

# SCTE-WVMC Newsletter



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Please submit newsworthy items to Gregory Lester at [gregory.lester@suddenlink.com](mailto:gregory.lester@suddenlink.com)

## 2016 Cable-Tec Games Winners!



**Gold medalist Suddenlink's Daniel Pearson**



**Silver medalist Suddenlink's Travis Fauber**



**Bronze medalist Suddenlink's Mark Farley**

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## BOARD AND OFFICERS

### 2017 Elected Officers

Webmaster – Ken Gabehart of Supply Solutions

Treasurer – Tanna Borchert of Shentel

Vice President – Eddie James of Suddenlink

Secretary – Ron Brunt of GDT

President – Mike Sanders of Shentel

### Directors at Large

Darlene Seaman

Bob Legg

Robert Herralld, Shentel

Elizabeth White, Suddenlink (1<sup>st</sup> Alternate)

Greg Lester, Suddenlink (2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate)

### 2017 Committees and Ambassador

Event Committee Chair – Ken Gabehart

Election Committee Chair – Robert Herald

Member Committee Chair – Bob Legg

Budget Committee Chair – Tanna Borchert

Communications Committee Chair – Ron Brunt

Ambassador - Mike McCarthy, dB Communications

## PLANNED 2017 EVENTS

VIEW AND PRE-REGISTER ON LINE

[pre-register for our events here](#)

### 6/1 – TOPIC: HUB TO HOME

SPEAKER VIAVI'S LARRY JUMP

VENUE: TBD

### 8/30 – TOPIC: TBD

BENI KEDEM SHRINE CENTER, CHARLESTON, WV

### 11/8 – TOPIC: TBD

VENUE: TBD

### 08/29 - WVMC GOLF OUTING

LITTLE CREEK GOLF COURSE

SOUTH CHARLESTON WV

SPONSORED BY OUR VENDORS

### 8/30 - WVMC-SCTE VENDOR SHOW

### 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CABLE-TEC GAMES

NOTE: MEETINGS AND LOCATIONS WILL BE PROVIDED IN  
ADVANCE AFTER BEING DETERMINED BY MSOs

## ***2016 Vendor Show***

The Vendor Show and Cable-Tec games were held at the Beni Kedem Shrine Center. The food, format, vendor showings, and games all went great! .

Please contact us with any ideas to help us improve.



## ***2016 Golf Outing***

We had another great outing at the South Charleston Little Creek Park. It was a beautiful day with a wonderful group of people!!!

We followed the usual format so lunch was provided as were door prizes, plus the winning teams were announced and given awards.

Mr Brunt was back behind the wheel of the beverage cart this year!!!





**WVMC 2016 Cable-Tec Games  
contestants**



**Chapter Cup winning team  
Suddenlink Logan  
Members (l-r) Mark Hall, Daniel Pearson,  
Jason Baldok, and Ronnie Tomblin**

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**Chapter Cup 2nd place team  
Suddenlink Buckhanon  
William LeMasters, Michael Posey, Benny  
Smith, and Richard Young**

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**Chapter Cup 3rd place team  
Suddenlink Beckley  
Shannon Allen, Dewayne Diehl, Mark  
Farley, Roger O'Neal**

## **2016 Cable-Tec Games**

There were 32 contestants from 8 teams competing for the individual event and overall medals, along with the Chapter Cup for the winning team.

### **Event winners**

**MTDR – Hosted by Chuck Phillips & Bob Ower Mohle**

Gold – Benny Smith

Silver – Daniel Pearson

Bronze – Richard Young

**Meter Reading – Hosted by Frank Yaskin**

Gold – Mark Farley

Silver – Benny Smith

Bronze – Aaron Kirby

**Drop Connector – Hosted by Jared Jankovich**

Gold – Richard Young

Silver – Aaron Kirby

Bronze – Joseph Harper

**Cable Splicing – Hosted by Tim Papa**

Gold – Roger O'Neal

Silver – Richard Young

Bronze – Joseph Harper

**Fiber Splicing – Hosted by Rich Megill, Ryan McAndrew, &  
Mike McCarthy**

Gold – Joseph Harper

Silver – Shannon Allen

Bronze – Richard Stickle

**Cable Jeopardy – Hosted by the WV Mountaineer Chapter**

Gold – Daniel Pearson

Silver – Daniel Morgan

Bronze – Shannon Allen

**OTDR – Hosted by Dan Greiner & Dean Murray**

Gold – Daniel Pearson

Silver – Benny Smith

Bronze – Michael Posey

### **Chapter Cup Challenge**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Suddenlink Logan

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Suddenlink Buckhanon

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Suddenlink Beckley

# Safety Stop

*T J Adkins*

*Director of Environmental Health and  
Safety  
Suddenlink East Region*



## Check Your Tires

As we travel throughout the day to work, seminars, meetings, customer's homes and back home there is one thing we rarely think about is our tires. Yep that is those round things that keep our vehicle off of the pavement and headed in the right direction in most cases. Driving on bald tires are tires which have been so worn down that they have almost no tread. Since tread is what helps tires grip the road, bald tires can be extremely dangerous. Ideally, tires should be replaced before they are truly bald, for optimal safety. Driving with good tires is also easier, and you may notice a marked improvement in vehicle handling after you replace worn tires.



Tires will gradually wear down over the course of routine use. Some things will cause tires to wear down more quickly, such as aggressive driving or steering and alignment problems. The United States Department of Transportation recommends that drivers check their tires every month and before a long trip to ensure that the tire tread depth is safe. In addition, motorists should use a pressure gauge to check the inflation level of their tires, as underinflated tires are dangerous, especially if they have low tread as well.

As a general rule, tires are usable until the tire tread depth reaches 1/16 of an inch (.15 centimeters). In the United States, consumers can use a penny to assess tire safety; insert a penny between the treads of the tire, with Lincoln's head pointing down. If you can see the top of Lincoln's head, replace the tire. Penny coins in many other nations can be used in much the same way. Most tire manufacturers also embed tread wear indicators, which will become visible when a tire needs to be replaced.



# Picture Gallery

**2016 Vendor Show**



**2016 Golf Outing**



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**2016 Golf Outing**



**2016 CableTEC games**



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**2016 Vendor Show**



# SCTE-WVMC 2017 Board



Pictured above: Ken Gabehart, Tanna Borchert, Eddie James, Ron Brunt, Mike Sanders, Darlene Seaman, Robert Herald, and Elizabeth White Those not pictured Bob Legg and Greg Lester

**We would also like to thank Ron Brunt and Tanna Borchert for attending the Chapter Leadership Conference “CLC” in Denver on April 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. I am sure what they learned will be very beneficial to our Chapter!!**

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