

## 2024 Annual Convention Report

Report by: PDG Leslie Smith, Chairperson

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We are excited for our upcoming MD19 Lions Annual Convention May 23-25. Venue is the Silver Reef Hotel and Casino in Ferndale, WA. The theme: Off to the Races Kentucky Derby Style. Ladies, get out the big hats, and gentlemen time to show off those ties. Registration forms were sent out in early January with the expectation of a great attendance. We were able to keep meal prices reasonable as well as the hotel costs. There is also RV parking on site (dry camping only).

We are going with a different format this year and that is on Friday and Saturday afternoon we will put offering on/off site service projects of all types so everyone can participate. Great opportunity to work hands on with your fellow lions and share stories. The mornings will be business as usual.

The guest speaker for the weekend is 1<sup>st</sup> Year Director Steven Middlemiss from Hudson, New Hampshire, USA.

On behalf of myself and our committee we look forward to seeing everyone in Ferndale as we celebrate our 103<sup>rd</sup> annual convention.

Co-Chair  
PDG Leslie Smith