

the painted box

By Wendy Thomson

I'm going to surprise the people at the Free Press Office no end by having my column in on time for a change. I hope they don't expect it to last, though. This week, it's recipes, again. To begin with, a marvelous molasses cookie. My brother, Ian brought me a big jar of crude molasses, and while the recipe called for the light kind, I used the dark with very good results.

MOLASSES SOFTIES

Cream $\frac{3}{4}$ cup margarine. Add 1 cup sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup molasses, 1 slightly beaten egg, and mix well. Sift 2 cups flour, 2 tsp. baking soda, $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt, $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. cloves, 1 tsp. cinnamon, $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. ginger. Add to first mixture and mix well. Chill (or don't, if you lack the time). Form into 1 inch balls and roll in white sugar. Place on greased baking sheet 2 inches apart and bake at 375 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes. Cookies should be soft when taken from the oven but will harden if left on cookie sheet for a few minutes.

I don't especially mind cooked tongue. It's just the thought of it that throws me, so I've had one sitting in the freezer for quite some time. Two, as a matter of fact—one beef and one pork. Anyhow, things are looking a little thin down the bottom of that freezer, so I hauled them out, tried a new (and very simple) recipe and was quite pleased with the results. But I still don't like the thought.

FRESH TONGUE

Wash tongue, place on rack in pressure cooker. Add 2 cups water, 1 Tbsp. salt, 2 bay leaves, 6 whole black peppers, 6 whole cloves, 1 onion quartered. Cover and cook 45 minutes at 15 pounds pressure.

Cool cooker, strain liquid and remove skin from tongue. Replace meat in liquid until ready to serve to keep warm. NOTE: If you haven't a pressure cooker, this may be done the ordinary way by simmering for 1 1/2 hours.

And now, to prove that I'm

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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Middleton are back after a pleasant two week visit in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Johnson, Hepworth and Miss Irene Johnson, Toronto, visited on Sunday with the former's sister, Mrs. J. M. Frank.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Near of Drumheller, Alberta, who have been staying with his sister Mrs. Fred West and Mr. West, Bower Avenue and visiting friends and relatives, have returned home.

New drapes U.C.W. plan

Tuesday, Oct. 12, Unit 2 of U.C.W. met in the church parlor of Trinity with Mrs. Lidka, president, who opened the meeting with a Thanksgiving prayer taken from the hymn Now We Thank Thee All Our God.

All stood for one minute's silence for a departed member, Mrs. Roy Agar, and after a short prayer all repeated the U.C.W. Purpose. Mrs. Eaton had charge of the Devotions. Owing to a death in Mrs. Shield's family the original program could not be presented. Instead Mrs. Eaton gave a reading on the Widows of the Bible which was very interesting. Mrs. Donald Reed read the 100th Psalm and Miss Dorothy Simmons led in prayer and sang a solo Just For Today. The secretary's report was read and approved.

Business of the meeting was conducted. New drapes are to be purchased for the church and the shrubs and plants are to be placed as soon as possible. A bale is to be packed with date to be set later.

Preparation is to be made to host an area work meeting for all the United churches of the district, in November.

Calls for the month—48 home and 49 hospital calls were made. Mrs. Shoemaker gave her report on the sick and shut-ins.

Roll call was answered by 21 members. Collections were taken and the closing hymn sung.

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Flowers of Hope raise \$1,200 here

The September meeting of L'Arche Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. J. Price with five members present. Mrs. J. Price read the prayer for the retarded to open the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. P. Garton.

The Milton Legion are holding a dance with proceeds being donated to the Tinkerbell nursery for pre-school retarded and handicapped children. The nursery school came into operation on Sept. 21, 1971 with six children enrolled. The money will be used to purchase kindergarten type furniture.

Booth success

The fall fair booth was successful and a considerable amount of pottery made at the workshop, by trainees, was purchased. People seemed to find the film slides very informative and several trainees enjoyed seeing themselves in action. The draw tickets for the steer hide rug sold well and people were willing to support this worthy cause. The prize winning ticket was to be drawn at the fall dance Oct. 16.

Raise \$1200

The account for the 1971 Flowers of Hope campaign has been closed with the final figure standing at \$1200.02. A cheque for this amount will be taken to the executive meeting at A.R.C. in Hornby by Mrs. J. Conroy and this amount will be used to reduce the deficit owing on the new extension. The money collected from Georgetown and Milton will also be added to this fund.

The open house, held Sept. 11 was well attended and it was nice to see so many familiar faces from Acton. M.P.P. Jim Snow officially cut the ribbon with one of the trainees assisting.

Bright surroundings

The mayors of Georgetown and Milton attended and also George Lee in his capacity as chairman of the Acton Library Board. It was a joy to see trainees working in these bright, airy surroundings.

It is in the lower portion of the workshop that the Tinkerbell nursery will function, thus providing another well needed service for the mentally retarded in this area. Mrs. J. Kuiken will be in charge of the nursery. There will be ideally, one volunteer per child with classes in operation Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 - 11:30 a.m.

Anyone wishing to volunteer their help or knowing of a child who could profit from this program can call Mrs. J. Kuiken at 853-1175.

The next meeting will be held Oct. 27 at 8 p.m. at the Acton Public Library.

Good year reported by W.M.S.

The ladies of Knox church W.M.S. held their Thankoffering meeting Thursday, October 14. After scripture reading and hymn singing, Miss Bella-Maye Roszell sang a solo.

Miss Ruby Clark gave a fine description of her trip in England.

Treasurer's report showed a very successful year and good attendance.



SCREEN PRINTER Peter Dams of Terra Cotta let the people try their hand at his craft at the Riviera on Saturday. Here, Kathy Armistead makes herself a print to take home. —(Staff Photo)

Fete Mrs. Ward Ruddell on happy 90th birthday

About 200 friends and relatives greeted Mrs. Ward Ruddell on her 90th birthday Saturday night

New bursary from Chapter

Two bursaries will be presented by Lakeside I.O.D.E. at commencement this week. A new bursary will be given to a graduating grade 12 student, as well as the Clara Grindley bursary for a grade 13 student.

The chapter is discontinuing awarding school rings.

At their October meeting, Chapter members heard R. R. Parker speak on pollution. Many questions were answered.

Jessie Coles presided.

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Autumn hike for 4-H girls

The third meeting of the Ballinacra 4-H Leisure Lassies was held in the Ballinacra hall on Saturday, October 16.

Many of the girls have chosen an article to make and well on with it. The topics for this meeting included How to keep Physically Fit with tips on the care of hair, teeth etc., and making leisure a pleasure in the form of a hike.

Scenic hike

On Sunday, Oct. 17 the 4-H girls and leaders met in the afternoon for a scenic hike through the Bennett farm on the 7th line.

It was a lovely walk on an autumn day through the winding trail. They stopped at the home of Nancy Shortall for refreshments before continuing homeward.

VON visitor

The regional supervisor of the Victorian Order of Nurses, Mrs. Cuthbert, visited North Hutton this week, accompanied by Oakville supervisor Mrs. McLeod.



LONG-TIME member of Georgetown Arts and Crafts, Mrs. W. J. Beatty of Acton holds some of her appealing stuffed toys which were on display Saturday. —(Staff Photo)

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