

**Telecommunications Association of Maine
Annual Convention September 12 – September 14, 2017**

**TAM's 50th Anniversary Celebration
1967-2017**

“Celebrating the Creative Spirit of Maine’s Rural Telcos”

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm** TAM Board Lunch (Windjammer Room)
- 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm** TAM Board Meeting (Penn Bay Room)
- 5:45 pm - 7:00 pm** Registration & Welcoming Reception
Welcome Reception and Grand Opening of TAM 2017
Vendor Showcase – Exhibit Area (State of Maine Hall)
Cash Bar
ITPA Silent Auction - Coordinated by Suzanne Reed, UniTel
- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm** Group Dinner – BBQ (Bay Point Ballroom)
- 8:15 pm - 8:45 pm** *Special Surprise*
- 8:45 pm - 10:00 pm** Vendor Appreciation Night (Knox County Ballroom)

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

- 6:30 am -8:00 am** Breakfast Buffet – Exhibit Area (State of Maine Hall)
- 7:45 am** Registration (State of Maine Hall)
- 8:00 am** General Session (Knox County Ballroom)
- Welcome to Convention:
Scott Brooks, TAM President
TDS
- Presiding:
Scott Brooks, TAM President
TDS
- National Anthem:
Ben Sanborn, Esquire
Telecommunications Association of Maine

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 (continued)

Pledge of Allegiance:
Scott Brooks, TAM President
TDS

Invocation:
Dawna Hannan, Director – Human Resources & ILEC Regulatory Affairs
FirstLight

Opening Remarks:
Scott Brooks, TAM President
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8:30 am - 9:15 am **Opening Speaker “Challenges and Opportunities for Rural Broadband”**
Shirley Bloomfield, CEO
NTCA

9:15 am – 9:45 am **Patrick Coughlin, EVP & Chief Revenue Officer**
FirstLight

9:45 am – 10:00 am Coffee Break

10:00 am – 10:30 am **“Connecting Maine’s Economy”**
Amanda Rector, State Economist
State of Maine

10:30 am - 11:40 am Federal Panel

Moderator: **Steve Kraskin, Esquire**
Communications Advisory Counsel

Panelists:

Bob Debroux, Director, Federal Affairs & Public Policy
TDS Telecom

Keith Oliver, Senior Vice President Corporate Operations
Home Telecom

Chris Rector, Regional Representative
Office of Senator Angus King

Michael Shultz, VP Regulatory & Public Policy
Consolidated Communications

11:40 am Drawing of Door Prize – *Samsoet Weekend Getaway & \$100.00 Spending Money*
Compliments of TAM

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 (continued)

- 11:45 am** ADJOURN
- 11:45 am** Box Lunches to be delivered to Golf Course for Golfers
- 11:45 am** Plated Lunch – Exhibit Area (State of Maine Hall)
- 12:00 pm** TAM Annual Open Golf Tournament
(Box Lunch on Site)
- 1:30 pm** TAM Open Tennis Tournament

*Tennis Tournament sponsor:
Harbor Capital Advisory Services*

Concurrent Afternoon Workshops

Customer Service Workshop (Camden Room)
*Coordinated by: Dawna Hannan, Director – Human Resources & ILEC
Regulatory Affairs
FirstLight*

- 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm** 1st Session – CAD Regulatory Round Table

Moderator: **Dawna Hannan, Director – Human Resources & ILEC Regulatory Affairs**
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Panelists:

Derek Davidson, Director CAD
Maine Public Utilities Commission

Ben Sanborn, Esquire
Telecommunications Association of Maine

Jim Porter, Senior Policy and Telecommunications Director
Vermont Department of Public Service

Technicians Educational Workshops (Rockport Room)
*Coordinated by: Randal Manning, Vice President Operations and Business
Development
Lincolnvill Telephone Company*

- 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm** “Preparing for the Connected Home and Small Business”
Stephen Eyre, Area Vice President, Cloud & Software Solutions Sales
Calix

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 (continued)

- 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm** Break
- 2:45 pm – 4:30pm** 2nd Session – Rural Broadband Alliance Round Table (Camden Room)
Moderator: **Steve Kraskin, Esquire**
Communications Advisory Counsel
- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** Cocktail Reception (State of Maine Hall)
- 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm** Downeast Lobster Bake (Knox County Ballroom) Casual Dress
- 8:00 pm approx.** Dessert and Coffee – (Knox County Ballroom)
- 8:20 pm approx.** Golf Awards & Tennis Awards – (Knox County Ballroom)
- 8:30 pm** Entertainment – CASINO NIGHT (Camden Room)
Theme – The Sixties
- 9:30 pm** ITPA Silent Auction Closes

Thursday, September 14, 2017

~ Note – Hotel Checkout 11:00 am ~

- 6:30 am – 8:00 am** Breakfast Buffet – Exhibit Area (State of Maine Hall)
- 7:45 am** Registration (State of Maine Hall)
- 8:00 am** General Session – 2nd Day (Knox County Ballroom)
Presiding:
Dawna Hannan, TAM Vice President
FirstLight
- 8:15 am - 8:30 am** Opening Remarks:
Dawna Hannan, TAM Vice President
FirstLight
- 8:30 am - 8:45 am** Introduction of Vendors
TAM 50th Anniversary Commemorative Video
- 8:45 am – 9:30 am** **Keynote Speaker Senator George Mitchell**
- 9:30 am - 10:00 am** “Consolidated Communications Arrives in Maine – Plans for the Future”
Michael Shultz, VP Regulatory & Public Policy
Consolidated Communications

Thursday, September 14, 2017 (continued)

10:00 am - 10:15 am “But Mom, Somebody Brought Brownies!”
Andy Brown, Vice President of Industry and Client Relations
ANPI

10:15 am - 10:30 am Coffee Break

10:30 am - 11:40 am Maine Industry Issues
Coordinated by: **Ben Sanborn**
Telecommunications Association of Maine

Moderator: **Joe Donahue, Attorney**
Preti Flaherty

Panelists:

Richard Kania, Financial Analyst
Maine Public Utilities Commission

Rep. Seth Berry, Chair of Energy, Utilities & Technology Committee
Maine State Legislature

Barry Hobbins, Public Advocate
State of Maine

Benjamin Sanborn, Esquire
Telecommunications Association of Maine

Richard Thompson, Chair
ConnectME Authority

11:40 am Drawing of Door Prize - *\$250.00 Visa Debit Card*
Compliments of TAM Associate Members

11:45 am Wrap Up
Beth Osler, Director – Customer/Industry Relations
UniTel