Dear NSPMA Members,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! With the upcoming conference, improvements to our facilities, successes of our school systems, and the successes of our students, it's a great time to be an educational institution facility leader. The NSPMA Executive Board, with the help and collaboration of the LSFMA Executive Board, continues to work on the planning of the 2019 NSPMA & LSFMA Joint Spring Conference and Expo.

We are elated to announce our theme for this year's conference at this time. The theme for the conference this year is Faisons-le pour les enfants! The English translation of this French saying is Let's do it for the children! We are all extremely fortunate and blessed to have a professional impact on their performance.

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2019 National School Plant Management Association Facility Masters Conference and Trade Show

Attention All K-12 Facility Directors and Interested Vendors!

WHAT: NSPMA & LSFMA Joint Conference and Expo

WHERE: Baton Rouge, LA, L'Auberge Casino, Hotel, & Conference Center

WHEN: February 24-27, 2019

This national event offers first class presentations, a two-day trade show expo with optimal networking opportunities for K-12 facility managers, directors, custodial service attendees from across the country. Don't wait too long to register as the deadline to make your hotel accommodations is February 9th!

(Click Here For Conference Registration Details)
President's letter continued

The focus of the conference program will be on topics and speakers that will have an impact on the learning environment of students.

We are excited to share an update on the ongoing plans for our annual conference. The NSPMA and the LSFMA have collaborated and created a partnership agreement to host a joint conference. The 2019 LSFMA & NSPMA Joint Spring Conference & Expo will be held at the L'Auberge Casino, Hotel, and Conference Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on February 24th-27th, 2019. We anticipate a large and diverse attendee and vendor representation from across the nation.

The joint conference & expo will feature facility specific training sessions, product and service demonstrations, a trade show, dynamic guest speakers, hospitality events, and a formal awards banquet. The conference dates were strategically selected as they fall in the week preceding the world famous Louisiana Mardi Gras Celebration.

To date, the conference program has been drafted, speakers are being scheduled, our vendor sponsorship and booth package has been finalized, registration has opened, and we are experiencing high volume registration for members and vendors.

Our January 1st registration report indicates we currently have over 70 member registrations and over 40 vendor registrations. Once again, the conference dates are February 24-27, 2019. There are many more details to come, but please REGISTER NOW as space is LIMITED and we anticipate SELLING OUT our vendor hall and FULLY BOOKING our hotel room allotment. The DEADLINE to receive the special conference rate for hotel rooms (with breakfast included) is February 9th, 2019.

Also, please visit our website: www.nspma.org for any updates and information regarding the NSPMA. I hope you continue to have an enjoyable and safe school year!
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<td>- Pledge of Allegiance: Kevin Barney, LSFMA President and NSPMA Board Member</td>
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<td>- Welcoming Remarks &amp; Business Announcements by Dr. John Bailey, NSPMA Conf. Planner</td>
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<td>- Scholarship Program by Aj Nordt Scholarship Committee Chair</td>
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<td>- National School Plant Management Association Welcome by John Rome, NSPMA President, LA</td>
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<td>Keynote Speaker: Dr. Joseph Erardi, Retired Superintendent from Newtown, Connecticut: Newtown Lessons Learned</td>
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<td>Keynote Speaker: Merlyna Mathieu Valentine, New Orleans, LA: Mission Possible!: A story of disability, overcoming adversity, being positive, having hope, courage, and living life to the fullest!</td>
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<td>National Endorsement Program Overview&lt;br&gt;- Dr. John A. Bailey (Virginia), Dr. Rick Walters (Virginia)</td>
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<td>Enjoy Baton Rouge</td>
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<td>The Edge Lounge</td>
<td>Karaoke and DJ&lt;br&gt;(Open for all NSPMA, LSFMA Attendees and All Sponsors)&lt;br&gt;- Get Your Singing Voices Ready and Your Dance Legs too&lt;br&gt;- Heavy Hors d'oeuvres and Open Bar&lt;br&gt;- Local DJ to MC&lt;br&gt;- Attire is Business Casual</td>
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<td>Breakout Rooms</td>
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<td>11:00-11:50 Breakout and Learning Sessions&lt;br&gt;- Chatsworth: How to be Proactive in a Reactive Time: Active Schooter by Aliza Jones (ARK)&lt;br&gt;- Ballroom A: Purchasing Made Easy-Save Time and Effort to Obtain the Products You Value by Liz Wambke and Dave Duhn (MN)&lt;br&gt;- VIP Lounge: Beyond the Light Switch: Elements of Effective Energy Savings Program by Mr. Vivian Karimakwenda (NC)</td>
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| 9:00 AM   | 10:00 AM | VIP Lounge              | Networking Session with NSPMA Board Members                                |
| 10:00 AM  | 11:00 AM | VIP Lounge              | LSFMA General Membership Meeting                                        |
| 11:00 AM  | 12:00 AM | Chatsworth              | NSPMA Board Meeting (conference debrief and board lunch)                  |
| 12:00 PM  | Thank You!| Ballroom A             | Conference Closes (guest departure and hotel check out)                  |

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### 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM Breakout Learning Sessions

**Chatswork:** Lessons Learned From The Parkland Shooting by Tom Czyz (NY)
**Ballroom A:** Innovative Public Health Solutions for Custodial Departments for Pre K, Kindergarten and Transportation by Heidi Wilcox (Mass)
**VIP Lounge:** Cutting Edge FM equipment/systems/processes/products by Darin Porter (OH)

### 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM Breakout Learning Sessions

**Chatswork:** Renewable Energy Options for K-12 Schools by Emily Hansen (KS)
**Ballroom A:** Boiler Room to Board Room: Showing Your Work Matters by Mr. Vivian Karimakwenda (NC)
**VIP Lounge:** Cooperative Procurement Impacts on Facility Maintenance by Greg Spencer (TN/MISS)

### 3:00 PM - 3:50 PM Breakout Learning Sessions

**Chatsworth:** Improving Health, Energy Efficiency, and Equipment Longevity with an IAQ Preventative Maintenance Plan by Kudret Utebay (VA)
**Ballroom A:** How to be a Rockstar Custodian by David Thompson (FL)

### Wednesday (February 27th)

- Deluxe Hot Breakfast
- Networking Session with NSPMA Board Members
- LSFMA General Membership Meeting
- NSPMA Board Meeting (conference debrief and board lunch)
- Conference Closes (guest departure and hotel check out)
Severe weather season for much of the U.S. typically begins around late March. It’s a time of rapid seasonal changes, when wintery and warming air masses clash, sometimes resulting in severe weather—quickly turning a routine school day into a day of watchful waiting.

BaronThreatNet.com has been a game-changer because it does much of the analysis itself. If a weather threat such as lightning approaches within 15 miles of a school’s location, authorized users will get an alert on their phones. By logging into the Baron Threat Net website or app, they can view radar, storm tracks, and other weather data relative to their school’s location on the map.

Baron Threat Net’s difference-maker is how it pinpoints the actual threats. Data processing highlights the areas of greatest concern, from hail and lightning strikes to a suspected tornado. There’s also road conditions data to help evaluate rain and wintertime’s impact on bus routes. So decision-makers without meteorological training have the critical insight to make the right calls. To learn more, visit www.BaronThreatNet.com.
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