

President's Message

Loretta Pressel

Mother Nature is not cooperating with us in Northern Indiana. Spring will come, but we are getting mighty anxious. I will soon be starting seeds in our greenhouse. Ron and I start our gourd seeds as well as tomato, peppers and cabbage. We also start flower seeds. We plant flowers in the gourd patch for the pollinators. We also plant around fifty sunflowers along the back of the garden for the deer. They eat those instead of our plants.

State Show time is almost here. Are you ready? Are you working on getting your exhibits finished? Have you signed up for classes? Are you attending the Saturday morning breakfast? The Show Committee has been working overtime to give you a really great show. I am also chairperson of the Ways & Means committee. If you need to find me at the show that is where I will be. Remember, if you have anything to donate to our "white elephant" table, you can bring it when you come.

I hope to see and visit with many of you on Friday May 3rd and Saturday May 4th 2019, at the IGS show held at the Fulton County Historical Society Museum Rochester, Indiana.

May / Jun 2019 Patch Schedules

Lakeshore Gourders

Meets third Tuesdays, 10 a.m. CT at the Salem Chapel United Methodist Church, 2802 E. State Rd. 4, LaPorte IN 46574 unless noted

May: no meeting due to state show

6-18-19: No info

West Central Indiana Gourd Patch

Meets third Thursdays, 1-4 p.m. EST at the Hendricks Co fairgrounds in Danville

5-16-19: No info

6-20-19: No info

Central Indiana Patch

Meets fourth Tuesdays at Garfield Park Arts Center in Indy, 6-8 p.m. EST

5-28-19: Decoupage

6-25-19: Hats and/or flowers

Sugar Creek Gourd Patch

Meets first Wednesdays at Thorntown Public Library, 6-8 p.m. EST

5-1-19: No info

6-5-19: No info

Thorn Tree Gourd Patch

Meets third Wednesdays at Thorntown Public Library, 2-4 p.m. EST

5-15-19: Individual projects, plan Jun-Aug activities

6-19-19: No info

See page 7 for dates in July and beyond

Breakfast at the Show

Please plan to join us at the IGS State Show on Saturday morning (5-4-19, 8:30 a.m. ET) for a fellowship breakfast. Cost is \$7.50 per person, buffet style, similar to last year. You can pay at show, but please e-mail Ida Kennedy (ikennedy5@msn.com) so we have a count of how much food to prepare.

PATCH NEWS

Lakeshore Gourders (Sherry Benedict, contact)

The Lakeshore Gourders met on March the 19th, 2019 at the Salem United Methodist church, there were 13 members present.

Tom Benedict gave the project lesson on Dream Catchers on a gourd, many knots and words later everyone had theirs finished.

Our next meeting will be on April 16th, 2019 at the Salem United Methodist Church .

10:00 cst

2802 E State Road 4

LaPorte In. 46574

Kathy Voyles will give a demo and project on Ink Dying.

There will be NO meeting in May due to the IGS State show.

The next meeting will be in June (no info on this meeting at this time).

Sugar Creek and Thorn Tree Gourd Patches (Karen Niemeyer, contact)

Members of the Sugar Creek Gourd Patch meet at the Thorntown Public Library from 6-8 p.m. ET on the first Wednesday of most months while those from the Thorn Tree Gourd Patch meet from 2-4 p.m. ET on the third Wednesday. Visitors are invited to participate. Some members have been completing projects while others will be experimenting with three displays that are being entered in the state competition and include themes of black and white, reindeer in snow, and a quilt wall hanging made from 4" gourd squares. Members will assist with the state show and provide 40-50 entries for the competition. There will be no May 1 meeting in Thorntown, but on May 15 from 2-4 p.m. ET will be time to work on individual gourd crafts, review the state show, and plan crafts for June through August meetings.

Please call Karen at the library with questions. Karen talked about "Gourds Around the World" on April 4 at the 6 p.m. ET International Night hosted by the Extension Homemakers of Boone County. She was assisted by patch members Ardie Bowles and Sandra Townsend; the session was held at the Boone County Fairgrounds in Lebanon. Topics included history of gourds, gourd art and uses in other countries, how to grow and craft/decorate, and various uses of spinner gourds. The 60 participants received a spinner gourd, 16 IGS educational handouts, information on IGS membership and a flier on the state show.

Central Indiana Patch (Diane Werblo, contact)

In March we welcomed Mercedes Arriaga, Melanie Blakley, RoJene Gillentine, Mary Johnson, Jean Long, Mac McCrary, and Diane Werblo. So far, eight gorgeous gourd quilt squares have been turned in. Our planned Easter items turned into "adult finger painting" using our gloved hands to blotch and smear paint on small gourds. What a bunch of little kids! In April, we will do a "Black and White" project for the State Show. In May we are decoupage. Hats and/or "spring" flowers will be June's focus. We keep collecting shards to use at IGS State Gourd Show and the Indiana State Fair.

West Central Indiana Gourd Patch (Shirley Gates, contact)

No report.

Linda's Patch (Jim Ballard, contact)

No report.

2019 State Show Workshops
See the full color flyer for details and registration form

Friday-AM (ET)



A: \$35
11 a.m.—2 p.m.
Scott

Friday-PM (ET)



A: \$35
2:30-5:30 p.m.
Scott

Saturday-AM (ET)



A: \$35
10 a.m.—1 p.m.
Scott

Saturday-PM (ET)



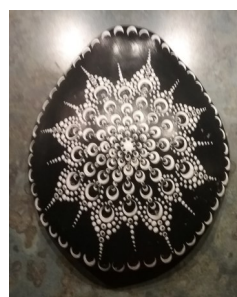
A: \$35
1:30-4 p.m.
-Scott



B: \$20
11 a.m.—1 p.m.
Werblo



B: \$25
2:30-5:30 p.m.
Moore



B: \$25
10 a.m.—1 p.m.
Moore



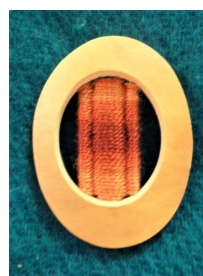
B: \$20
1:30—3:30 p.m.
Werblo



C: \$25
11 a.m.—2 p.m.
Fankhauser



C: \$35
2:30-5:30 p.m.
Fife



C: \$30
10 a.m.—12 p.m.
McCrary



C: \$35
1:30—4 p.m.
Fife

PATCH CONTACTS

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|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Central Indiana | Indianapolis | Diane Werblo | 317-783-1428 |
| Gourd Crafters | Ridgeville | Lois Wright | 317-370-1418 |
| Lakeshore Gourders | Plymouth | Sherry Benedict | 574-936-4805 |
| Linda's Patch | Greenfield | Jim Ballard | 317-468-5717 |
| Patch 4 | West Lafayette | Verona Clark | 765-242-1967 |
| Story Gourd Patch | Pendleton | Inactive | |
| Sugar Creek | Thorntown | Karen Niemeyer | 765-436-7518 |
| Thorn Tree | Thorntown | Karen Niemeyer | 765-436-7518 |
| West Central Indiana | Avon | Carol Brown | 317-742-5184 or |
| | | Shirley Gates | 317-306-6383 |

THE INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY PRESENTS



MAY 3-4, 2019

FRIDAY, MAY 3

10:00 AM to 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 4

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

FULTON CO. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

37 E - 375 N

ROCHESTER, IN. 46975

www.indianagourdsociety.org

IGS STATE GOURD SHOW
2019

VENDOR APPLICATION
2019

2019 VENDORS WILL RECEIVE:

1 FREE BOOTH SPACE
(10' x 10') OR (16' x 24')
INSIDE OUTSIDE

1 FREE SKIRTED TABLE
2 FREE CHAIRS

VENDORS MAY PURCHASE
ADDITIONAL BOOTH SPACES
AND SKIRTED TABLES FOR A
NOMINAL FEE.
SEE APPLICATION FOR \$\$\$

Show Chair's Report

Sandra Townsend/Ida Kennedy, 2019 Co-Show Chairs

Our Indiana Gourd Society 27th annual show is coming quickly. We are finalizing our last minute plans and are getting excited about this next show. We have two days of fun filled activities to share with everyone. We hope you are working on entries for our gourd competition. If not, at least come and spend some time checking out all the unbelievable entries other people made. It is amazing what people can dream up. We would love to get young people more interested in gourd crafting. Bring your children or grand kids and join in on the fun. We are trying to have more things of interest to younger people. If anyone has any suggestions on something we can try, please let us know. We will have "Make It Take It" Classes where kids can make a craft with an adult, and also free ornamental gourds for kids to decorate on their own. There is no charge for children to get in, so bring a bunch of them.

Food will be available, provided by the Fulton County Museum, throughout the event. The food was excellent last year. Don't forget to try some of the homemade pies. They are delicious.

We can still use volunteers. If you can give any of your time helping out, we would really appreciate it. You can get in for free that day, if you can help for 4 hours. Send in the Volunteer form to IGS Registration, PO Box 822, Marion, IN 46952 or send an email to volunteer@indianagourdsociety.org and let them know you would like to help out. Help is needed during set up and tear down of the show. We can use extra hands on Thursday around 10 am to help set up, and Saturday around 4pm to help tear down. Friday and Saturday we need people to set at the door and collect money. We also need help with Make It Take It classes, and the Kids area. Sandra is in charge of that area and was very busy last year. I am also looking for a volunteer to help with Workshop check-ins. We would like to give people working at IGS area tables a chance to look around, or take a class, or just enjoy the show themselves. You don't have to work 4 hours straight, you can split your time up thru out the day. **A big THANKS to all those who helped out last year.** Sandra Townsend and Ida Kennedy will be handling the Volunteer signup sheet. Sign in when you get to the show so we know you are there, and we can figure out where you are needed the most. During the Show, if anyone in our Society needs assistance or a short break, contact one of us so we can get you some help. Need more info contact Ida @ ikennedy5@msn.com.

We aren't having as many classes this year so if you see something you would like to try, sign up as soon as possible before the class is full. We are trying to keep the classes affordable and keep the objective on learning a technique. We hope you see something you like. Let us know if there is something specific you want us to have a class on in the future. Contact person Ida Kennedy @ikennedy5@msn.com.

If you are entering competition, take some time to look over this year's show book. Review our general rules for exhibiting and become familiar with the description of each Division and the technique for each class. Class technique must predominate. If you need assistance in placing your entry in the right class, there will be helpers available

Put us on your calendar and come and visit our Show and give us a chance to make your day.

Plan to visit the IGS State Gourd Show

May 3-4, 2019—Rochester, IN

ROAD TRIPS

2019—courtesy of AGS

(www.americangourdsociety.org)

May 3-4: Indiana Gourd Society, Fulton Co

Historical Society, Rochester, IN

www.indianagourdsociety.org

May 18-19: Kentucky Gourd Society Fall Show,

Spencer Co Extension Office, Taylorsville,

KY—www.kygourdsociety.org

Jun 13-15: Pennsylvania Gourd Gathering, Lebanon,

PA—www.pagourdgathering.com

Jul 31-Aug4: Texas Gourd Society's Lone Star

Gourd Festival & Art Show, New Braunfels,

TX—www.texasgourdsociety.org

Sep 14-16: Nevada Silver State Art Festival, Fuji

Hall, Carson City, NV—

www.nevadaGourdSociety.org

* * IGS Events 2019 * *

Indiana Gourd Society State Gourd Show

May 3-4, 2019

(May 2, 2019 setup day)

Fulton County Historical Society

37 E. 375 N

Rochester, IN 46975

[This is an IGS Sponsored Event]

IGS Membership Meeting

October 19, 2019

Thorntown Library

37 E. 375 N

Thorntown, IN

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Member Sales Booth

We don't know about you, but Mac and I are finally working our way through the Show Book, trying to figure out what art and craft we are going to get accomplished for the show. While you are highlighting your "I can do that!" items, please check out pages 25 and 26 for the Volunteer form and Member Sales Booth Form.

The Show Committee loves having your help -- no matter when we find out that you are stepping up! But having the volunteer info early helps us even more. We can't do it without you. Secondly, here's a perk of membership. If you have a few pieces of gourd art that you'd like to sell, you may do that through the Member Sales Booth. It only takes one hour of your time. Check out the book for the details.

Call Mac McCrary at 317-783-1428 if you plan to participate in the Members Sales Booth, deadline to sign up is April 30.

Diane Werblo

HOLD THESE DATES!

| | State Show | Membership Meeting |
|-------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 2019: | May 3-4 | October 10 |
| 2020: | May 1-2 | October 17 |
| 2021: | May 7/8 | October 16 |

Ways & Means

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| Caps and visors: | \$12.00 each |
| Jim Story DVD: | \$20.00 each |

Remember to inform IGS if you have a postal address, e-mail or phone change. We would like to keep our records current!

The IGS was formed and exists pursuant to the Indiana Not-for-Profit corporation statute Sect. 501 (c) (5). The corporation has never attained Sect. 501 (c) (3) status of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, gifts to IGS are not deductible for income tax purposes.

Address Change: Fill out form and mail to indicated address below.

INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC. ☐ NEW ☐ RENEW ID# _____
 Membership Application DATE: _____
☐ 1 year @ \$15.00 ☐ 3 year @ \$40.00 Patch # _____
 PLEASE PRINT (Free gift with New or 3yr Membership)
 NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 CITY, STATE, ZIP _____
 PHONE _____ COUNTY _____
 EMAIL _____
 DO YOU WANT ELECTRONIC *TENDRIL*? CIRCLE YES or NO
 Make your CHECK payable to the INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC.
 MAIL TO: INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY, INC., 691 W Veach Rd, Bloomington, IN 47832
 Visit the IGS Web site at: www.indianagourdsociety.org

Featured Artists for 2019

Sherry Benedict & Tom Benedict

IGS is showcasing two talented artists this year at our State Gourd Show. Sherry and Tom live in Plymouth Indiana, have been active in IGS and at our shows for many years. Check out the featured display of their art work. Stop by “Lady of the Forest Gourd Art” booth and see more of Sherry and Tom’s work.

Thank you both for sharing with us!

Didn’t get your exhibits registration form mailed in time? No worries, You can still take your exhibits (except for the “PRE-REGISTERED” exhibit classes) and fill out the paperwork at the show.

Didn’t get your workshop form in on time to register to take a class? No worries. You can still signup at the show if there are seats available for the workshop you want.

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8-27-19: No info

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7-3-19: No info

8-7-19: No info

Thorn Tree Gourd Patch

Meets third Wednesdays at Thorntown Public Library, first Wednesday, 2-4 p.m. EST

7-17-19: No info

8-21-19: No info

W&M NEWS

Our State Show will be here sooner than you think. We have hats, visors and Honey Bear’s dry gourds for sale. I would like to reintroduce our White Elephant Table. Now is the time to go through your stuff that you have no use for any more. Gourd related items are nice, but you can bring any small items such as: books, knick knacks, dried florals, bulbs, puzzles and etc. Bring them anytime during the show. Loretta Pressel, chairperson

Want to make a difference in the Indiana Gourd Society?

VOLUNTEER!

IGS Membership Meeting

October 19, 2019

Thorntown Library
Thorntown, IN

The IGS Is No Longer Selling Seeds

THE TENDRIL
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MARION, IN 46952

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| <i>Jan/Feb</i> | <i>Dec 1</i> |
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| <i>Nov/Dec</i> | <i>Oct 1</i> |

All submissions welcome!

ARTICLES MUST BE IN MS WORD OR RTF FORMAT.

Send as an attachment to your email or mail your submissions to the above address. Please send us your pictures, stories, tutorials, and anything else gourd-related plus your suggestions for improving or inclusion in *The Tendril*.

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