

Gourdacious Patch

Northeast Georgia

March 2008

Next Meeting: March 7, 2008 10:00 a.m.
At the **Habersham Senior Center**
In Demorest, Georgia

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Directions to Habersham Senior Center:

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185 north from Atlanta to 985 (veers to the left) to Gainesville, 985 will turn into 365 just north of Gainesville. Travel approx 25 miles to mile marker 47. Exit left at the traffic light onto Demorest/Mt. Airy Road. Turn first right. Go to the end of the road (keep to the right at the split). The senior center is the last brick building on the left.

Meeting Schedule: First Friday of each month except: June and July.

It's almost time for us to gather again and I cannot wait. Our February meeting was great. It was good to have Steve Merritt back with us and we hope he'll be able to do as Agnes had done and join us regularly again.

Madge Sala was johnny-on-the-spot as usual with all the materials and supplies we needed to create our woodland men. It's always so much fun to see the different results created by individuals when they receive the same instructions. We truly have a creative and talented group.

Thanks, Madge, for the usual excellent class. We will stain our creations during our April meeting. But, in the meantime, we need everyone to get ready to create a masterpiece bowl using the Gretchen Rim. Charlotte Durrence will be coming to teach us how to put an eloquent looking rim on a gourd bowl. Below is the information Charlotte sent to give to people attending.

They can bring a medium size bowl with no bigger than a 6 inch opening or I can bring them one for \$5. I will furnish the smoked reed at no charge.

Please add that they need to bring a bucket to soak reed and a good pair of scissors to cut the reed. An old towel will help also.

I have not asked Charlotte for permission to do this, but she usually has pine needles for sale. Since we will be doing a pine needle rim soon, you might like to ask her if she'd bring some to sell you. You may contact her at Gourds1@aol.com to see if she'd be willing to do so.

Also,

I'm including the teaching schedule through August so you can plan for these meetings. We have tentative classes for most of the other months, but I want to be more certain before I post them.

January 4 - We finished our antique bowls with Sharon Fowler

February 1 - We created woodland men with Madge Sala

March 7 - Charlotte Durrence - Gretchen rim

April 4 - Madge Sala - (staining woodland men) & pickle ornament

May 2 - Anna Johnson - Kokopelli in black bowl with pine needle rim

June 13 - Hudi Sandgren - Pointillism

July 11 - Orchid Davis - wood burning

August 1 - Fonda Haddad – teneriffe

I hope to see everyone at the Habersham Senior Center on March

7. Invite a friend and let's fill our room to the max.

Take care.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me, gjustus@ngcsu.edu or call 706-864-6446

Take care.

Gail Justus

Sunshine News: Catherine Watkins has been very ill. Please remember her in your thoughts.

Meeting Minutes:

The monthly meeting of the Gourdacious patch was called to order at approximately 10 am Friday, February 1st 2008.

There were nine members in attendance.

The treasury show a balance \$780.00

Each member received and updated copy of the membership roll with phone #'s addresses and emails.

Gail informed the membership of the potential Teachers in the coming months of 2008.

They are, Charlotte Durrence, Madge Sala, Anna Johnson, Fonda Haddad, Barbara Hoelzel, Agnes Wood and Hudi.

We had several Show and Tell items. Three pyro engraved Gourds by Madge, two sculptured Gourds by Sharon and two purses by Ellen.

We will be meeting at the Demorest Senior Citizen Building until further notice.

Meeting adjourned approximately 10:30am

Respectfully
Madge Sala Secretary

Update Your Directory: Barbara Hoelzel – has a new telephone 864 293-3000

