State Show In The Move! - New Theme! "Discover Gourds' Hidden Treasures"

Yes, in case you haven't heard, our state show is moving to South Bend, Indiana. We will be at the St. Joseph County fairgrounds in a building that will accommodate all of our show. The building is not as large as we have had the past few years, but it is still able to hold what we need it to. My committee and I have already been working on the show catalog and have added a few new classes. The competition area will be at the back of the building, and laid out conveniently.

If you would like to teach a workshop, the application and information are on our website. Ida Kennedy is in charge of workshops for the 2008 show, and she is eager to get your submissions. Contact her at ikennedy5@msn.com and she will be happy to help.

There is going to be one major change this year. It concerns exhibits and entry into the show. The admission booth will be at the gate of the fairgrounds and we are keeping the \$5.00 for the weekend price. Even if you have a piece that you want to put into competition you will still have to pay the \$5.00 entry fee, unless you volunteer to

help in some area. We are doing this to help alleviate the cost of putting on the show. The rising costs have pushed us to take this new measure. Though we tried to avoid it, we reluctantly lined up with other state's shows of all paying to enter the show.

New this year also, is that we will be accepting business card size advertisement to be put in the show catalog. Advertise that you will be at the show, and let potential customers know you will be available to serve them. The cost is the same as it is for The Tendril. Send your advertisement to Jesse Glessner at jessgless@insightbb.com

I am so excited to be the show chair for the 2008 show. We have a lot of new things that we are going to be doing this year. I will continue to keep everyone updated on what our plans are.

If you have any questions, or concerns, call me at 574-654-3474 or email at this eMail address: reneejmeyers@yahoo.com.

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The above is the location of the new State Show site. This map is located on the St. Joseph County Fairgrounds Web Site along with a map of the fairgrounds.