



# THE TEXAS GOURDZETTE

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## Michael Ford wins top spot at TGS Lone Star Festival



**Peoples Choice Winner  
Cal Stewart**



# President's Message by Suzanne Haffey

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Tis the season to be jolly!!! As always, it's hard to believe a year has come and gone. I want to thank all the members who have served as Board of Directors and Officers for the Texas Gourd Society. I will be stepping down as President and Shelia Guidry from the Coastal Bend Patch will be our next President. She will be looking for members to step forward and volunteer throughout the year. We absolutely need your help. The following members have volunteered and been elected to be Officers and Directors:

## Officers:

President	Shelia Guidry-Coastal Bend Patch
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Bill Willibey – Southeast Patch  
John Flewharty – Dallas Patch  
JoAnne Richardson – West Texas Patch  
Cal Stewart – Dallas Patch  
Roy Cavaretta – Capital of Texas Patch  
Tom Horsnby – Bayou Gourds, Louisiana (Tom has volunteered to fill this position as Shelia Guidry moves into the position of President. The Board will need to approve this position).

The Lone Star Gourd Festival was held at the Pioneer Museum grounds last October 18-21, 2013. Competition was held in the sanctuary which was beautiful. The grounds were lovely and the location was good. The tents and outside venue were not so good. We got an early cold front accompanied by rain. The teachers and students were freezing during the classes especially in the morning. We had a little over 800 attendees which was comparable to the past few years. We were hoping that being downtown Fredericksburg would draw more people but that wasn't the case.

After much discussion and consideration, the Board has decided to make a big change and move the 2014 Lone Star Gourd Festival to the Civic/Convention Center in New Braunfels. We are renting the entire facility and everything will be under one roof (except for classes that have to be held outside) with electricity, air conditioning and, lights. Please mark your calendars for August 14-17, 2014. Thursday 8/14 will be set up day and the festival will be open to the public 8/15-8/17. New Braunfels is centrally located with easy access off IH 35 between Austin and San Antonio. New Braunfels offers a lot of lodging from hotels, motels, and many RV parks. They are also a "destination" town with the Historic town of Gruene located right next door.

As many of you know, the Lone Star Gourd Festival takes a lot of work to put on and cannot be done without a lot of volunteers. We will need Committee Chairs to fill positions for the Festival. It's not too early to start working on making the 2014 festival the best ever.

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## President's Message continued

Speaking of volunteers, the Gourdzette is your newsletter and we need you to contribute to it. Let us know of upcoming events that you are going to participate in, tips on anything from growing and cleaning gourds to gourd art or new items to embellish them with. You can submit these along with pictures to Cathy West at [disn@consolidated.net](mailto:disn@consolidated.net).

I look forward to the New Year and wish all of you the best.

Suzanne Haffey  
President



### Purpose:

The Purpose of the Texas Gourd Society is to promote interest in and appreciation of gourds, both to our membership and to the general public. We will do this by sharing information through education, meetings, festivals and shows related to the culture, history, uses, crafting and artistry of gourds.

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## GOURD FACTS

- Gourds are the longest known crop traced back to 2200 BC
- Gourds are 90% water
- Gourds have been used for centuries as musical instruments, medicinal cures, and functional uses



# TGS Patch Happenings

## News and Events from TGS Gourd Patches

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The Arlington Gourd Patch came together in September for learning and friendship. We welcomed new guests and talked about the gourd show, plus what everyone had been busy with during the summer. The highlight of the meetings are our Show and Tell. We get to ooh and aww over such creative works of art. Georgia led the group in a tennerrife project with great diagrams and instructions. thank you Georgia! The patch met again in November due to the gourd show in October. We conclude the year with our annual Christmas party and exchange. With two new guests and ideas for next year we are excited about the schedule and projects. Check our website to see what we are up too. The Arlington Patch wishes everyone a safe and warm holidays plus new adventures next year.

### TGS CAPITAL OF TEXAS GOURD PATCH –Austin, TX area **CONTACT** Lynda Smith 512-524-7897

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No new submitted

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No news submitted

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Dallas Gourd Patch has had a very busy year! We have had several new members join our patch and the demonstrations at the meetings have been outstanding! Vickie Echols came earlier in the year and gave classes on pineneedle technique and then came to Fredericksburg and is now a member of the TGS! Welcome Vicki! She is coming again to Dallas, Texas and other cities to teach in March, 2014. We had several members take ribbons at the Lone Star Gourd Festival as well as the Texas State Fair. I have included pictures of ribbons and our Show and Tell art work. Also, my husband TR, won the gourd quilt at the festival! Thank you all for the work you put into making that quilt. What a blessing it is to hang it in our home! We look forward to the new year and our patch is starting it off



January with our Christmas Party. If you are interested in coming to our meetings, just contact us at the info above. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Linda Hughes-President Dallas Gourd Patch



## TGS Patch Happenings - Continued

**TGS GUADALUPE GOURD PATCH** – Texas Hill Country Area **CONTACT:** Bob Richie at 830-357-8939 [brichie@ktc.com](mailto:brichie@ktc.com) or Judy Richie at [judyrichie@yahoo.com](mailto:judyrichie@yahoo.com)  
No news submitted

**TGS SOUTHEAST TEXAS GOURD PATCH** - Houston, TX area **CONTACT:** Buddy Trotter (Acting Secretary 281-300-5013 [buddytrotter@gmail.com](mailto:buddytrotter@gmail.com) website [www.artisanart.biz/tgs\\_southeast](http://www.artisanart.biz/tgs_southeast)  
Our normal October meeting was replaced by the TGS Festival held in Fredericksburg, TX. The November 2013 monthly meeting of the SE Texas Gourd patch was held at the home of Cheryl Trotter. After a short business meeting, members had a show and tell and shared what they learned at the TGS Festival. The Patch discussed plans for the coming year programs. In December, we met at the home of Penny Lyons for a Christmas luncheon and a gourd Christmas ornament exchange.



**TGS WEST TEXAS GOURD PATCH** - Lubbock, TX area **CONTACT:** Charla Johnson at 806-795-4405 [Char-Klass@aol.com](mailto:Char-Klass@aol.com) or Beth Lively at 806-634-0161 [blively@windstream.net](mailto:blively@windstream.net)



## Plant a Patch

If you're interested in joining a Patch please contact your closest patch listed above or if you would like to start a patch in your area contact Suzanne Haffey at [bettiesuz@yahoo.com](mailto:bettiesuz@yahoo.com) for more information.

## **A Message from Incoming President - Shelia Guidry**

Wishing everyone a Happy and Holy Holidays. As your new President I am so looking forward to 2014. The Texas Gourd Show has been scheduled and approved by the Board for August 14 to 17, 2014 at the New Braunfels Civic Convention Center. It is a beautiful building. We will have the whole building which consists of a large ballroom which we will use for Competition, a large exhibit hall which we will use for vendors and 5 conference rooms which we will use for classes. We tried to schedule for the October dates of previous shows but the venue was booked up. The only open date was the August date. That is the same weekend that Gruene, Texas has their Market Days so I am hoping that we pull in some of that traffic as they go through New Braunfels.

Now that we have a date and location for the show, chairmen are needed for the different committees for the show. I need each patch to step up and volunteer. We can only do the show with the support of everyone. John Flewharty has already stepped up and will be the Vendor chair. Coastal Bend Patch will do Hospitality. Chairs are needed for Competition, Classes, Advertisement, Volunteers and Admissions. Any chair from last year that would like to do the same position let me know as soon as possible. Please talk at your next patch meeting and decide what committee your patch will do.

*Shelia Guidry, 2014 President*

## **2013 Fall Membership Meeting**

The Fall 2013 Membership Meeting was held on October 19, 2013 at the Golden Hub Senior Center in Fredericksburg, Texas in conjunction with the TGS Festival. The members honored Betty and Pete Kent who were the founders of TGS. Pete passed away in June 2013. The board announced they will be communicating more with Patch leaders in an effort to get patches more involved with the annual festival.

There was discussion on how to fill the show committee chairs for next year.

Lynda Smith reported that in the first two days of the show 717 people came through admissions. In the last few years there have been just under 1000 people come to the festival.

There was a call for 2014 officers including President, Vice-President, Treasurer and 2 Directors.

New Officers were elected:

Shelia Guidry – President

Rosa Siemens – Vice President

Linda Smith – Treasurer -Returning

C. C. Rice - Secretary – Returning

Joe Pritchard – Membership - Returning

Roy Cavaratta – Board Member

Cal Stewart – Board Member

Cal Stewart's entry was announced as the People's Choice Award Winner.



# 2013 Fall Membership Meeting



# 2013 TGS FESTIVAL RESULTS



BEST OF SHOW - Michael Ford



PEOPLES CHOICE  
Cal Stewart



V.I.P. Award  
Dee Reichert



# BEST OF DIVISION WINNERS



YOUTH - Ben Flanagan



NOVICE - Dee Reichert



INTERMEDIATE  
Michael Ford



ADVANCED  
Yoshie Green



MASTERS  
Cal Stewart



# BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

## Youth and Novice



Category 1 - Youth 12 and under  
Ben Flanagan



Category 7 - Color Technique Novice  
Barbara Arnold



Category 8 - Fiber Arts Novice  
Barbara Arnold



Category 10 Creatures Novice  
Barbara Arnold



Category 13 My Idea Novice  
Dee Reichert

# BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

## Intermediate



Category 14 - Carved Intermediate  
Michael Ford



Category 15- Pyrography Intermediate  
Clarissa Spence



Category 16 - Fiber Arts Intermediate  
Anne Harris



Category 17 - Color Technique Intermediate  
Patricia Berry



Category 19 - Beaded Intermediate  
Robbie Pritchard



Category 21 - Mixed Media Intermediate  
Suzanne Haffey



# BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

## Intermediate



Category 22 -Creatures Intermediate  
Suzanne Haffey



Category 23 - Fantasy Intermediate  
Michael Ford



Category 25 Botanical Intermediate  
C C Rice



Category 26 Holiday Intermediate  
C C Rice



Category 27 Wall Hanging Intermediate  
Anne Harris



Category 28 Doll Intermediate  
Clarisa Spence



# BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

## Intermediate



Category 30 Vases Intermediate  
Michael Ford



Category 33 Miniature Intermediate  
Michael Ford



Category 34 Jewelry Intermediate  
Anne Harris



Category 37 My Idea Intermediate  
Mary Sorrells

# BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

## Advanced



Category 39 Carved Advanced  
Connie Fox



Cat. 41 Color Techniques Advanced  
Joanne Richardson



Cat. 43 Inlay Advanced  
Joanne Richardson



Cat. 44 Fiber Arts Advanced  
Joanne Tompkins



Cat. 45 Mixed Media Advanced  
Cheryl Trotter



Cat. 48 Doll Advanced  
Yoshie Green

# BLUE RIBBON WINNERS

## Advanced and Masters



Cat 53 Vases, Bowls Advanced  
Yoshie Green



Cat. 57 Mixed Media Advanced  
Cheryl Trotter



Cat 60 Vases, Bowls Masters  
Darla Hines



Cat 61 Gourd Doll Masters  
Cal Stewart



Cat 63 My Idea Masters  
Shelia Guidry



# Fun at the Festival!







## MOVING TO NEW BRAUNFELS CIV- IC/CONVENTION CENTER



We're very excited to announce that the 18th Annual Lone Star Gourd Festival will be held at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center (<http://meetnb.com>).

Everything will be under one roof and air conditioned. Electricity will be available to all booths. Separate air conditioned rooms are available for classes. Carving classes will still be held outside.

New Braunfels is conveniently located on the IH 35 corridor between Austin and San Antonio. Check the Chamber of Commerce website for lodging(<http://innewbraunfels.com>).

# GOURDS OF THE SEASON

*Here are some gourds from Suzanne Haffley in the spirit of the season!.*



If you have a gourd that represents the season of Spring please submit to Cathy West at [disn@consolidated.net](mailto:disn@consolidated.net) and we may use in the Spring edition of the Gourdzette.



# UPCOMING GOURD EVENTS 2014

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|-------------------------|---|
| February 7 to 9, 2014   | Wuertz Farm 11th Annual Gourd Festival Casa Grande, AZ<br>Entry information - Gerri Bishop <a href="mailto:fairygourdmmom@cox.net">fairygourdmmom@cox.net</a><br><a href="http://www.arizonagourdsociety.org">www.arizonagourdsociety.org</a> |
| February 21 to 23, 2014 | Florida Gourd Society, Azan Shrine Center Melbourne, FL<br><a href="http://Flgourdsoc.org">Flgourdsoc.org</a>   |
| February 22 to 23, 2014 | Idaho Gourd Society Artistry in Wood Show Boise, ID<br><a href="http://Idahogroudsociety.org">Idahogroudsociety.org</a>   |
| April 3 to 5, 2014      | Louisiana Gourd Society's 2nd Annual Gourd Show<br>New Iberia, LA   |
| April 24 to 26, 2014    | Maryland's Gourd Day - Hartford MD<br><a href="http://www.gourdday.org">www.gourdday.org</a>  |
| April 25 to 27, 2014    | California's Baskets and Gourds, Container of Our Culture Visalia, CA<br><a href="http://Californiagourdsociety.com/Calendar-Gourd-Events.html">Californiagourdsociety.com/Calendar-Gourd-Events.html</a>                                     |
| April 26 to 27, 2014    | Missouri's Show Me Gourd Society's Gourd Festival Springfield, MO<br><a href="http://www.showmegourdsociety.com/festival">www.showmegourdsociety.com/festival</a>   |
| May 3 to 4, 2014        | Indiana Gourd Society's Annual Gourd Show Lebanon, IN<br><a href="http://Indianagourdsociety.org">Indianagourdsociety.org</a>   |
| May 16 to 18, 2014      | Kentucky Gourd Society's 2014 Show Taylorsville, KY<br><a href="http://Kygourdsociety.org">Kygourdsociety.org</a>   |
| May 30 to June 1, 2014  | Cherokee Gourd Artists Gathering - Cherokee, NC<br><a href="http://www.gourdgathering.net">www.gourdgathering.net</a>   |
| June 19 to 21, 2014     | Pennsylvania Gourd Society's Annual Gourd Fest<br>Lebanon Valley Expo Center & Fairgrounds <a href="http://www.pagourdsociety.org">www.pagourdsociety.org</a>   |
| September 6 to 7, 2014  | North Carolina's Gourd Show - NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC<br><a href="http://www.ncgourdsociety.org">www.ncgourdsociety.org</a>   |
| September 6, 2014       | AGS Annual Membership Meeting at the North Carolina's Gourd Show<br>Raleigh, NC   |



Don't forget your 2014  
Membership dues!



## Welcome New Members!!

Join a Patch, ask questions, volunteer and have fun.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP  
TEXAS GOURD SOCIETY

The Kappa Chapter, TEXAS GOURD SOCIETY (TGS) is part of the American Gourd Society (AGS). Membership benefits of TGS include quarterly newsletters called THE TEXAS GOURDZETTE, source information for seeds, gourds, educational materials, show information, tools, seminars, workshops, meetings, horticulture, demonstrations, ideas for embellishing and more. Texas is divided into regions called “TGS Gourd Patches”. Dues for TGS members are \$12 per year, expiring Dec. 31. Two state meetings are held: one in Spring and one in Fall.

TGS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FORM

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