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17 miles from Brandenburg, KY. Wants to attract 4-H members to work with gourds.

New Patch, Pendleton, IN

Emily Wallace, 4684 W. 1050 S., Pendleton, IN 46064, phone 765 778 8393 emmewal@aol.com near Anderson, Fortville, McCordsville. Initial meeting will be Sat., April 25, 2:00 p.m., Pendleton Community Library meeting room. Enthusiasm is running high and more information is available in this issue of The Tendril.

Patch 1, New Carlisle, IN

Sid Meyers, 9494 N., CR 900 E., New Carlisle, IN 46552, phone 574 229 0107, or eMail at srmeiers@galaxyinternet.net. More than 20 members have active calendar of events. Next meeting April 19 at a member's cottage in the woods: food, merriment, sharing of techniques and crafting ideas for 2-6 hours. Patch is manning a gourd booth at the Earth Day event in Valparaiso, April 18, 9-3:00, and assisting the Indiana Gourd Society in hosting the IGS spring membership meeting and exhibition, May 16, 9-3:00, LaPorte County Fairgrounds.

Patch 4, Lafayette, IN

Verona Clark, 5713 N. 225 W., West Lafayette, IN 46906, phone 765 242 1967, or eMail at gourdgrower21@hotmail.com

Patch 4 will have a booth Sat. and Sun., April 18-19 in the horticulture building at Purdue University, West Lafayette, during the SpringFest, 10-4:00.

Patch 10, Hancock County

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Plans include a June 20, 2009, Central Indiana Summer Gourd Festival & Mini Show at the Hancock County Fairgrounds, 620 N. Apple St., (east side of Greenfield), 9-5:00. Thirty miles east of Indianapolis, ample space for vendors, crafters, displays. More information in this issue of The Tendril.

New Patch, Delphi, IN

Barbara Brovont, 11292 W. 525 N., Delphi, IN phone 765 564 6481, bjobrovont@yahoo.com, approx 2 members in Carroll County, in Delphi. Interested in building trellises and learning variety of crafting techniques.

Sugar Creek Gourd Patch, Thorntown, IN

Karen K. Niemeyer, 1217 Wesley Court, Thorntown, IN 46071, phone 765 436 7518 (or work phone 765 436 7348). Eight members want to do it all: grow, craft, create fine art. In Boone County, ten to thirty miles from Lebanon, Zionsville, Crawfordsville, Lafayette, Indianapolis. Meetings held on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m., Thorntown Public Library, 124 N. Market St., Thorntown. April 8 meeting on use of gourd saws, April 22 meeting on using metallic paints. September 25-27 exhibition at Sugar Creek Art Center and bird house cutting in back yard of Thorntown Heritage Museum on Sept. 26-27, noon-3 p.m.

Karen Niemeyer, IGS President

WORKSHOPS WERE A SUCCESS

Hello, friends and fellow gourdheads. I just want to thank everyone for their help at the IGS State Show this year. I want to say a special thanks to Frances Bascom, and Deb Nixon. I really appreciated their help. I felt that the workshops turned out well.

We tried a new no-curtain set up this year and I think it worked out well. I am sure people got enthusiastic when they saw all the "neat" things being done.

We had 163 signups for classes, 27 were walk-ins. I know last minute sign-ups can be stressful for the instructors and I appreciate the patience that was shown. All the instructors got very good reviews.

It won't be long before we start the whole process over again. Please put on your thinking caps on and come up with more clever ideas for classes for next year. We would appreciate any suggestions regarding the way classes were set up this year so feel free to drop me a note anytime.

We are looking for classes that would be of interest to men also. It is hard to choose which classes to offer unless people let us know what they would like to learn to do. So, all you talented men out there, if you have any suggestions, please let me know. I know you ladies aren't bashful about what you want so please feel free to let me know what your likes and dislikes are also.

Looking forward to working with all of you next year. I think everyone did a great job.

Ida Kennedy - Workshop Chairperson