MEMBERSHIP NEWS

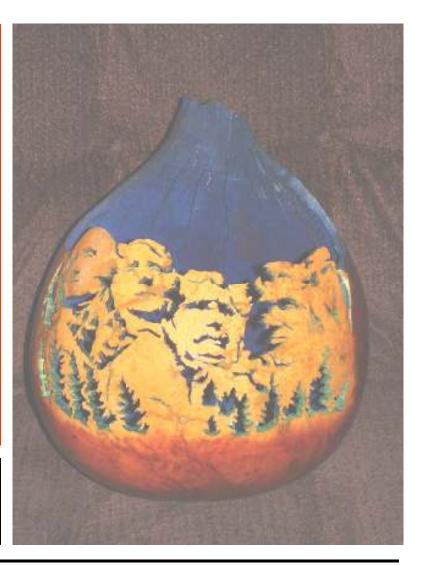
We had quite a bit of activity at our Membership booth in South Bend this year. We would like to welcome all of those who renewed their membership and especially those who signed up for new memberships.

WELCOME to our NEW IGS Members: Darlene Johnson, Shelia Mravec, Terry R. Nelson, Chris Pawlik, Julia Pflugner, Mary Jane Pieper, Marilyn Royal, Debbie Short, Peter Vogler, and Nancy Wilt.

We hope you enjoy the activities and gain both experience and new friends throughout the Indiana Gourd Society.

> Would YOU like to join IGS? Contact our Membership Chairperson Pat Moore - Membership Sec'y 691 W. Veach Road Bloomingdale, IN 47832 Phone: 765-597-2049 eMail pmoore@hughes.net

At Right: Sid Meyers' Mount Rushmore gourd won the People's Choice Award at the State Show in South Bend this year. Great work Sid!!



Gourd Happenings In Our Gourdgeous World

April 18: Fourth annual "Ghost Creek Gourd Fest," sponsored by S.C. Gourd Society at Ghost Creek Gourd Farm in Laurens, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Event features bluegrass band The Fleming Mill Boys. Call 864-682-5251 or visit segourdsociety.com.

April 25, 2009 - A first IGS Patch Meeting for the Pendleton area is coming. Pendleton Community Library—starts at 2:00pm—til?? Contact Emily Wallace 765 623 0621

<u>May 9, 2009</u> Mississippi Farms Gourd Festival Saturday 9am -5pm classes will be offered. Adkins Farms, Booneville, MS 38829, www.adkinsfarms.com

<u>May 16, 2009</u> The Spring/Festival Membership Meeting LaPorte County Fairgrounds, LaPorte, IN. Free admission, open to the public. Vendors, IGS Gourd Store, Gourd Seeds, Demonstrations, mini craft and dried gourd exhibition, music, kids booth, Auction. Membership meeting at 3:00 PM. Mid-morning snacks and lunch available. Sid Meyers, 1st Vice-President is the chairperson of this event. IGS Sponsored Event.

<u>August 7—23, 2009</u> 2009 Indiana State Fair. Year of Tomatoes. See next Tendril issue for important information concerning your entries into State Fair competition, both from the State Fair and from the Indiana Gourd Society. Extended time period covers three weekends! Volunteers needed to man the booth for the extra week.
Dried gourd and gourd art competition
Gourd seeds and IGS Gourd Store, free demonstrations
Volunteers needed to help staff the booth, or do demonstrations.
Four hours = free pass.
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September 11, 12, 13, 2009 Fall Illinois GS Festival (Friday thru Sunday)_ at the Chicago Botanic Garden, the 2nd most visited Botanic Garden in the US with 26 gardens and 385 acres. Check it out at Chicago-botanic.org ILGS members will be given first priority as vendors and teachers. ILGS membership is \$10. There will be space for 24 teachers and space for about 50 vendors

September 27 & 28, 2009 – OHIO GOURD SHOW - Show hours: Saturday / Sunday 9 AM to 5 PM "Four Gourds and Seven Years Ago" (A Tribute to 9/11) Pre-show Activities Friday, September 26, 2008 – 9 AM to 5 PM - at the Darke County Fairgrounds, Greenville, Ohio

Nov 7, 2009 IGS Fall Festival Saturday 9:00AM to 3:00PM, Lafayette, Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds. Free admission, open to the public. Vendors, IGS Gourd Store, Gourd Seeds, Demonstrations, mini craft and dried gourd exhibition, music, kids booth, Auction. Membership meeting 3:00 pm. Mid-morning snacks and lunch.