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To: All District 1-J Lions

From: Lion Paul Gergolla, PDG

Subject: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Milwaukee

This year's USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is about as close to our District as possible. Milwaukee, Wisconsin is little more than an hour to an hour and a half away from most District 1-J Lions. Many of our Lions know places in Milwaukee that they like to visit. There's nothing new about going to Milwaukee.

Starting on September 23rd through the 25th, our District 1-J Lions will have the opportunity to become some of the best informed Lions in Illinois. There will be many seminars covering many topics. Some of this year's offerings include: Club Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Tail Twisters. These are about specific offices. Some of the other topics include: Public Speaking, Membership and Retention. These are topics that all Lions could use, not just officers.

Participating Lions will enjoy the camaraderie that you will experience when meeting fellow Lions from across the United States and Canada. You have fun at your own Club meetings. You will have fun at the Forum as well. When you attend your own Region Meeting you learn from Lions in other Clubs what they are doing. This exchange of ideas will occur at the Forum also. Your fellow Lions are always happy to talk about the successes that their Club has enjoyed. You could return to your Home Club with an idea for a new fundraiser or new community service.

Do you want to learn more details about the Forum? Please visit the Forum's website at <https://usacanadalionsforum.org/>. You will find a complete listing of all Forum topics. Registration for the Forum is easy. It can be done in 2 ways. You can do it by downloading the PDF file at <https://usacanadalionsforum.org/registration.pdf>, filling it out and mailing it (with check) to the address provided on the form. You can also do it online by going to <https://usacanadalionsforum.org/online-registration.html>. How much does registration cost: \$250 per registrant **until June 16th** and \$270 after. This covers the cost of all seminars, 2 lunches and 2 banquets with great speakers. **So get those registrations in NOW!** Hotel registration is possible through these sites. The rates range from \$79 to \$142 per night for rooms within 2 blocks of the Midwest Airlines Center.

Is it worth attending? I say an emphatic YES! I have participated in 4 Forums and strongly encourage you to attend this one. Take an extra day in Milwaukee and see some of those favorite places to visit.