

President's Message

Pat Moore

Hello,

It's been two years of surviving the Covid-19 Corona Virus. Let's look forward to a healthy and virus-free 2022 and another good GOURD year.

All our show plans for the 2022 State Gourd Show are moving along. The 2022 Competition Show Book is now online. A few minor changes were made to the "Jim Story Award" section, but most everything else is the same as past years. Due to the uncertainty of the Covid Virus by May 2022, and the uncertainty of last-minute cancelation, IGS has decided to put all the State Show Books online only. Photocopies will be sent out by request only. The cost of printing and mailing these books is a big expense of the show. We lost this money once already in the 2020 Covid-19 cancelations. Unable to read into the future of the Covid Virus, we decided that if we don't spend it, we can't lose it if we have to cancel again.

The 2022 Vendors Form is on the website. Deadline for Vendor request is April 15, 2022, so there is still time to sign up. Come join us! "Down on the Farm" on May 6-7, 2022. Check out the IGS Website for all info needed.

www.indianagourdsociety.org

**Stay Safe and Healthy!
Have a GOURD Day!**

Patch Schedules Mar / Apr 2022

West Central Indiana Gourd Patch

*Meets third Thursdays, 1:30-4:30 p.m. ET at
the Hendricks Co fairgrounds in Danville*
Meetings on hold until pandemic is over.

Linda's Gourd Patch

*Meets third Saturdays at Faith Lutheran
Church, 200 W McKenzie Rd, Greenfield at
2-4 p.m. ET*

For more info, contact Peggy Robertson 317-326-3854
3-19-22: Discuss the growing season

Central Indiana Patch

*Meets second Saturdays at Garfield Park
Arts Center in Indy, 1-3 p.m. ET*

3-12-22: Program TBA

4-9-22: Program TBA

Sugar Creek Gourd Patch

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

3-2-22 (6-8pm): Wind Chimes—Denise Bechtold

4-6-22 (6-8pm): Individual Projects

Thorn Tree Gourd Patch

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

3-16-22: Wind Chimes—Denise Bechtold

4-20-22: Individual Projects

Gourd Crafters Patch

Ridgeville Lion's Club building, 2-4 p.m. ET

Contact Lois Wright for details.

**Please contact patch leaders for dates/times as
we slowly come back to a new normal.**

PASSING OF MEMBER: RAY NIXON

It is with sadness that we report the passing of long-time member Ray Nixon (May 6, 2021). Ray was very active in IGS activities serving on the Board from 2005-08.

PASSING OF MEMBER: SID MEYERS

It is with sadness that we report the passing of long-time member Sid Meyers (Feb 1, 2022). Sid was very active in IGS activities serving as President from 2005-08.

PATCH NEWS

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

Both meet at the Thorntown Public Library, 124 N. Market St., and welcome new participants. During January the library display case was filled with our gourd snowmen (see photo, page 7). On February 2 and 16 we made thunder drums. We shall meet upstairs in the Carnegie portion of the library and that will now become our standard meeting place. On March 2 from 6-8:00 p.m. and March 16 from 2-4 p.m. ET we shall be making wind chimes using gourds, bamboo, and sea shells. On April 6 from 6-8 p.m. ET and April 20 from 2-4 p.m. ET we shall work on individual projects which may include bunnies and spring flowers; various patterns will be available. At any session participants may work on their own projects. Karen is in desperate need of a new Guy-Shutt-style bird feeder and will be making one at our sessions in case someone else wants to also craft one. It is recommended that you call Karen at 765-436-7348 to let her know you will attend so that enough supplies will be on hand.

Linda's Gourd Patch (Peggy Robertson, contact)

In January, unfortunately, our patch did not meet at all. Between the weather and the illness of more than one of our normal attendees, we weighed on the side of caution and chose not to meet. As we didn't meet in January, we will determine what gourd projects we will be attempting for the year in February. We will also go over the topics discussed at the Board & Show Meeting, which was held on January 22nd at the Thorntown Library, of which Connie Dickinson and myself attended. We plan to meet at our normal time, which is the third Saturday of the month (March 19th) from 2-4 p.m. ET at Faith Lutheran Church, 200 W. McKenzie Rd, Greenfield. March and April are always inspirational for us as we are anticipating the new growing season, and our discussions are usually about new techniques that we are going to try. We always welcome new participants, but please call: 317-326-3854 or 317-440-8174 to verify the location.

Central Indiana Patch (Diane Werblo, contact)

January attendees were Mary Johnson, Mac McCrary, and Diane Werblo. We did show-n-tell and discussed shaving down thick gourd edges on "delicate" items like flowers and butterflies to make them more realistic. In February Jean Long, Mac McCrary, and Diane Werblo came. Jean mixed a beautiful candy pink and painted her apple gourd. Mac and Diane sanded edges and cut gourd hearts; then Diane mooched Jean's leftover paint. She needed ideas for March and April. Our big news is that CIP will have a gourd art/craft show at the Southside Art League, Inc., in Greenwood through the month of July. In March CIP meets on the second Saturday each month from 1-3 p.m. ET at the Garfield Park Arts Center. We may change to the third Saturday instead.

Ways & Means

NEW ITEMS: We have just received some end-of-stock Aurelia Conway books on gourds. We are selling them at a super discount price, [all prices below include shipping/handling/postage.](#)

Caps and visors:	\$14	Send check payable to IGS to Phil Moorhead PO Box 822 Marion, IN 46952
Jim Story DVD:	\$23	
Jim Story <i>Gourds: From Vine to Design</i> book:	\$15	
Aurelia Conway books:		Please send e-mail or phone in case we need to contact you
<i>Gourd Purses, Decorative Painting #9728</i>	\$13.50	
<i>How to Paint a Gourd #9606</i>	\$13.50	

**** INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY ****
28th STATE GOURD SHOW - 2022



COMPETITION

FRIDAY, MAY 6
10:00 AM to 7:30 PM ET
SATURDAY, MAY 7
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM ET

FULTON CO. HISTORICAL SOCIETY
37 E - 375 N
ROCHESTER, IN. 46975

www.indianagourdsociety.org

The Show Book is on the web. Because of a tremendous increase in printing/postage costs we are not sending printed copies out. The cost of printing/postage for the Competition Book and the Workshop Flier is over \$12.00 per household. You can view the competition book on the web, or contact the *Tendrill* Editor for a photocopy.

Vendor Regulations - 2022

Contact: Diane Werblo, Phone: (317) 783-1428 Email: vendor@indianagourdociety.org

Selection: Inside and outside spaces available.

Set - Up: Thursday, May 5 - Setup may begin Thursday noon until 8:00 PM.

Friday, May 6 - Setup starting at 7:00 AM until 10:00 AM.

Vendor packets available all day Thursday.

ID Badges: Up to two (2) preprinted Name badges per booth space rented. Tags may be picked up on Thursday. These badges must be worn during the show hours as your Show Pass into the Shows Venue Area. Additional badges may be purchased for \$5.00.

Vendor Policy - IGS State Show - 2022

The Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. will not create a policy that will eliminate any vendor from demonstrating or selling any Brand Name merchandise or determine any price structure for merchandise sold, thereby eliminating competition between vendors. This has been the position of the Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. in the past and shall continue to be in the future.

Location and Booth Space:

IGS Board of Directors

- Dry Gourd Vendors (with cleaned gourds) will be allowed inside, if space is available.

- Outside Space, approximately 16' x 24'.

- Inside Space, approximately 10' x 10'.

- Booth locations, assigned by the committee according to show layout.

- Specific requests will be considered, but cannot be guaranteed.

- Demonstrations in the booth are limited to the confines of the booth. Demonstrations must be completed during show hours, must not produce a "make it-take it" item, or charge a fee.

- Manning the booth is the responsibility of the person applying for the booth space.

Vendor is responsible for staffing booth during show hours. As a courtesy to

neighboring vendors, no booth is to be left unattended during show hours.

- Tables inside must be skirted to the floor on all audience sides.

Permits, Merchandise and Sales: Each vendor is responsible for all Federal/Indiana taxes (forms at Dept. of Revenue, Indianapolis, Ind.)

- Merchandise must be at least seventy-five percent (75%) gourd and/or gourd-related.

Any other merchandise and/or vendors will be by IGS invitation only.

- NO SALE of plastic items, artificial flowers or fractal burned gourds is permitted.

- Committee reserves the right to reject and/or restrict vendor due to space constraints, condition and/or quality of sale merchandise, sale of inappropriate items for this show or sub-standard booth appearance.

- All imported sale gourds must be clearly marked, "Imported from _____" (specify country).

- Sales begin after your booth has been set up and continues throughout show hours.

Teardown: Vendors may teardown after 5:00 PM on Saturday. Merchandise sell-out does NOT constitute a reason to dismantle your booth or remove merchandise prior to the designated teardown time.

Security: Reasonable security will be provided for all show participants by the Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. and Fulton Co. Historical Society. (See security disclaimer on page 6.)

Refunds: No refunds issued on cancellations received after April 15th. (FIRM)

*** ALL Vendors are asked to donate one (1) or more items to IGS for the Silent Auction and enter three (3) gourds or more into competition.

Vendor Application Form Indiana Gourd Society, Inc., 2022 Show

Mail completed form and check to: This form is available at: www.indianagourdociety.org
IGS Registration E-mail: vendor@indianagourdociety.org
P.O. Box 822 Phone: Diane Werblo: (317) 783-1428
Marion, Indiana, 46952 DEADLINE: postmarked - April 15

Non-Compliance: Failure to comply with regulations may prohibit any vendor from future participation in other Indiana Shows. Show committee decision is final.

Give a detailed description of what you are selling at the Indiana Gourd Show: _____

Name:	
Business name:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
E-Mail:	
Phone/Cell No.	& Best time to call:
IGS Member:	Circle: YES NO

Describe any free demonstrations you are willing to do. Specify – Demo area or your booth.

Vendors will receive two (2) name tags per booth space rented. Additional tags may be purchased for \$5.00 each – list names below. Tags serve as your weekend SHOW PASS when worn. To be picked up on Thursday or a door fee will be charged on Friday and Saturday.

Names: _____

Spaces available on a first-come, first-paid bases, as space is limited inside.

#	Inside booth space (10' X 10') @ \$25 each.	\$
#	Outside booth space (16' X 24') @ \$25 each.	\$
#	Skirted Tables (8' X 30") @ \$10 each. (you may bring your own). Vendor-supplied tables must be skirted to the floor by the Vendor.	\$
#	Chairs - @ \$2 each. (you may bring your own).	\$
#	Electricity @ \$5.00/vendor. Demonstrators given electrical preference. No extension cords or surge suppressors provided.	\$
#	Additional name tags @ \$5.00 each (write names on separate sheet).	\$
TOTAL	Make check payable to: Indiana Gourd Society, Inc. (IGS) and mail with application.	\$

ROAD TRIPS

2022—courtesy of AGS

(www.americangourdsociety.org)

Apr 2-3: Missouri-Show Me Gourd Society Fine Art Festival, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds, Springfield, MO, www.showmegourdsociety.org

Apr 22-24: California Baskets & Gourds, Elks Lodge, Visalia, CA

Apr 29-30: South Carolina-Ghost Creek Gourd Fest, Laurens, SC, southcarolinagourd.sixsite.com/scgourdsociety

May 6-7: Indiana Gourd Society State Show, Fulton Co Historical Museum, Rochester, IN, indianagourdsociety.org

Jun 1-5: North Carolina Cherokee Gourd Gathering, Cherokee Indian Fair Grounds, Cherokee, NC www.gourdgathering.org

Jun 16-18: Pennsylvania Gourd Festival, Lebanon Valley Expo Center & Fairgrounds, Lebanon, PA, pagourdsociety.org [also AGS membership meeting]

If you plan to go to any of these events, please check the AGS website at www.americangourdsociety.org or that state website to determine if the event is still taking place.

HOLD THESE DATES!

	State Show	Membership Meeting (Thorntown)
2022:	May 6/7	October 15, 10 a.m. ET
2023:	TBA	October 21, 10 a.m. ET

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.

* * IGS Events * *

IGS/AGS Judges' Course

April 2, 2022, 10 a.m. ET

Thorntown Library

Thorntown, IN

Registration Required

[This is an IGS Sponsored Event]

IGS State Gourd Show

May 6-7, 2022

Fulton County Historical Society,
Rochester, IN

[This is an IGS Sponsored Event]

Indiana State Fair

July 29—August 21, 2022

State Fairgrounds

1202 E 38th St

Indianapolis, IN 46205

[Note: The fair charges an entry fee]

IGS Membership Meeting

October 15, 2022, 10 a.m. ET

Thorntown Public Library

124 N Market St

Thorntown, IN 46071

[This is an IGS Sponsored Event]

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

Quiz Update

[Ed. Note: In the last issue we had a gourd quiz. One of the questions asked the name of a deceased member who had their ashes interred in a gourd. Our answer was Joyce Dankowski. Here is an update from Sue Westhues.]

The last newsletter included a gourd quiz, and I wanted to share this story which relates to one of the questions.

Dr. Charles Heiser (who wrote the “The Gourd Book”) had planned to donate his body for research to the university where he received his degree. However, when they informed him he would have to pay for the shipment of his own body, he decided to donate it to Indiana University instead (the school where he spent his career). Dr. Heiser was a tall man, and IU turned down his offer because he would not fit into their storage containers. So, he requested cremation and had his ashes put into a gourd. The location of that gourd is unknown.

Judges Class Finally Meeting!

At long last, after two years of trying, it seems like we finally can have our IGS/AGS judging class live!

We have set the class to meet at the Thorntown Library in Thorntown, IN at Apr 2, 2022 10-5 a.m. ET. We'll be in the lower conference rooms. If you signed up for the first attempt at the class two years ago, you are still registered. I will be contacting each of the registrants with details of the course.

If you did not register and want to attend to become an AGS certified Gourd Show Judge, please contact me (treasurer@indianagourdsociety.org).

Phil Moorhead
Certified AGS Master Judge

We have received several boxes of two of Aurelia Conway's gourd books: *Gourd Purses*, *Decorative Painting* and *How to Paint a Gourd*. We are selling these in Ways & Means, see that section for details. While she wrote these several years ago, the content is relevant and useful.

PATCH CONTACTS

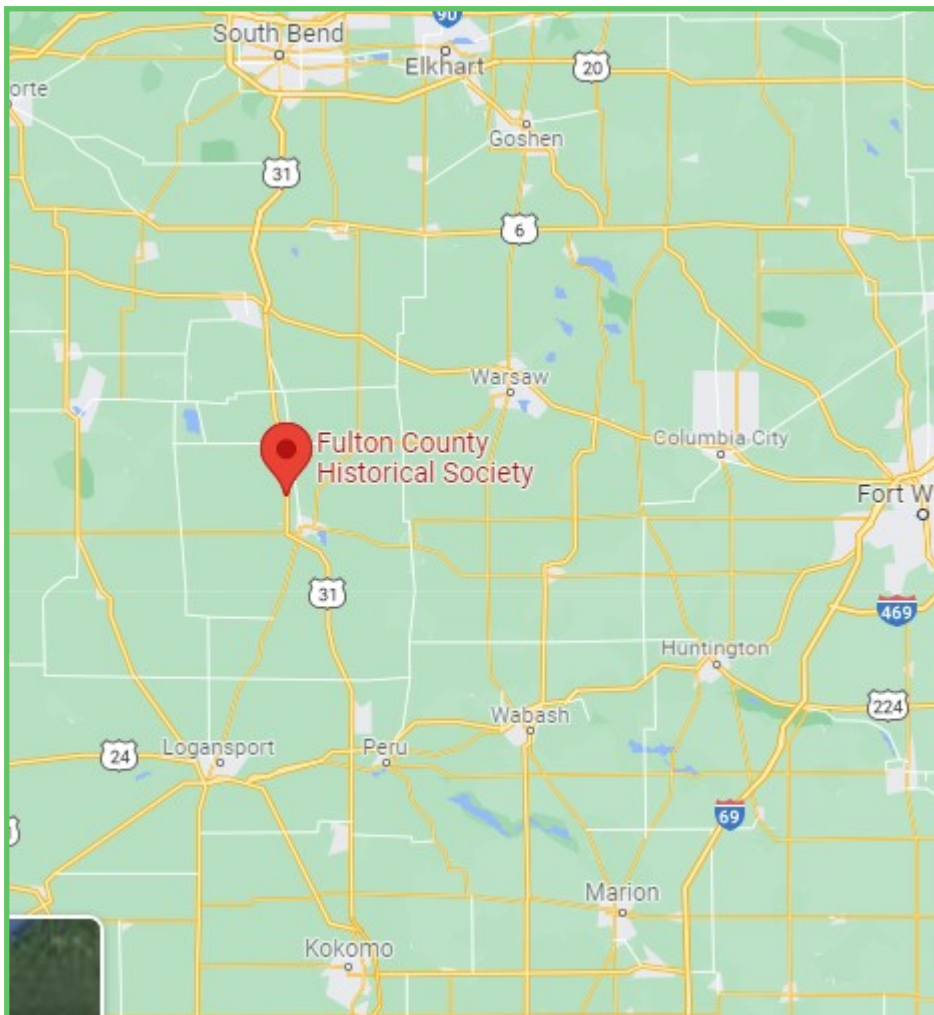
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Lakeshore Gourders	Valparaiso	Inactive	
Linda's Patch	Greenfield	Peggy Robertson	317-326-3854
		Rosemary Hill	317-753-9459
Patch 4	West Lafayette	Verona Clark	765-242-1967
Story Gourd Patch	Pendleton	Inactive	
Sugar Creek	Thorntown	Karen Niemeyer	765-436-7518
Thorn Tree	Thorntown	Karen Niemeyer	765-436-7518
West Central Indiana	Avon	Shirley Gates	317-306-6383

Have you always wanted to have some useless (well, trivial) information at your fingertips to counter someone showing off? How about this:

A little book on Indiana published in 2022 says there are 4 notable inventions credited to Indiana: the push lawn mower, the electric garage door opener, gasoline pump (invented in 1885), and Sudoku, invented in 1979 by Howard Garns.

Karen Niemeyer

A view of the showcase at the Thorntown Public Library in Thorntown, IN showing snow people.



Here is a map (courtesy google maps) showing the location of the IGS State Show for 2022. It is at the Fulton County Historical Society approximately four miles north of Rochester, IN on Rt-31.

Distance from South Bend:
41 miles

Distance from Kokomo:
46 miles

Distance from Fort Wayne:
61 miles

Distance from Carmel:
83 miles

Distance from Terre Haute:
177 miles

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All submissions welcome!

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Jan/Feb Dec 1

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Jul/Aug Jun 1

Sep/Oct Aug 1

Nov/Dec Oct 1

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*. We reserve the right to edit for content, style, or to fit printing requirements

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