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AFT New Jersey Legislative Conference, April 10 - 11, 2015

Friday

3:00 - 6:00 pm

Registration, Room: Traymore

4:00 - 5:30 pm

Workshops

What Impact Does ACA Have on You as a Healthcare Consumer?

Room: Fairmount/Monticello

Presenter: John Abraham, Manager AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives

Moderator: Tom Peretti, AFTNJ Staff Representative

Setting a Legislative Agenda for New Jersey Adjuncts

Room: Lincoln/Central

Presenter: Dr. Sue Tardi, AFT Executive Vice President, Higher Education

Moderator: Joanna McAvoy, AFTNJ Senior Staff Representative

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Buffet Dinner

Room: Traymore A

Dinner Program: Donna M. Chiera (AFTNJ President), Bob McDevitt (President Local 54 UNITE-HERE), Roy Foster (President, Atlantic Cape May CLC), Congressman Donald Norcross – US Congressional District One

Saturday

8:00 - 9:00 am

Breakfast

Room: Traymore A

Keynote Speaker:

Randi Weingarten, AFT National President

Young Workers Program:

Charlie Wowkanech, NJ AFL-CIO President

8:30 am – 1:30 pm

Registration, Room: Traymore

9:15 - 10:40 am

Workshop Session One

NJ Pension Update

Room: Berkshire/Tivoli

Presenter: John Abraham, Manager, AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives

Moderator: Fougères Ferrier, AFTNJ Senior Staff Representative

Charter School Transparency

Room: Longwood/Imperial

Presenter: Michael Piccinelli, Manager AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives

Moderator: Tom Peretti, AFTNJ Staff Representative

Friedrichs v. CA Teachers Assn. What Will It Mean for Your Union?

Room: Lincoln/Central

Presenter: Rick Kuplinski, Deputy Dir., AFT Organization & Field Services

Moderator: Joanna McAvoy, AFTNJ Senior Staff Representative

AFTNJ ACE Program: Value Messaging.

Room: Fairmount/Monticello

Presenter: Evan Sutton, AFT Digital Manager

Moderator: Seth Anderson-Oberman, AFTNJ Political Director

11:00 am – 12:30 pm Workshop Session Two

What Impact Does ACA Have on You as a Healthcare Consumer?

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Presenter: John Abraham, Manager, AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives

Moderator: Joanna McAvoy, AFTNJ Senior Staff Representative

Federal Watch List: ESEA & Teacher Prep.

Room: Longwood/Imperial

Presenter: Michael Piccinelli, Manager, AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives

Moderator: Tom Peretti, AFTNJ Staff Representative

Higher Ed Accessibility and Affordability: What Can We Learn From Research?

Room: Lincoln/Central

Presenters: Allison Aguilar, AFT Research and Strategic initiatives

Christopher Hicks, Jobs with Justice, Debt Free Future Coalition Chair

Moderator: Seth Anderson-Oberman, AFTNJ Political Director

Using Social Media to Support Your Legislative Agenda

Room: Fairmount/Monticello

Speaker: Evan Sutton, AFT Digital Manager

Moderator: Nat Bender, AFTNJ Communications Director

12:30-2:30 pm

Luncheon

Room: Traymore

COPE Scholarship Award Program: Kay Schechter, COPE Chair

Strengthening Local Infrastructure: Rick Kuplinski

Awards:

- *Friend of Labor* - Congresswomen Bonnie Watson Coleman
- *Friend of PK12 Education* - Former Congressman Rush Holt
- *Friend of Higher Education* - Assemblywoman Mila Jasey
- *AFT Local Heroes*

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