



Make a Noel Pennant to give...or to keep

Most every neighborhood has a "boutique" ... a special gift department or small shop that carries unusual and expensive gifts. As you wander through them you'll see many choice items that can be duplicated easily and less expensively at home. The Noel pennant illustrated is one of the many things you can put together. Directions for this unusual present are below!

NOEL PENNANT

- Supplies: Length of colored felt — 8" x 50"
10 inch wooden dowel
Gold spray paint
2 1/4 yards gold and white ribbon about 7/8" wide
3 1/2 yards gold braid about 1/4 inch wide
Glue

Making sure that all the edges of the felt are straight and even, cut notched end of pennant by making a pencil mark 4 inches from one end and 4 inches from side edge. Draw diagonal lines from pencil mark to each corner. Cut along lines.

Each square on chart is 1 inch. The first letter starts 3 1/4 inches below top edge and is 1 1/4 inches from sides of pennant. Outline each letter with chalk following measurements on chart as guide. Allowing 1/2 inch for folding under the cut ends, cut a length of ribbon for each section of the first letter. Fold under 1/4 inch at both ends of each piece and glue; then glue ribbon in place, following chalk outlines. Continue this way until all letters have been glued onto pennant.

Measure 2 inches down from top edge for hem. Starting across base of hem, glue the braid around edges of pennant.

Spray dowel with gold paint. Fold hem over dowel when paint is dry and glue hem securely. Tie a length of gold braid, approximately 16 inches long, to ends of dowel for hanging.

You can vary the designs, colors and letters on the Noel pennant. Short names like Amy, Eric, Mary and Jon will turn the Noel pennant into a personalized gift.

Baking for Christmas can be all done early

With Christmas in the air, many people are baking for holiday entertaining. Food specialists at the Ontario Food Council, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, say that much of the baking can be done ahead, if carefully planned.

First determine how many Christmas goodies to make.

There is a wide variety of Christmas cookies, cakes, and breads which freeze very well. Be sure there is sufficient room in the freezer. If you are uncertain about freezing a product, first prepare a small batch and freeze that test sample. After two or three days, try it to see if the quality is satisfactory.

For baked products to maintain the best quality in the freezer, it is important to exclude air and prevent loss of moisture. Make sure the packaging is moisture and vapourproof.

Package dairy cookies in rigid containers with waxed paper or plastic film between the layers, so they will not be crushed or broken. Breads and biscuits can be packaged in plastic freezer bags. If cookies or cakes are frosted, freeze them before wrapping. Once frozen, wrap. This prevents the frosting from sticking to the packaging.

Remember to date the packages before freezing. Various baked products have different recommended storage times. Biscuits, muffins, and loaves can be stored approximately two to three months. Baked yeast breads are best used within six months. Christmas fruit cake can be kept in the freezer up to one year. Baked cookies can be frozen for nine to twelve months.

Christmas is approaching quickly. If you are planning to serve turkey for your holiday meal, it's a good idea to decide exactly what size you'll need and what to look for before you buy, say the food specialists at the Ontario Food Council, Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

Mature turkeys, used for egg production first, are not as tender as young birds raised for meat only.

When shopping, you'll notice that some turkeys may be labelled Deep Basted or Self-Basting. This means that the turkey has been injected with vegetable oil or butter as a basting ingredient to increase the juiciness of the cooked turkey. You can get this same moist quality by buying a regular turkey and basting it yourself.

If you plan to buy a fresh turkey, wait and buy it no more than two or three days before you cook it. If you plan to buy a frozen turkey, you can buy it now and store it in the freezer at -18 degrees C (0 degrees F) or lower until the time to thaw it for roasting.

When buying a turkey, always look for the Canada Approved or Canada health inspection stamp on the tag, bag, or label. This is your assurance that the turkey has been inspected and is safe and wholesome. Next, look for the grade name. The most common grade available is Canada Grade A. Canada Grade B is as good eating quality as Grade A, but is not as well fleshed or fattened. Canada Grade Utility must at least qualify for Canada Grade B, but may have one or more of its parts missing. Turkeys will also be marked as young or mature.



DOROTHY STONE, who designed the coat of arms for both the Town of Halton Hills and the Halton Region, is the latest Halton Hills resident to receive the Queen's silver jubilee medal and certificate. Miss Stone was recommended for her work with The Heraldry Society. She was the only woman on a team of seven artists who made 156 drawings for the role of arms of the Society. Hilary K. Edward, honorary treasurer of The Heraldry Society of Canada, also received a medal.

Red Cross appeal for India relief

The Canadian Red Cross Society has launched an appeal for funds for emergency and medical relief to the victims of India's cyclones. Goal for the two-week campaign is \$500,000. Latest reports cite over 15,000 people killed, more than 100,000 injured and millions are homeless. The S.E. coastal state of Andhra Pradesh was battered by 100 km per hour

winds on November 19th, as the country was still reeling from a November 12th cyclone which affected a million people.

Cheques or money orders can be sent to the Ontario Red Cross Society, 460 Jarvis Street, Toronto, Ont., marked 'India Cyclone Relief' or donations can be made at the local banks. Tax deductible receipts will be issued.

Mountainview Baptists appeal for Indian relief

In response to the devastation which struck India Monday, November 21 and because of heavy involvement in the immediate area by Canadian Baptist missionaries, Mountainview Baptist Church is making a special appeal to the people of Halton Hills for relief funds.

In a statement this week to the press, the local church stated that because of Baptist involvement in the area, funds can be sent directly to the area of greatest need without administration costs and without fear of mail robbery.

People may contribute by either sending a cheque (made out to Mountainview Baptist church) to Mr. Guy Ryan, treasurer, 167 Rexway Dr., Georgetown or it may be sent directly to the Baptist Federation of Canada, P.O. Box 1296, Brantford, Ont. Designate your cheque for 'India Cyclone' in either case. Mr. Ryan will send out receipts when addressed here.

The south-east coast of India was devastated by three cyclones and by tidal wave action and by eighteen plus inches of rainfall. Loss of life is expected to be in the tens of thousands. Corpses litter much of the countryside and

the threat of cholera is grave. Devastation of the rice crop in the Krishna River Delta, considered India's rice bowl, will have long term effects. Contamination of rice fields by salt water may impede future crops as well.



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