

DESTINATION TAMPA

2012 USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

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Come Early - Stay Late



As Honorary Chair of the 36th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum it is my pleasure to invite you to Tampa, Florida September 13th-15th, 2012 to attend the 2012 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

Located In the heart of Tampa's entertainment district there will be a multitude of things to do when not attending a forum function. The Tampa Bay Convention Center is located on beautiful Tampa Bay. You can walk the river walk and enjoy the many sites along the water, you might want to enjoy a relaxing dinner cruise on Tampa Bay, or one of the many restaurants located in the immediate area.

Many of your forum evaluations from the 2011 Anchorage Forum said that our forum needed a facelift and new ideas. Under the leadership of General Chair PCC Polly Voon, the

planning committee is making a number of changes and this year's forum will start to show a new look. Rome wasn't built in a day and this Forum will not be totally changed overnight but the "CHANGE" has started and you will like it!!

Following the Forum theme of "Leadership in a World of Service", the seminars committee has developed a menu of exciting seminars - the sessions will wet your whistle with new ideas to take back and implement within your club. Some of the usual seminars are back due to popular request and many new seminars will be offered - everything from a lesson in Lions Ethics to how to use Social Media to benefit you and your club.

For the first time our Past International Presidents will be presenting several seminars ranging from giving their interpretation of my Presidential Program to keeping yourself engaged in Lionism – you will enjoy their expertise and insight into Lionism.

The host committee is planning a fun night on Friday evening for all to enjoy – get down and party with your Lions friends.

Tampa is located in or near some of the best attractions offered anywhere in the USA. Disney World is just an hour and a half away, BUSCH Gardens is next door, and the Gulf of Mexico is 45 minutes to the west.

Needless to say, Florida is a golfer's paradise and the Tampa Bay area is peppered with some of the United States best golf courses to test your skills.

So plan now to join us In the Sunshine State in September 2012. I will be looking for you!!!

Wayne A. Madden
Honorary Chairperson
1st Vice President
Lions Clubs International



Special points of interest:

- * The Florida Aquarium
- * Henry B. Plant Museum
- * Glazer Children's Museum
- * Tampa Museum of Art
- * David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts
- * Tampa Theater
- * Tampa Bay History Center

Warm Up to Tampa Bay!

Tampa Bay has all the best of Florida in one place. It is rich in history and folklore!



From the northwestern corner of the United States, Anchorage, Alaska site of the 2011 Forum, we head south and east to Tampa in the Sunshine State of Florida for the 2012 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum from September 13-15, 2012!

With its varied cultural offerings, world-class attractions, water recreation opportunities, a vibrant Latin heritage with its savory Spanish and Cuban influenced cuisine, Tampa is an ideal venue to host the 36th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in September 2012.

Tampa Bay has all the best of Florida in one place. It is rich in history and folklore. Rumors have it that the legendary pirate, Jose Gaspar, who "owned" Tampa Bay during the 18th century might just make his presence known during the Forum.

Tampa is a city by the Bay where you can stroll along the Riverwalk and nearby sandy beaches in near constant sunshine. Hop on a historic streetcar to Channelside cafes and shops. Yes – there is a theme park

here also - Busch Gardens, the Florida Aquarium, Lowry Park Zoo, and the Glazer Children's Museum just to name a few. Shopping is a must in quaint villages or magnificent plazas, incredible dining choices from fresh seafood to Spanish old world flavors to the best steaks anywhere. Explore Florida's first industrial town, Ybor City. Built over a century ago, this Tampa neighborhood once served as America's cigar capital. Today, this historic area overflows with art galleries, restaurants, and live music making it one of Florida's most culturally rich neighborhoods.

Consider extending your stay either before or after the Forum to enjoy all that Tampa Bay and Florida has to offer visitors. Orlando, just an hour out of Tampa, is a favorite family vacation destination and well known for its theme parks and water parks including Walt Disney World Resort, Universal Orlando Resort, SeaWorld, Aquatica and now LegoLand. Bring the family and combine a family vacation with the Forum.

Forum proceedings will take place in the spectacular Tampa Convention Center with a featured speaker during each of the four general meal sessions. The lineup includes the 2012-2013 President of Lions Clubs International and professional speakers Steven Fulmer, James Malinchak and Mary Feeley. You will be entertained, inspired and educated with their messages. James Malinchak, who was featured in ABC's 2011 Reality Show "Undercover Millionaire", empowers

audiences to achieve extraordinary results, human strategist Steven Fulmer's message is rich with content, humor and the power of effective and relevant story telling. You will listen, laugh, and learn with Mary Feeley. The seminars committee has put together a program of seminars and special interest sessions on many new topics and with new presenters.

The Host Committee under the leadership of Past Council Chairperson Jackie Cameron is excited about showcasing the best that Tampa Bay and Multiple District 35 have to offer Forum attendees. Come and enjoy their hospitality – they have laid out the red carpet!

We look forward to meeting up with you in Tampa from September 13-15, 2012!

Polly Voon PCC General Chairperson 2012 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum



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Anchorage, Alaska - The Last Frontier!



What better place to sharpen your Lions leadership skills and knowledge, and meet up with old friends and make new ones, then Anchorage, Alaska in September! More

than 1,800 Lions, Lioness, Leos and guests registered for the 35th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum which was held in Anchorage on September 22-24, 2011. The weather was great, the Alaskan Lions welcomed us with open arms and Mt. McKinley stood majestically above the mountain range. It couldn't have been any better.

The new Dena'Ina Convention Center and the adjacent Egan Center were home for our seminars and banquet meals where attendees learned from knowledgeable presenters and heard three inspiring speakers. In addition, International President Dr. Wing-Kun Tam moved everyone during his motivational presentation on Saturday.

The year of planning by the Planning and Host Committees was quite evident. Evaluations and comments collected and tabulated following the Forum expressed enjoyment of the facilities, presenters, speakers, transportation, host volunteers...and yes, even the food! An overall rating of 4.4 out of a possible 5 for their Forum experience was one of the highest ever

My sincere thanks to Host Committee Chair PID Buster and Lion Cheryl Hall for their untiring efforts and for putting together a fantastic Host Committee. A special thanks also goes to our Honorary Chair, Vice President Wayne Madden and the Planning Committee for their dedicated service. But, most importantly, thank you to all the attendees for helping make the Anchorage Forum a success. You indeed believed in our theme, "I Believe in Lions Leadership."

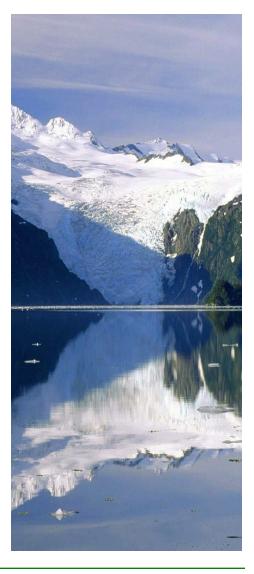
I look forward to the Tampa Forum, to be held September 13-15, 2012 under the very capable hands of PCC Polly Voon. I hope to see you all there.

In Service,

PID Bud Wahl

General Chairperson

2011 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum



Proper Recognition of Photographs

I would like to extend my sincere apologies to PDG John J. Trautner of Girdwood, Alaska. Lion John, owner of Canyon Creek Photography, is an avid photographer and we used two of his photographs in our Alaska Forum Registration Brochure, without acknowledging his work.

The two photos, one of the three bear cubs sitting on a rock, and the other of

a bear sleeping on a white log, were given to us, in good faith, to use accordingly. I failed to follow through to assure proper recognition was given to Lion John. It was not, and for that, I am truly sorry for the omission.

We have discussed this on the Planning Committee and are currently taking steps to assure this does not happen again.

On behalf of the entire Anchorage Planning Committee and myself, we are truly sorry for this unfortunate incident.

PID Bud Wahl General Chairperson

2011 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

USA/CANADA Lions Leadership Forum Planning Committee



From front to rear, left to right: PID Terry Graham, Canadian Advisor; PID Chuck Kostro, Secretary; PCC Polly Voon, General Chairperson; 1st Vice President LCI Wayne Madden, Honorary Chairperson; PID Ron Duffe, Treasurer; PID Doug Lozier, Vice Chairperson.

2nd Row: PID Randy Heitmann, Seminars Personnel; PID Walter R. "Bud" Wahl, U.S. Advisor; ID Brian Sheehan, Board Appointee; PID Dr. Beverly Roberts, Seminar Chairperson; PCC Paul Bledsoe, PR/Promotion/Production Manager; PCC Jackie Cameron, Host Chairperson; PCC Mark Miller, Opening/Closing Chairperson; Lion David Skillin, Website/Newsletter Chairperson.

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USA/CANADA Lions Leadership Forum Host Committee



From front to rear, left to right, 1st Row: Lion David Skillin, Webmaster/Newsletter Chairperson; PCC Jackie Cameron, Host Chairperson; PID Neil Spencer, Advisor/VIP Transportation; PDG John Carbaugh, Vice Chairperson/Facilities; Lion Ken Anthony, Hospitality Personnel.

2nd Row: Lion Rae Nash, Hospitality Personnel; PDG Paul Nash, Treasurer; CC Suzy Stathas, Recording Secretary/VIP/Protocol Chairperson; Lion Joyce Fulks, Seminars Personnel; Lion Linda Graham, Sergeant-at-Arms Chairperson; Lion Richard Graham, Sergeant-at-Arms Co-Chairperson; Lion Mary Lackey, Manpower Chairperson.

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Not Pictured: PDG Donna Spencer, Forum Store Chairperson; PVDG Carolyn Lloyd, Hospitality Personnel; PDG Anne Greer, Manpower Co-Chairperson; Lion Tom Bullock, Official Photographer; Lion MaryAnn Bullock, Registration Chairperson; Lion Dennis Walton, Pin Traders Co-Chairperson; Lion Waid Tribiano, Transportation Chairperson; PDG Lou Cantrell, Runners.

36th ANNUAL USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM
Tampa Bay, Florida
Opening Banquet - Thursday, September 13, 2012 @ 5:30 PM
Closing Banquet - Saturday, September 15, 2012 @ 6:00 PM
"Leadership in a World of Service"

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3. The ABC's of Social Media Techniques	39. Professional Speaker - James Malinchak	
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23. First Timers Orientation	59. Serving as an International Director	
24. Supercharge Your Service Force	60. Creative Contests for Clubs and Districts	
25. Goal Setting for Today's Lions Club	61. Conflict Resolution	
26. A World of Excellence Right in My Lions Club!	62. Everything You Want to Know About Engaging Tomorrow's Lions But Were Afraid To Ask!	
27. What Makes a Lions Club a Strong One?	63. Serving as a Zone or Region Chairperson	
28. Marketing Your Dynamic Lions Club	64. Keep 'em From Leavin'	
29. Leos and Leo-to-Lion Conversion	65. Serving as a Club Treasurer	
30. How To Be a Leading Lion	66. OMG! I've Got to Give a Speech	
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33. Become a "World Class" Committee Chairperson	69. Serving as a Council Chairperson	
34. What to Expect in Overland Park, KS in 2013	70. Leadership & Service Opportunities for PIPs and PIDs	
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James Malinchak

I'm just a steel-mill town kid who did some things right!



What happens when businessmotivational speaker and self-made millionaire James Malinchak is picked up by an ABC television crew, placed on an airplane with no money,

credit cards, cell phone, laptop or watch, and whisked off to an impoverished neighborhood, where he has to survive on less then \$45.00 for a week?

After growing-up in a small Pennsylvania steel-mill town near Pittsburgh as the son of a steelworker and a housewife – James Malinchak, a selfmade millionaire businessman and speaker has a strong passion for serving others and has impacted hundreds of thousands by teaching his unique personal and business strategies. He has dedicated his life to helping others "Achieve a Better, Richer Business and Life!" TM

James is a dynamic speaker, successful businessman and celebrity author who has a life-changing message that is sure to make you laugh, learn and be inspired! He will mix humor and enthusiasm with empowering stories to deliver a high content message that "Empowers Audiences to Achieve Extraordinary Results!"

James is a self-improvement specialist who is one of only 50 featured experts in the movie Pass It On and is one of the top-selling authors of 16 books/products, including co-author of Chicken Soup for the College Soul.

Mary Feeley

Motivational Humorist, Speaker and Trainer

A business woman and comedian with



superb combined credentials, Mary Feeley, CSP. The Provocateur provides the perfect mix hysterical humor, honest insight. realworld skills. and inspiring challenge. Mary's humor

and wisdom possess universal appeal.

Mary has decades of successful business experience, from front-line to executive positions in sales, marketing, customer service and public relations. She has worked in both the public and private sectors.

In addition, she is an award winning stand-up comedian who has performed in top comedy clubs throughout the United States. Mary was the first female to be accepted and promoted to headliner comic at the Comic Annex in Houston.

Dr. Patch Adams has invited Mary to join him and thirty other humor professionals in China for a humanitarian program in 1999, coordinated by the People to People Ambassador Programs. This organization was founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower to facilitate and encourage citizen diplomacy in global interaction.

Mary was awarded the highest earned speaking designation as a Certified Speaking Professional. Fewer than 7% of the five thousand speakers who belong to the International Federation for Professional Speakers hold this professional designation.

Steven Fulmer

Life is a blend of creation and discovery

Steven has achieved almost every



dream he set his mind to, including being the first in his family to graduate from college, becoming a VP by 35, driving across the country, flying airplane. an skiing in the Alps, sailing,

owning a sailboat, traveling to Russia, falling deeply in love, creating a family, and identifying his life purpose, to name a few.

Known for his ability to blend humor with direct insight and strategic action, Steven Fulmer lights the fire of change, connection and possibility. Steven is an accomplished keynote speaker, published author, H.U.M.A.N. Strategies Coach and frequent seminar leader with over 20 years of professional experience. As a professional speaker and coach he helps people think and act differently about their jobs, roles and lives.

Things are not always as they seem, one of the greatest gifts Steven imparts to his audience is that of perspective. Through his wisdom and experience he helps his audience see, think and feel things they may not have experienced before. Steven is intelligent, articulate, inspiring, fun, direct, and his authentic presence is sure to have a powerful and lasting impact on your audience.

Leadership,
It's Where you Place the
Pressure that Counts!

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Sizzling hot and exciting!

Are you getting what you want or need out of being a Lion? — This seminar will include the expectations of new and experienced Lions, and how clubs can satisfy these needs and expectations and retain the Lions.

The ABCs of Social Media Techniques — Observe "live on the internet" how to tweet, talk, and use today's social media while determining the possibilities of how these techniques could help your club.

Lions Put "Fun" in Fundraising! Enjoy learning about unusual and profitable fundraisers that will develop club closeness, friendships and fond memories.

Kindergarten Lessons for Lions See the reasons why to share, respect, encourage, help, play nice, build memories, have fun, be yourself, eat well, communicate, and learn are the basics for a healthy club.

Meetings, Bloody Meetings! — Experience the five common mistakes when conducting a meeting and how to correct them--plan, inform, prepare, structure and control, summarize and record.

Providing Important Perspective for Today's Lion — Interact with Past International Presidents as they share their personal thoughts and passions about Lionism for today.

At the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, over 60 seminars with learning and sharing experiences will be available for you. You will have the opportunity to develop your personal leadership skills, hone those which need fine tuning, and adjust the rest. These skills can be used at work, at home, in the community, and in your Lions Club.

Come join the rest of us!

Sizzling hot and exciting seminars will be waiting for the USA and Canada Lions in Tampa Bay.



Unique Climate and Coastline of Tampa Bay

Tampa Bay, which is a regional term According to the National Weather that includes the cities of Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater, is actually a body of water. Tampa Bay is the largest open-water estuary in Florida. Though nearly 400 square miles, the Bay has an average depth of just 12 feet. Tampa Bay borders three counties with four major rivers flowing into it - Hillsborough, Alafia, Manatee and Little Manatee.

Service, Tampa Bay has an average of 361 days per year with some sunshine. In addition, Tampa has never officially recorded a temperature of 100 degrees or higher.

The last time that Tampa suffered a direct hit by a hurricane was in 1921.

The Tampa Bay region is home to 35 miles of white sand beaches on some

20 barrier islands along the Gulf of Mexico. The 2008 annual beach survey by Stephen P. Leatherman, also known as Dr. Beach, named Caladesi Island State Park the No.1 beach in the country.



Plant's Tampa Bay Hotel



When you're building a railroad to nowhere, how do you make the journey worthwhile? If you're railroad magnate Henry Bradley Plant, in the midst of the sand swamps that would be Tampa, you construct the most astonishingly magnificent hotel of its day, then fill it with treasures from around the world.

With its splendid Moorish architecture, opulent furnishings, and spectacular tropical gardens, Plant's Tampa Bay Hotel attracted a host of celebrated guests, from Teddy Roosevelt to Sarah Bernhardt to Babe Ruth.

A visit to the Henry B. Plant Museum and the authentically restored rooms of the Tampa Bay Hotel will transport you back to a time of indulgent 10course meals, waltzing on the verandah and alligator hunting by moonlight. The journey is still worthwhile.

At the Henry B. Plant Museum, experience the grandeur of an extravagant Victorian palace that opened in 1891 as the Tampa Bay Hotel and is now a National Historic Landmark. Stroll the grand hallway and enter magnificent rooms adorned with European furniture and art of the Gilded Age. Experience the elegance of the Victorian lifestyle as a tourist in turn-of-the century Florida. The Museum Store features an enchanting collection of antique reproductions and accessories, jewelry, books, paper dolls, and many other unique and romantic treasures.

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm — with guided tour at 1 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Sunday, noon to 5 pm — with Live Theater performance at 2 pm (Sept — May). Closed Mondays, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Admission: January - November: \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$7 for students and \$5 for children 4 - 12 years. Henry B. Plant Museum members are admitted at no charge. During the month of December there is special pricing for the Victorian Christmas Stroll.



Plant's Tampa Bay Hotel attracted a host of celebrated guests, from Teddy Roosevelt to Sarah Bernhardt to Babe Ruth.

There's plenty to enjoy in Tampa.

A waterfront city with many opportunities to experience the warm waters and gentle bay breezes. Family-friendly attractions with plenty of sights and sounds to expand your mind and capture your imagination.

For your downtime, our restaurants and shopping sure to delight and surprise. Golf courses, parks, and nature trails beckon you outside. Museums, history, and the arts add to the rich diversity of cultures. Entertainment complexes and nightlife options that are exciting and appealing. And a community that welcomes its visitors with open arms.



Need to get around? No Problem! The area's transportation system creates tremendous connectivity between hotels, the convention center, and entertainment venues. The historic electric streetcar and the in-town trolleys are fun, hassle-free ways to get around the downtown/convention center core.

We invite you to come and see why Tampa is the perfect fit for you.

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Join Us for a Lions Invasion of Tampa Bay!

From the moment you step off the plane at Tampa International Airport to your arrival at your assigned hotel you will be greeted by some of the best southern hospitality Tampa has to offer.

Suzi Davis Travel has been selected as the official air travel agency for the 2012 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. Give them a call at 800-397-1455 or book online via their website at www.suzidavistravel.com.

Forum proceedings will take place in the spectacular Tampa Convention Center with it's beautifully appointed décor, soft sophisticated colors and unique architectural designs.

The Tampa Convention Center offers the convenience of a vibrant downtown, adjacent first-class accommodations and Florida's largest variety of destination offerings blending as one to provide a remarkable venue.

Your featured speakers who will entertain, inspire and educate you with their messages include Lions Clubs International's 2012-2013 President and professional speakers Steven Fulmer, James Malinchak and Mary Feeley.

Located adjacent to the Tampa Convention Center is the host hotel, the Tampa Marriott Waterside, the Em-

bassy Suites and Westin Harbour Island Hotels.

Within walking distance of the Convention Center are the Hyatt Regency and the Sheraton Riverwalk. With their outstanding accommodations and delicious restaurants you will soon know why they were selected as the official hotels of the 2012 USA/ Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

Not only do we want you to enjoy everything the 2012 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum has to offer including the speakers and seminars but we also want you to enjoy everything else Tampa Bay and Florida has to offer.

Take some extra time to enjoy one of the area theme parks, visit a zoo or museum, enjoy one of the land tours or even a five (5) day pre-forum or seven (7) day post-forum cruise. Cruise Holidays of Viera has put together two fine cruise packages you might want to check out!



Expect to be greeted by the best southern hospitality

Tampa Bay has to offer.

SuperShuttle your Official Shuttle Service!

If you need a ride to your hotel one of the greeters will direct you to SuperShuttle, the official shuttle service of the 2012 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

Remember to tell them you're a Lion and don't forget to use discount discount code: YUGLZ. The discount code is valid two (2) weeks before and two (2) weeks after the forum.

Super Shuttle has an application for the Apple iPhone along with a mobile optimized website for Windows, Android or Blackberry phones.

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We're on the web! usacanadalionsforum.org

It could be Rosemont, Anchorage, Memphis, or any one of 30 other locations in between. If you want to enhance your leadership skills, network and enjoy the friendship of your fellow Lions the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is the place you want to be.

Join us in Tampa, September 13th - 15th for a Lions invasion of Tampa Bay! You'll be glad you did. ARGH!!!





TAMPA, FL 2012

www.tampabayforum2012.org
Anchorage, Alaska-Thursday
morning we could barely get to the
booth and there were Lions already
in line to register to come to Tampa.
We started the day with a small line
but ended with a huge crowd all
waiting patiently on the credit card
machines to register for our Forum.
This repeated on Friday and
Saturday. I believe we had the
busiest booth in the entire center.
The exact number of registrations
has not yet been made available but
we figure that about half of the 1,500

attendees have already preregistered. That is AWESOME!! I want to take this opportunity to THANK EACH OF YOU WHO GAVE OF YOUR TIME. We showed everyone who the Lions of MD35 are and gave them a taste of our southern hospitality. Our Lions worked the booth for registration with smiles, laughter and had fun doing it. We finished it off by being the hit of the evening as Pirates and Wenches. In our Closing Ceremony fight, the Pirates and Wenches were led by Captain Leon aka Lion David Skillin and the Banana Shirts were led by Captain Spencer aka PID Neil Spencer. Though the fight ensued, there was a truce called between them. We ended with Lion Ken Anthony kidnapping Tampa Honorary Chair 1st VP Wayne

Madden, PCC Gary Nieskes kidnapped Tampa General Chair PCC Polly Voon and PDG Paul Nash kidnapped Host Committee Chair PCC Jackie Cameron. Vice Host Committee Chair IPDG John Carbaugh claimed if anyone wanted to see their Flatfaces alive again, they would need to come to Tampa in September 2012 for their release.

Now we will be putting all our committees to work so we can have the best Forum ever in Tampa 2012. There were many of you who contributed time and worked in our booth and not all names were mentioned. Please know that without all of you, this could not have been done. On behalf of Host Committee we say THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU!!!

Jackie Cameron and John Carbaugh, Host Committee