**LOUISIANA GARDEN CLUB FEDERATION, INC.**

**2017 LGCF Convention**

March 29-31, 2017

Harrah’s Hotel New Orleans, Louisiana

“Ease on Down the Road”

**Wednesday, March 29, 2017**

7:30 AM……………………………………….Breakfast and Tri-Refresher Tour

7:00-9:00 PM………………………………………..Welcome Party

**Thursday, March 30, 2017**

 8:00 AM-4:00 PM..……………………………………...…………….……Registration-Pre-Function Area

 8:30 AM...……………………..…………………Ways and Means /Vendors Opens- Pre-Function Area

 8:30-9:30AM……...…….Environmental Council Breakfast/Speaker***Handbook Revisions –***

***David Robson, NGC Handbook Revision Committee Chairman***

 9:30-10:00 AM………………………………………...………………………..…….Headquarters Meeting

10:00 -10:30AM….……………………………………….………………….....Finance Committee Meeting

10:30-11:30 AM……………………………………………………...……...…….Executive Council Meeting

12:00- 1:30PM……….………………………………………….………Gardening Studies Lunch/Program

***Floral Design Program by Meade Wensel***

 1:30-2:30PM..……………………………………………………………LCNAFS Judges Council Meeting

 2:30-3:00 PM…………………………………………………..………….Gardening Consultants Meeting

 3:00-3:30 PM………………………………………………..…..………. Landscape Consultants Meeting

 3:30-4:00 PM………………………………………………………….Environmental Consultants Meeting

 4:30-5:30 PM………………………………………..2015-17 Club Presidents/District Directors Meeting

 7:00-9:00 PM..…..……………………………………………….……………………….….Awards Banquet

**Friday, March 31, 2017**

 8:00 AM……………………………………………….………………….….Registration-Pre-Function Area

 9:00 AM……………………….……………………Ways and Means/ Vendors Open-Pre-Function Area

 8:30-9:45 AM………………………………………………………………...Landscape Council Breakfast

***Chef Kevin Belton, NOLA Cooking School Instructor and TV Personality***

 10;00 AM-12:00 Noon …………………………………………………………...LGCF Business Meeting

 12:15-2:30 PM……………………………………..….Judges Lunch/Program & Installation of Officers

***Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser***

***Louisiana’s coastal and wetlands problems***

 2:30-3:00 PM………………………………………..………………..Workshop – Common Ground Relief

 3:30-4:00 PM……………..……………………………………… Workshop - Grants and Improvements

 5:30-6:30PM……….………………...Reception honoring Lena Bateman, 2017-2019 LGCF President

 7:00-9:00PM.............................................................Banquet-Installation of 2017-2019 LGCF Officers