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum from September 21-23, 2023.

The theme for the Reno Forum is ***“Up and Away with Leadership”***, in keeping with the world famous annual Great Balloon Race in Reno.

The Forum will be in THE ROW, the city within the city. There is a choice among the hotels in the ROW: The Silver Legacy, Circus Circus and the Eldorado. All hotels are under one roof. The ROW will also host seminars and other special events. The Reno Ballroom, just a half block in walking distance from the ROW, will be the home of one large seminar room, the Forum Store and Exhibits. Just a half block from the Reno Ballroom is The Reno Event Center, which is where the general sessions will be held. So, there is no transportation needed once attendees arrive at The Row. The Row provides free shuttle service from the airport to The Row on a regular basis. Just look for the shuttle that has any of the hotels listed named on the vehicle. More detailed shuttle information is on The Row website.

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 Reno. Floyd Smith, San Diego’s living legend, will share his music and Lion’s story during the Thursday Opening Dinner, for Friday lunch we have storyteller Donna Hartley who delivers an inspirational message with a twist of humor and a bit of drama, 2023-24 LCI President Dr. Patti Hill will speak during the Saturday’s lunch, and we close out the Forum on Saturday night with Striker Corbin, a motivational speaker, certified hypnotist and success coach. 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.

The Forum website, **www.lionsforum.org**, continues to be updated with information on the 2023 Forum. Check it out!