

President's Message

With apologies to fans of "The Happy Wanderer" and valderie, valdera-ha-ing, it is the time to sing and dream! And plan! And buy gourd seeds and plants! And strategize for defeating Indiana's hail, wind, drought, pests, big and little feet, and any other opponent of a successful gourd-growing season. First vice-president Bill Freihofer, gourd-growing cheerleader extraordinaire, has agreed to wear his lederhosen and sing "The Happy Gourder" in German at the state show evening dinner on May 4. This is a must-hear event that all readers and their friends are invited to attend.

SEEDS: The Indiana Gourd Society met to harvest seeds on February 16, and on March 16 the tested and viable seeds were packaged for sale at 2013 events. In addition to seed types grown in isolation for at least seven generations in the IGS Pure Seed Project, some seeds are purchased from commercial seed houses and packaged for resale. Great fun was had by all, but it was noted that the group was much quieter in March than it had been in February. It is far easier to

chat while mucking around in gourd goo (February) than to count to twelve and package seeds (March). Many, many thanks are extended to Steve Sullivan, who has guided the IGS's Pure Seed Project for more than eight years; to Jess Glessner, who has served as Seeds Committee chair: and to Ida Kennedy and Fran Bascom, who are currently co-chairing the Seeds Committee. A big THANK-YOU is also extended to all those who pitched in on both work days. Those who were ill or had other commitments were missed but are reminded that there will be another seed harvest and a seed packing event next year!

STATE SHOW: The May 3-5 Indiana Gourd Society's annual show will continue Indiana's tradition of a great state gourd show. The show books arrived from the printer on March 7 and were mailed the next day. Copies are being sent by courier to many libraries in Indiana. Multiple copies are available at Boone County libraries, in libraries in neighboring counties, and at the Sandlady's gourd farm. Members who did not receive a show book are asked to

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The Happy Gourder

Sung to the tune of "The Happy Wanderer"

"I love to go a-gourding in Indiana's soil!

And as I work, I love to dream;

It lessens all my toil...

Vining gourds, twining gourds, climbing gourds,

Soaring high-high-high-high-high

Drying gourds, many gourds:

It makes it all worthwhile."

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contact Karen Niemeyer at 765-436-7348 or via e-mail (niemeyer@frontiernet.net). For as long as they last, quantities may be delivered (contact Karen) to other agencies who wish to help promote the show. The smaller format is designed to fit into purse, briefcase, or knapsack. The center section features twenty-six classes being taught by gourd artists from across the United States; the deadline for workshop registration is April 15. Page 26 includes a volunteer registration form. There are multiple ways to enjoy spring in Indiana, but a visit to Indiana Gourd Show at the Boone County Fairgrounds (Lebanon, IN) is guaranteed to please. Exit 138 off I-65 is a short distance from this gourd-geous event that will be made even more special by the Ways & Means Committee's offering of gourd shirts (denim and tee) for half price. A gourd grown by Jim Story, inked by Dr. Sivado in 1998, and depicting Abraham Lincoln and his birthplace cabin, will be available in a silent auction. Show chair Pat Moore and her committee continue their hard work to make this a special show and remind everyone that volunteers are invited to help set up the facility on Thursday, May 2. On Friday, May 3, the building is open to volunteers and vendors at 6:30 a.m., and the doors are open for workshop attendees from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m., with competition exhibits accepted only from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. There will be no Saturday entries because a judges' instruction meeting and judging will take place from 7:00 p.m. until approximately 10:30 p.m. Friday evening.

While planning exhibits for the compe-DOG HATS: tition of May 4-5, participants are reminded that miniature poodle Sweety Moorhead is challenging all humans to design and submit a doggy hat for the May 4 modeling and competition at the Fellowship Dinner. Since dogs will not be permitted to attend the dinner, humans may wear the creations or display them on stuffed dogs or statuary. If there is not a great showing of dog hats, Jesse Glessner, who retires as The Tendril editor with this issue (after creating dozens of previous editions), has proposed a snake hat contest for future years. Hence, the IGS president is making a plea for LOTS and LOTS of DOG HAT entries!! Just a reminder: human hats, masks, and jewelry will also be part of the Saturday evening competition. Items entered into the show may be removed for the duration of the dinner and then returned to the exhibition area. The question of the evening: what will the out-of-state visitors enter this year for the after-dinner entertainment of all?

CHILDREN AND GROUP CLASSES: This is another year to encourage children and youth (ages 1-18) to enter the competition either individually or as groups. There is no residential requirement but there IS a requirement for enthusiasm and passion for gourds in classes 84-87 (decorated bird house; toy and/or animal; individual, "I made it my way"; group, "We made it our way"). It would be a pleasure to have to add tables in order to display a wide variety of youth art in May, 2013.

SPEAKERS NEEDED: Who is interested in making presentations on gourds to area groups that request a program? More presenters are urgently needed. Great speaking skills are helpful, but not required, as a passion for gourds will carry the program until speaking skills are learned "on the job." Those who want to promote gourds and represent IGS at Indiana events are invited to contact any member of the IGS board in order to be included on a speakers' list. April and May are proving to be very active promotional months, as will be September through November. IGS has available educational literature that may be distributed at presentations and gourd displays.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT: At its March 16 meeting the IGS Board of Directors approved providing a gourd plant to all new members who join during the May 3-5 show. In addition, membership chair Pat Moore sends a gourd bandana to all new members; at this time of year new members receive a copy of the state show book as well.

MASTER GARDENERS SOUGHT: On February 1, Helen Olena of Pennsylvania's Gourd Society, asked the American Gourd Society for information from any members who were also Master Gardeners. Her request is included for any IGS Master Gardener, scientist, or student who can answer her query. Please respond to IGS president at president@indianagourdsociety.org so that information may be sent to AGS and also shared with Indiana growers:

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President's Message, Cont.

I am a Penn State Master Gardener who has been growing gourds for ten years. I gathered all my best tips into a document aimed at backyard gourd growers (as opposed to farmers). The document is shared on the Pennsylvania Gourd Society website www.pagourdsoicety.org for anyone to read. Choose "Education" and then "Gourd Growing Guide." I do not have a natural green thumb, unfortunately, so I try to make up for that by understanding the science involved. I have a background as a high school biology teacher and just now am really interested in the process by which gourds replace components of their cell walls with silica to form phytoliths at the end of the season and how to provide your gourd plants with usable silica for this process. I can't seem to find much information so please share what you know! I sometimes wish AGS had the funds to back land grant university research. The thickest gourd I ever grew was an inch and a quarter, but they don't all get great like that!

Helen Olena

THANKS TO THE TENDRIL TEAM: Now is the time for all readers to say a BIG THANK-YOU to retiring editor

Jesse Glessner, to publisher Phil Moorhead, and to new editors Danna Bishop and Susan Gray. It is appropriate to note that Jesse is retiring from being editor but not from being gourd enthusiast and involved IGS member. THANKS, team! We appreciate your returning from spring break to create a new issue of <u>The Tendril</u>.

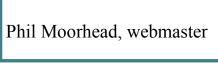




Had problems getting on the IGS website?

So have I. The provider was bought out by another site provider, then shortly thereafter bought out again. Each time I tried to complain they said everything was ok, and it was our fault. I finally tracked down the problem (it was really theirs!) and asked them to fix that specific problem. Eventually they did and everything (I hope) is running ok now.

I've contacted another provider who is willing to work with us and move the web pages for free. Because of the way the current provider functions, it is not a simple matter to just copy pages. We can get better service, more capability and more capacity for approximately the same price as we currently pay. We should have the site moved within a month or so. Sorry for the problems but we've taken steps to assure they don't happen again.





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Saturday, May 4, 2013, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM **Sunday**, May 5, 2013, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Boone County Fair Grounds 1300 E 100 S Lebanon, Indiana



2013 State Show - Judging Guidelines & Competition Rules

Judging and Competition at the 2013 IGS State Show

I would like to explain or clarify some of the concerns that have been made in the past about the Judging and Competition at the IGS Shows. IGS is going to follow the **AGS Guidelines**, **option "C"** again for 2013. Please see the AGS website, judging handbook for the option "C" guidelines.

ALL Judges and Artist and Members need to be made aware of 2 things.... there are **Judging Guidelines** and **Competitions Rules**. The AGS Judging Guidelines are supposed to standardize the judging from one show/state to the other. Whichever option the Show uses A, B, or C, they should all use the same GUIDELINES. The Competition Rules are set up by the individual Show/State and can be very different from one Show/State to the other. This is why it is very important to READ the show book and it's RULES very carefully.

The IGS Competition Rules are already set....they are the rules set in the BOX below each Division, in the show book. These were addressed for last year's book. At the 2013 book meeting, only a few words were changed for clarification.

I have competed in 4 different states, and have Judged/Clerked in 3 of these States. They ALL have different COMPETITION RULES to follow. So it's very important to READ that state's Competition Rules very carefully before you choose your gourd entries for the competitions. Also check to see what AGS Judging option is to be used for that show.

Our Judges and out-of-state Judges may not be familiar with IGS Competition Rules, nor had an IGS Show Book to read. I feel that All Judges should be sent a copy of the **AGS Judging Guideline, option C,** and a copy of the **IGS Competition Rules** before the show, to study. This information will be part of the Judges' meeting on Friday before judging starts.

A discussion between the Head Judge and the Show Chair will take place before the show. This will be about whom and how to handle the Judging and what will be talked about at the judges' meeting on Friday night before judging starts. Some things to be discuses are: AGS Guidelines for Option "C", AGS guidelines for disqualification, when/why to call the head judge, what to do if you know the artist or can not judge fairly, Judges to be aware of unfamiliar art techniques used, and others things.

Your comments and concerns are appreciated and will be considered in all decisions. Send me your comments. I want the IGS State Show 2013 to be the BEST, Best Judged, and Hassle-Free Show ever.

Have a GOURD Day, Pat Moore, 2013 IGS State Show Chair

showchair@indianagourdsociety.org

Children's and Group Exhibit Entry Form

Indiana Gourd Society, Inc., 2013 Show

<u>Mail completed form to:</u> This form is available at: www.indianagourdsociety.org

IGS Registration E-mail: treasurer@indianagourdsociety.org

P.O. Box 822 Phone: (765) 674-8088

Marion, Indiana, 46952 <u>DEADLINE</u>: <u>April 15, 2013</u>

Forms are also available on the website - www.indianagourdsociety.org

Make a copy of this form for your records also. One(1) Entry Form per person, please. Make copies for additional sheets as needed. Remember: successful exhibit entry depends upon the legibility and accuracy of the information you provide. Exhibitors must pay door entry fee unless volunteering in some capacity (see form, contact volunteer coordinator).

Division 8 and 9 -- Children, School(s) or Groups:

Children, School(s) or Group Levels -- #'s categorized by age/yr old:

Date:		

()Individual Entry: enter Childs Name: below

Age	e	

()School or Group entry: enter Group's Name below:

Age	

Address:

Contact Person: Phone:

Childs Level: # 1 (1-4), 2 (5-8), 3 (9-12), 4 (13-18)	Level #	# of entries1 or
Class# 84 Decorated Bird House	C-#	
Class# 85 A Toy and/or an Animal	C-#	
Class# 86 I made it "My Way"	C-#	
Group Level:	Level #	# of entries1 or 2
Class# 87 School(s) or Group Gallery	G-#	
We made it "Our Way"	G-#	

(We need to know what age level is entered, as that is how the competition Classes are set-up.)

For additional info, contact: Pat Moore, e-mail: showchair@indianagourdsociety.org

2013 State Show - New Judging Standards Sheet

Judging Standards Sheet for the IGS State Show 2013

The **Judging Standards Sheet** is a work in progress, but the idea is accepted and should eliminate a lot of the judging problems and complaints from past years.

This Judging Standards Sheet is being developed for use during the judging for the 2013 State Show. By using this sheet, the judging quality will be more consistent from judge to judge. This sheet will be a checklist of categories, and is to allow the judges to evaluate all the art by the same standards. There is also a judge's comment area for good, constructive or explanatory comments.

This sheet will help explain why you did or did not get the placement you thought you should have on your art work. Each entry will have this judging sheet attached discreetly to its entry tag and be for the artist's eyes only.

The ratings for these standards will be: Excellent, Good, Fair and Poor. The categories were developed from the AGS Judging Guidelines, and are:

- 1. Originality of Design
- 2. Beauty/Overall Appearance
- 3. Does Gourd/Class Technique/ Predominate
- 4. Execution of Technique (If applies)
- 5. Overall Quality of Craftsmanship
- 6. Harmony of Colors and Materials
- 7. Neatness/Cleanness of lines/Design
- 8. Balance and Scale
- 9. Creativity and Suitability of Accessories
- 10. Fit to Competition Class and/or Level
- 11. Judge's Comments

Please forward any comments or suggestions to me.

Thanks and **Have a GOURD Day!**State Show Chair, Pat Moore

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Spring Board Membership Meeting

Board Vote

There will be a vote for treasurer and three directors at the Spring Festival and Membership Meeting.

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FOOD AVAILABLE

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2013 State Show - Time Line

VOLENTEERS NEED!!!This is YOUR show......When can YOU help!

Boone Co. Fairgrounds open to IGS on Thursday, May 2, 2013.

Thursday, May 2, Set-up of building, workshops and outside will start EARLY in morning.

Outside Vendor set-up can start in morning, Thursday, May 2, after booths spaces are marked.

Inside Vendor set-up can start in morning, Friday, May 3, after building set-up is completed.

Friday, May 3, is set-up day, exhibit entries and workshops only, not open to General Public.

Friday, Sales from 12 to 6 pm could be to workers and students.

Friday, Exhibit Entries from 2 pm to 7 pm, ONLY...Judging from 8 pm till done.

Workshops: Friday, May 3, from 1 pm to 7 pm

Saturday, May 4, from 9 am to 6 pm

Sunday, May 5, from 9 am to 1 pm

Saturday, May 4, Volunteers, Greeters and Demonstrators needed from 9 am to 6 pm

Saturday Fellowship Dinner, on fairgrounds, at 6:30 pm.

Sunday, May 5, Volunteers, Greeters and Demonstrators needed from 9 am to 3 pm

Sunday, May 5, Show closes at 3 pm.

Teardown starts at 3:00 pm for Vendors and 3:30 pm for Exhibit Area. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Contact the Show Chair, Volunteer Chair or Demo ChairSIGN-UP TO HELP.

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Contact Phil Moorhead about the Tapes and DVDs at - treasurer@indianagourdsociety.org

Lakeshore Gourders - Patch Happenings

Lakeshore Gourders Patch Update – Feb. meeting was a bit small, due to a mix of bad weather that day of rain, ice & snow kept a few away. For those that ventured out we practiced a technique called wet-sanding. Once sanded our gourds were super smooth to work on, the before & after feel of the outer gourd shell is remarkable. After sanding we applied dyes to our gourds.

March meeting was larger, as we had much to do Blanche Murrin & her husband Michael took a four month road trip out west. They attended the Wuertz gourd show & visited the Wuertz gourd farm while down there. Blanche told us all about the huge festival they host, stating that "it is just spectacular & the whole Wuertz family gets together to help run this event ". Next, we have been asked to join the woodcarvers show here in NW Indiana at their annual show next month. Ida & Fran will run the IGS booth & some of our members will be vendors & participants in the competition. So our April meeting will be fun as we visit the woodcarvers show & see how our fellow gourders did with their entered pieces. After all the gourd chatter we then ventured onto our months gourd project. We revisited pine needle

coiling & refreshed our gourd knowledge with an old basic. What a nice way to finish off any project, really adds nicely to any piece.

Below are pictures of the patch projects – The first is our finished wet-sanded dyed gourds & the second is one of the same gourds with a pine needle rim, crafted by Alice Pawlowski.





Happy Endings

By Susan Gray

June 9, 2011 was the day I picked up Nora. I had thought about fostering a dog for a while, and a friend, Lori Hornbeck-Dunn, posted a picture of her on Facebook. At the time, Lori was the shelter manager of the *Madison County Humane Society* and ran her own private rescue. She went to the shelter in Indianapolis to pull some small dogs out of a high kill facility. In this specific shelter, each time an animal is brought in a loud bell rings, and it is called Hell's Bell because it rings constantly. When Lori saw Nora, she said it broke her heart to leave her there, but she could not take her without a foster in place. Nora was so badly matted that her gender could not even be determined. That same day Lori placed a picture of Nora on Facebook, and I responded. The following day Lori drove back to Indianapolis and pulled her out of the shelter which saved her life because she was only two hours from being put to sleep. This shelter euthanized almost 9000 that year. This could have easily been the ending of Nora's story had it not been for Lori.

Lori took Nora to a wonderful groomer in Indianapolis named Peggy Findley, who runs the grooming shop *Hair of the Dog*, and who grooms shelter animals for free. Amazingly, Peggy did not break any clipper blades cleaning up Nora, but Peggy did say, "I thought my heart would break though. It didn't, just got bigger!" Underneath all of that matting was an emaciated poodle that weighed only half of what she should have. Peggy gave Nora her name and sent her back with Lori.

Lori took her back to the Humane Society in Anderson, IN and anticipated my arrival. Lori observed that Nora had a bladder issue and was having difficulty controlling her urine; she dribbled urine everywhere. I must have had a look of shock on my face because Lori told me that she would understand if I did not take her. I started crying and said I would take her, but was in shock as to her condition and worried she would not survive. She looked so frail that I was afraid to even touch her.

I got her in to see the vet the next day and it was discovered that Nora had a bladder stone the size of a small chicken egg, and she had surgery the following day to remove the stone. Dr. Holt, her veterinarian at *Kem Road Animal Hospital* in Marion, IN, did her spay at the same time as the stone removal at the request of Lori and because he did not think she would survive a second surgery for spaying. Truthfully, he was not sure she would survive the first surgery. Her reproductive organs were underdeveloped, and the underdevelopment was probably due to malnutrition early in life. A big thank you goes to Lori because she paid most of Nora's medical bills of her pocket. She jokingly calls Nora her million dollar rescue. With time, Nora healed and ate, and ate! She was up to ten pounds at the time she was ready to find her forever home.

My colleague and friend, Phil Moorhead, had been listening to my stories about Nora, and Phil shared her story with his wife, Ruth. The Moorhead's scheduled a meet and greet and Nora must have sensed how special they are, so Nora decided to adopt them. She was so sweet that Ruth decided to rename her Sweety. Sweety has become Ruth's constant companion. Ruth and Sweety completed obedience training, and Sweety travels with Phil and Ruth everywhere, and this includes many Indiana Gourd Society events. Sweety and Phil have neon green matching gourd hats, and this has inspired a new award that will be presented at the state gourd show planned for May 3-5, 2013... *The Sweety Award* which is a dog hat contest.













State Show 2013 Information

Free Demos Wanted! Looking

for any & all willing to give free demos at the State show next year in Lebanon. We wish to return to our old ways of sharing our gourd knowledge, whether it's a technique, growing, a product or something unique you wish to share. You may demo at your booth if that's easier for you or at a scheduled time in the demo area. If you're a workshop instructor we will work around your class schedule. Please contact Alice Pawlowski at mpap2@frontier.com & let me know what you wish to demo & when. This is a great way to volunteer your time! Thank you for your help.

Demonstration Chair, Alice Pawlowski

Volunteers Needed! We're look-

ing for volunteers to sign up for all phases of the IGS State Show - Entrances, Clerking, Booth Relief, Information, Discussion Table, Kids Korner, Auctions, Raffles, etc.

We had a great crew for the 2012 show, but, we need more people as we expect larger attendance at the 2013 Show due to an all-in-one facility and easy access for attendees from several surrounding communities.

Volunteer Chair, Kirsten DeHaven

Wanted...Donated GOURDS! I am asking ALL IGS members to donate some spare GOURDS for use in the Kids Patch at IGS State Show 2013 AND for any schools for which we need gourds. We need SMALL, KID SIZE, CLEAN GOURDS: clean chards, bottles, eggs, spinners, snowmen, spoons, etc. Contact me at pmoore@hughes.net> for pickup arrangements.

Thanks and Have a GOURD Day!

State Show Chair, Pat Moore

Kid's Patch Booth Chair and Auctioneer needed!

The IGS State Show 2013 will be here before we know it. I am asking for your volunteer help, again.

IGS is in need of a replacement **Chairperson for the Kids Booth**. You would be in charge of the booth and working with the kids. You will have other volunteer helper and IGS will have the supplies and donated gourds. This would be for Saturday and Sunday when we are open to the public. We really need you to step -up and volunteer.

IGS also need someone to be the **Auctioneer** for the 2 auctions at 1:00pm on Saturday and Sunday. Your responsibilities would be to help collect the donated vendor's items, peddle the auction numbers and to Call the auction each day, for about 1hour. You will also have volunteer helpers.

We need clean gourds and clean chards for the kids booth. We need **Volunteers for all areas**. We need you to join us and Have a GOURD Day!!!!!

Pat Moore, Show chair

SANDLADY'S GOURD FARM

Please visit our Web Site below for events.

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Gourd Happenings In Our Gourdgeous World

INDIANA EVENTS

Spring Festival (w/Membership Meeting following festival)

June 15, 2013 - 9am—3 pm Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds, 1010 Teal Road, Lafayette, In 47905 Free admission, open to public

Vendors, IGS Gourd store, Gourd Seeds, Demonstrations, mini craft and dried gourd competition, music, kids booth, Auction

Membership meeting at 3pm

Midmorning snacks and lunch available. For additional info: Karen Niemeyer, 765-436-7518 or email niemeyer@frontiernet.net

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2013—Indiana Gourd Society - State Gourd Show

May 4-5, 2013, Boone Co Fairgrounds, Lebanon, IN Admission charged, open to public, Large gourd competition, Vendors, IGS Gourd Store, Gourd Seeds, Demonstrations, Classes, Kids booth, Auction Saturday and Sunday.

For additional info: Pat Moore, e-mail: showchair@indianagourdsociety.org

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<u>2013—Indiana State Fair</u> - Indiana Gourd Society Presence - Volunteer Demos & Talking to People.

August 2—18, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN

Dried Gourds and Gourd Art Competition (OPEN) Demonstrations in Painting, Colored Pencils, Wood Burning, Tools. IGS "How To" Literature and "Coming Events" literature available along with Seed Order forms. For additional info contact Phil Moorhead, 765-674-8088 or Pat Moore, 765-597-2049.

<u>2013—IGS Fall Festival</u> (w/Membership Meeting following festival)

October 26, 2013 - 9am-3pm (CST)- Lake Co Fairgrounds, 889 S. Court St, Crown Point, IN Free admission, open to public Vendors, IGS Gourd store, Gourd Seeds, Demonstrations, Children's Art Competition, membership meeting at 3pm—Mid-morning snacks and lunch available - For additional info: Ida Kennedy, 219 -767-2901 or e-mail: ikennedy5@msn.com

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Road Trips

2013—IGS www.americangourdsociety.org

April

Apr 13 Wisconsin Gourd Festival --

Madison WI wisconsingourdsociety.org

Apr 19-20 Louisiana Gourd Show --

Haynesville LA louisianagourdsociety.org

Apr 19-21 6th Home Grown and Hand Made

Gourd Festival-- Pikeville TN

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Apr 20-21 ILGS NW Regional Gourd Festival -

-Galena IL illinoisgourdsociety.org

Apr 26-28 Show Me Gourd Festival --

Springfield MO showmegourdsociety.com

Apr 27 South Carolina/ Ghost Creek

Gourd festival -- Laurens SC scgourdsociety.com

May

May 17-19 Kentucky Gourd Show --

Taylorsville KY kygourdsociety.org

May 22-25 New Mexico Gourd Festival --

Albuquerque NM newmexicogourdsociety.org

June

June 1 Great Gourd Gathering in Arthur IL

illinoisgourdsociety.org

June 20-23 Pennsylvania Gourd Society Fest

Kinzers. PA pagourdsociety.org/fest.htm

June 29-30 GourdStock - California Gourd

Society, San Diego County – Valley Center, CA californiagourdsociety.com

July

July 11-14 Washington State Northwest

Gourd Festival -- Ellensburg WA

wagourdsociety.org

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