NNA Community Newspaper Leadership Summit Tentative Schedule

Please check with NNA registration desk at arrival. Schedules may change to accommodate speakers and special meetings.

NNA’s public policy staff will provide issue briefs and talking points by email in February. For guidance on setting up your Capitol Hill meetings, contact Tonda Rush, [tonda@nna.org](mailto:tonda@nna.org).

**March 14**

6:30 p.m. Dinner, Queen Amannisa, 320 23rd St S, Arlington, VA 22202. Meet in Marriott lobby at 6 p.m for three block walk through Crystal City’s tunnel system.

**March 15**

8 a.m. Registration, Coffee

8:30 a.m. Welcome, NNA President Susan Rowell

8:40 a.m. Issue briefings, Introduction by NNA Government Relations Co-Chair Michael Fishman

Briefing detail: NNA Public Policy Director and General Counsel Tonda Rush

9 a.m. Backgrounder on the North American Newsprint Market

Special Guest: Tony Smithson, Vice President/Operations, Bliss Communications, Janesville, WI

10 a.m. Wrap up—Fishman

10:10 a.m. Depart for Capitol Hill via Metro –Staff will guide you to the House and Senate Office Buildings

10:45 a.m.-

4:45 p.m. Visits with your Congressional Delegations—please set these up before arriving in Washington

Lunch venues are available on the Hill: Senate Chef in the Dirksen Building; House Cafeteria in the Rayburn Building; and on the sixth floor of the Library of Congress/Madison Building

Transportation to the National Press Club is on your own. The Metro offers a convenient stop at Metro Center. DC is also served by taxis that can be hailed at the entrances of all office buildings. Uber/Lyft are also available.

5 p.m. Debriefing begins; Cocktails at National Press Club

6 p.m. Community Newspaper Leadership Summit Keynote Dinner, National Press Club

Welcome, NNA President Susan Rowell

Keynote speaker, Lally Weymouth, senior associate editor, Washington Post

Presentation of Public Notice Journalism Award, Public Notice Resource Center President Bradley L Thompson