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President's Message

Summer is over, vacations are only memories and kids are back in school. I love the cooler evenings. Some of you at higher altitudes or in the northern part of the state are experiencing cooler days as well. That means that it is nearly time to harvest our gourd crop.



Remember to be sure the gourds are no longer getting nourishment from the mother plant before you cut them off the vine. Otherwise they will shrivel and rot and we don't want that after all the TLC we have given them so far.

I hope you enjoy this Special Edition. I am so pleased that so many of our CGS members joined in the state and local competitions throughout the state. Congratulations to all who entered! Let me encourage each of you to check out your local fairs. Find out what the deadline is for entering for next year and put it on your calendar. Then start creating that special gourd to enter in the competition next year.

You still have time to make and enter your gourd art in both CGS Gourd Art Competitions that are happening in October.

Your president,

Olive Moore
CGS President
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I would like to give a big shout out to the Calabash Club of Silicon Valley and their GourdFest, for sponsoring this "Special Edition" issue of the Golden Gourd. And also a big thank you to Olive Moore for all of her contributions to this issue.

Look for the Fall issue of the Golden Gourd in your inbox mid November. The deadline for the issue is October 15th.

Thank you,
Mary Bliss
Editor Golden Gourd

CGS On-Line

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2016 California State Fair
Gourd Art Competition In Pictures
Judge: Barbara Rippetoe

Pyrography



First Place Heather Hopman
Amador County Gourd Artists



Second Place Jessica DiGiacomo
Folsom Gourd Artists



Third Place Olive Moore
Orange Co/San Diego Co Gourd Artists

Painted



Left:
First Place Susan Deguara
Folsom Gourd Artists



Right:
Second Place Olive Moore
Orange County & San Diego
County Gourd Artists



Left:
Third Place Patti Fisher
Amador County Gourd Artists



Right:
Fourth Place Chris Crady
Folsom Gourd Artists

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Carved

Left:
First Place Leanne Kelly
 Amador County Gourd Artists



Right:
Second Place Olive Moore
 Orange County & San Diego
 County Gourd Artists



Left:
Third Place Patti Fisher
 Amador County Gourd Artists



Right:
Fourth Place Kimberly Shearer

Other Gourd Art



Second Place Olive Moore
 Orange County & San Diego County



Third Place Carol Des Voigne
 Folsom Gourd Artists



Fourth Place Joni Canada
 Folsom Gourd Artists

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2016 California State Fair

Marilyn Carrico
1st Place/Other Gourd Art
Best of Division
CGS Special Award - \$100



California State Fair - Fine Arts



I was so pleased to be able to attend the California State Fair this summer. One of our CGS members and member of the San Diego County Gourd Artists, Elaine Linton, entered a gourd in the Fine Arts Division. While there I talked to the lady in the fine art building and she told me that each year there are about 1200 entries submitted.

It is a juried show so when you apply you have to send a photo. Only 300 entries are chosen. Yes, only a fourth of the applications are accepted and allowed to be displayed in this building. Each accepted entry is awarded either an Award of Merit or an Award of Excellence. So being chosen to display your art in the fine arts division is truly an honor. Elaine is the CGS Southern Regional Group Coordinator. Be sure to congratulate Elaine for her achievement.

Olive Moore
CGS President

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California State Fair Awards Ceremony Folsom Gourd Artists



Left or Right:

Susan Deguara - First Place - Painted

Chris Crady - Forth Place - Painted

Marilyn Carrico - First Place - Other and Best of Division, and CGS Award winner

Carol Des Voigne-Third Place -Other

Jessica Digiacoma,- Second Place -Pyrography

Not all winners were present.



California Gourd Society MISSION STATEMENT

To promote the horticulture, art, 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.

Orange County Gourd Society Participates in the Orange County Fair 2016

OCGS members had a display of decorated gourds with a variety of techniques in 18 cases at the Fair. There was an educational window with gourds from around the world which were collected by Claire Beekman on her travels. They also did gourd demonstrations for the public.



Members of the Orange County Gourd Society participated in the Orange County Fair competition and received awards.

- Leslie Hargrove – 1st Place
- Debra Zimmerman – 2nd Place
- Olive Moore – 3rd Place (Pictured above birdhouse)
- Linda Conn – Honorary Mention

In addition, Martie O’Meara entered a beaded bowl.

Jack Thorp



Debra Zimmerman – 2nd Place



Leslie Hargrove – 1st Place



San Diego County Fair
"Mad about the Fair" Alice in Wonderland" and "Steam Punk"
 San Diego Gourd Artists Receive 20 Awards out of 23 Entries!

1st Place

Mark Dusek
 Sherry Hunga-Moore (2)
 Grace Swanson
 Patti Wolinski
 Debra Zimmerman

Best of Division
Sherry Hunga-Moore

Honorable Mention
 JoAnn Clark
 Sherry Hunga-Moore
 Jewell Nagel

3rd Place

JoAnn Clark
 Mark Dusek
 Judi Shaw
 Gayle Shell

2nd Place

Stacy Day (2)
 Kelli Delp
 Grace Swanson

Entered

Gayle Shell
 Judi Shaw (2)
 Mark Dusek
 Peggy Howe
 Kellie Delp

CGS Special Merit
 Jewell Nagel



Congratulations Jewell Nagel

A California Gourd Society "Special Merit Award Ribbon" was presented to Jewell Nagel for her art work on this gourd.

She is a member of the San Diego County Gourd Artists as well as the CGS.

The different techniques include weaving, wood burned, ink dyes plus an inlaid turquoise stone, combined they contribute to the definitive Southwest design.

Home and Hobby entry\Basket & Gourds\mixed media Workmanship; Appearance; Originality; Creativity; Utility; Multiple techniques applied and Difficulty Factor.

Ventura County Gourd Artists Ventura County Fair August 3-14, 2016



Above: VCGS member Cheryl Brion, plants gourd flowers in the patch's "Gourdiculture" display.

July meant getting our booth together for the , Aug. 3-14. This year we created a "Gourdiculture" display that included an education component tied into a whimsical garden setting of flowers, fairies, insects and critters. We staffed the booth each day of the fair and offered a daily demo – alcohol inks to wood burning – and passed out seed packets and gourd-related information sheets.



Left: Pat Barbour (left) and Camille King (right).

Pictured right one off several display cases that featured Ventura County Fair competition entries.



Ventura County Fair 2016

Ventura County Gourd Artists - First Place Winners Listing

| Name | Category |
|----------------|--|
| Shelly Johnson | Carved/Bowl |
| Sherri Trout | Carved/Jewelry |
| Camille King | Carved/Original Design |
| Pat Barbour | Carved/Original Design |
| Camille King | Coiling or Pine Needles/Bowl |
| Camille King | Coiling or Pine Needles/Dream Catcher |
| Anthony Hepton | Coiling or Pine Needles/Lidded Container |
| Chris Garcia | Coiling or Pine Needles/Original Design |
| Charlene Smith | Coiling or Pine Needles/Utility |
| Chris Garcia | Painted/Animal |
| Elsie Cogswell | Painted/Animal |
| Charlene Smith | Painted/Bird House |
| Chris Garcia | Painted/Bowl |
| Anthony Hepton | Painted/Fair Theme |
| Anthony Hepton | Painted/International Design |
| Karen Hibdon | Painted/Lidded Container |
| Chris Garcia | Painted/Mask |
| Sherri Trout | Painted/Native American Design |
| Camille King | Painted/Original Design |
| Chris Garcia | Painted/Utility |
| Michele Smith | Mixed Medium/Animal |
| Chris Garcia | Mixed Medium/Basket |
| Chris Garcia | Mixed Medium/Bowl |
| Karen Hibdon | Mixed Medium/Figurine |

| Name | Category |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Karen Hibdon | Mixed Medium/Holiday |
| Camille King | Mixed Medium/International Design |
| Karen Hibdon | Mixed Medium/Lidded Container |
| Charlene Smith | Mixed Medium/Mask |
| Debbie Gutzmann | Mixed Medium/Musical Instruments |
| Elsie Cogswell | Mixed Medium/Musical Instruments |
| Michele Smith | Mixed Medium/Native American Design |
| Sherri Trout | Mixed Medium/Native American Design |
| Karen Hibdon | Mixed Medium/Original Design |
| Karen Hibdon | Mixed Medium/Other |
| Charlene Smith | Pyrography/Animal |
| Charlene Smith | Pyrography/Lidded Container |
| Anthony Hepton | Pyrography/Musical Instruments |
| Karen Hibdon | Pyrography/Native American Design |
| Colleen Kuffin-Lewis | Pyrography/Original Design |
| Chris Garcia | Pyrography/Other |
| Pat Barbour | Stains & Dyes/Animal |
| Shelley Johnson | Stains & Dyes/Bowl |
| Chris Garcia | Stains & Dyes/Original Design |
| Shelley Johnson | Beginners/International Design |
| Shelley Johnson | Beginners/Mask |
| Shelley Johnson | Beginners/Musical Instruments |
| Shelley Johnson | Beginners/Original Design |
| Sherri Trout | Beginners/Original Design |
| Shelley Johnson | Beginners/Other |



Above Left: Sherri Trout



Above Center: Sherri Trout



Above Right: Michele Smith

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Below: Chris Garcia



Center: Elsie Cogswell



Right: Shelly Johnson



Above Left: Michele Smith

Above Center: Sherri Trout

Above Right: Michele Smith



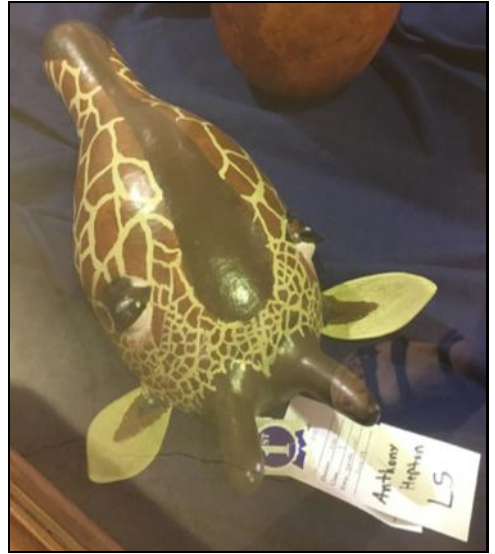
Above Left: Debbie Gutzmann

Above Center: Debbie Gutzmann

Above Right: Charlotte Hoyt

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First Colum Top: Charlene Smith nominated for Best of Show
Second Colum Top: Anthony Hepton
Third Colum Top: Anthony Hepton

Center: Kathleen Johnston
Center: Anthony Hepton
Center: Anthony Hepton

Bottom: Charlene Smith
Bottom: Kathleen Johnston
Bottom: Charlene Smith

Los Angeles County Fair - Pomona, CA September 2016



Top Left: Olive Moore - 3D Poppies
First Place and Best Of Show

Bottom Left: Olive Moore - Eagle Pointillism
First Places and Judges Choice

Bottom Center: Olive Moore - Fish Vase
Second Place

Bottom Right: Olive Moore - Mosaic
First Place



California Gourd Society
Northern Gourd Art
Competition

October 8 & 9, 2016

Hosted by
The Calabash Club of Silicon Valley

Held at Uesugi Farms
14485 Monterey Rd, San Martin, CA 95046

For More Information:
www.GourdFest.com
or
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Gourd Fest 2016

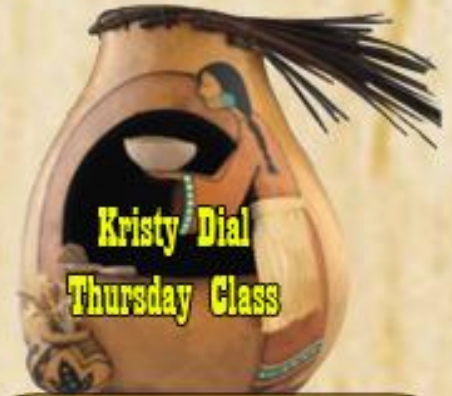
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**Kristy Dial
Friday Class**



**Olive Moore
Friday Class**



**Kristy Dial
Thursday Class**

**Classes Thursday,
Oct 6 & Friday, Oct 7**



**Gloria Crane
Thursday Class**



**Toni Best
Friday Class**



**Toni Best
Thursday Class**



**Olive Moore
Thursday Class**



**Gloria Crane
Friday Class**



Calabash Gourd Festival October 8th & 9th



At Uesugi Pumpkin Patch,
14485 Monterey Highway,
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www.GourdFest.com

*Featuring Demonstrations
Gourd Art for Sale
Vendor Booths and
Make & Take Activities
for Kids & Adults*

California Gourd Society

Gourd Art Competition

in collaboration with

Orange County Woodcarvers

October 15 and 16 2016

Elk's Club

212 Elk Lane, Santa Ana, CA

Categories

Pyrography, Carving, Filigree/Fretwork

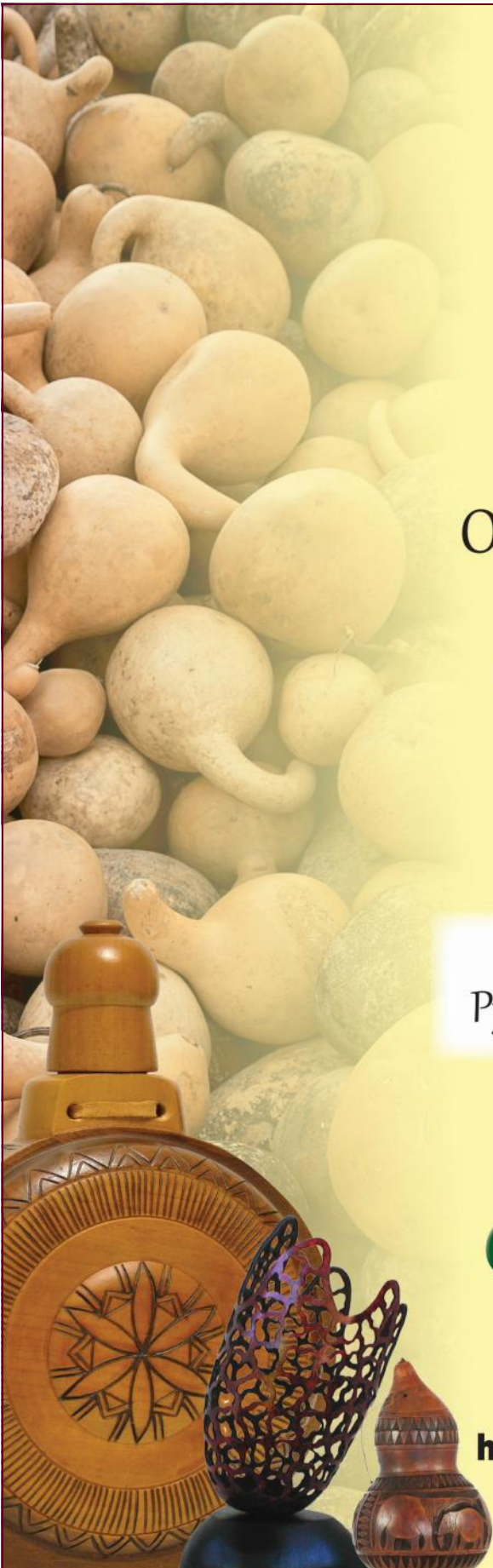
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California Gourd Society 2018 Fundraiser "Totems"

WIN Fabulous Gourd Art

"Enter to win" one of 20+ gourd art projects made by members of CGS. Regional Gourd groups (Patches) and individual CGS members throughout California will be creating unique art in the form of **Totems**.

The Gourd Art Projects will be offered as opportunity drawing prizes at the Annual "**Gourds and Baskets: Containers of our Culture**" Event in Visalia, California Saturday **April 28, 2018**

Tickets can be purchased by contacting any of our CGS Regional Patch members, or Patches listed in this issue and at our website at: www.californiagourdsociety.com

Proceeds benefit the statewide educational outreach of CGS and its members.

Winners need not be present to win!

Tickets \$1.00 Each

Thank you for your donation.

