

USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

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## **Lions all,**

The 2019 Lions Leadership Forum is in our back yard, Spokane.

The recent Columbus Forum set a good standard for us as we prepare for Spokane on **September 19-21, 2019.**

Just 10 days ago the Forum Planning Committee and the Spokane Host Committee, chaired by Laura Wintersteen-Arleth, met and planned next year's Forum. The planning process does, in fact, take that nearly eleven months.

I am pleased that we have host committee volunteers from every district working hard to make the Spokane Forum one of the best ever. We will need more MD-19 volunteers so please promote the Forum in your home districts.

One of the improvements you will see this year is that we (the PR committee) will be promoting via emails to the surrounding region Lions to let them know of the Forum opportunity in 2019. The region includes B.C., Alberta, Manitoba, Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Montana.

Register now for the rate of \$285 each. We have hotels that are reasonably priced and are either connected to the Convention Center or easily walkable.

80+ seminars are being planned, along with a Thursday Strides Diabetes Walk and amazing speakers planned for luncheon and Saturday evening sessions.

**Register and check out the Forum and Spokane at**  
**[www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org)**