Entertainment

Horticultural Society, Friends host a Christmas workshop

By Arlene McMahon

Thinking of making some Christmas presents this year that are easy and just a little bit different?

How about filling your house with the fragrant aroma of exotic herbs and spices?

These and many more ideas will be the subject of a "Potpourri Workshop" presented by the Horticultural Society and Friends of the Library on Nov. 27.

Mrs. Yolanda Smith of the Horticultural Society will conduct the workshop.

A potpourri is a mixture of petals, herbs, and spices which is not only visually attractive when stored in a glass jar, but delights the olfactory senses with its fragrance.

When the ingredients are crushed to a powder-like consistency and tied in a piece of fabric, it is known as a sachet.

Potpourris date back to Europe at a time when sanitation was poor. They were orginally intended to offset the stench.

When used small sachets much as we use the modern day "worry bead". As the bag was worked with the fingers, the perfume was exuded.

Egyptian kings had large quantities of roses placed in crocks and buried for future use.

They were the first to experiment with what the French later designated as "potpourri" or "rotten pot", not a very pretty name for something so sweet smelling.

The name describes the moist method of making potpourris which consists of layering fresh petals, herbs, roots, spices and leaves with oils until they rot.

After a curing period of several weeks the mixture exudes an extremely pleasant aroma.

Members of the Horticultural Society have spent the summer collecting and drying flower petals. These will be available to people attending the workshop, as will various herbs and spices.

The theme of the evening is "To Smell, To Touch, To See".

Although all materials will be provided by the Horticultural Society, it is hoped that anyone with scraps of fabric or ribbon will bring those along. All those attending the workshop must bring scissors, needle and thread, and paper and pencil.

The workshop will be held in the Library Hall on Thursday, Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. Pre-registration is necessary and will be held at the library. Tickets are $1 to cover the cost of materials.

For library speakers

Maplehurst inmates recently used a woodworking skill development course to make a new lectern for Milton Public Library. The beautiful ash stand was made by inmates under the direction of woodworking teacher Denis Hancock. Vice-Principal Richard Mills presented it to Librarian Shelagh Conway last week.

Hillcrest Women given slide show

Hillcrest United Church Women's meeting was held Nov. 11 at 12.30 p.m. in the form of a pot luck luncheon at the home of Mrs. James Snow.

Luncheon committee were Mrs. Jim Reid, Mrs. James Snow and Mrs. Jim MacPhail.

A meeting was held at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Tom Blackett, president in the chair.

She opened with a hymn and welcomed the 30 ladies present.

Roll call was "Bring a friend or bring a quarter." The quarters will be used to treat shut-ins at Christmas time.

The minutes of the last meeting were ready by Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson. Treasurer's report was given by Mrs. H. Robson.

A Federation of Agriculture banquet will be catered for Dec. 1 and a Co-Op noon meal will be served Nov. 26. Committee for latter are Mrs. Klymack, Mrs. V. Picket, and Mrs. T. Blackett. Mrs. Frances Thompson gave a manse committee report.

It was unanimous a $25 donation be sent to John Milton Society for the Blind.

It was decided to have a Daffodil Luncheon in April, 1981, so a speaker could be found in advance.

It was voted to give $600 to MS fund in 1981. The Stewardship Committee Mrs. Vernon Picket and Mrs. L. Sampson were in charge of the program. Mrs. Ward Brownridge gave the devotional, included was a verse on stewardship, scripture and prayer and after the closing hymn, a one minute silence was observed due to Remembrance Day.

Mrs. L. Sampson introduced the speakers Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Beatty who showed slides taken during their stay in Brazil to improve the breeding of cattle there.

Holstein cattle were sent there from Canada. There are two sales held there each year of the offspring of these cattle. The money from these sales is put into a separate fund to help the underprivileged. Mrs. Jim Reid acted as courtesy convener and Mrs. Tom Blackett closed with benediction.

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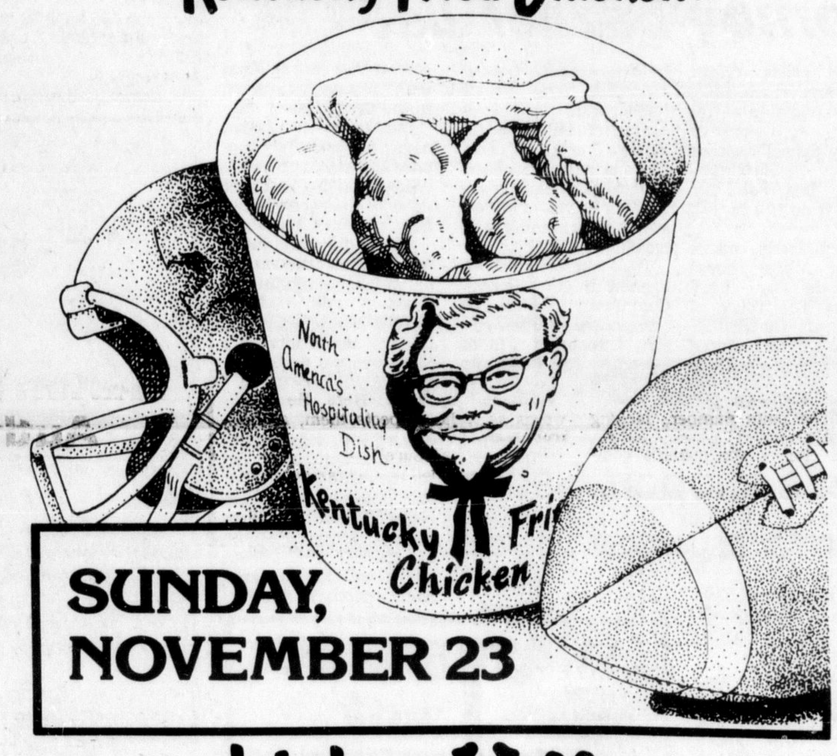

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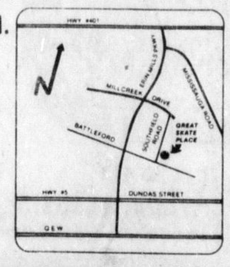

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