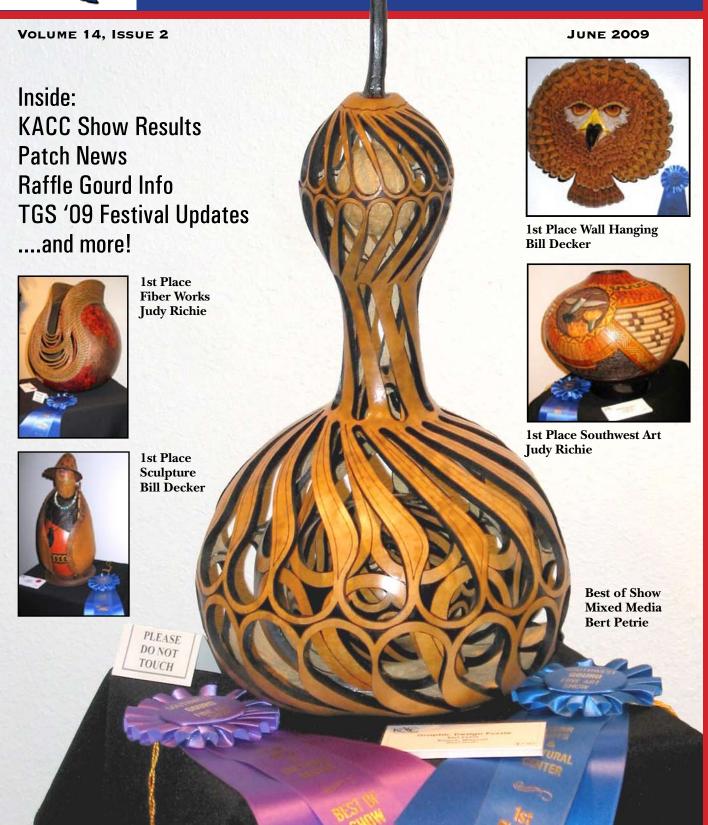
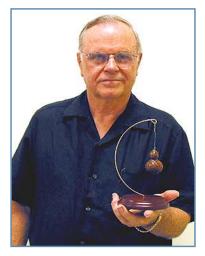


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Bill Willibey, President

President's Message - by Bill Willibey

Gourd vines are growing and blossoms hold promises that we MIGHT get some gourds this year. Our growing season has been bad the last two years, too wet and then too dry. Maybe 2009 will be just right.

We held the Spring Meeting in Temple at the public library and Gerry Flewharty arranged demonstration classes for the members. Zelda Hornsby showed how to weave sea grass on gourds and Julie Lind taught us some terrific pine needle coiling. Clara Willibey demonstrated Washi Egg techniques for those in the Easter spirit. Lelia Sublett sent a Peruvian style painted dot gourd with Jimmy and he explained how that beautiful gourd was painted.

The TGS board had a meeting on May 16. The main topics centered around the Lone Star Gourd Festival which will be held October 16 to 18. This show has been expanded to 3 days, with classes all three days. We will have most of the featured teachers back, including Bonnie Gibson, this year plus some additional talent. We will have additional space for classes, so be sure to fill out that Teacher's

application form on pgs. 12-13. Our Vendor Chair, Tom Hornsby reported that many booths have been reserved, so if you want a booth this fall, please fill out the form on pg.10. Most of the information needed will be on the TGS website soon. It is never too early to volunteer to help at the show on Thursday, October 15 through Sunday October 18th. This year, Mrs. M.A.Koepke has volunteered to coordinate the volunteers. By getting involved in the big show this year, you will enjoy it even more.

The entries at the KACC were better than ever this year. TGS member Bert Petrie took the top prize and Judy Richie won some of the top ribbons. Be sure to visit the KACC gallery in Kerrville in June (through July 5). You will be impressed by the quality.

Robbie Pritchard is working with Ft. Worth Zoo officials to introduce gourd crafting to 200 kids in the Ft. Worth area. Thank you Robbie for helping TGS to further the TGS objectives. The Arlington Patch had Bonnie Gibson teach classes for 3 days on May 29-31. It looks like the Dallas/Ft Worth area will be entering more power carving in the competition this year.

Sylvia Gaines and our Show Chair Becky Wise have made a show flyer and a rack card (to place in racks at motels and restaurants). Be sure to get a supply of these to hand to your friends, garden clubs and garden centers.



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On the Cover: Bert Petrie's Best of Show winning piece at this year's KACC Southwest Gourd Show in Kerrville, TX. Also, 1st Place in Fiber Works and Southwest Art categories - Judy Richie and 1st Place in Sculpture and Wall Hanging categories - Bill Decker. Congratulations to all TGS members on your wins at KACC. To see more images and an article about the show please go to page 14.

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TGS GOURD PATCH HAPPENINGS

TGS CAPITAL OF TEXAS GOURD PATCH - Austin, TX area CONTACT: Suzanne Haffey, bettiesuz@yahoo.com 512 431-6040

Our second meeting of the year was held at Jimmy and Lelia Sublett's home in Wimberley. Ilene Cossey demonstrated a new technique of using leather dye and denatured alcohol to get some very interesting colors and designs on gourds. We all donned old clothes and rubber gloves for the occasion. Jocelyn Guajardo showed us how to "swing and sway" a gourd to get it dry. Not only did we enjoy each other's company, shared talents, but also good food. A big thank you goes to Ilene for sharing her talent and to Jimmy and Lelia for hosting our meeting. Lynda Smith demonstrated carving and Jeanine Williams demonstrated coiling on gourds at the Artisan's at Rocky Hill Gallery in downtown Fredericksburg on 5/1. The gallery is located on the west end of main street just a ways past the park on the north side of the road. Lynda has several pieces of gourd art for sale at the gallery. I would like to compliment everyone's work on the Raffle Gourd. It looks fabulous!



From left-right: Anne Williams, Lynda Smith, Rona Thornton and Luis Guajardo

TGS WEST TEXAS GOURD PATCH - Lubbock, TX area CONTACT: Sue Haberer - Levelland, TX 806 523-9092 or shaberer47@gmail.com

In May, the West Texas Gourd Patch met at Charla Johnson's house. Beth Bartley showed the members how to do the Alcohol Dye Technique. In June, Sue Haberer demonstrated Basketry Weaving on a gourd using sea grass. We are planning a one day retreat in September and learn how to power carve on gourds.

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

The Piney Woods Gourd Patch enjoyed our first meeting at the new Hobby Lobby store in Longview. Our classroom is really nice complete with sink and new furnishings. Joyce Laverty hosted the group for our April meeting. Members brought all our gourd crafting tools and books. This gave members a chance to try different tools to see which tools we would be interested in purchasing. There were three different gourd saws represented at the meeting. Joyce served members a delicious brunch. Juaree Walker gave our May program on Twining with Sea Grass. We saw this demo at the Spring Meeting in March. Members present got to try twining and several of us went home with reed to make our own project. Polly Jones brought the Raffle Gourd to show members the section she had painted for our patch.

TGS COWTOWN PATCH - Ft. Worth, TX area CONTACT: Natha Chance 817 232-9985 gourdchance@att.net website: http://www.angelfire.com/tx5/cowtowngourdpatch

Well we have decided not to have a June meeting. In May Barbara did a demo using alcohol and ink. It was great and went very well. We are again looking for a new place to hold our meetings and going to try and do our meetings on Saturday instead of Sunday. We have reserved our booths and all are trying to get ready for the Gourd Show in October.

TGS HEART OF TEXAS PATCH - Waco, TX area CONTACT: Bob Schuetze at 254 772-4519 Currently inactive.

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

At our April meeting we had a workshop on pine needle coiling. During our potluck lunch, we planned what food we would be bringing for the Reception at the Southwest Fine Art Gourd Show at Kerr Arts and Cultural Center. Our patch was well represented in the show. Judy Richie won First in the Fiber Works and the Southwest Categories and 2nd in Sculpture. Barbie Holton won 2nd in Wall Hanging and 3rd in Fiber Works. Betty Vertin received an Honorable Mention. There were 124 entries and ribbons were awarded for Best of Show, 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each category of Mixed Media, Sculpture, Wall Hanging, Fiber Works and Southwest and 3 Honorable Mention ribbons were awarded. Our next meeting will be July 11, 10am until 3pm with a potluck lunch. We will be working on Masks. For information about our meetings, call Judy at 830-257-8939 or email at judyrichie@yahoo.com Fine Gourd Art by Judy Richie http://www.redcloudoriginals.com/

TGS ARLINGTON GOURD PATCH - Arlington, TX area CONTACT: Cindi Creswell cidnboo@att.net 817 244-0135 email arlingtongourdpatch @hotmail.com website www.freewebs.com/arlingtongourdpatch

The patch has been busy planning and spreading the word of the gourd. A few of our members went to the Spring Meeting and brought back great ideas to share with members. They informed us about the Arizona Show and brought back ribbons for our winners, Georgia Cunningham and Julie Lind. Georgia also demonstrated her talents with embossing powders and how to use them on our gourds. We canceled our May meeting since it was so close to the Fort Worth Botanic Herb Festival. Some of our members participated by spreading the gourd word with a table exhibit and selling a few plants. We also hosted a three day event with Bonnie Gibson. The weather was kind, the food was great and the squash bugs were not too annoying. We had a grand time and hope to bring Bonnie back again. Jean Greenwell opened her house to everyone and we thank her bunches. I believe we all came away with a better understanding of the principles of carving. June will be our last meeting til we resume in September when the weather cools down. See you then.

TGS SOUTHEAST TEXAS GOURD PATCH - Houston, TX area CONTACT: M.A. Koepke gfheeleraussie@yahoo.com 281-579-7548 SE Patch website www.geocities.com/TGS_southeast

The Southeast Texas Gourd Patch met in March at the Copperfield Hobby Lobby. We had a short business meeting, then our very own Abby Sandlin taught a class on using alcohol inks and dyes on a gourd, using a technique she learned from a class in Fredericksburg in 2008. Everyone went home with a unique piece of Gourd Art. In April, many members of the patch participated in the Katy Folk-life Festival, held by the Katy I.S.D. each year. This festivals shows how the people living in the area did things in the mid-1800s, including milling corn, making soap, making butter, and many other facets of pioneer life. We were able to tell many visitors about the numerous uses for gourds in those times, including as canteens, powder horns, dippers, bowls, cups, and utensils. Gerald & Delanie Brownson, Bill & Clara Willibey, Fred & M.A. Koepke, Patty Sorensen, Novella Sheffield, and Patricia Isgitt spent time helping children paint over 400 egg gourds. The paint was flyin', we went through lots of baby wipes, but everyone had a great time. Children of all ages participated and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the project and was pleased to have their very own art object to take home. This festival is one that the patch participates in every year. We look forward to it. In May, we had a special guest instructor. Karen Hobbs from Austin, who has taught classes in the past at the TGS fall show, taught her "Spokes Galore" weaving technique for our patch. She was a wonderful instructor, giving us a lot of information, and everyone attending learned a great deal and enjoyed her class. Thanks, Karen for fitting us in to your busy schedule.

TGS DALLAS GOURD PATCH - Dallas, TX area CONTACT: Sylvia Gaines 903 891-8405 slgaines@isp.com or Pat Duncan 972 463-8668 pdunk8@msn.com

In March, the Dallas Gourd Patch met at Raymond's Bar B Que for a general business meeting. We determined the subject of our section on the raffle gourd and decided John Flewharty, Pat Duncan and Sylvia Gaines would be collaborating on it together. For our April meet-

ing at the Elks Lodge, it was decided we would all bring our various tools and have an exchange of information relating to various tools and techniques. It was very informative and many of us learned some things that will aid us in creating new pieces. We alternate meeting locations every other month between Raymond's Bar B Que and the Elks Lodge. The Elks Lodge is a better facility for having demonstrations so we have our business meetings at Raymond's and our demonstration meetings at the Elks Lodge. We voted to cancel our May meeting due to a majority of individuals other obligations and so our June meeting will be at the Elks Lodge again. Sylvia Gaines will provide small gourd pieces to create name tags and everyone will bring their tools to decorate them. On May 29-31 various members participated in Bonnie Gibson's 3 day seminar on power carving hosted by the Arlington Gourd Patch. Pat Duncan, Sylvia Gaines, Robbie and Joe Pritchard and Gerry Flewharty all took classes and learned so much from Bonnie. A big thank you to Arlington and all their members for a fantastic weekend of gourding and fellowship. We all are very fortunate to have been able to have another opportunity to benefit from Bonnie's tremendous teaching and demonstrating abilities. Thank you Bonnie for coming to our area!



Bonnie talks to Joe Pritchard about his gourd carving technique.

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Bird Houses at the Library

In March, the Rowlett Library was host to 26 children for a free class in gourd bird house decorating. Pat Duncan, of the Dallas Gourd Patch taught with suggested designs but encouraged the children to use their own imagination. Seeds were given to those who wanted them. As a result, we expect Rowlett to be "Gourd green" this summer.

Pat also taught a gourd bird house decorating class in May to 13 children at Jonathans Place, a non-profit home for abused and neglected children. A special thanks goes to these generous gourd contributors - the Dallas Arboretum, the Bayou Gourd Farm and Covingtons Nursery. Thanks also to Pat for planting the "gourd seeds" of learning in the minds of so many children. Pat is an inspiration to us all.



Pat Duncan demonstrates how to decorate a bird house gourd to children at the Rowlett Library.



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Gourds at the Fort Worth Zoo

By Robbie Pritchard

I was contacted in early March 2009 by Brooke Disney, Education Programs Coordinator of the Fort Worth Zoo. She was interested in knowing where the Zoo might obtain 200 gourds for children's summer camps they have at the Texas Wild! exhibit. I thought this fit perfectly with the Texas Gourd Society's stated purpose of "...promoting interest in and appreciation of gourds, both to our membership and to the general public. We will do this by sharing information through education ...", so I presented a proposal to our Executive Board that TGS donate the gourds to the Zoo. The project was approved by the Board.

TGS Past President Betty Kent and her husband Pete have donated 100 gourds that they had available. TGS has purchased 100 gourds from Tom and Zelda Hornsby, our member-growers at Bayou Gourd Farm, Louisiana. My husband Joe and I delivered the 200 gourds to Brooke at the zoo on May 8th.



Esther Chambliss and Robbie showing the volunteers some of the many things that can be done with gourds.

Joe, Esther Chambliss and I met on May 30 with eleven volunteers and Jamie Walton, Volunteer Coordinator, who helps at the Zoo summer camps. We presented a program on gourds in general, gourd art, and gourd projects. While at this meeting, the volunteers painted their own gourd houses on gourds that had been prepared by the zoo staff. We will meet with the teachers of the camps on June 23 to show them many things that can be done with gourds. In the

past, the zoo and camps have focused on the children making birdhouses, showing the children ways to entice wildlife into their yard. We hope to interest them in many other projects that the children can do with gourds. We also met with Brooke and David Walker, Director of Education for the Fort Worth Zoo, to show them some of the gourd art and crafts that have been completed by TGS members.

I hope that this will be the start of a successful and long collaboration between the Fort Worth Zoo and the Texas Gourd Society.



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This gourd is scheduled to debut at this year's Lone Star Gourd Festival. Thanks in advance to the many hands that will participate in creating another beautiful raffle gourd.



East Texas/Piney Woods Gourd Patch section by Polly Jones.



Cowtown Gourd Patch section by Sharon Copenhaver and Edie Davis.



Arlington Gourd Patch section by Cindi Creswell.



Dallas Gourd Patch section by Sylvia Gaines, John Flewharty and Pat Duncan.

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- It must arrive via US Mail or email by the date above in order to be considered

Please mail or email the following to Jimmy Holton:

- 1. Completed application form (may be returned via e-mail, preferred)
- 2. Color Photo of the project (should be emailed as a .jpg)
 - a. Note: A good photo will help fill your class!!
- 3. Written instructions of your project to be given as student handout. These should be step-by-step instructions and include a photo or illustration of the planned project. If you are teaching a technique, rather than a specific project, please detail the technique in the instructions. A list of sources for materials for the project would also be desirable.

Instructors Name	e:			_		
Address: ———						
City, State, Zip_						
Home Phone:			_ Cell Phone	e:		
Email Address: _			_			
Title of Class: —			_			
Class Descriptio	n					
Note: Please sta	te if student can finis	sh the project by end	of class.			
SKILL LEVEL:	☐ Beginner	☐ Intermediate	☐ Advar	nced	☐ All levels	
Please list how r	many times you want	to teach this class ba	ased on demar	nd		
Select the day a Friday: Saturday: Sunday:		oon	o 5 pm o 5 pm g to 4 pm			

SLASS SIZE: Maximum number of students: Minimum number of students: WILL YOU TAKE WALK-INS?				
INSTRUCTORS FEE: \$ (Cost of class including supplies you furnish). NOTE: \$5 from every student's fee will be collected for TGS.				
MATERIAL LIST FURNISHED BY INSTRUCTOR which are included in the class fee:				
MATERIALS FEE AND LIST:				
To be purchased by student from instructor, but is not included in the instructor's fee):				
SUPPLIES STUDENTS MUST BRING: (i.e., gourds, paint brushes, dust masks, etc.)				
s Electricity required for this workshop?				
f for any reason your class is not held (for lack of students), would you be willing to give a FREE demonstration?				
□ YES □ NO				
The instructor will distribute an evaluation form to each student at the end of class. After completion, please give to limmy Holton before the end of the day.				
TERMS AND CONDITIONS/CERTIFICATE OF ORIGINALITY: The instructor warrants that the design to be taught is an original and does not infringe on the copyright of another. Instructor agrees to hold harmless the 2009 Lone Star Gourd Festival for any claims and/or suits arising from said design being taught. Instructor further agrees to assume responsibility for defense cost arising from any such action. All instructors must additionally agree to be really nice to Jimmy Holton at all time, no matter what happens and for the concession, you are invited to our Friday night dinner. Will you be attending?				
ODGING AND TRANSPORTATION ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INSTRUCTOR.				
HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS INSTRUCTOR APPLICATION, ITS POLICIES AND RULES, AND AGREE ABIDE BY THEM:	то			
SIGNED:				
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The photo (.jpg) you submit for your project will be posted on the TGS website and included in upcoming publications the Texas Gourdzette.	s of			

This form is also available on the TGS website at www.texasgourdsociety.org as are other forms associated with this festival.

TEACHERS NEEDED!

The 2009 Lone Star Gourd Festival promises to be the biggest and best ever! But we need you and your skills to help improve it even more. Please consider being a teacher at the festival this year. Everyone can learn from someone.

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KACC 2009 Southwest Gourd Fine Art Show

by Joe Pritchard

The 4th Annual Southwest Gourd Fine Art Show at the Kerr Arts and Cultural Center in Kerrville, Texas, opened May 21, 2009, and will run through July 5, 2009. This year, there are 126 works of gourd art, presented by 26 artists. Work was juried for acceptance prior to the show. The art was divided into five classes: Mixed Media, Southwest Art, Sculpture, Fiber Works, and Wall Hanging. Two judges (Cindy Broderick and Ruth McNay) utilized a point system to evaluate the exhibit and award ribbons.

The Artists' Reception and Awards presentation was held Saturday May 23, 2009. In addition to First, Second, and Third place ribbons in each class, three Honorable Mention ribbons were awarded for unique art. There was also a Best of Show ribbon presented. Of the

19 awards available, 11 different artists received ribbons. All but two of the winners are TGS members. Announcement of the People's Choice award (voted on when you visit the exhibit) will be announced at a later date. Congratulations to all of our fine artists!

While visiting this exhibition, you may purchase tickets for TGS's 2009 Raffle Gourd "Wildflowers of Texas" and you may also enter a drawing for a wonderful gourd donated by Bill Decker. You can purchase any of the gourd art work - but you had better hurry! 21 gourds sold in the first three days of the show!

The Gourd Fine Art Show is at the Kerr Arts and Cultural Center in Kerrville, 228 Earl Garrett Street, Kerrville, Texas 78028. Their hours are 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday through Saturday and 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Sunday. Closed Monday. Admission is free. You may also visit their website at http://www.kacckerrville.com.



Some of the ribbon winners in attendance, from lft to rgt: Patty Sorensen, Julia Birkey, Barbie Holton, Bert Petrie, Betty Vertin and Judy Richie.



Lelia Sublett's beautiful creation "Flowers and Crystals."

Thanks! KACC for supporting gourd artists.



A table with a variety of gourd art created by artists at the Southwest Gourd Art Show.



Three masks created by Gerry Flewharty for the Wall Hanging category.

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TGS needs volunteers for the 2009 Lone Star Gourd Festival! Contact:

M.A. Koepke at 281 579-7548 to see how you can help.

Volunteers to work 30 min. or more needed for Thursday thru Sunday.

LIVE at the 2009 Lone Star Gourd Festival!



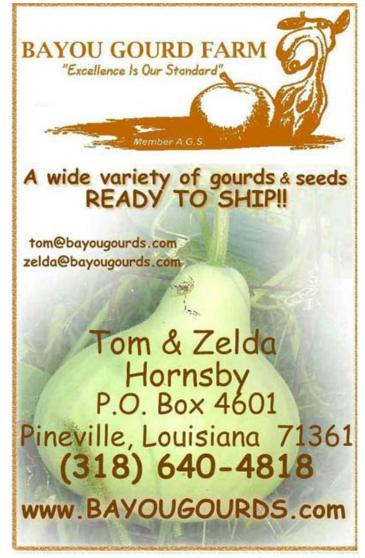
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Sat. Oct. 18th

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

The Keito Academy of Ethno-Cultural Performing Arts performs Polynesian and Afro-Caribbean dances. Performances will be inside and out on the patio. There will also be some sessions to teach visitors some of the dances. Musicians utilizing traditional instruments (gourds!) will entertain and accompany dancers. Don't miss the fun and a truly memorable event!



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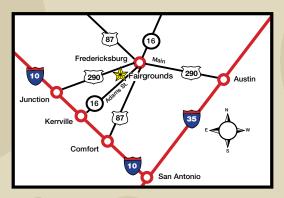
Compete for ribbons and honors!

- nationwide gourd art competition
- gourd supply vendors
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- classes w/ guest artist teachers*
- kid's gourd craft area
- door prizes and raffles

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*Guest artist teachers to be announced.



For information about gourds, gourd artists and the Lone Star Gourd Festival please visit our website at www.texasgourdsociety.org

October 16-18, 2009

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For festival information contact: Becky Wise at (817) 726-6653.

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A Resource of Gourd Books

Compiled by Julia Cosgrove for TGS - 2009

Beyond the Basics: Gourd Art by David Macfarlane

Publisher: Sterling/Chapelle

The Complete Book of Gourd Craft: 22 Projects 55 Decorative Techniques 300 Inspirational Designs by Ginger Summit and Jim

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Gourds in Your Garden: A Guidebook for the Home Gardener

by Ginger Summit Publisher: Hillway Press

The Weekend Crafter: Gourd Crafts 20 Great Projects to Dye, Paint, Cut, Carve, Bead and Woodburn in a Weekend by Ginger Summit

Publisher: Sterling

Historic Gourds: Do-it-yourself Guide Vessels by Angela Mohr

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Decorating Gourds: Carving, Burning, Painting by Sue Waters

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Making Gourd Musical Instruments: Over 60 String, Wind and Percussion Instruments & How to Play Them by Ginger Summit and

Jim Widess Publisher: Sterling

Gourd Art Basics: The Complete Guide to Cleaning, Preparation &

Repair by C. Angela Mohr Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

The Gourd Book by Charles Bixler Heiser Publisher: University of Oklahoma Press

The Decorated Gourd: Beautiful Projects & New Techniques

by Dyan Mai Peterson Publisher: Lark Books

Making Gourd Dolls & Spirit Figures by Ginger Summit and Jim Widess

Publisher: Sterling

Gourd Fun for Everyone by Sammie Crawford

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Making Gourd Ornaments For Holiday Decorating by Angela Mohr

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Making Gourd Headpieces by C. Angela Mohr

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Gourd Crafts: 6 Projects & Patterns by Ro Shillingford

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Gourd Crafts for the First Time by Marilynn Host

Publisher: Sterling/Chapelle

Glorious Gourd Decorating by Mickey Baskett

Publisher: Sterling

A Guide to Chip-carving Gourds by Marilyn Rehm

Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

American Gourd Society Judging Handbook

by American Gourd Society Publisher: CreateSpace

Creative Gourds (13 Projects to Paint on Gourds Using FolkArt Acryl-

ics and Artist's Pigments, Decorative Painting #9756)

Publisher: Plaid Enterprises, Inc.

Great Garden Gourds (12 Delightful Gourds, Painted with Acrylics

(Plaid Folkart Decorative Painting) by Aurelia Conway

Publisher: Plaid Enterprises, Inc.

Decorating Pumpkins and Gourds by Deborah Schneebeli-Morrell

Publisher: Ryland Peters & Small

Gourd Puppets and Dolls by Angela Mohr Publisher: Schiffer Publishing

Gourd Gatherings - 17 Decorative Painting Projects for Natural and

Paper Mache Gourds by Margaret Hanson-Maddox

Publisher: Indigo House, a trademark of Grace Publications

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– In Memoriam –

John Thomas Conley October 14, 1948 - April 2, 2009

John Thomas Conley, 60, of Paris, Arkansas passed away in Paris on Thursday, April 2, 2009. John was a member of TGS for almost 10 years. He was involved with our Spring meetings and was a vendor most years at the Fall festival. John loved making musical instruments from gourds. In the last few years, John

was creating gourd jewelry; he taught at least one jewelry class at a fall TGS festival. He and his brother Guy had moved to their mother's home in Paris, Arkansas, and they were building a house while living with their mother.

John was a special person and an inspiration to all who knew him. Many TGS members took a class from John. He was full of life and laughter, forever giving to all. He loved gardening and creating gourd art. We will all remember John's wonderful sense of humor that we enjoyed so much. John had overcome his disability with dreams of sharing his many talents. His attitude on life was so large that you never saw the wheelchair or scooter, only John. His dreams will live on with those he has touched.

Besides his immediate family, John left an extended family at The Market Restaurant in Odessa, Texas, where the family group extends back to 1976 and three generations of workers and customers. But, his largest family is the American Gourd Society, Texas Gourd Society and various other State and Local Gourd Associations including the International Gourd Gathering at Cherokee, North Carolina. John's gourd family reaches from coast to coast.

We will all miss John Conley.

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Sept. 12-13

Raleigh, N.C. 68th annual Gourd Arts and Crafts Festival,

70+ growing, arts and craft categories in contest, historic gourds from around the world, kids' craft table, workshops, vendors of gourds, craft, supplies. Kerr Scott Building, North Carolina State Fairgrounds. Adults \$4, ages 12-17 \$2, younger than 12 free, seniors \$3, (910) 639-4577, www.ncgourdsociety.org

Sept. 18-19

6th Annual Gourd Gracious Mississippi Festival Classes will be offered on Fri. & Sat. Booths will be available on Sat. only. http://gourdgracioushomestead.com/gourds.html

Sept. 25

AGS Master Judging Training at Ohio Gourd Show at Darke County Fairgrounds in Greenville, OH

Sept. 25-27

47th Annual Ohio Gourd Show at Darke County Fairgrounds in Greenville, OH

Oct. 16-18

14th Annual Lone Star Gourd Festival in Fredericksburg, TX. Nationwide gourd art competition, gourd supply vendors, world class gourd art, classes with guest artist teachers, kid's gourd craft area, door prizes and raffles. Visit our website for up to date information and entry forms. **www.texasgourdsociety.org**

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The Gourd in Folk Literature by Eddie W. Wilson (AGS 002) The Garden of Gourds by Liberty Hyde Bailey (AGS 006)

Growing Gourds and Preparing Gourd Homes for Martins

by James R. Hill, III (AGS 008)

The Gourd Journal by Eva Palwak (AGS 017)

Gourds From Vine to Design by Donn Kelver (AGS 041)

How to Draw & Woodburn Feathers on a Gourd (AGS 043)

How to Weave Decorative Sinew on a Gourd (AGS 044)

How to Clean & Cut Gourds (AGS 045)

How to Draw & Woodburn Mushrooms on a Gourd (AGS 047)

How to Draw & Woodburn Florals on a Gourd (AGS 048)

Choosing & Using Dyes & Paints, Etc. for a Gourd (AGS 049)

How to Create Polymer Clay Designs (AGS 050)

How to Create Pine Needle Rims (AGS 051)

How to Do Gold Leafing on a Gourd (AGS 052)

How to Draw & Woodburn Southwestern Designs on a Gourd (AGS 053)

How to Draw & Woodburn Celtic Knots (AGS 054)

Ideas for 30 Gourd Rims (AGS 070)

How to Make a Shekerie From a Gourd (AGS 072)

How to Make Hawaiian Musical Insturments by Jim Widess

Clipart Designs for Woodburning and Tracing by Kathy James (AGS 074)

How to Create Beaded Gourds by Kathy James (AGS 075)

Gourd Purses by Aurelia Conway (AGS 076)

Great Garden Gourds by Aurelia Conway (AGS 079)

This Garden Grows a Goddess by Joan Riise (AGS 084)

The Immortal Molded Gourds of Mr. Zhang Cairi by Betty Finch & Guojon Zhang (AGS 102)

A Step by Step Guide to Gourd Craft by Tracey & John Van Tol

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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.

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