



Martin raised his recliner chair 8 in. by building up its base.

“Easy Exit” Chair Mounts On Platform

“At 75 years of age, my knees are worn out and I have a difficult time getting out of chairs. So I came up with an idea that I hope might help others as well,” says Tom Martin, Bedford, Va.

“I first investigated purchasing an electric lift chair but they sell for close to \$1,000 and a nursing home owner told me that the electric motors in them wear out quickly.

“One day I got the idea of raising my recliner chair up higher. I raised it up 8 in. by building a platform underneath. It worked

great and I can now get in and out easily.

“I simply attached 8-in. boards to the base of the chair. Two boards run in line with the runners, held in place by small metal braces. Then I fitted two cross pieces between the first two boards.

“This platform moves easily with the chair. If you already have a swivel chair, you could simply build a platform and set the chair on top of that.”

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World’s First Corn-Burning Barbecue Grill

If Carol Buckner has his way about it, you won’t be firing up the charcoal on summer evenings any more. You’ll be firing up with corn.

Buckner, president of SnowFlame, Inc., Arden, North Carolina, invented the popular Buck Stove wood burner.

He recently launched what he says is the world’s first corn-burning barbecue grille. He claims it’s safer and healthier than charcoal or gas.

Buckner’s corn grille has a patented burner and automatic fueling system that makes it easy to see how much fuel remains. It’s not as messy to handle as charcoal or wood. (And no harmful fumes or chemicals can get into your food.) What’s more, corn is less expensive than either propane or charcoal, Buckner says.

The SnowFlame Outdoor Grille burns about 1 lb. of corn per hour, so a bushel of corn will last roughly 56 hours.

Buckner says his grilles are easy to light and heat up quickly. You just throw in a few woodchips or a firestarter block. Or you can use a squirt or two of fire starting fluid.

There are two cooking surfaces inside the grille and a fully functional oven on the side. Forced air is used to completely burn the corn so the grille cooks like a convection oven. Turkeys and chickens can be cooked without a rotisserie. And because of the moisture content in the corn, you also get the added benefit of steam so there’s less shrinkage and more tender, moist food.

Two models of the corn-burning grille are available. The Standard grille has a stainless steel interior. It’s aluminum exterior is coated with a textured high temperature black powder. Price is close to \$800, not including shipping from Arden, North Carolina. A higher priced grille is stainless steel inside and out. It starts at just under \$1,600.



Outdoor barbecue grille cooks with dried corn kernels.

Corn isn’t as messy to handle as charcoal or wood, says Snowflame.



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New Products Especially For Women And The Farm, Ranch Home

“Christmas TreeGuard” Sounds Alarm When Tree Needs Water

Your Christmas tree will never run out of water if you use this new TreeGuard, which sets off a low-level audio signal whenever the water level falls below 2 in.

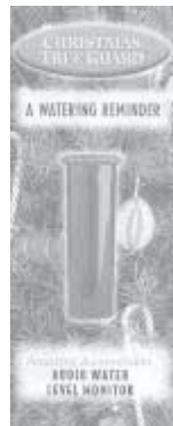
About the size of a lipstick tube, the battery-powered unit is designed to float upright in the water reservoir of your Christmas tree stand.

“It makes a continuous soft buzzing sound,” says manufacturer Mike Duffy. “You can hear the alarm from an adjacent room. However, unless your bedroom is right next to the tree it isn’t loud enough to wake you up in the middle of the night. The Christmas Tree Farmers Association of New York is promoting the unit as an effective tool to prevent fresh cut trees from drying out.”

The Christmas TreeGuard sells for \$6.99 plus S&H.

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Battery-powered unit is designed to float upright in the water reservoir of your Christmas tree stand.



Flexible Cutting Mat Doubles As A Funnel

This new plastic cutting mat is tough enough for chopping and cutting, yet is so flexible that you can curl it up into a funnel to dump into a bowl or skillet.

Made out of super-tough plastic, the Cut ‘n Funnel is only 1/6 in. thick. It’s dishwasher safe and hangs for easy storage.

The 8 1/2 by 11-in. model sells for \$1.29 plus S&H.

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Flexible mat works great for funneling into a bowl or skillet.

“Slicer” Dispenses Exact Amounts Of Butter

A new butter slicer measures, cuts, and dispenses stick butter in exact amounts.

The ButterMate is made from white plastic with a stainless steel slicing blade. It’s designed to store a standard 1/4-lb. stick of butter or margarine. It measures off in both tablespoons and teaspoons. A slider on top of the unit is used to measure the butter. To cut off the desired amount of butter or margarine you push down on a hinged arm that carries the slicing blade.

The unit can measure anywhere from a sliver up to 8 tablespoons at a time.

Stores easily in any refrigerator door.

Sells for \$9.95 plus S&H. A model accented in stainless steel is also available. It sells for \$16.95 plus S&H.



ButterMate measures the amount of butter you want and also cuts it.

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