

LaSAWG 2017

Louisiana Sustainable Agriculture Working Group

Inaugural Meeting

Thursday, July 27

8:30am-6pm

Our theme for this inaugural LaSAWG is “Telling Our Story”, sharing the status and history of sustainable agriculture in Louisiana. How are we doing, how did we get here, and where are we heading? Build a Louisiana community of practitioners by meeting and learning from each other!

Tentative Schedule

8:30am	Farm tour – Meet at Bacque Farms , pastured beef operation “Boeuf de Bacque”
10am	Registration at conference venue, UL Student Union, Magnolia Room
10:30am	Panel discussions, “The State of Sustainable Ag in La” (Share your story) New Orleans (Angelina Harrison, Elisa Munoz, ?) Lafayette (Celeste Finney, Mark Hernandez, Ted/Molly Daigle) Baton Rouge (Grant Guidroz, Allison Tohme, ?)
Noon	-Included, shared lunch- catered by ... Bread & Circus?
1pm	Presentations on Sustainable Agriculture topics (25 min each) Carl Motzenbacher – LaSARE (Extension and farm support) Bob Blanchet – Brookshire Farm (Cattle) Bahia Nightingale – CLEDA (Economic Development) Grant Guidroz – Fullness Organic Farm (Produce) Phanat Xanamane – Envision Da Berry (Community Development) Jamie Harson – Scratch Farm Kitchen (Farm to Table)
3:30pm	Door prize - 2 tickets to SSAWG conference – Elisa Munoz
3:45pm	Wrap-up conversation (keep momentum, communication, next conference)
4:30pm	Presentations concluded, depart venue
5pm-6:30pm	Reconvene for Social & Networking at Wurst Biergarten, 537 Jefferson St

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Panel Discussions: Share stories from around the state, of successes, challenges and solutions to practicing and initiating sustainable agriculture. Panelists will speak briefly (5min each) about their experience and then participate in discussion with other panelists and the audience.

Presentation Speakers: Speaking on a range of Sustainable Ag topics. Crop or livestock specific, particular techniques or tools, projects, farm to school, food safety, urban farming, or what ever topic comes up. 25 minute sessions.

Participants: bring your cards, fliers, information to share. We will have a table set up for you to lay out your information.

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