



2019 AFA Convention Workshops

Overview

September 14, 2019
1000-1200
Various
Dress: Business Casual

AFA leadership is excited to offer our delegates a variety of workshops on critical AFA program areas. You will choose the two sessions which most interest you and join a small group discussion which will include a program overview and opportunities for you to ask questions specific to your chapter or state. This is also a great opportunity for you to present your own successes, challenges or opportunities to program leaders.

Advanced registration is required as we have limited capacity in each workshop. We will email all attendees any agenda updates prior to the workshops. Participants will have the opportunity to select two sessions to attend.

Please click [here](#) to register for the 2019 Convention Workshops. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kari Voliva at kvoliva@afa.org.

Workshop Options: Session A

1000-1050 **Aerospace Education Workshop – Jim Hannam, Mary Anne Thompson & Susan Mallett**

ROOM: Chesapeake 1

This session, led by key members of AFA's Aerospace Education Council, will provide an overview and updates for AFA's education programs. Participants are encouraged to offer suggestions on how AFA can better support STEM education in their communities.

1000-1050 **Join the Fight: AFA Membership Growth– Tyler Johnson**

ROOM: Chesapeake F

Membership Committee Chairman Tyler Johnson will engage participants with advice on how to encourage membership growth in your chapters. Topics will include lessons learned and new initiatives of AFA's membership committee.

1000-1050 **AFA Doolittle Leadership Center Q&A – Orville Wright**

ROOM: Chesapeake 2

Come learn about all the exciting things to come with AFA's Doolittle Leadership Center (DLC)! The DLC will provide opportunities for AFA members, including mid-career military, government, and industry professionals to study, develop leadership skills, and collaborate in the national security arena. Your AFA President will engage in conversation for our vision and the hard problems the DLC will help solve with your help.

1000-1050 **AFA Development Initiatives– Rick Hartle**

ROOM: Chesapeake A

This session, led by AFA Secretary and Development Committee Chair, Rick Hartle, will help chapters meet their fundraising goals to further advance AFA's mission in the Field. Topics covered will include Community Partners, AFA national development initiatives and more. Participants are encouraged to bring their best practices in revenue generation to the discussion.

Workshop Options: Session B

1100-1150 **AFA STEM Workshop – Bernie Skoch, Stephen Gourley & Gina Giles**

ROOM: Chesapeake 1

This session will expand on the Aerospace Education Workshop with an in-depth discussion on AFA's key education programs: CyberPatriot and StellarXplorers. In addition to program overviews, participants will learn about best practices in the Field and advice on how to work with local school boards to help grow AFA's education programs.

1100-1150 **Chapter Websites – Joe Burke**

ROOM: Chesapeake F

This session will highlight the new AFA IT capabilities for chapter websites. Joe Burke will lead a demonstration on the current capabilities and successes of our pilot chapters who first created websites on our new platform.

1100-1150 **Advocacy Panel – Chet Curtis, Dave Deptula, Keith Zuegel, Mark Tarpley, Sam Grizzle and Joe Marvin.**

ROOM: Chesapeake 2

Advocacy leaders from across AFA will come together to discuss hot topics and how AFA chapters can best advocate for our Airmen and their families.

1100-1150 **Leadership Development – Ross Lampert**

ROOM: Chesapeake A

AFA's Field Council has been tackling the tough issue of leadership development and will present on the key findings from the field surveys and discuss recommendations and future actions. Participants are encouraged to share best practices in cultivating new AFA leaders and retaining current leaders.