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2014 LGA Annual Operations Conference Registration Open



Speaker & LGA Annual Meeting

Registration is now open for the 2014 LGA Annual Operations Conference on October 27-29, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Baton Rouge, LA.

This three day, fun filled, education packed event will provide you with the knowledge to enhance performance, promote safety, and broaden public awareness.

CLICK HERE to download the Registration Brochure!

Online Registration is also available.

[Click here to register online!](#)

Agenda:

October 26, 2014 - Golf Tournament & 7th Annual Michael Hester BBQ Cook-off
October 27, 2014 - General Session
Speakers
October 28, 2014 - General Session

Hotel Accommodations:

The Crowne Plaza Baton Rouge Hotel, the Annual Operations Conference host site, is offering a special room rate of **\$92 per night**. Please contact the Hotel reservations directly at **(800) 678-4065** to make your reservations today. The deadline to receive this rate is **October 13, 2014.**

Sponsorship Opportunities:

The Exhibit Hall for the LGA 2014 Annual Operations Conference has been SOLD OUT. Sponsor opportunities are still available; don't miss out on this amazing networking and promotional opportunity for your business!

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Baton Rouge, LA

**[Energy Summit 2014:
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Baton Rouge, LA

[Digger's Night Out](#)
October 23, 2014
New Orleans, LA


**[Annual Operations
Conference](#)**
October 27-29, 2014
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Baton Rouge, LA

[Click here to download the Exhibitor & Sponsorship Registration Brochure TODAY!](#)

Online Registration is also available. [CLICK HERE to register as a Sponsor.](#)

We look forward to seeing you in Baton Rouge this month!


More information about the 2014 Annual Operations Conference can be found by visiting www.lagas.org. Individuals interested in learning more may also contact the LGA office for more information at (225) 218-6885 or LGA@tattmangroup.com.



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7th Annual Michael Hester BBQ Cook-Off

[CLICK HERE to download the BBQ Cook-Off Registration Form](#)

Please join us at the 7th Annual Michael Hester BBQ Cook-Off on Monday, October 27, 2014. Teams will be allowed to set up Monday morning at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Baton Rouge, LA. Teams will have a choice of which category to participate in: chicken, brisket, pork ribs or all three!

REGISTRATION IS FREE, but you must turn in a registration form to LGA by Monday, October 13, 2014 to participate.

Cooking was Mike Hester's passion and he took great pride in LGA's BBQ Cook-Off and other cooking events throughout the state every year. We honor him in a special way by dedicating this event in his name.

For a list of rules and other information, download the BBQ Cook-Off Registration form. Questions? Contact Todd Hebert about the 2014 7th Annual Michael Hester BBQ Cook-Off at (337) 256-2161.



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LGA Names 10 Recipients of the 2014 Scholarship

The Louisiana Gas Association (LGA) announced the 10 recipients of its 2014 Scholarships, which are awarded to the children or legal wards of individuals employed by active LGA member companies enrolled full time at a 4-year college or university with 60 or more credit hours. The recipients were awarded \$1,000 each for their scholastic and extracurricular accomplishments. The scholarship recipients will be honored at a special reception the evening of Tuesday, October 28, during the LGA 2014 Annual Operations Conference on Oct. 27-29 at the Crowne Plaza in Baton Rouge, La.

The 10 recipients of the LGA 2014 Scholarship include:

- Avery Janell Boone, Calhoun, La., daughter of Terry Glen Boone with Atmos Energy. Boone is a junior at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, La. studying



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- Keeley Rene' Broussard, Erath, La., daughter of Jed P. Broussard with Atmos Energy. Broussard is a junior at Louisiana State University (LSU) in Baton Rouge, La. studying Animal, Dairy and Poultry Sciences with a concentration in Pre-Veterinary Medicine.
- Jonathan Ross Drone, Baton Rouge, La., son of Ken Drone with the Louisiana Municipal Association and LGA Treasurer. Drone is a senior at LSU in Baton Rouge, La. studying Accounting.
- Dustin P. Ducote, Kenner, La., son of Derrick D. Ducote with Entergy. Ducote is a senior at LSU in Baton Rouge, La. studying Engineering with a concentration in Construction Management.
- Ellen Angelle Faulk, Lake Charles, La., daughter of Scott James Faulk with CenterPoint Energy. Faulk is a senior at Millsaps College in Jackson, Ms. studying Biology.
- Vivian Hoang, Gretna, La., daughter of Quang Hoang with Atmos Energy. Hoang is a junior at Tulane University in New Orleans, La. studying Neuroscience.
- Mackenzie Lewis, Ruston, La., daughter of Richard Lewis with John H. Carter. Lewis is a senior at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Ms. studying Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- Jill Meyer, Slidell, La., daughter of Jerome Meyer with Entergy. Meyer is a junior at LSU in Baton Rouge, La. studying Pre-Pharmacy.
- Cody R. Vanderlick, Alexandria, La, son of Clay Vanderlick with the City of Alexandria and LGA Board Member, past president and Hall of Flame member. Vanderlick is a junior at LSU in Baton Rouge, La. studying Engineering with a concentration in Petroleum Engineering.
- Oliver Vichnair, Baton Rouge, La., son of Mark Vichnair with John H. Carter. Vichnair is a junior at LSU in Baton Rouge, La. studying Engineering with a concentration in Biological Engineering.

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PHMSA Advisory Bulletin - Pipeline Safety: Construction Notification

PHMSA issued an advisory bulletin on September 9, 2014 to notify the owners and operators of gas and hazardous liquid pipelines to provide further clarification regarding the notification(s) required prior to certain construction-related events.

PHMSA needs to be aware of certain construction-related events to have sufficient time to schedule reviews of pipeline construction plans and inspections. Moreover, timely construction plan reviews and inspections by PHMSA could help operators avoid costly modifications, repairs and/or additions to achieve compliance with the Federal pipeline safety regulations.

Accordingly, PHMSA strongly encourages operators to provide the required construction-related notification(s) not later than 60 days prior to whichever of the following activities occurs first: material purchasing and manufacturing; right-of-way acquisition; construction equipment move-in activities; onsite or offsite fabrications; or right-of-way clearing, grading and ditching. ed prior to certain construction-related events.

[CLICK HERE for more detailed information and a pdf copy of the Advisory.](#)

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Louisiana Job Connection website to match employers with most qualified candidates

Louisiana Job Connection is a new website designed to meet the talent recruitment needs of Louisiana employers. By using an algorithm to match employer job postings with the most qualified candidates, Louisiana Job Connection makes finding the right employees easier and more straightforward.

Louisiana companies who've tested Louisiana Job Connection are excited about what it will mean for their businesses.

"There are plenty of online recruitment tools, but this site's potential is impressive. It will help us connect faster with the candidates we really want to attract,"
CB&I Vice President of Global Talent Acquisition Tom Anderson

[Register today on LouisianaJobConnection.com](http://LouisianaJobConnection.com)

Louisiana employers can begin setting up their profiles now to be ready when the site launched to job seekers on August 18. There are orientation webinars and events to help employers get started. To learn more about Louisiana Job Connection and what sets it apart, **[watch the overview video](#)**.

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[Download the E-Newsletter Flyer](#)

Ad rates and deadlines included in flyer

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Have an interesting article for the LGA E-Newsletter?

Have an interesting article to include in the LGA E-Newsletter? Send suggested articles to Kathleen O'Regan at the LGA office. Your article could appear in the next quarterly issue!

Articles may include, but are not limited to:

1. LGA Member, Company, and/or Employee Recognitions
2. Industry Updates

3. Member special events
4. Company Announcements
5. Consumer Reports

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