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Well, my fellow Lions, your help is needed! And what else is new, you might say because isn't that what Lions are all about? But this time, your service is needed in a different way and for one of our own.

We need your vote in Milan, Italy next year at the 102nd International Convention. And the only way you can vote is to BE THERE! We have all supported PID Dr Patti Hill in her campaign for International 3rd Vice President because we know what an amazing woman she is and what an incredible President she will be. But she needs our support by voting for her in Milan. There will be another candidate for that position, but, of course, we want OUR candidate, Dr Patti Hill to win the election!

There is no question that it is expensive to go to International Conventions and I know that not everyone can go – but I am encouraging all of you who possibly can, please come and vote for Lion Patti in Milan, Italy.

And further to that note, it is hard to imagine going to Italy and not seeing Rome, Venice, Tuscany, the Amalfi Coast, Sicily etc etc etc! And of course, since you are already going to be in 'Europe', there are cruises on the Mediterranean, river cruises in Europe to relax and enjoy the countryside, the culture and the food! And if you don't want to travel on the water, there are amazing sight-seeing experiences to enjoy by coach to almost anywhere you would want to go!

There are some land/sea itineraries that have been arranged specifically for Lions by a couple of companies that were present at the International Convention in Las Vegas last month, that fit into the International Convention schedule. So, there are adventures to be had pre-convention and post-convention!

There are other options for travel in and around Italy can be customized with enough interest – usually the travel companies need 15-20 people to make these more affordable.

The cruises in the area and in the Convention time frame are usually 7-10 days, and the land travel can be arranged before or after the cruises. The options of what to do in that part of the world are almost limitless!

The most difficult part of all this, is to decide where you want to go and what you want to do! I would be very happy to help you with any of your travel questions and plans – Just ASK! And if it works out, I also would be happy to arrange the trip for you.

The most IMPORTANT thing is though, is come to Milan and VOTE for PID Dr Patti Hill!