

THE GOLDEN GOURD

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California - Northern Gourd Art Competition and Davis Ranch Gourd Festival 2014

The 6th Annual Davis Gourd Festival and 2nd Gourd Competition was a great success.

There were plenty of vendors and a Make & Take for kids, and demonstrations every hour both days. The display of the history of gourds was well received. We had 82 entries in the competition and we had a display of Special Needs Children entries and one for Adult Cerebral Palsy adults. The entries covered the state from Redding to San Diego. There were almost 2000 who enjoyed seeing all of the wonderful talent.

Bill Wilson won Best of Show and Best of the Advanced Division. Joyce Campbell won People's Choice. Marilyn Carrico won 1st for the Special Category in Honor of Davis Ranch. Thursday and Friday was class day with six classes each day.



**Joyce Campbell
People's Choice**



Special Needs Children



**Bill Willson
Best of Show**

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President's Message



Hello Gourders,

In the last Golden Gourd I was getting ready to go to North Carolina for the AGS meeting and the Gourd Festival there. It was a very exciting and learning time for me. The North Carolina Gourd Festival was very nice and they had several vendors that were new to me. They had many entries in their competition of which was one of mine. I am very happy to report that I took a 1st and the Chairperson's Award.

As I said in the newsletter we were getting ready for the Davis Ranch Gourd Festival. We have a complete story and pictures included.

I am sorry that I missed the Gourd Fest at Calabash Gourd Festival October 11-12 but unexpected things came up. Maybe next year.

I know it is early to start talking about the Davis Gourd Festival for 2015 but I want everyone to know that we will have a Jim Story category. I already have one person that will enter. I know that there others out there ready to enter. Please read the rules and if you have any questions please contact me and I will get the information for you.

Well the holidays are fast approaching so I image everyone is getting ready for the busy season. I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving, Christmas and Very Safe and Happy New Year.

Barbara Rippetoe
CGS President



Special Category in Honor of Davis Ranch

- | | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Marilyn Carrico | 1st |
| Carol DesVoigne | 2nd |
| Susan Deguara | 3rd |

Congratulations to All the 2014 CGS Northern Gourd Art Competition Winners

Masters Division

| <i>Artist Name</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Category</i> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Heather Hopman | 1st | Pyrography |
| Joyce Campbell | 1st | Carved |
| Heather Hopman | 2nd | Carved |
| Joyce Campbell | 1st | Filigree |
| Joyce Campbell | 1st | Gourd Doll or Spirit Figure |
| Charlotte Vincent | 2nd | Gourd Doll or Spirit Figure |
| Joyce Campbell | 1st | Holiday Theme |
| Charlotte Vincent | 1st, Best of Division | Distinctively Different |
| Heather Hopman | 2nd | Distinctively Different |
| Zane Poulson | 3rd | Distinctively Different |

Advanced Division

| <i>Artist Name</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Category</i> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| R. Eric Baker | 1st | Pyrography |
| Jessica DI Gicomo | 1st | Jewelry |
| Barbara Cody | 2nd | Jewelry |
| Maryland O. Fallon | 1st | Painted |
| Dennis Johnson | 2nd | Painted |
| Bill Wilson | 1st, Best of Division, Best of Show | Carved |
| E. Eric Baker | 1st | Filigree |
| Theresa Johnson | 1st | Coiled |
| Marilyn Carrico | 1st | Woven |
| Maryland O. Fallon | 1st | Holiday Theme |
| R. Eric Baker | 1st | Luminary or Lamp |
| Kennie Winter | 2nd | Luminary or Lamp |
| Theresa Johnson | 1st | Combination of Techniques |
| R. Eric Baker | 2nd | Combination of Techniques |
| Barbara Rippetoe | 3rd | Combination of Techniques |
| Jim Martin | 1st | Distinctively Different |
| Theresa Johnson | 2nd | Distinctively Different |
| Janet Greene | 3rd | Distinctively Different |

Youth Division

| <i>Artist Name</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Category</i> |
|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Dasia Vance | 1st | Youth 12-17 |
| Sydney Love | 2nd | Youth 12-17 |

Intermediate Division

| <i>Artist Name</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Category</i> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Pamela Argo | 1st | Pyrography |
| Patti Fisher | 2nd | Pyrography |
| Aaron Bulloch | 3rd | Pyrography |
| Elizabeth Dark | 1st | Jewelry |
| Leanne Kelly | 2nd | Jewelry |
| Dawnelle Sauve | 1st | Painted |
| Aaron Bulloch | 2nd | Painted |
| Elizabeth Dark | 3rd | Painted |
| Aaron Bulloch | 1st | Carved |
| Susan Deguana | 2nd | Carved |
| Cecile Garrison | 1st | Filigree |
| Margaret Toro | 1st | Coiled |
| Colleen Ballard | 1st | Beaded |
| Leanne Kelly | 2nd | Beaded |
| Aaron Bulloch | 1st | Holiday Theme |
| Margie Jordan | 2nd | Holiday Theme |
| Pamela Argo | 3rd | Holiday Theme |
| Leanne Kelly | 1st | Luminary or Lamp |
| Barbara Rippetoe | 2nd | Luminary or Lamp |
| Elizabeth Dark | 1st | Combination of Techniques |
| Barbara Rippetoe | 2nd | Combination of Techniques |
| Lula B. Johnson | 3rd | Combination of Techniques |
| Christie McRiley | 1st, Best of Division | Distinctively Different |
| Pamela Argo | 2nd | Distinctively Different |
| Pattie Fisher | 3rd | Distinctively Different |

Novice Division

| <i>Artist Name</i> | <i>Award</i> | <i>Category</i> |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Laura Carpender | 1st, Best of Division | Pyrography |
| Cecile Garrison | 2nd | Pyrography |
| Cecile Garrison | 1st | Bowls, Vases or Containers |
| Laura Carpender | 2nd | Bowls, Vases or Containers |
| Cecile Garrison | 1st | Distinctively Different |
| Laura Carpender | 2nd | Distinctively Different |
| Jonie Caneda | 3rd | Distinctively Different |



Seeking Nominations for CGS Secretary Position

Members are encouraged to nominate someone or submit their own name to serve as the Secretary of the California Gourd Society. This is great opportunity to give back to the organization that does much to nurture its members and promote the appreciation of gourds to the general public. As a member of the Board, you'll play a role in the leadership of the organization and will gain a greater understanding of the depth and breadth of this great group. Along the way, you will meet members from all over California and share fun activities and experiences with your fellow officers.



Job Description Secretary of California Gourd Society

- *Serve as member of the Board of Directors of CGS.*
- *Take the minutes at the annual Board meeting and distribute to all Board members.*
- *Write a brief report of the minutes for the Golden Gourd.*
- *Maintain official CGS records.*
- *May or may not place insurance coverage for CGS or order renewals for same.*
- *May or may not serve on the Budget Committee of CGS.*
- *Maintain historical archives.*

Note that most travel expenses (gas, lodging and meals) to attend Board meetings are covered by CGS.

Nominations are to be submitted to Peggy Blessing secretary@californiagourdsociety.com by November 21, 2014.



After the nomination process is completed members will be sent an electronic ballot with the nominees. All ballots or vote counts must be received by CGS Secretary Peggy Blessing by December 23rd. You can cast your vote by email, USPS or at your gourd groups December meeting or holiday gathering.



Introduction to an Artist

Margret Toro

Written by Sylvia Nelson

Margret Toro started a Gourd Patch in Redding CA. (Sacramento River Gourders) about a year ago because there was no patch near enough for her to attend. The patch meets monthly. The small group has a lot of fun.

Margaret has worked with gourds for ten years. Her background includes ceramics and sewing but she gave all that up for gourds and pine needle weaving. Currently she is working on traditional basket weaving. This year, for the first time, she entered two of her gourds in the Shasta District Fair. One won First Place and Best in Show Runner Up. The other one, a pinwheel basket, won Second Place.

Margaret had her own booth at the Davis Gourd Festival and also entered the CGS Gourd Art Competition. She is supported by her husband and sidekick Pete who always cleans her gourds for her. He has also been very helpful over the years at the Leiser and Davis festivals supporting CGS and other vendors.



Margaret Toro
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We hope you enjoyed this new column, it will be a reoccurring column by Sylvia Nelson, she will be introducing us to some of our very talented gourd artists. If you would like to be a featured artist please contact Sylvia Nelson at: sylvianelson@citlink.net or phone (916) 682-2437.



*Congratulations to All of the
2014
CGS Northern Gourd Art
Competition Winners*



EXCELLENT
Job!

Scenes From The
Davis Ranch
Gourd Festival 2014



CGS Members Featured in Coronado Gallery

Don Weeke, Linda Stryker and Grace Swanson were selected to have their gourd art for sale at the Emerald C Gallery, 1331 Orange Avenue, Coronado, California — right across the street from the world-famous Hotel Del Coronado. The gallery's grand opening was held on October 3 with much fanfare, live music and a ribbon-cutting ceremony by the mayor of Coronado. The gallery, owned by designer Penny Rothschild, features the original fine artwork of local Southern California and Baja artists.

Don Weeke (Don Weeke Fiber Arts, www.donweeke.com) has been making baskets and gourds for more than 35 years. His style is very distinctive. He incorporates basketry on gourds but also pyrography, carving, and especially couching. The materials he collects and prepares are gourds, oak branches, eucalyptus bark, and the seed fronds of various palms – date, queen, and king. His work can be seen in numerous publications such as the magazines “Fiberarts”, and “American Style” and many books including “The Complete Book of Gourd Craft”.



Linda Stryker (Stryking Gourds, www.strykinggourds.com) frequently uses dramatic design

cuts, pine-needle edging, hinges, and bead inserts. As an avid world traveler, she delights in acquiring beads and unusual objects to be used as handles for her creations. Not only is an individual purchasing a fine piece of Californian art work, but often acquiring a jewel treasure from another country.

Grace Swanson (Gourds By Grace, www.GourdsByGrace.com) knew about gourds from her childhood in Nigeria, where the African people used gourds for just about everything from spoons, to bowls and storage. The smell of burning a gourds just “takes her back home”. Grace’s designs range from ocean-themed, to floral to geometric — always with lots of bright color.

Don, Linda, and Grace are thrilled to be part of this brand new contemporary gallery.

Submitted by Grace Swanson and Photos by Linda Stryker

Middle Left: Don Weeke’s gourds

Middle Rights: Linda Stryker with her gourds

Bottom Left: Gourds by Don Weeke, Linda Stryker and Grace Swanson

Baskets and Gourds - Containers of Our Culture VI April 22 – 24, 2016

This conference will be hosted by the Tulare/Sequoia Gourd Patch and endorsed by the California Gourd Society. It is the sixth Basket/Gourd Conference to be held in the city of Visalia, California. Visalia is located in the center of the California, close to Sequoia, Kings Canyon, and Yosemite National Parks.

Proposals must be received by March 31, 2015. Class decisions will be mailed by May 10, 2015. **The proposed class needs to be unique and taught for the first time in California at our 2016 conference.**

Please send the **teaching application, biography, PROFESSIONAL QUALITY PHOTOS with a high resolution image on a CD (300 - 400 dpi or higher, no compression: JPG, Tiff, or EPS format)** to the following address. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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tonibestbaskets@gmail.com
P.O. Box 6846 (559) 627-5430
Visalia, CA 93290

We are currently seeking teachers for this event.

Friday - April 22, 2016: Opening Reception
Arts Visalia in downtown Visalia
An exhibit featuring Baskets and Gourds, Containers of our Culture
6 pm – 8 pm

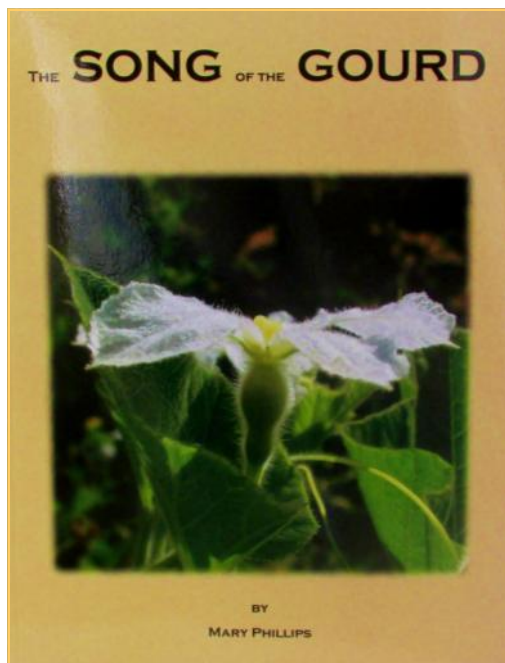
Saturday - April 23, 2016:
Classes 9 am – 4 pm
Vendors' Booths open 9 am – 5 pm
Teachers' Market Place 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:30 pm

Our keynote speaker, Bonnie Gibson, creator of Arizona Gourds, will share her gourd art.

Sunday - April 24, 2016:
Classes 9 am – 4 pm
Vendors' Booths open 9 am – 4 pm

Fees: Class Fee for Participants: \$65
Teachers will receive \$45 per student, and may also charge a materials fee.

THE **Song** OF THE **Gourd** By Mary Phillips



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*A Celebration
of the Gourd Artistry
of
Artist Sandra Heidlebaugh*

When Sandra Heidlebaugh, gourd artist extraordinaire, first discovered Piecemakers in 2001, her life began to turn around after suffering for years with RSD pain syndrome.

We encouraged her to take a craft class; before long, her mind focused less on the pain and she be-

gan taking more and more classes. Four years later, after a series of workshops with Australian decoupage artist and teacher Nerida Singleton, Sandra was pain free and excelling in all of her handwork classes. Ultimately, it was Diane Calderwood's gourd classes that ignited the creativity and zeal to produce her beautiful gourd art.

Join Sandra to celebrate the artist and her journey November 29, Saturday (11am to 2pm) at the Piecemakers Country Store, 1720 Adams Avenue, Costa Mesa, California 92626 USA

Visit their website: <http://www.piecemakers.com>

Attention Gourd and Woodcarvers

I have a new project to announce. Janet Greene, Carol DesVoigne and I went to a meeting with the Capital Woodcarvers Association. They had contacted us regarding joining them on May 2 & 3 2015 for the Wood Carvers Show held at the Scottish Rite Center in Sacramento. We will have competition within their show. We will have 3 Divisions, Novice, Intermediate and Expert with 5 categories. The gourd portion will be CGS sponsored with AGS judges. They rent the building and do the advertising.

They would like the gourd clubs to have tables to show and sell gourds. The tables are 6 foot for \$20.00 and 12 ft. for \$40.00. Joyce Campbell has already said that she would come. We talked about demonstrations and they thought that would be a good idea.

Janet, Carol and I were very happy to be included in the planning as it has been brought up by several people that we should join the Wood Carvers in their show. We talked to them about joining us at the Davis Gourd Festival and they were real interested. I believe that this will be a great partnership for both groups to promote gourd art and the wonderful wood carving. We will have another meeting in December.

Barbara Rippetoe

Please check out the Capital Wood Carvers website for the most current information at: <http://capitalwoodcarvers.com>

Ventura County Gourd Artists

Fall finally arrived with it harvest time for Ventura County Gourd Artists. Members were busy making and selling their art at two major venues in October – the 17th annual Underwood Family Farms Harvest Festival in Moorpark and the McGrath Family Farms Great American Pumpkin Festival in Ventura.

Featured below are gourds by Sherri Trout, Karen Hibdon and Colleen Kyffin-Lewis.



In addition, members have participated in several sales at the Ventura County Museum of History in Ventura and the Agriculture Museum of Ventura County in Santa Paula.

A prelude to the harvest was our fantastic showing at the Ventura County Fair in July and August. In addition to our winning booth in the

Agriculture Building – first place feature exhibit and overall building sweepstakes (and a \$500 prize) – members brought home dozens and dozens of first, second and third place wins in gourd art competition in the Home Arts Department. Our own Pearl Reece, one of the founders of our patch, captured the coveted Best of Show honor for all mediums – quilting, gourds, paintings, woodcarving and turning and sculpture – for her unbelievable pair of dragons.

Kudos to members Pat Lelie, past president, and Camille King, current vice president, for having their gourds included in the revised and expanded edition of “The Complete Book of Gourd Carving” by Jim Widess and Ginger.

Our annual August picnic was one of the biggest yet, with plenty of food and fun dished up by hostess Elsie Cogswell. John Ascherman handled the barbecue chores and Ian and Cecilia Hillway got everyone up and moving with a variety of games. Those attending were challenged to come up with a gourd creation that would fit in a 5-inch cube and the results were mindboggling, from a tiny turtle with bobbing head to a hot air balloon, jack-in-a-box to a polar bear sporting a crocheted cap and scarf.

Also in August, Olive Moore made a return trip to Ventura County to present two classes on creating a three dimensional dragonfly with panoramic mountain scene inside. Earlier in the summer she taught an owl class.

In October, community outreach volunteers presented mask-making classes at Arc in Simi Valley and at Oceanview Pavilion in Port Hueneme, working with mentally challenged adults.

On Nov. 8, Jan Jones is teaching a class on weaving creative miniature gourd necklaces at the home of member Evy Eisele. On Dec. 13 the patch will have its annual Christmas Party at Elsie Cogswell’s.

Happy New Year!

San Diego County Gourd Artist Retreat 2014 Palomar Baileys Resort



Each year the San Diego County Gourd Artist have a magnificent gourd retreat. We pack it full of self-paced projects that the member can, if they choose to complete or take home for a later date. Approximately 30 members attend each year.

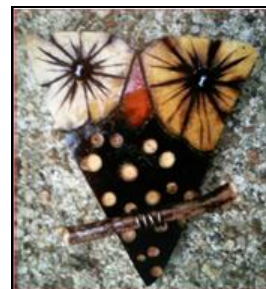
Our goal is to relax and take time for ourselves before the "crazy season" starts. Our Fall Theme for our event included decorations, projects and welcome bags in lovely autumn colors. Imagine how restful our event was in our local Palomar Mountains at Baileys Resort. Full of trees, wildlife and rustic cabins and huge dance hall where we set up our work area. "Two ladies per table and still we had the isle full of tools and supplies. We bring it all!"

Our meals were cooked and served, we had a masseuse on site, door prizes and had wonderful fall weather. Some of us enjoyed the Saturday night Karaoke entertainment more than others but I personally feel we have potential! Captain Morgan is not coming back next year, need I say more.

Our welcome bags had so many nice gifts and tools we could not fit them all on the tables. Our members donate much of our items for the bags. We shared so many tips and tricks, which is what it is all about! It was a wonderful mini vacation. You could stay up all night if you wanted to just become one with your gourd projects.

I am already planning next year's, hopefully a statewide event, stay tuned for more info on the infamous ARTISAN RETREAT 2015.

Sherry Hunga-Moore





An Invitation to Attend the Annual CGS Board Meeting

The California Gourd Society will hold its annual Board Meeting Saturday, January 10th, 2015 at the Lamp Litter Inn in Visalia. Any interested CGS member is invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

The agenda will cover such topics as:

- Vision for California Gourd Society
- Election for changing officers
- Budget for 2015
- Reports from Regional Groups Directors
- Membership Report
- Website Report
- Golden Gourd-Constant Contact Reports
- And more



If you have ideas or suggestions for the agenda, please feel free to contact CGS President Barbara Rippetoe by email at: bjrippetoe@sbcglobal.net or phone (916) 988-6599, by November 30, 2014.

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California State Fair

California Crafts

We are very pleased to report to you that gourds will have their own Division in the 2015 California State Fair Crafts Competition and Exhibit.

The competitive Classes will be

1. Pyrography
2. Painted/Colored
3. Carved/Filigree
4. Other Gourd Art

There will be a cash award given to an outstanding gourd entry in the competition.

Special award recipients will be chosen in May 2015.



The 2015 California State Fair Crafts and the California Crafts exhibitions will be July 10th thru July 26th. For the most current and up to date information please check the CALEXPO website: <http://calexpo.com/> or the California State Fair website: <http://www.castatefair.org/home/>



Christmas Tree Ornament

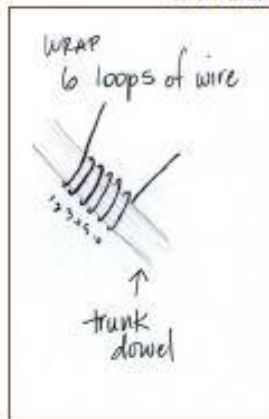
Created by Christina Chrivia

Supply List Items Provided

- Mod Podge
- Glitter (Green & Brown)
- Red Glitter Glue
- Paint (Green and Brown)
- Sandpaper
- Wire
- Dowel
- Small Banana Gourd
- Spray Finish

- Pencil
- Paint Brush
- Fast Drying Glue*
- Woodburner with cutting tip (Spear or Skew)
- Carver with Filigree type bur
- A way to clean inside a mini banana gourd (Mini sanding ball, small wire brush)*
- Wire cutters*

**I'll have limited supplies available for these items
If you want a crazy tree feel free to bring your own glitter
Color and under paint!*

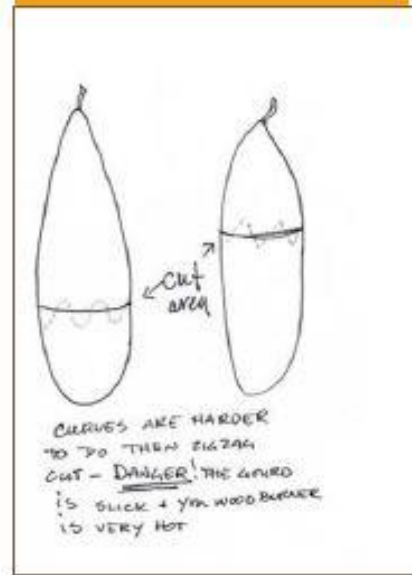


Project Steps:

1. Cut gourd in half with Woodburner.

CAREFUL. see note below

2. Clean insides and sand edges.
3. Carve out opening to insert dowel in bottom half of tree.
4. Shape star using trunk (dowel) sample below.
5. Paint tree and trunk.
6. Glitter inside of bottom half of tree and trunk let dry.
7. Glue tree together and glitter outside of tree, let dry.
8. Insert star hanger.
9. Add glitter glue ball ornaments.
10. Enjoy your blingy ornament!



This fun and easy Christmas Tree Ornament Tutorial was created and provided by Christina Chrivia, If you would like to see more of Christina's work, please visit her website at: chrivastudios.com.

MISSION STATEMENT

To promote the horticulture, crafting and appreciation of the hard-shelled gourds (*Lagenaria Siceraria*) by providing charitable and educational activities to members of the society, growers, artists, crafters, business people and the public through community support and education.

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CGS membership dues are \$20 a year based on a calendar year
January—December.

Current Membership forms can be found at the CGS Website <http://www.californiagourdsociety.com> click [Join Us](#).

If you have any questions regarding your membership status or dues please contact Membership VP JoAnn Clark by email at: b4gourds@yahoo.com or phone (760) 749-9410. CGS thanks you for your continued support.

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Hello,

I would like to thank everyone that helps with the copy, pictures and ad support of the Golden Gourd Newsletter. This issue features several new contributors.

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Remember this is "YOUR" newsletter if you have anything you would like to have in the next issue please forward to me. Maybe you attended a recent festival, made something new or tried a new product?

CGS will continue to keep the **CGS Reps Yahoo Group** until we have the "Reps Only" up at the CGS website. We are no longer maintaining or updating the CGS Member Yahoo Group. Instead members are encouraged to use the "Members Only" section at our website or for those of you that like a more INTERACTIVE social network you can LIKE us on our *NEW Face Book page*.

All current members have been emailed log in information. Please note the password is changed yearly on February 1. All new and renewing members will be contacted by USPS mail of the new log in information in the coming weeks. If you do not receive yours please check your membership status. You can renew on-line or download a new form under the drop down About Us, then Join Us.

Thank you for your continuing support!

Mary Bliss -Editor Golden Gourd

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