



President's Message

Pat Moore

The IGS participation in the 2022 Indiana State Fair is behind us now. This *Tendril* has info about the fair in it, so I will not dwell on it here.

IGS is still having Zoom meetings on the last Sunday of each month at 7 p.m. ET (contact me or Phil Moorhead to sign you up and join in). In June, IGS began discussing the 2023 State Show and possible changes to it and future events for the next few years. The discussions are not limited to: where, when, who, why, why not and if there will be a State Show in 2023 or possibly several smaller one day shows during the year. At this time the discussions are still ongoing. It is my hope that by the upcoming Membership Meeting, there will be some information to pass along to you on the status of future State Shows.

The next gourd event is the Annual IGS Membership Meeting scheduled for Saturday, October 15, at the Thorntown Library, Thorntown, IN, starting at 10 a.m. ET. The meeting agenda will include discussions about the future of the IGS State Show, participation at the Indiana State Fair, and other topics. Please check the website for updates about the meeting.

The end of the gourd growing season is approaching. You should have vines and gourds growing everywhere. Indiana's first frost date is October 10, so don't get in any hurry to harvest the gourds. In early to mid November, do the "Gourd Maturity Test 101" on your gourds and know which gourds will dry or rot. Find the "Test" directions in the Education Articles on the IGS website:

www.indianagourdsociety.org

I hope you have a **Great Gourd Crop** this year.

Have a GOURD Day!

Patch Schedules Jul / Aug 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 home of Peggy Robertson, 1224 W 300 N, Greenfield at 2-4 p.m. ET

For more info, contact Peggy Robertson 317-326-3854
9-17-22: Fall project TBD
10-15-22: New technique to us: Egg Shell Mosaic

Central Indiana Patch

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

9-17-22: Returning State Fair entries; TBD project
10-15-22: Possible field trip, see p. 2 patch report for details

Sugar Creek Gourd Patch

Meets first and third Wednesdays at Thorntown Public Library, 2-4 p.m. ET
9-7-22: Pine needle weaving by Michelle Fife
9-21-22: Jim Bennett demonstrating gouges
10-5-22: Finish pine needle weaving with Michelle Fife
10-19-22: Complete unfinished projects

Thorn Tree Gourd Patch

Consolidated into the Sugar Creek Gourd Patch

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.**

PATCH NEWS

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

On August 3 and 17 from 2-4 p.m. the Sugar Creek and Thorn Tree Gourd Patches met in the Thorntown Public Library meeting room to work with melted crayon on gourds that were either natural or base-painted in color. Patterns were available for those who needed ideas.

Members of the two patches entered 17 gourds in the Indiana State Fair and these will be on display at the September 7 meeting. They won five first place, five second place, six third place awards and one sixth place. Also on September 7 Michelle Fife will teach pine needle weaving and other decorative techniques on gourd bowls. The cost for the class is \$35.00 and includes both the Sept. 7 session and the final session on October 5. Prepared gourds and all supplies are included in the fee. Reservations are required by calling Karen at 765-436-7348, but the fee is not due until the first class session.

On Sept. 21 Jim Bennett will demonstrate how to use woodworking gouges on gourds and ten gouges may be borrowed. Participants should bring a dried, cleaned gourd or may use one provided.

On October 19 members will work on completing unfinished projects. At any session participants may work on an individual project instead of the group project.

The November 2 and 16 and December 7 and 21 patch meetings will be times for completing unfinished projects or making ornaments or jewelry from small gourds that will be provided.

We've consolidated both patches into Sugar Creek Gourd Patch and will meet twice per month. All sessions are now 2-4 p.m. ET.

Linda's Gourd Patch (Peggy Robertson, contact)

Linda's Patch met at our usual time in July on the 16th (third Saturday of the month from 2-4 p.m. ET), and once again this month it was held outside at the home of Peggy Robertson. There were nine of us present, including Phyllis Kingen (one of our original founders of Linda's Patch), who had not been able to join us in the last few months. Diane Abner, (see photo on right), is wearing a necklace and earrings that she purchased many years ago from Joe Lee, who has since passed away. I am sure many of you knew him.

New members are always welcome, but please call either myself at 317-440-8174 or Rosemary Hill at 317-753-9459 as time and location is always subject to change. In August we finished previous projects and made plans for future projects. In September we are planning some sort of a Fall project, and in October we are going to attempt a new technique (for us) with Egg Shell Mosaic.



Central Indiana Patch (Diane Werblo, contact)

The Central Indiana Patch met on Saturday, 7/16, to select entries for the Indiana State Fair. We had a good representative sampling of work from the members. In addition, Michelle Fife and Ann Stankiewicz entered on their own. Meeting attendees were Jean Long, Mac McCrary, Sandra and Tim Townsend, and Diane Werblo. The Townsends joined Mac and Diane to see the gourd art at the Greenwood Southside Art League. Also, thank you to Mary Johnson and Penny Boyce for helping Mac and me take down the 104 items from the patch's show at the SALI gallery in Greenwood. Due to the State Fair, CIP did not meet on August 20th. In September we will return ISF entries and possibly have a demo of the Customizer Professional Engraving Pen; Penny Boyce was not impressed by the one she bought. We need to discuss possible projects and another change of meeting day. Pre-COVID, two members were going to demo a Foil Embossing Technique; we had also discussed asking Joyce Bennett to do a "Leather-Look Gourd" demo. Do we want a field trip to either Seth Kent's or Helen Thomas's gourd farm?

Gourd Crafters (Lois Wright, contact)

Gourd Crafters plan to try to start back up October 8. Becky Whitted is going to hold the class at her house. She has not given me a time yet. Only 10 spots and six are already filled. Please contact me (see contact list on page 6) if you are interested.

Indiana State Fair Results

Category: Crafted Gourds

20. Undecorated Functional Wren House

1. Michelle Fife
2. Ann Stankiewicz
3. Karen Niemeyer
4. Diane Werblo

4. Ann Stankiewicz
5. Dale Winger
6. RoJene Gillentine

21. Embellished with Macramé, Crocheting or Weaving

1. Mac McCrary

30. Colored Pencil or Ink Pen

1. Michelle Fife (with CIP)
2. Joyce Bennett
3. Michelle Fife (on her own)
4. Ann Stankiewicz

22. Cutting, Carving or Drilling

1. Jim Bennett
2. Michelle Fife
3. RoJene Gillentine

31. Multiple Techniques

1. Annette Knox
2. Michelle Fife
3. Ann Stankiewicz
4. RoJene Gillentine
5. Heritage Meadow Farms (Amy McKamey)

23. Wood Burning

1. Heritage Meadow Farms (Amy McKamey)
2. Karen Niemeyer

32. Dyed or Stained

1. Michelle Fife
2. Karen Niemeyer
3. Annette Knox
4. Ann Stankiewicz

24. Jewelry

1. Karen Niemeyer
2. RoJene Gillentine
3. Michelle Fife

33. Basket with Handle or a Bowl, any technique

1. Michelle Fife
2. Shirley Gates
3. Annette Knox
4. Ann Stankiewicz

25. Decoupage

1. Michelle Fife
2. Annette Knox
3. Mary Johnson
4. Ann Stankiewicz
5. Heritage Meadow Farms (Amy McKamey)

34. Animal or Creature, realistic or fantasy

1. Michelle Fife
2. Denise Bechtold
3. Ann Stankiewicz
4. Jean Long

26. Bead Work Embellishments

1. Michelle Fife
2. Heritage Meadow Farms (Amy McKamey)
3. Shirley Gates
4. RoJene Gillentine
5. Ann Stankiewicz
6. Karen Niemeyer

35. Kids Competition, anything goes

NO ENTRY

27. Holiday Theme

1. Shirley Gates
2. Michelle Fife
3. Annette Knox
4. Mary Johnson

36. My Way, any other gourd or technique not listed above -

1. Michelle Fife - **BEST OF SHOW**
2. Heritage Meadow Farms (Amy McKamey)
3. Annette Knox
4. RoJene Gillentine

28. Decorated Birdhouse

1. Jim Bennett
2. Ann Stankiewicz
3. Michelle Fife
4. Diane Werblo

37. 2022 Indiana State Fair Theme – Celebrating Indiana's Automotive Excellence

1. Denise Bechtold (with Thorntown)
2. Denise Bechtold (with CIP)
3. Michelle Fife

29. Painted

1. Shirley Gates
2. Michelle Fife
3. Joyce Bennett

NOTE: Central Indiana Patch (CIP)

Indiana State Fair Results

Category: Fresh/Dried Gourds

1. Different Varieties, Bottle, 9" or more height (3)

1. Annette Mosbaugh
2. Rick Podell
3. Gary Mosbaugh

2. Identical Size, Color and Marking Spoons (5)

1. Annette Mosbaugh
2. Gary Mosbaugh
3. Rick Podell

3. Different Size, Color and Marking Spoons (5)

1. Annette Mosbaugh
2. Rick Podell
3. Gary Mosbaugh

4. Assorted Varieties of Ornamentals, No Warties (10)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh

5. Assorted Size, Shape, Color Warties (10)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh

6. Different Varieties of Hard-shells (5)

1. Gary Mosbaugh

7. Assorted Ornamentals and/or Hard-shells (25)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh

9. Different Varieties Bottle Type, 9" or more height (3)

1. Annette Mosbaugh
2. Gary Mosbaugh

10. Same Variety Bottle Type, under 5" in ht (3)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh

11. Different Varieties Basket Type, 20" or more in circumference (3)

1. Annette Mosbaugh
2. Gary Mosbaugh

12. Same Variety Basket Type, under 20" in circumference (3)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh
3. Rick Podell

13. Dipper, Siphon or Trough Type (3)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh

14. Longest Straight Long Handled Dipper, Snake or Baton (1)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh

15. Longest Long Gourd (1)

1. Clyde Stringer

16. Largest in Circumference (1)

1. Gary Mosbaugh
2. Annette Mosbaugh
3. Rick Podell

More Indiana State Fair Results

Some other notable winners from our IGS ranks:

Decorative Crop & Vegetable Arts Division

Natural Seed and Plant - Diane Werblo, first and **BEST OF SHOW**

(She said it was made from mostly gourd scraps!)

Embellished Seed and Plant

Diane Werblo, first

Concord Grapes

Ann Stankiewicz, first

ROAD TRIPS

2022—courtesy of AGS

(www.americangourdsociety.org)

- Sep 10-12: Nevada Silver State Art Festival, Carson City, NV, www.nevadagourdsociety.org
 Sep 22-25: Idaho Gourd Festival, idahogourdsociety.org/festival
 Sep 30-Oct 2: Texas Lone Star Gourd Festival, Gillespie Co Fairgrounds, Fredricksburg, TX, www.texasgourdsociety.org
 Oct 7-9: Ohio Gourd Show and Festival, Delaware Co Fairgrounds, Delaware, OH, ohiogourdsociety.com
 Oct 14-15: Alabama Gourd Show, Sparkman Civic Center, Hartselle, AL www.alabamagourdsociety.org
 Oct 21-23: GourdFest "Gourds on the Go" Kiwanis Fairgrounds, Griffin, GA www.georgiagourdsociety.com
 Nov 5-6: North Carolina Gourd Arts and Crafts Festival, State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC www.ncgourdsociety.org

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:		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 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]

IGS State Gourd Show

TBD, 2023

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Indiana State Fair

TBD, 2023

State Fairgrounds

1202 E 38th St

Indianapolis, IN 46205

[Note: The fair charges an entry fee]

Did You Miss Part of the Gourds at the Fair?

They are tearing down the Swine Barn and rebuilding it. Many things got moved and stored in the Rabbit/Chicken Barn. Those animals moved to the Expo Hall. The vendors there were downsized and moved to Ag-Hort. The State Fair people split our booth this year! The horticulture (fresh and dried) gourds were in the Arts Building. The artistic (crafted) gourds were in the horticulture building. It may be this way for a couple of years.

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

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Indiana State Fair Info

We appreciate all our volunteers! Penny Boyce, Mary Johnson, Michelle Fife, Mac McCrary, and Diane Werblo all volunteered seven days or more. Others who helped were Jean Long, Phil Moorhead, Shirley Gates, Dale Winger, and prospective member/good friend Mark Brown who helped fill in the gaps. As of this writing we have about 50 people who want more info about gourds and/or IGS from the State Fair. It is our very best outreach.

Photos from Linda's Gourd Patch



Ways & Means

NEW ITEMS: We have now have 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

Jim Story DVD: \$23

Jim Story *Gourds: From Vine to Design* book: \$15

Aurelia Conway books:

Gourd Purses, Decorative Painting #9728 \$13.50

How to Paint a Gourd #9606 \$13.50

Send check payable to IGS to

Phil Moorhead

PO Box 822

Marion, IN 46952

Please send e-mail or phone in case we need to contact you

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Thorn Tree	Thorntown	Karen Niemeyer	765-436-7518
West Central Indiana	Avon	Shirley Gates	317-306-6383

Photos from the State Fair



Best of Show by Michelle Fife



Sorry for the bad lighting, the art gourds were behind glass in a case.

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