

the painted box

By Wendy Thomson

I went out one night last week and got plastered—absolutely plastered with everything from apricots to Arizona mud. It was the first cosmetic demonstration I'd been to, and I had a marvellous time.

Can you imagine seven beautifully dressed women, some complete strangers to each other, sitting around a table, completely stripped of make-up? It's a pathetic sight.

One, looking at herself in her mirror, turned it over and took a longer look in the magnifying side, glanced at the other bare faces watching her, then said urgently to the demonstrator "Quick, Bernie, give us something to do!"

I rarely use many cosmetics myself, and was fascinated by all the fuss and fun I've been missing. After a basic cleanser came a freshener made of citrus fruits, herbs, and papaya. Here, Bernie reminded us that since every ingredient in every item was purely organic, it was all edible. At this, one guest took a good sniff at the freshener and voiced the prevailing opinion, "I wonder how this would mix with gin?"

Next came a cream scrub that smelt wonderful—honey, almonds, and mint. It felt equally wonderful and I took a look at the price—Wow! I wonder if they make an economy line using peanuts. The fourth step was a little surprising. After half an hour of getting clean, we were given a blob of good old Arizona mud to smear on our shining faces. That was when the youngest boy of the house came out to see what all the laughter was about, and just stood and stared. He'd get wallowed for doing what we were doing!

While we were drying and cracking, Bernie tenderly brought out a bottle of an expensive oil made from apricot seeds, and carefully put a glob in everyone's hand. I'd have liked to have taken mine home and saved it for a special occasion, but we were instructed to rub in on one elbow to see what a difference it made.

Now an elbow is one place that most people can't get a good look at, (their own, that is) so I am totally unaware of what charm the oil may have revealed. And when I went home and waved it at Gord, he accused me of trying to knock his teeth out. At \$7.25 an ounce, I would have expected a line of men following me down the street, pushing to get a better look at my elbow! So much for the oil.

From there we went on to make-up, a moistener made of humectants (whatever they are) and soybean oil; avocado oil for the eyes; cocobutter lipstick and I forget all what else. I remember that the mascara ISN'T made from shoe polish and turpentine, though.

There was a great laugh when Bernie explained how easy it is to fit a facial into a daily schedule. "Just take half an hour, maybe while the kids are napping, and let the mudpack (she called it something else) set while you soak in the tub." Ha! It's only since David started Kindergarten that I dare relax in the tub. Even then someone is quite apt to knock on the front door. I've been caught twice with gunk on my face, and never again. Once I had one leg covered with pink hair remover and had people stop by. Rather than wash it all off too soon, I walked out as I was and explained that I had poison ivy and was just applying calamine lotion.

Anyhow, at the laughter that went up at the demonstration, Bernie tried again, "Well, maybe while your husband watches the kids in the evening..." More hoots of laughter.

I was quite impressed by the fact that everything was organic and therefore edible—"If you ever get stranded in a storm, you'll never have to starve—just eat your make-up!" However, rather than finish off a small fortune in cosmetics just for a snack, I think perhaps I'd take a bit of the honey and almond stuff as an appetizer, then sit and chew on the leather case the stuff comes in.

What I was interested in were the wafers that are pure food energy, according to the book—16 farm, desert and sea plants. Or the powder made of milk solids and almonds. Or the tablets consisting of prune powder, nepton, kelp, gulse, sea rack, Irish moss,

Waldie-Tuck wedding in Georgetown church

In St. John's United Church, Georgetown, on September 13 Rev. B. Scrivens officiated at the marriage of Patricia Anne Tuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tuck, 43 Queen Street, when she became the bride of David Waldie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Waldie, R. R. 2, Acton.

The altar was decorated with an arrangement of pink gladioli, white thasta daisies and baby's breath.

Bernard Shrubsole was organist and during the tipping of the register he played On Promise Me and Whispering Hope.

Mr. Tuck gave his daughter in marriage in a double-ring ceremony.

The bride wore a gown of imported lace with long sleeves and high neckline trimmed with white satin ribbon and lace. A sweeping train of silk organza edged in lace and satin ribbon fell from her shoulders. She wore her grandmother's locket, a family heirloom.

A cluster of pearls and rhinestones held in place her shoulder length veil. She carried a garland of pink sweetheart roses, white carnations and trailing ivy entwined with white satin ribbon.

Mrs. Sharon Scheel of Kitchener, cousin of the bride,

was matron of honor. She wore an empire gown of buttercup yellow chiffon over taffeta trimmed with yellow daisies, with a train falling from the shoulders. She wore a matching headpiece of yellow flowers which were entwined throughout the hair. She carried a garland of white thasta daisies with green streamers.

Mrs. Marg Tuck, sister-in-law of the bride, Mrs. Lynn Medland, sister of the groom, both of Acton and Mrs. May Haynes, friend of the bride and groom of Brampton, were bridesmaids. They were dressed identically to the matron of honor only they were in peppermint green. Their bouquets were yellow thasta daisies with yellow streamers. They wore a strand of pearls, gifts of the bride and groom.

Miss Christine Hoare, cousin of the bride and Miss Lillian Waldie, sister of the groom, were flower girls dressed alike in yellow bonded crepe dresses trimmed with tiny bows. They carried baskets of a mixture of yellow and white thasta daisies and wore sterling silver lockets, gifts of the bride and groom.

Fred Collins of Acton was the groom's best man.

Don Tuck, brother of the bride and Ernie Medland,

brother-in-law of the groom, both of Acton and Dan Haynes of Brampton acted as ushers. They wore dinner jackets, black pants and boutonniere fastened to match corresponding bridesmaid dresses.

At the reception held at the Odd Fellows Hall Mrs. Tuck received for her daughter dressed in a light green ensemble trimmed with beads with hat and shoes to match, with a corsage of yellow sweetheart roses and gold ribbon. Mrs. Waldie received for her son wearing a coral ensemble with hat and shoes to match, with a corsage of white carnations and pink sweetheart roses.

A dance party was held in the Odd Fellows Hall in the evening. For a honeymoon trip north the bride wore a turquoise wool suit with matching fur cuffs, black velvet picture hat with black accessories. Her corsage was red sweetheart roses.

Prior to her marriage the bride was honored with five showers. Mrs. Sharon Scheel and Mrs. Marg Tuck held a miscellaneous shower in Kitchener. Mrs. May Haynes held a miscellaneous shower in Brampton. Mrs. Lynn Medland and Mrs. Darlene Smith, aunt of the groom, held a kitchen shower in Milton.

Miss Jo-Anne Smith held a pantry shower in Georgetown and a miscellaneous shower and presentation was held by the office staff at Lytton Systems in Readale where the bride is employed.

There were two stag parties held for the groom. One was held by the ushers in Acton and the office staff of P. L. Robertson held one in Milton for the groom who is employed in the office there.

They will make their new home on 298 Main St. E. in Milton.



GORDON SINCLAIR can brag about one and is delighted with the progress of the plant. The Roys moved to Acton from Downview last March and enjoy living in a small town.—(Staff Photo)

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Need hundreds of volunteers to become friendly visitors

Older people may have suitable housing, financial security, adequate health services and proper nutrition and yet find the added years of life futile, frustrating and nonconstructive. Experts in the field of aging have found that loneliness is the most corroding influence in the lives of senior citizens. To combat this hundreds of volunteers are needed who will become friendly visitors to the aging section of the population.

These volunteers should receive basic training in the understanding of older people and should be prepared to offer all services to meet the needs and problems of this aging group. They should also be conversant with recreational activities which tend to keep older people in the mainstream of life.

Friendly visiting should be a regular and continuing service. It should be extended to the older citizen wherever he may be found in Homes for the Aged, in Nursing Homes and Hospitals within the community, in his own home or apartment, with relatives or friends, or in boarding houses.

Any organization having volunteers, such as churches, service and fraternal groups, social agencies, etc., may set up a visiting service.

The Georgetown and District Red Cross Branch services for Seniors Committee has set a date for their 4-hour Friendly Visiting Training Course. For further details, see Coming Events.

Over 200 see films

A surprisingly large crowd of over 200 women went last Wednesday evening to the high school to see the two films on cancer prevention, arranged by the local unit of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Mrs. Velma West introduced the two films and thanked the sole male there, Bill Coats, who operated the projector.

The organizers were delighted by the response. Coffee and fruit bread were served afterwards.

Journey to Creemore for Greenock meeting

The October meeting for the Greenock Institute was held at the home of Mrs. T. Hensley of Creemore, Ontario. This was a meeting which all had looked forward to attending. Twelve members were able to make the trip and enjoy the beauty of the autumn colors.

Upon arrival they were greeted by their hosts and soon all were sitting down to a delicious noon day luncheon.

The meeting was opened by president Mrs. Wallace following which all repeated the Mary Stewart collect. Mrs. Elliott Patterson gave the meditation.

The roll call was answered with the naming of "A new trend in the packaging and processing of foods" which proved to be very interesting. Some told of the ways in which foods were prepared for the freezer.

Scout, Guide Mothers bazaar, draws Saturday

Brownies, Guides, Rangers and Scout and Guide mothers all co-operated to produce their second annual bazaar, which was held Saturday at the scout hall.

Mrs. Pat Robinson, a member of the Scout and Guide Mothers, was the lucky winner of the doll and wardrobe. Former member Mrs. Glenn Banks, now of Wawa, had again made the lovely clothes for the special draw. A transistor radio was won by Mrs. Vi Henderson.

Mrs. Pat Wood and Eileen Wedge won lucky door prizes. The bake sale was especially

successful. Also sold were bazaar items, knitting and sewing. The Brownies were in charge of a touch and take table while the Guides sold white elephants. The Rangers served a delicious lunch downstairs.

The Scout and Guide Mothers are planning a Tupperware party Nov. 6 to raise more money, and they're catering to the Rotary dinners.

Chuck Wagons sample dish

On Saturday, Oct. 4, the Ballinafad Southern Chuck Wagons met for the second time. At this time 11 members were present.

After the business was finished they began their discussion which was entitled "Grow, Glow and Go." They learned the different brands of meat—red, blue and brown—and what these labels mean.

Two weeks later the Southern Chuck Wagons met.

Plans were made to visit Al's Meat Market. This would give the girls a close look at many different cuts of meat. This week's discussion was concerned with cooking meat by the dry heat and the moist heat methods.

After this they were given a demonstration by Heather Buchanan and Nancy Swindlehurst on the method of cooking Spanish steak. The girls later sampled this tasty dish.

Hallowe'en Dance

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