



November 29 & 30, 2023

Celebrating Successful Leadership

Annual Education Conference

Louisiana SGMP Chapter

Paragon Casino & Resort

711 Paragon Pl, Marksville, LA 71351



Fall 2023 Community Involvement Event

Over 42 million Americans face hunger each and every day including 1 in 6 children so the Fall Community Involvement Campaign for SGMP La Chapter will be to collect non-perishable food items during the November 29 & 30 Annual Education Conference. Bring non-perishable food items to the Paragon Casino & Resort or make donations online by [Feeding the Pig](#).





Wednesday, November 29th

HOLIDAY SOCIAL

Bring an ornament/decoration or other gift item to participate in the “Exchange Game.” If you bring an item will you get an item. You might have your item “stolen” and have to pick another one, but it is all in fun! (Suggested Value \$10-15)

November 29 Dinner @ 6 pm in

Chiqui Room 3

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Conference Agenda At A Glance

Coffee, Refreshments, & Meals -

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- 1 pm **Welcome and Introductions**
- Chiqui General Manager Mr. Marshall Sampson and
Room 2 Host SGMP Member Larry Robertson
 Chapter Member Networking & Meeting
- 1:45 pm - **Implement Succession Planning & Counteract ‘Quiet Quitting’ in Organizations**
3:00 pm by Marcus Sylvas, MBA, MS, SHRM-CP, La DOTD
 Chiqui Room 2
 Core Competency: Leadership—Personal and Professional Development
- 3:15 pm - **Times are Great: Generations in the Workplace** by Garrett Wheat & Marcus
4:30 pm Sylvas, MBA, MS, SHRM-CP, La DOTD
 Chiqui Room 2
 Core Competency: Leadership—Personal and Professional Development
- 5:00 pm **Networking Reception & Food Drive** in Chiqui Room 1
- 5:30 pm - **Networking Dinner and Fun Events** in Chiqui Room 3
7:30 pm

Applied for 2.5 Hours of Core Competency CE



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Conference Speakers

Coffee, Refreshments, & Meals -

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Garrett Wheat was born and raised in the greater Baton Rouge region. He earned his Bachelor of Science and Masters of Education from Southeastern Louisiana, and his Ph.D. in Adult Education from LSU. His role within DOTD allows him to work on special projects while continuing the groundwork set from his research. As a lover of all things tech, he loves to share doses of information in the hopes of helping others in their personal or professional lives through his personal blog, newsletter, and YouTube channel. He also enjoy sharing my enthusiasm for roundabouts, playing golf, watching Supercross, volunteering at his church, and other nerdy goodness. He previously taught Computer Science in High School and is a published author.



Marcus Sylvas is the Leadership Development Program Manager at the Louisiana Transportation and Research Center. In his role, he conducts a variety of customized leadership development courses for Department of Transportation and Development employees across Louisiana. Prior to this role, he worked as a Talent Acquisition Specialist at Louisiana State University where he specialized in faculty, staff, and executive recruitment. Marcus earned his Bachelor's degree in Agriculture Business from LSU in 2010 and an MBA with a concentration in Human Resource Management from Southern University in 2015. He is currently in pursuit of his PhD at LSU after earning a Master's degree in Leadership and Human Resources Development in 2021. In addition to earning his second Master's degree, he also passed his SHRM-CP in 2021. Marcus is the Treasurer for the Association for Talent Development, a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Beta Gamma Sigma Honor Society, and the Society of Human Resource Management. In his spare time, he enjoys traveling, spending time with family and friends, and trying different foods.



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8:30 am - **Networking Breakfast** in Chiqui Room 3
9:15 am

9:30 am - **Utilizing AI for Meeting Professionals** by Garrett Wheat, DOTD
11 am
Chiqui Room 2
Core Competency: Leadership—Technology
**Bring your laptop!

11:15 am - **Planner & Supplier Rumble Panel** facilitated by Carolyn Barrett, CGMP
12:15 pm
Chiqui Room 2
Core Competency: Leadership—Personal and Professional Development

12:30 pm - **Chapter Award Luncheon** in Chiqui Room 2
1:30 pm

1:30 pm - **Tour of Facility** by SGMP Member Host & Sponsor Larry Robertson
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Louisiana SGMP December 2023 Annual Conference Evaluation

Topic 1: Basic Leadership & Succession Planning—Sylvas 1.5 hours

	Agree Strongly	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
The skills and topics covered are relevant to my work					
I was given new information					
Today's session will help me plan better meetings					
I liked the style of the presentation					
The length of the program was good					
The presenter gave enough time for questions					
I would recommend this program to others					

Comments:

Topic 2: Generations in the Workplace—Wheat & Sylvas 1 hour

	Agree Strongly	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
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Topic 2: Planner & Supplier Rumble facilitated by Barrett 1 hour

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Please share your thoughts about the social event held during the Annual Meeting and Retreat:

A) Location (restaurant)

B) Activities (ornament exchange)

C) Comments

Please share your thoughts about the overall meeting:

In planning for 2022—what topics and/or speakers would you like to see on the agenda?

Are there certain projects that you would like to see tackled by the chapter?

Do you have personal goals that include serving in a leadership role—committee member, board member, etc.? If so—make sure to write your name and best contact number. Tell us what you are interested in doing.

Do you have colleagues that you think should be invited to future SGMP events? If so, please let us know and we can help you encourage them to get involved.

Thank you! Your input is valuable!

