

The Aerospace & Defense Forum



Facilitating Business Communication, Collaboration, & Commerce

Tour of Bell Helicopter

Dallas - Ft. Worth Chapter

Thursday, April 13, 2017

7:30am-8:00am: Breakfast & Networking

8:00am-10:15am: Meeting & Tour

[Click here to register.](#)

Both members and non-members must register to attend.

This event is limited to 15 attendees. **US citizens only.** A wait list will be maintained.

Registration will close at 9pm on Monday April 10.

Registration Fees:

Free - A&D Forum member (exclusive access until March 31)

\$30 - Non-member (after March 31)

You will receive multiple invitations, regardless of whether you have already registered. Please do not register more



than once!.

Joining the DFW Chapter mailing list to automatically receive meeting notices is always free. [Click here](#) to join the DFW Chapter mailing list.

See meeting logistics information below.

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A&D Forum member benefits include advance registration for tours, free attendance at chapter meetings, and access to member sections of the website, including over 170 recorded chapter presentations and an A&D Calendar.

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April 13, 2017 Meeting

- [Click here](#) for a map of where to park and where to enter the building.
- **Bring a photo id.**
- Please check-in on arrival.
- Closed toed shoes only. This is a walking tour.
- Bring a business card - they will be duplicated and copies of all attendee's cards will be e-mailed after the meeting.
- Do not bring any cameras into the facility.
- There will not be any opportunity to distribute literature.
- Introductions will be minimal - your name, company, industry, and a 5 word "elevator speech". We encourage you to be creative!

[Feel free to pass this invitation on to others you think would be interested.](#)

A Tour of Bell Helicopter

We will be touring the Bell Rotor Systems Assembly Center and Advanced Composites Center. We will see modern composite manufacturing processes for the production of helicopter blades and large composite components, including the V-22 wing.

Schedule:

7:30-8:00 Registration, Breakfast and Networking

8:00-8:15: Introductions and A&D Forum news

8:15-8:30: Presentation

8:30-10:15: Tour

Recently Posted Presentation Recordings on the A&D Forum Website

"Increasing Your US-Mexico Cross-Border Commerce", Tomas Sibaja, Executive President, Cluster Aeroespacial De Baja California, Orange County Chapter, February 2

"Driving Ownership, Growth and a Successful Exit", Bob Swelgin, Founder, Swelgin Consulting Group; Partner, InVista Associates, Former President Smart Electronics and Lark Engineering, Arizona Chapter, February 9

"Anatomy of a Data Breach", Tom Allen, CEO, Opango, Inc., Dallas-Ft. Worth Chapter, February 9

"Cybersecurity Update: Latest Impacts on Aerospace & Defense", Brandon Gunter, Senior Manager Information Security Services, Moss Adams Advisory Services, Arizona Chapter, March 9

"The Future of Vertical Lift", Jeffrey Nissen, Business Development Manager - Technology and Innovation Advanced Tiltrotor Systems, Bell Helicopter, Textron Inc.,

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Bell Helicopter
3255 Bell Helicopter Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX 76118

Dallas-Ft. Worth Chapter, March 9

"Defense Industry Outlook and Trends", General Bob Edmonds, Senior Vice President, Elbit Systems of America, Los Angeles Chapter, March 17, 2017

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A&D Forum Chapter Meetings

San Diego Chapter: **"DoD Innovation and Collaboration Opportunities"**, panelists from SPAWAR Systems Center, Pacific, US Third Fleet Experimentation, & Warfighter Science Advisors, Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 5:30-7:45pm

Orange County Chapter: **"How to Professionally Manage A&D Projects"**, Barry Draskovich, Group Vice President of Program and Contract Management, Parker Aerospace, April 6

South Bay Chapter: **Tour of Morf3D**, April 12, 2017

Arizona Chapter: **Tour of ASU Interplanetary Initiative**, April 13, 2017

Los Angeles Chapter: **"Commercial Aerospace Backlogs and Trends"**, Dave Hopkins, Air Transport Business

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Development Group, April 21, 2017

Note: A&D Forum members have first opportunity to sign up for tours. Signup for members is typically available about 3 weeks before the meeting.

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