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President’s Message by Tom Hornsby

Greetings, I hope everyone is as excited as I am that spring is just around the corner and it will soon be planting time. It won’t be long until it’s time to put those gourd seeds in the ground and before you know it those gourd plants are popping up and the vines are running all over the field. We are praying for a little more rain this year to help those gourd crops along and maybe a bigger and more bountiful harvest. Like everyone else the Texas Gourd Society is busy making plans for the year and would like to extend a Big Friendly Texas invitation to everyone to join us in 2012 and take part in all of our activities.

On January 21st Zelda and I were guests in the beautiful home of John & Sharon Flewharty, and we had the pleasure of attending the Dallas Gourd Patch meeting hosted by the Flewharty’s. The Dallas patch is one of the largest and most active in our society. We attended the patch business meeting and Linda Hughes was elected as the new leader of the Dallas patch. Congratulations to Lynda, we know she will do an excellent job. We also had a wonderful time taking part in the Chinese gift exchange. If you never experienced this you don’t know what you’re missing, what fun. We saw a lot of old friends and made many new ones. Thanks to our gracious host and the Dallas Gourd Patch for a wonderful time.

The Texas Gourd Society spring meeting will be on 17 March 2012 in Hallettsville, Texas, at Roy & Blanch Cavaretta’s Farm. They have invited TGS to use their farm and we are looking forward to a really good time. Hallettsville is located midway between Houston and San Antonio, just south of Interstate 10, it’s 17 miles south of Schulenburg. When Hwy 77 intersects Hwy 90A in Hallettsville, turn left (east) and travel 3 miles down 90A and then turn left on 90E (gravel road). Go 1/4 mile down the gravel road and turn left at the first gate... follow road to the house. The address is 220 C.R. 90E. We have a lot of activities planned for this years meeting. There will be a free BBQ meal of chicken and/or brisket along with Zelda’s fabulous homemade Red Beans & Rice for our 2012 TGS members. We would love for you to attend our BBQ and join our society and experience some good old fashion hospitality. If you plan on attending please contact our secretary C.C. Rice at KinfolkGourds@gmail.com so she can get an accurate head count and we can plan our menu accordingly. Please bring a folding chair as we have a limited number of chairs available. We also will have demonstrations by three well known TGS gourd artists, Judy Richie, John Flewharty and Barbie Holton. They are all award-winning blue ribbon artists who have traveled to a variety of gourd shows and received numerous awards for fine gourd art work. We will have a swap and sell from 9:30 am-5pm featuring gourd related items that TGS members have for sale or trade; you just might find the gourd treasure that you can’t live without. Come join us in Hallettsville for good BBQ, gourd fun and plenty of friendly Texas Hospitality, you’ll be glad you did. Check the TGS website for more info.

Plans for the 17th Annual Lone Star Gourd Festival are underway. The festival will once again be in Fredericksburg, at the Gillespie County Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall nestled in the beautiful Texas

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On the cover: 2012 Raffle Gourd—a work in progress

Hill Country. Festival dates are 19 – 21 October 2012. Fredericksburg is a world-class tourist destination with many beautiful and interesting “sights”, “Texas” Gourd Society is proud to host the Lone Star Gourd Festival in this magnificent city. Classes will start on Thursday 18 October 2012. Cheryl Trotter is the Education/Classes Chair again this year, she does a great job. If you would like to teach a class or take part in one please contact her at 4cheryltrotter@gmail.com.

Vendor set up will also begin on Thursday afternoon at 1 P. M. Please check our website for vendor contract/guideline application forms or you can contact me. I would like to extend my personal invitation to everyone and invite you to a truly spectacular gourd festival with “top-notch” educational and instructional classes, teachers and gourd vendors from around the country.

Michael Cosgrove is the Competition Chair, he and his crew work very hard, the competition entries are superb and feature Fine Gourd Art of the highest quality; many of our competition artists are featured in galleries throughout the United States and have vendor booths at the Lone Star Gourd Festival so you will have the opportunity to see and purchase fine gourd art. For more information on the competition you can contact him at mcosgrove25@gmail.com.

We will be raffling a gourd completed by 12 of the best gourd artists from across Texas at the festival. The gourd was grown in the beautiful Lone Star State and each artist was free to choose their own design. You can help support the Texas Gourd Society by purchasing a Raffle Gourd Ticket from any TGS Board Member or Patch Leader. You can reach our Show Chair, Suzanne Haffey at bettiesuz@yahoo.com, and/or Co-Chair Joe Pritchard at stormy7606@hotmail.com. They have been working very hard at planning and coordinating festival events.

Please take the time and volunteer to help out at any TGS event this year The V word is very powerful, rewarding and gratifying when you give of yourself. John Flewharty is our Volunteer Chair and has been doing a really good job, please contact him at dsf1511@verizon.net and tell him you would like to volunteer a couple of hours at this year’s Lone Star Gourd Festival. Let us know if you would like to help, we need a Kids Korner Chairperson and also someone to step up and take charge as the Banquet/Hospitality Chair. If you would like to fill one of these positions contact our Show Chair Suzanne Haffey or any board member to get the ball rolling. Your help will benefit the entire Texas Gourd Society and will be greatly appreciated.

Don’t forget to renew your membership, 2012 dues are due in January and I know it’s easy to forget. Gerry Flewharty our membership Chair is busy notifying folks to renew and working hard to update the membership rolls. You can contact her at 2flews@flash.net if you have any questions. You can also print a membership form off the TGS website and mail it to her. While you’re at it print two forms and get a friend to join this great society, they will be glad you asked them to join TGS.

I would also like to call to your attention that the Texas Gourd Society has many of its members featuring gourd art in the Southwest Gourd Fine Art Show held at the Kerr Arts and Cultural Center in Kerrville, Texas. This will be the 7th annual show of spectacular gourd art. The show runs from May 24 to July 8th 2012 and 28 artists have been selected to be in this juried event, and all art work entered is professionally judged. More information can be obtained at www.kacckerrville.com.

Please visit our website www.texasgourdsociety.org for information about our festival if you would like to teach a class, be a vendor, enter the competition or just have a good time at a spectacular event. Please feel free to contact me Tom Hornsby President, at tom@bayougourds.com or 318 445 3969 if you have any questions regarding our festival or the Texas Gourd Society.

Tom Hornsby
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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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From the Cover-

2012 RAFFLE GOURD NEARS COMPLETION

The 2012 Raffle Gourd is nearing completion and raffle tickets are now on sale. The gourd has one more area to complete and then finishing touches on the rim and borders will be completed. A group of 12 artists have contributed their time and talent to create a beautiful gourd to be raffled at the 2012 Gourd Festival. Artists include Crystal Zimmermann, Darla Hines, John Flewharty, Hellen Martin, Lynda Smith, Judy Richie, Martha Webb, Don Vyskocil, Cheryl Trotter, Betty Vertin, Edie Davis, and Sylvia Gaines. Judy Richie also donated the raw gourd. The 2012 gourd will not have a theme and each artist will be free to express their creativity in one of 12 areas outlined on the gourd. Tickets are now on sale and available from anyone on the Executive Board. Contact any officer or director at the contact information on page 2 to request raffle tickets to buy or to sell. You won't want to miss an opportunity to win this beautiful piece of art.

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TGS Patch Happenings

News and Events from TGS Gourd Patches

TGS WEST TEXAS GOURD PATCH - Lubbock, TX area CONTACT: Charla Johnson at 806-795-4405 CharKlass@aol.com or Beth Lively at 806-634-0161 blively@windstream.net

Hello from West Texas, where it's been snow, ice and freezing temps one minute and over 80 degree days the next! The West Texas Gourd Patch is a wonderful group of people who love learning new techniques and ideas for creating beautiful new gourds.

What fun we had at our Christmas Party in December. We ate wonderful food, had musical entertainment and then opened gifts of gourd art, supplies and wonderful treasures to use on gourds. It was great fun. We even let our spouses attend!!!!

At our January meeting, Melissa Jones taught us how to make spirit dolls using small banana gourds. She demonstrated many different designs, finishes, and embellishments, then left us to create our own unique spirit doll. She did a great job and some beautiful dolls were made. Our local paper, The Lubbock Avalanche Journal came and interviewed our group and wrote a really nice article for the Sunday paper telling about our gourd patch and what gourd art is all about. We were so pleased to spread the news about our group and hopefully gain new members wanting to learn more.

We are so excited about our February meeting on Tuesday, the 28th. Miriam Joy and her husband Bud are coming to Lubbock to spend a whole day with us sharing their crayon techniques on gourds. She is doing a free demonstration in the morning and then she'll teach a class on melted wax designs and leaf feathers using Kwikwood in the afternoon. We will have lunch provided that day so we can keep on working! What a great day that will be.

In March, Beth Lively is going to demonstrate jewelry making and using Zentangle on gourd jewelry pieces. If you'd be interested in this class, please contact Charla Johnson for more information.

We hope you have a great new spring season coming your way. Get your gourds planted and keep on creating!!!!

TGS CAPITAL OF TEXAS GOURD PATCH –Austin, TX area CONTACT Lynda Smith 512-524-7897 lyndabethsmith@gmail.com Cindy Noles, Co-Chair 512-985-5032

Our first meeting for the year 2012 was held at Lelia and Jimmy Sublett's home. We began with a belated Christmas celebration including a story time gift exchange and indulging in holiday treats. Next we enjoyed a "show and tell" session for the completed thunder gourds which were started in the previous meeting. It is amazing how many different visuals and sounds were created. Our hardworking leader, Suzanne Haffey, conducted her final chore after guiding us with information, inspiration and love of the gourd for the past three years. We say a big "thank you". She and another member, Lynda Smith, have been elected to the TGS Executive Board. Lynda was re-elected Treasurer and Suzanne will add Vice President to her many duties. We are so proud of both of you for representing us so well. Then it was time for us to find new officers. They are, chair, Lynda Smith, co-chair Cindy Noles, treasurer, Rona Thornton and secretary, Gay Wright. Congratulations ladies! We are now ready for a full year of meetings in five different member's homes. The agenda for our future meetings include studying the techniques of crayola art, leather/alcohol dye, doll making, wood burning, and masking-tape leaves. Doesn't that sound interesting? Come and find out for yourself by joining us on the second Saturday of every other month. For more information call one of our officers and get the full details. Hope to see you at the Spring Meeting in Hallettsville. (more info on this coming from our President, Tom Hornsby)
Lelia Sublett, Retired Secretary

TGS HEART OF TEXAS PATCH –Waco, TX area CONTACT: Bob Schuetze at 254-772-4519
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Capital of Texas Gourd Patch members showing off their Thunder Gourds

TGS GUADALUPE GOURD PATCH – Texas Hill Country Area CONTACT: Bob Richie at 830-357-8939 brichie@ktc.com or Judy Richie at judyrichie@yahoo.com

The January meeting for the Guadalupe Gourd Patch was held at Judy Richie's home. Fun was had experimenting with Miriam Joy's Wax Technique. Everyone at the meeting was encouraged to attend the TGS Spring Meeting on March 17 in Hallettsville. Plans are underway for a booth at the 2012 Lone Star Gourd Show. Several of our members were selected to be in the Kerr Arts and Cultural Center's 7th Annual Southwest Fine Art Gourd Show to be held May 24 - July 8 in Kerrville. This is a National Juried gourd show. They are Betty Vertin, Nancy Barnard, Barbara Longanecker, Sharon Harrison, and Judy Richie.

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TGS COWTOWN PATCH - Ft. Worth, TX area CONTACT: Barb Petroski at 817-249-2929 lunarwind7@aol.com or Becky Wise 817-726-6653 db.wise@me.com website http://www.angelfire.com/tx5/cowtowngourdpatch

The Cowtown Patch continues to meet at Tims Landscape and Garden Center on Vickery Blvd in Fort Worth on the 1st Sunday of the month unless that date is a holiday. Just last weekend (Feb 23-26) two thirds of the group -Becky & Barb- drove to ABQ to see what happens at the New Mexico Gourd Show. Stay tuned for all of the details of our trip in the next Gourdzette.

TGS COASTAL BEND GOURD PATCH - Corpus Christi, TX area CONTACT: Don Vyskocilat 281-451-3493 dvyskocil@sbcglobal.net

We have been busy learning new things. Mary Sorrells taught us coiling on a gourd and Shelia Guidry instructed us on working with clay on gourds in the fall. Mary and Shelia both won numerous ribbons at the Lone Star Gourd Festival in October. We had a potluck Christmas party in December with a Chinese gift exchange. We have grown some with new members that are Winter Texans. Mary also taught weaving and how to twine on gourds in January. We are looking forward to a busy year.



TGS SOUTHEAST TEXAS GOURD PATCH - Houston, TX area CONTACT: Buddy Trotter (Acting Secretary 281-300-5013 buddytrotter@gmail.com website www.artisanart.biz/tgs_southeast

The Southeast Texas Gourd Patch has been busy this last quarter. December's meeting was held at the home of Penny Lyons who hosted a wonderful Christmas potluck dinner and a gourd Christmas ornament Chinese exchange. There was a lot of good natured stealing happening. The patch then planned out their 2012 meeting schedule.

In January we met at the home of Margaret Bell where we welcomed quite a few new visitors. Margaret and Darla Hines demonstrated how to remove the top and clean out a gourd, stressing the need to wear dust masks.



In February we met at the home of Barbara Heimann.

The patch talked about making the TGS March Spring Meeting our meeting for March and voted to rent booths for the TGS Festival in October. We also discussed volunteers to help at the Katy Folk Life Festival where we help children paint on egg gourds. Afterwards several members demonstrated various mediums that can be used on gourds including gold leafing, alcohol dyes, ink dyes, water color, colored pencils and many others.



TGS EAST TEXAS PINEY WOODS GOURD PATCH—East TX area CONTACT: Pam Word at 903-663-0017 havnwords@peoplepc.com Piney Woods website <http://www.geocities.com/pwgourds/patch.html>.

No News Reported

TGS DALLAS GOURD PATCH-Dallas, TX area CONTACT: Linda Hughes at 817-368-3400 iamonelinda2@yahoo.com or Pat Duncan at 972-463-8668 pdunk8@msn.com

The Dallas Gourd Patch celebrated Christmas in January and boy did we have a great time! We had approximate 27 members present who brought lots of great food to go with the wonderful soups Sharon Flewharty provided. We are grateful to John and Sharon for opening their home to us. There was joy to be had as we played Chinese Gift Exchange. A fun game where you can steal each others gifts. Seems there is a greedy little devil in all of us after all!!? Many brought gourds to share with us their technique and tricks of the trade. We elected Linda Hughes as our new president and give a great "Thank you Sylvia!" as she retires from that position she has served for many years. Pat Duncan was re-elected as our treasurer. Thanks Pat for accepting that position again!

February's meeting was small with only nine attendees but we had a great round table discussion regarding the up coming year! It was great as we brain stormed things like; bringing in new members, club projects, demonstrations, gourd projects, etc.

A motion was made and passed that Don Sharp was to fill Linda's position during her absence. A motion was made and passed that we buy a collection of "how to" gourd books for the raffle for the Lone Star Fredericksburg Festival in October. A motion was made and passed that we cancel the March meeting due to the fact that many of the club members were going to the Texas Gourd Society Spring Meeting held in Hallettsville on March 17.

Send us your patch news and photos! If you would like to start a gourd patch in your area send us your info and we will include it in the Patch Happenings!

ACADIANA GOURD FESTIVAL SET FOR MAY 18 & 19, 2012

Just a reminder to all that the 2nd Annual Acadiana Gourd Festival will be held May 18th & 19th 2012 at the Jeff Davis Fairgrounds all-purpose building 814 South Lake Arthur Ave (Hwy 26) in Jennings, Louisiana 70546. Kate Bangle who organized this wonderful gourd festival with a Cajun twist will once again host the Louisiana Gourd Society spring meeting. Kate is President of the Louisiana Gourd Society and a founding member of this growing society of gourders.

Come join in the fun at the festival and attend the LGS spring meeting. The meeting will be held Friday night the 18th of May after the first day of festival events. It will start at 7 pm at Walker's Cajun Dining located at 919 N. Lake Arthur Avenue in Jennings, Louisiana. Come enjoy some good Louisiana cooking and have a good time. Please contact Kate at kbangle@aol.com if you plan on attending so an approximate head count can be given to the restaurant. The Acadiana Gourd Festival kicks off its 2nd day of activities Saturday the 19 of May 2012 and good times are guaranteed for all.

I would like to extend a personal invitation to everyone and invite you to join and attend the Gourd Society meeting as well as the Acadiana Gourd Festival, you're sure to have a good time.

Zelda Hornsby
Vice President
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Texas Gourd Society

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Gourd Art Demonstrations:

Barbie Holton – Wood Burning or Carving

Lelia Sublett – Relief Leaf Technique

John Flewharty– How to Make a Thunder Gourd.

Swap and Sell:

There will be a swap and sell segment. Bring any gourd related items that you want to sell or swap. There will be opportunities to purchase raw gourds, dyes, embellishments, and much more. Make someone's trash your treasure.

Schedule:

9:30 am-5 pm	Swap and Sell
10 am -11 am	Demonstrations by Barbie Holton and Lelia Sublett
10 am-12 Noon	Board Meeting
12 Noon -1 pm	BBQ Lunch
1 pm-2 pm	General Meeting
2 pm-3 pm	Demonstration by John Flewharty

Lunch: BBQ lunch will be provided for paid up 2012 members / price for non-members \$12.00. In addition, Zelda Hornsby is preparing her infamous Louisiana red beans and rice. We will have iced tea, lemonade, and water available for drinks.

PLEASE RSVP no later than 3/11/12.

Send RSVP to C.C. Rice KinfolkGourds@gmail.com or call 409-945-2892



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[www.texasgourdsociety.org/
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July 23-27, 2012

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Don't miss this great opportunity! Make your reservation today!

AGS GOURD CRAFTING CONTEST

There is a Gourd Crafting Contest in each issue of the AGS "Gourd" magazine. If you're an AGS member you may enter. The next issue will be :

Summer 2012 "Antler Art" 4/15 deadline

Originality and creativity as well as skill and overall craftsmanship will be considered when judging each entry. Check the rules and information on this fun gourd competition. Award winners for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Place are shown in the issue following. For more info see the latest issue of "The Gourd". This is a great opportunity to be recognized at the national level. Check it out and give it a try-you may be a winner.

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Apr 13-15, 2012 - Indiana State Gourd Show at Greenfield, IN
www.indianagourdsociety.com

Apr 14, 2012 - Wisconsin Gourd Festival at Madison, WI
*www.wisconsinagourdsociety.org *2012 Annual AGS Mtg.**

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www.TennesseeVolunteerGourdSociety.org

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www.calgourd.com/events/events.html

Apr 27-Apr 29, 2012 - Maryland Gourd Festival at Bel Air MD
www.gourdday.org

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www.scgourdsociety.com

Apr 29-May 1, 2012 - Missouri Show Me Gourd Festival at Springfield, MO
www.showmegourdsociety.com

Apr 30-May 1, 2012 - Illinois NW Regional Gourd Festival at Galena, IL
www.illinoisgourdsociety.org

May 13-14, 2012 - Acadiana Gourd Festival at Jennings, LA
www.acadianagourds.com

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