



President's Message

May 27 2010 Karen K. Niemeyer

Frank Minarik, an Indiana resident and brother of IGS member Ed, won the Winter Scene Painted on Cannonball Gourd by Delaina DeHaven. We hope Frank will truly enjoy his great winter gourd and I apologize for the misspelling of his name in the last issue!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE:

Four to seven times a week an e-mail arrives in the president's mail box with an "IGS General Question". Many times this question will be what kind of finish to use on exterior bird houses, how to clean a gourd, why gourds were not growing well on May 1, etc. Some, I can answer, some, I partly answer and refer to experts in our IGS for more complete answers. About once a month an OPPORTUNITY comes along, and I'd like to mention a few to you. Then I'd like to have volunteers to help promote gourds and the Indiana Gourd Society, to sell a few seeds and booklets, and to wow the world with gourd possibilities.

We do have a great banner that pins to a table skirt of an 8" table. It proclaims INDIANA GOURD SOCIETY. We also have the shoe-box size container of seeds for sale, the notebook of gourd photos, plus the educational literature book of 20 pages that we sell for \$3.00 at non-IGS events.

In early April I set up booths, gave a gourd talk, and sold seeds and booklets in downtown Indianapolis at a Senior Citizen Center garden show. It was a great deal of fun, as people were so amazed at gourd possibilities. As an added benefit, I heard a talk by gardener Dick Crum on clothing tips: buy at Goodwill;

Mission Statement

The Indiana Gourd Society, through individual and organizational activities, promotes educational efforts which advance an appreciation for the gourd's role and significance in past and present cultures and for gourd cultivation, crafting and artistry

wear long sleeves and a hat to protect old skin.

On May 1 Helen Parker and Emily Wallace womanned a booth at the Monroe County Master Gardener's Fair. They report great success. For such events, master seedsman Jesse Glessner provides a shoebox-size selection of seeds. The only stipulation: mail it back to him within a week after an event.

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Time To Plant



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Spring and Fall - 2010 - JGS Festivals

SPRING FESTIVAL WRAP-UP

A big thanks to all who helped put on a great spring show!

The volunteers were plentiful & a great bunch of people--& that's why I love the society! People always willing to help!

Thanks to our vendors who took the time to come & set up their booths! We had a variety of crafted gourds & look forward to those vendors & more at state show.

Thank you Perry Riley for a great presentation! If you haven't seen Perry you must make it a point to see one of his presentations. You will be amazed. Thanks to all of you who did demos! You were wonderful!

Happy Gourding!

Emily Wallace

FALL FESTIVAL

It is time now to start working on Fall Festival. The Spring festival has come & gone!

This year the Indiana Gourd Society Fall Festival will be at Hendricks County Fairgrounds in Danville, Indiana. Free admission!

We are requesting donations for the auction and, of course, our wonderful volunteers to help put on a great fall show!

There will be a mini craft & dried gourd competition in green gourds, dried gourd, pyrography, cut gourd, carved/gouged, painted/dyed/stained, jewelry, mask & children's category.

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State Fair Info - 2010

FROM THE STATE FAIR WEB SITE

Section GO-Gourds

Ruth Moorhead, Marion, IN - Judge

EXHIBIT CHECK-IN

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4 • 9 am - 9 pm

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5 • 9 am - Midnight

JUDGING

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 • 9 am

EXHIBIT RELEASE

SUNDAY AUGUST 22 • 9-11 PM (Admission Ticket Required) •

NO VEHICLE TRAFFIC • Only exhibits that can be carried to exhibitor's car will be released.

Monday, August 23 • 8 am - Noon (**No Ticket Required**)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Read general terms and conditions and agriculture/horticulture department terms and conditions. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with and understand all terms and conditions concerning exhibition.

1. Gourds must predominate in all entries.
2. **All embellishments must be natural, unless otherwise stated.**
3. Entry tags must be attached to entries.
4. Only one entry may be made in a class by one individual.
5. No finish on fresh or dried gourds - classes 1-19.
6. The Indiana State Fair will provide containers where needed.
7. The Assistant in charge of this division reserves the right to discard any exhibit whenever it does not make a good appearance.
8. Stems should remain on fresh and dried gourds - classes 1-19. Stems are optional on crafted gourds.
9. Ornamental gourds: usually colorful with yellow blossoms.
Hard-shell gourds: varying shades of green with white blossoms.

You may want to send for a booklet for entry rules. Or you can download the PDF files. See the article to the right !

Volunteers Needed For IGS State Fair Booth

Please contact one of the co-chairs for the fair if you can volunteer to help at the booth. [We need many people to talk to the fair-goers, do demonstrations, etc.](#) This is another 3-week long fair!

Check the fair schedule book for the competition categories. If you can volunteer for the IGS for 5 days during the run of the show, you get a badge good for the entire fair (please contact one of us for details) plus getting to ride the tram free. Volunteer for a 4-hour shift and get a free day pass.

More information will be in the next Tendril, but, you can check the State Fair Web Site if you are entering competition pieces.

Co-chairs: Jesse Glessner, Pat Moore, & Phil Moorhead

CAUTION: READ THE COMPETITION RULES FROM THE STATE FAIR SITE ON YOUR OWN!

You can download the rules from www.in.gov/statefair/fair/index.html for Maps, Information, and More. Start at bottom right link of Competitions/Contests, then Open Class Handbook / Premiums List, cursor down to the Non-Animal section and click on Department 112, Agriculture/Horticulture. You will find all the rules in a PDF document. Just below the Ag/Hort link is a link to the Entry Form. **GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR ENTRIES!!**

IGS STATE SHOW 2011

Attention talented Gourd Art enthusiasts: It is time again to start thinking about classes for our next **Indiana State Gourd Show** at the end of March 2011. That sounds like a long way off but the time seems to fly. We are again looking for interested parties to be Instructors at our next State Show. After we receive all our Instructor applications, we will select a certain number of classes according to the time frame of the classes submitted and how many we can fit in. We are looking for new ideas for projects for the show. We need to come up with more classes that will attract the attention of gentlemen as well as ladies. Try to keep your classes to a **maximum** of 4 hours. **As a reminder, please remember that the Instructor should supply good quality gourds and instructions in case the product isn't finished in class.** We have a lot of talented

people in our Society and each year the classes become even better. We are always very impressed with everyone's craft ideas each year and find it very hard to decide which ones to use and which ones we have to reject.

Please get back to me as soon as possible if you are interested in participating in the 2011 State Show. You will only have until the **31st of July** to get your instructor applications turned in with a picture of your project. If you let me know as soon as possible that you are interested, you can get the paper work in later as long as it is before the deadline. **Please check the IGS website for an application form.**

If you have any suggestions on how to make the show better, please let us know. Thank you for your interest and we will be looking forward to seeing all the new ideas.

IDA KENNEDY, Workshop Chair

Meet the Members

Interviews and article by Ruth Moorhead

The IGS member highlighted this issue is Joe Lee, of Indianapolis.

Joe was born in Pahoia, Hawaii, of Hawaiian decent, and is the youngest of 10 brothers.

He graduated from high school in 1950, and at age 18 enlisted in the Army. The Army sent him to Ft. Sam Houston, TX, and so he came to the mainland for training as a medic in the Artillery Corps. He served in the Korean War. Very quickly he rose in rank, and became a Master Sergeant by the age of 26. Wherever he went, he made life-long friends.

After the service, he entered Franklin College in Indianapolis, graduating in 1959, and earned a Master Degree in Science Education from Michigan State. In 1965, he received a National Science Foundation Grant to broaden his science background.

He taught 33 years in public schools in Indianapolis, a seventh and eighth grade teacher, teaching “hands-on science”, health, physical education, and social studies. (Here’s where the Master Sergeant experience would have come in handy!)

He met and married Helen, a” born and raised Hoosier”; they have four children, and have been married for 51 years.

IGS members know Joe as a pyrographer, specializing in small and miniature gourd jewelry and bowls. Growers all over the U.S. know he will be looking for the smallest gourds for perfectly-matched pairs of earrings, and the smallest of pendants on which to design.

Jim Story and John Sturgeon first got him interested in working with gourds. He was elected to the Indiana Gourd Society Honor Roll in 2007.

If you’ve studied his style, you’ve noticed that he often employs a number of Hawaiian leaves, flowers, plants, animals and motifs in his pieces. His workmanship is meticulous. As with so many of our other gourd artists, Joe is able to share his heritage, his intelligence, and his soul. He is most generous sharing his skills with IGS members, inspiring us, and challenging us to try new techniques, and keep improving. You’ve likely seen him demonstrating or teaching classes at the state show, spring and fall meetings, and at our booth at the state fair.

Joe has often been asked to share his knowledge and experience, and has taught woodburning classes in California, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Ohio, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Indiana, and Hawaii. Our soft-spoken Joe Lee, former Army Master Sergeant, is an excellent teacher.

More than anything else about the gourd society, Joe Lee enjoys the members. And he continues making life-long friends wherever he goes.



DEMONSTRATION AT SPRING FESTIVAL



Perry Riley telling about how it was “in the good ole days” during one of his demos. If you’ve never seen one of the demonstrations you should contact him about his future events and travel to see it. It is really worth the time and effort. A period costume is worn and various period articles are shown as on the table in this photo.

Thanks, Perry!

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On July 24 Perry Riley will host from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. a "Summer Moon Gathering of Period & Fine Arts and Gardens" at his farmstead in Kingman, IN. Some of you will remember seeing Perry with his traditional gourd use exhibit at the May 22 IGS Spring Festival. Pat Moore and Helen Thomas will represent IGS at that event, which will include a tour of historic log homes and buildings, traditional and fine arts demonstrations, historical re-enactors, children's activities, and much more. We are looking for additional volunteers to talk about gourds and staff a table of children's gourd painting.

The Indiana State Fair has "Year of the Pig" as its theme for 2010, and the IGS will again have a booth in the Horticulture Building, August 4-22, with tear-down on August 23. Anyone who volunteers to work the booth for five days will receive a badge good for entry into the fair on any day. There will be gourd competition, a "touchable" table of gourds, display of the Jim Story and Carolyn Rushton videos, Bill Freihofer's famous spinner gourd demonstrations, Ways & Means and seed sales (and usually the opportunity to teach the difference between a male and female gourd blossom), a bucket of water to demonstrate cleaning of gourds, as well as demonstrations of talents of various members. What an exhilarating and exhausting time! We celebrate the years of effort Ron and Loretta Pressel have given at the State Fair booth and thank this year's committee Jesse Glessner, Pat Moore, and Phil Moorhead. Who wants to volunteer to help?

On September 4 Sandlady Helen Thomas will host her 11th annual Gourd Art Fest near Tangier, IN. Guy Shutt will be providing information on growing gourds, and Susie Billingsley will teach a class on weaving on a gourd basket. IGS is always invited to be a visible presence at this event, which is a good time to see Helen's museum of gourd art as well as fields of gourds. Who else wants to help represent IGS from 9-4:00 on Sept. 4?

On Sept. 10-12 at the state fairgrounds (Sheep Pavilion, Draft Horse Pavilion) in Indianapolis will be a Country Lifestyle Experience, and IGS has been invited. This event will showcase everything from gardening tools to alternative energy. The group held a similar event last year in Oregon but this will be the first year in Indiana and the event will target small farms and sustainable agriculture. Although many viewers will be adult, it is anticipated that some families will participate, and IGS may offer a children's area. If we decide to do so, it will be featured on the program in an effort to encourage family participation. Needed are demonstrators/speakers, and IGS may sell seeds, booklets, crafted gourds, etc. Specifically, the planner has asked for a speaker on growing gourds, the pros of different gourds, and demonstrations: burning/cutting/basic decorating and gourd doll heads and gourd seed necklaces. The planner's mother and a close friend have "attempted raising gourds for a few years and have talked much about trying their hand at decorating them." Many questions: where to begin, what dyes to use, what gourds to use for what projects.

On October 2 and 3 the Indiana State Museum (Indianapolis) is having a Harvest Festival from 11-4:00 both days. IGS has been invited to participate – and I can manage October 3. Can anyone handle October 2? Set up will be 9 a.m. on both days. There will be overnight security and tear down at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. If we choose to sell, there will be a nominal fee that is still being negotiated by the event planners. We may provide demonstrations in the Museum lobby, and if we want to offer classes or make-it-take-it sessions, we may do so, charge and split the fee with the ISM. We may sell our Ways & Means items. A booth will be 8 x 8'. Anticipated attendance: 1500.

In October IGS's Patch 1 provides a booth at Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve (Niles, MI) and on January 22, 2011, will represent IGS at the Porter County Master Gardener's 9th annual sShow.

IGS has been invited to participate in the Indianapolis Home & Flower Show, March 4-6, 2011. A booth is being held for us along the wall, 9 spaces in from the main entrance. It is anticipated that 33,000 will attend the three-day show. There is no charge to IGS for this booth at the Lucas Oil Stadium. We may sell raw gourds, crafted gourds, seeds. When I asked about selling, the response was, "Absolutely, sell gourds and seeds also.....our visitors want information, ideas AND the ability to buy things." (Do we need to get a gourd birdhouse assembly line activated?) Last year numerous clubs, societies and associations were featured along with 20 landscaped gardens and over 250 exhibitors. From my perspective, it seems like a great way to gain attention, sales, members – and to further our mission: educating about the wonderful world of gourds. What we need now are volunteers to man and woman a booth, to set up and tear down. The IGS already has the appropriate insurance that is required to cover such participation. I don't

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President's Message

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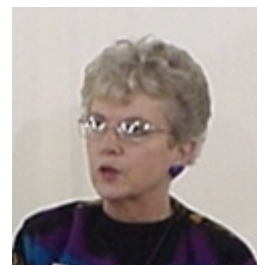
have many details and The Tendril is ready to go to press, but I'll call for information on passes to get into the exhibit area if someone is a volunteer booth sitter, what time setup is, what time booth must be manned (or womanned), when teardown takes place, etc. What a great reason to get to this splendid show: help IGS with a booth while enjoying the show before or after your shift!

On October 30 the IGS Fall Festival will be at Danville, Indiana, at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds, 9:00-3:00. Second vice-president Emily Wallace already has plans to exceed her Spring Festival, May 22, 2010 event. Participate in the membership meeting and the competition. Enjoy the auction and the food. No admission charge, just gourd fun. Membership meeting will begin at 3:45 p.m. or as soon as the hall has been emptied. Gourd patches: this is an inexpensive place to purchase a booth and plan to see patch members' gourd art. Invite patch members to take turns at the booth.

On November 20-21, IGS will again be featured in a booth at the Garfield Park Arts Center art show organized by Diane Werblo and Mac McCreary. This was an incredible artistic event last year, and the IGS booth was fantastic, thanks to Emily Wallace's louver display system. A few ART GOURDS will be solicited for this booth. This event also had a humorous side: vendors from one booth would speak for a gourd or other art piece, then return to their booths to sell enough to pay for the piece—or a barter system would be employed. We sold seeds at this event and had the usual pleasure of introducing people and various artists to the World of Gourds. We have again asked for the booth in front of the fireplace—great atmosphere—and a great place to display Bill Freihofer's manipulated gourds. Other members' special gourds are welcomed too!

Next year's IGS state gourd show will be April 1-3 at Greenfield, Indiana, at the Hancock County Fairgrounds, 620 North Apple, Greenfield 46140. Chairs of the show will be Jim Ballard, Carl Abner, and Kevin Davis. Jim reports that the theme will be "Back Home With Gourds in Indiana." He encourages exhibitors to begin now to create gourds for the show theme category: crops, Indianapolis 500 Race, musicians, and much, much more that can represent Indiana. Now is the time to be thinking. Now is also the time for our gourd patches to make plans to have a booth.

There may be other items on the gourd agenda. In fact, there is not a doubt in my mind that other invitations will arrive YOU are needed and wanted as a volunteer to tell the gourd story. Please e-mail to niemeyer@frontiernet.net or call me at the library 765 436 7348. You'll be glad you volunteered for some of these joyful assignments!



The grayed in days in the calendar show our schedule requirements for volunteers to help man the IGS booth at the State Fair. We are looking for more IGS people who do not normally volunteer. It is very hard on the small cadre of people we normally have to keep the booth up and running on a daily basis with the State Fair's extended schedule.

Contacts/Co-Chairs are:

Jesse Glessner (jessgless@comcast.net or Ph. 765-348-0344)

Pat Moore (pmoore@hughes.net or Ph. 765-597-2049)

Phil Moorhead (moorheap@yahoo.com or Ph 765-674-8088)

~ August 2010 ~							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	31	Notes:			



Psst! It is never too early to learn how!

Gabbing around the water cooler, uh, arbor!

Can we say "Drums along the Blue Rive?"



Mary Johnson of Fishers, IN won the first of four door prizes—gourd planter created by Emily Wallace and her mother.

Old friends and new along with those whom we haven't seen for a while showed up to help Emily with the Spring Festival!

Who said you couldn't make a waterfall from a bunch of gourds? Here it is in living color and working very well, thank you!

Our 2010 Committees

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HELP IGS FLOURISH - PLEASE VOLUNTEER

Our Awed Visitors



Our Spring Show visitors were awed all the way around the building as well as with our outside vendors. The ladies here are admiring Joe Lee's word burning techniques and viewing some of his Hawaiian patterns.

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2010 State Show Competition Results

2010 Indiana State Gourd Show						
South Bend, Indiana						
Exhibition Competition Results						
Place:	1	2	3	4	5	
Bascom, Francis	D14,D19		D9			
Benedict, Sherry	A45,N46,A47	A83				N37
Biek, Debra	N43	N68,N72		N35		
Brady, Joyce	N42					
Brames, Marilyn		I46,I87		I32		
Brown, Karen	A34,A44,A60,A62,A65,A40,A82	A45,A58,A68,A75,A85,87	A76,A86	A63		
Cuff, Mary	I54,N79	N36,I40,N45,I55,I74,I75,N76,I77,N80	I68,N69			N37
Dalton, Elen	D6	D8		D9,D19		
DeHaven, Delaina	A63,A76	A37				
DeHaven, Jacob	N35					
DeHaven, Kirsten			N35			
Devine, Catherine	A86					
Earle, Joyce	I47,I61,I68,I69,I74	I73,I78	N44,I63	N58		
Fox, Tom			N35			
Freihofer, Bill	D16	D18				
Gorecki, Marla	N47	N33,N40,N70				
Hazen, Sandy		N35,N65	N33			
Hellor, Rita	N33,N68	N37	N86	N31		N46
Hiduke, Robbie	N31,N69		D11,N36,N37			
Hutchins-Dorstewitz, Pam	N24,N28,N30,N32,N40,N44,I52,N53, N76,N77,N84	D2,D3,D15,N31,I36,N75	D16,I78	D4,D8,I34,N46		
Irla-Harlow, Gloria	A57,A75,A79,A85	A63,A72,A76,A78	A30,A81			
Kennedy, Ida	I55,I75					
King, Bud			D8	D3		
Lee, Joe	A83					
Marie, MelissaAnn		N35	N46			N37
Medina, Percy	A30					
Meyers, Renee	I36,I65,I79	I55	D18	I58		
Meyers, Sid	D18,I62	A34,A86		I73,A85	A63	
Millard, Jerry	N48,N63,N70,N73,N74	I47,I57				N37
Millard, Judy	N78					
Miller, Peggy	I45					
Minerik, Ed	D10	D9,D12,D19	D5	D11	D4	
Moore, Pat	D8,D9,D11,D15,D18A,I23,I24,I33,I34, I38,I39,I40,I46,I49,I63,I70,I84	D16,I36,I37,I44,I68,I69	I32,I58,I73,I86,I87	I78		
Murrin, Blanche	N49,N50,N87	N30,N69,N86	D19,N70,N73			
Niedermeyer, Gwen		N87	I34			
Niemeyer, Karen	N35	I56	N37			
Panozzo, Phyllis			N58			
Paulsen, Rita	N56,N83					
Pawlik, Chris	A35,I43,A58,A72	A61	A63,A76,A85	A81		
Pawlowski, Alice	I32,I37,I44,I50,I57,I72,I77,I87	I34,I45,I58,I70,I86	N31	N65		
Pressel, Loretta	D1,D2,D12,D13,D14,D20,A52	D4	D3,I47,A57			D11
Pressel, Ron	I51,A67,A81	D11,A30,I36,N58,N73	D6,A66,A68,I70	I37		
Reed, Barry	N57,N65,N73,I86	I32				
Reese, Maria	N25	N24,N55,N63,N82	N28			
Rice, Angie	I30,I31,I56	I63				
Rodriguez, Brenda				N76		
Rogers, William	I58					
Royal, Marilyn	A46	A55,A57,A69	A37,A83	A68	A81	
Rushton, Carolyn	A37,A54,A55,A33,A68,A69,A78,A83	D5,A56,A81	A58	D6		
Schandavel, Margaret	N37	N32				N35
Schmidt, Sally	N75	N28	N45			
Schram, Karen	N58			N37	N35	
Smith, Pat	D3,D4,D5,N36,N45,N55N81,N86	D6				D9
Thomas, Helen	A74	D20,A66	D4,N57,N65	A30,N68	D6	
Thomen, James	N72,N80,N82	N57	N68,N76	N36,N73		
Wallace, Emily	A61	N46				
Williams, Diane	I78					



Indiana Gourd Society ... Ten Years Ago...

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The 2000 IGS Show

Best of Show winners were:

Dried: Jim Story
 Arts & Crafts: Gail Leider
 Novice: Steve Stairs
 Youth & Teen: Ian Martin

Gourd Happenings In Our Gourdeous World

IGS State Fair Booth Manned

August 6 thru 22, 2010 - 9am - 9pm - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for demonstrations and to talk to fair attendees coming through the gourd exhibits. Check the State Fair Web Site for competition costs, regulations, and for obtaining competition booklets.

[A State Fair Sponsored Event with IGS Support]

September 8-October 8, 2010 All About Gourds: From Garden to Gallery--The Ice House Gallery's 9th Annual Gourd Show, Mayfield, Kentucky. \$300 Best of Show Award with additional cash awards and ribbons. Deadline for entry--August 28th. E-mail icehousearts@att.net or see websitewww.icehousearts.org

Sept. 11-12, 2010 69th annual North Carolina Gourd Arts and Crafts Festival. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. Theme: "Into the Woods." See historic gourds from around the world, workshops. Vendors of gourds, gourd craft, craft supplies. Holshouser Building (new location!), NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, N.C. Adults \$4, ages 12-17 \$2, younger than 12 free, seniors \$3. Information: Festival Chair: Kate Mahony at tolecat@nc.rr.com, (910) 639-4577,

Sept 17-19, 2010 Fall ILGS State Festival at the Chicago Botanical Gardens in Glencoe. Classes contact Sandy Bulgrin, sbulgrin@mac.com. Vendors contact Joyce Dankowski, lady_jd@att.net. Competition contact Thomas Bloore, tbloore@sbcglobal.net or Sally Arnold, sassyii@sbcglobal.net. General questions contact Bonnie Cox, ilmidwife@aol.com.

Sept 17-19, 2010 Michigan Festival of Gourds - at the Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds in Imlay City MI. Vendors, classes, live entertainment, judged competition, demonstrations. All proceeds to benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan. Michiganfestivalofgourds.com

Sept 25-26, 2010 Ohio Gourd Society's annual Gourd Show at the Darke County Fairgrounds in Greenville, Ohio. For more information: americangourdsociety.org/ohiochapter

IGS Fall Membership Meeting and Festival Oct 30, 2010 Hendricks County (Danville, IN)

The 2010 Fall Festival and Membership Meeting is moving!! We are going to Hendricks Co in Danville to their fairgrounds exposition center / conference center. More information will be forthcoming.

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2010 Spring Festival/ Membership Meeting Minutes

May 22, 2010 Hancock County Fairgrounds 9:00 am - 3:00pm EST

PRESENT: Tom Benedict, Sherry Benedict, Joe Lee, Joyce Orr, Jane Story, Bud King, Ron Bair, Jesse Glessner, Bill Freihofer, Joyce Dankowski, Brenda Rodriguez, Rich Rodriguez, Helen J. Parker, Lee Parker, Peg Sullivan, Steve Sullivan, Carolyn Rushton, Emily Wallace, Dan Wallace, Emily Dillard, Robert Dillard, Mac McCrary, Diane P. Werblo, Sid Meyers, Renee Meyers, Jim Ballard, Ronald Pressel, Loretta Pressel, Pat Moore, Ruth Moorhead, Phil Moorhead, Helen Thomas, Carl Abner, Kevin Abner, and Karen Niemeyer.

IGS President, Karen Niemeyer, opened the at 3:45 pm EST.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the 2009 Fall Membership/Festival meeting was read by Loretta Pressel. The minutes were approved .

TREASURER'S REPORT: Phil Moorhead reported the bank balance as of 4-30-10 is \$37,183.49. The books balance with the bank statement. Report will be filed for audit.

SPRING MEETING: Emily Wallace thanked everyone for the support she has received, especially Jim Ballard. Jim Ballard also expressed his appreciation. The reported attendance, today, is around 243.

MEMBERSHIP: Pat Moore passed out several charts explaining the activity and changeability of our memberships. {Analysis will be attached for records} She reported that there are, plus or minus, 255 household memberships. There 63 households with two members and 25 complimentary memberships for a total of 345 members.

STATE SHOW: Phil passed out a handout showing the State Show Analysis for 2010. He had figures comparing the years 2004 through 2010. {Analysis will be attached for records}.

Jim Ballard, Carl Abner, and Kevin Davis will co-chair the 2011 State Show. It will be at the Hancock Co. Fairgrounds, Greenfield, IN on April 1, 2, 3, 2011. The theme will be BACK HOME WITH GOURDS IN INDIANA. Some positions have been assigned. *Vendor chair*, Emily Wallace. *Workshop chair*, Joye Orr assisted by Ida Kennedy. *Kids patch*, Linda Harlow and Phyllis Keegen. *Auction chair*, Rich and Brenda Rodriguez. *Photographer*, Steve Sullivan. *Information Booth*, Phil and Ruth Moorhead. *Showbook*, Jesse Glessner. We have joined the Greenfield Chamber of Commerce so we can be included in their advertising.

INDIANA STATE FAIR: The dates are August 6 through Aug. 22, 2010. The theme is the year of the PIG. Volunteers and demonstrators are needed. If you sign up for five days you can receive a season badge and can ride the shuttle FREE. The three co-chairs are: Phil Moorhead, Jesse Glessner and Pat Moore.

SEEDS: Jesse reported he sold 61 pkgs. of seeds and 18 plants today. He and Steve Sullivan reported on Seed packing Day and Seed harvesting day that was held in February and March.

WAYS AND MEANS: Loretta Pressel reported that the profits for Ways and Mean's have been on the decline for several years. We had sales of \$738.50 at the State Show. We sold some items, from the storage unit, for \$79.25. Loretta has reduced the price for the Jim Story VCR'S to \$10.00. She has sold eight at that price. The DVD'S still sell for \$20.00. She is going to start scaling down on the clothing inventory. She asks that more people donate misc. items. These are all profit. Diane Werblo made a suggestion the we purchase bandannas. Just have a gourd design on it to make it generic. Carolyn Rushton will accept the challenge to make a design.

PUBLICITY: Karen reported that Alice Pawloski is working on a Tri-Fold brochure. She will need the information of all up coming events.

EDUCATION: Carolyn Rushton reported that old articles will be archived on the Web. Some articles need to be rewritten with

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obsolete information dropped. We want all new technology or current methods used in our articles. If possible, original authors can redo their own articles. A committee of Carolyn Rushton, Diane Werblo, Ruth Moorhead and Ron Bair will review the articles.

WEB MASTER: Phil Moorhead is slowly scanning old Tendrils on to the Web site. Lee and Helen Parker have given him some very old materials to scan. He is also starting a new section with current bio's of members.

TENDRIL: The Tendril will be ready for the publisher by Friday of this week. Helen Parker will be taking over the mailing of the Tendril. The Society expressed thanks to Renee Meyers for doing this for several years.

ARCHIEVES: Karen has given all archival material to Phil to scan. After that, they will be stored in the State Archives.

PATCH REPORTS: Patch 1 has a booth in the Artesian Building at the LaPorte County Fair, July 19 through July 24, 2010. They will be demonstrating the use of gourds in pioneer days. Ron and Loretta Pressel is the leaders for this event. Sugar Creek Patch meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. They enjoy doing a variety of techniques.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: The Sugar Creek Patch has a design to put on the Traveling Gourd. Then it will go to Emily's Patch. Karen would like the history of each design that has been put on the gourd.

Oct. 30, 2010 the Indiana Gourd Society Fall meeting/Festival will be held in Danville, IN. Emily Wallace, 1st Vice President is the chairman.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: The PERRY RILEY SUMMER MOON GATHERING, will be held in Kingman IN on July 24, 2010. Pat Moore and Carolyn Rushton will represent the IGS. INDIANA STATE FAIR, is August 6 to 22, 2010. EQUINE FESTIVAL, Sept. 10 & 11, 2010 at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. INDIANA STATE MUSEUM HARVEST FESTIVAL, Oct. 2-3, 2010. GARFIELD PARK ART SHOW, Nov. 20 & 21, 2010. Contact Diane Werblo and Mac McCrary. PATCH 1 at Ferwood Botanical Gardens, in Michigan in Oct. VALPO GARDEN SHOW in Jan. 2011.

NEW BUSINESS: The budget for 2011 was presented, by Karen, for a total of \$31,200.00 {budget is attached to the minutes.} A motion to adopt the 2011 budget was made by Renee Meyer, 2nd by Sid Meyer. Motion Carried.

Rich Rodriquez, chairperson of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of officers for the positions open on the IGS Board. President, *Karen Niemeyer*. 1st Vice-President, *Jim Ballard*. 2nd Vice-President, *Emily Wallace*. Secretary, *Helen Parker*. Membership Secretary, *Pat Moore*. Director, *Jesse Glessner*. Director, *Bill Freihofer*. There were no nominations from the floor. Joyce Dankowski made a motion and 2nd by Bill that we accept the slate as presented. Motion carried.

Karen appointed the Audit Committee. The Audit must be completed by June 22, 2011. Committee members are Jesse Glessner, chair, Helen Parker and Jim Ballard.

Bill Freihofer made mention of the fact that Karen Niemeyer purchased and prepared food for both the Seed Packing Day and the Seed Harvesting Day and that IGS should pay her \$25.00 for each day. He made a motion, 2nd by Ruth Moorhead, that we pay Karen \$25.00 for each day. Motion carried.

Comments from the membership was solicited and shared.

The next anticipated Executive Board Meeting is June 26 or 27.

Bill Freihofer, 2nd by Jim Ballard, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 EST. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Pressel, IGS Secretary