

only house with gourds in the flower bed.” She was correct. I don’t believe there is another house in Thorntown that meets that description. Several years ago I decided that I did not need to invest in concrete figures for landscaping. A trio of large dried gourds is just as interesting, a lot less expensive, and a great deal of fun. The only downside—after a heavy wind they sometimes have to be recaptured and returned to their artistic sites!!

We have just been invited to be the grand marshals for our town’s September Festival of the Turning Leaves. The parade theme will be, “So Many Books, So Little Time.” I am now thinking about how we can work our gourds into that theme. However, I am also thinking that some year IGS could try as a state show theme, “So Many Gourds, So Little Time.” Don’t we all feel that there are so many facets of the gourd world that there is not enough time to enjoy them all?

What do YOU see? What are your mind pictures that will help promote our gourdgeous gourds?

Until next time, happy gourding!

Karen K. Niemeyer



Sandlady’s 10th Annual Gourd Art Festival

Saturday August 23 9:00 AM—4:00 PM

Sunday August 24 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

Classes: Masks, Tenerife & Basket Weaving

Starting 9:00 AM Saturday & 9:00 AM Sunday

Professional Instructors - \$20 to 55.00 per class

Classes listed on Web Site

Free Make It—Take It for children—Both Days
Free Demos of wood burning, carving, & tool use.
Saturday—Guy Shutt - Sunday—Ron Thomas

Garage Sale - Both Days

Vendors with art on gourds and demos

Sand Lady’s Gourd Art Museum 500 pc collection

Gourds and Seeds for sale - Videos for sale

FREE PARKING & MUSIC

FOOD AVAILABLE

Directions: I-74 West to S.R. 41

Go south 20 miles to Tangier Road

Turn right (west) on Tangier Rd (1050 W).

Go Seven miles west on black top road (1050W)

(and at times it changes to 1025 W)

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