

BACK TO BASICS

Back by popular demand (we actually received one request) the “Back to Basics and More” booth for young and old alike, presented by the Gourd Guys, Guy and Lois Shutt.

The booth will again present two features:

- a make it and take it ornaments for kids of all ages. Student will learn how to use brushes and paints at their own pace and decide what they want to paint. Instruction will be given on how and not on what to do. All supplies will be provided and a donation cup will be set out to help offset cost of paints.
- an on-going demonstration and information on all aspects of having fun with gourds. Topics include things such as starting seed to time of harvest and everything in between, aspects of crafting from drying through cleaning, working on crafting a gourd such as cutting, burning, and many other methods. Some information on different types finishes and how to use them.

This will be a fun booth with kids and adults all becoming enchanted with fun with gourds.

We sell nothing and we give freely of everything we have to offer. Come visit the Gourd Guys booth and just have a good time with gourds, we will be there each day from open until closing.

We had a great time last year and a great turn out and are looking for an even bigger turn out and more fun times at the Basics and More Show this year.

Come see us! Guy & Lois Shutt

EVER WONDER WHAT JUDGES BASE THEIR AWARDS ON?

The Kokomo show is a great way to find out! Judges are assigned categories to judge at the IGS show. Each pair of judges will need an assistant-clerk. You will learn by watching the judges to see what they are looking for in a Blue-Ribbon winner. You are only needed for 2 hours, from 8am to approximately 10am, on Saturday morning of the show.

This is a great experience for anyone who plans on entering any dried gourds, crafts or art in ANY show. It may give you that “insight” that could help you to know what judges look for.

As a clerk, you will record the judges’ score, make sure they have everything they need, and adjust identification tags to reveal the names of the entrants, after they have been judged. Several new members served as clerks at the ‘06 show and they said it was enjoyable and very educational.

To get involved in our upcoming show contact:

**Phil Moorhead (show chair) at 765-674-8088 or e-mail:
showchair@indianagourdsociety.org**

Gourd Happenings

Seed Packing Day-March 3, 2007- 9am to 3pm
Thorntown Public Library/ Thorntown, IN

IGS State Show -March 30, 31 & April 1, 2007
Johanning Civic Center/ Kokomo, IN

IGS Board Meeting-April 28, 2007
Location TED

Spring Membership Meeting/ Festival
May 12, 2007- 9am to 3pm
Boone County Fairgrounds/ Lebanon, IN

Patch 1 Spring Festival-June 2, 2007- 9am to 4pm
Webster Center/ Plymouth, IN

IGS Board Meeting-Oct. 20,2007
Location TED

Fall Meeting & Festival- Nov.10,2007- 9am to 3pm
Tippecanoe Fairgrounds/ Lafayette, IN