

Welcome to the CIO Hour!

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After the Show – What We Learned at ASAE

Today's Panel



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The CIO Hour: After the Show – What We Learned at ASAE

- Tackling the problems and questions that are on your mind with real-world technology advice
- Featuring experts in their field with decades of real-world experience
- Usually the first Thursday of every month



Visit www.theCIOHour.com for upcoming topics and events.

Ground rules...

- No question is off limits!
- If the question is too specific to a particular situation, we may defer it but are happy to talk to you offline or after the event.
- This is a safe space, but we understand if you wish to remain anonymous.
- You may claim 1 CAE credit – details will be emailed tomorrow

Agenda

- In the News – A few highlights that might interest you
- Q & A – 45 min – Discussion with our experts and taking your questions
- The CIO after Hour – 30 minutes of open mic discussion

In the News...

1. Is This the Future of America?

<https://www.theverge.com/cs/features/975597/loudoun-county-virginia-data-center-backlash>

2. Chinese humanoid robots smash human records in 100m sprint and high jump at Beijing robot games

<https://apnews.com/article/china-humanoid-robot-games-us-86cb8e310843151a77057e4cb764b4e2>

3. Remembering Dolly Parton – The Imagination Library

<https://imaginationlibrary.com/>

4. The best privacy tools for using AI without giving up your data

<https://www.fastcompany.com/91597254/the-best-privacy-tools-for-using-ai-without-giving-up-your-data>



Ven-Con 2026

- Thursday, October 29th, 2026
- Executive Conference Center, Crystal City, VA
- This year's theme: *Technical Readiness & Building Partnerships*
- Associations are making bold technology investments, and it's on all of us — vendors and consultants alike — to show up prepared, aligned, and working together.
- We are adding a track just for Association Execs to contribute as well.

Visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ven-con-2026-tickets-1992006985517?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Today's Topic: After the Show – What We Learned at ASAE

Booths: 400+

Attendees: 5,000+



On to Your Questions...

Walking the floor this year, what technology category caught your attention more than you expected?

Across the clients and conversations you had at Annual, what tech trends kept coming up?

How did you decide which booths were worth your limited time on the floor?

What's a red flag you watch for when a vendor's pitch sounds a little too polished?

Did anything you saw at Annual change how
you're thinking about your tech stack for
next year?

Based on what you saw, where do you think associations are most behind on technology right now?

Did you see any vendors this year who seemed different from the pack — and how?

What education sessions stood out to you?

If you had to pick just one takeaway from annual this year, what would it be?

Other Questions?



Thank you to our experts!



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Final Thoughts

- Join us October 1st for **Haunted by Hackers: Cybersecurity Threats & How Associations Fight Back**
- An archive of this presentation and today's Webinar will be posted on theCIOHour.com in a few days.
- Any suggestions for future programs? Topics you would like to see covered? Please email us: theCIOHour@501works.com
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