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Corn Pie

1 1/4 cup fine cracker crumbs
1/2 cup melted butter
2 tbsp butter
1 1/4 cup milk
2 cups corn
1/2 tsp salt
2 tbsp flour
1/2 tsp onion salt
2 eggs beaten

Combine crumbs and melted butter. Line 9-in. pie pan with crumbs, saving 1/2 cup for topping. Combine butter, 1 cup milk, corn and salt. Bring to boil. Reduce heat and cook 3 min. Add flour to remaining 1/4 cup milk and mix to smooth paste. Add slowly to milk-corn mixture, stirring constantly. Cook 2 to 3 min. or until thick. Cool slightly. Add onion salt. Add eggs slowly, stirring constantly. Pour into crumb-lined pan. Sprinkle remaining crumbs over top. Bake in 400° oven 20 min. Makes 6 servings.

Quick & Easy Frosting

Boil a small potato until it's soft then mash it and add powdered sugar, vanilla for flavor, and your choice of food coloring.

Mock Spring Mushrooms

1 tube Ritz Crackers (crush while still in tube)
2 eggs
3 tbsp flour
Salt and pepper to taste
1 can Cream of Mushroom soup
1 8 oz. can bits & pieces mushrooms

Mix all ingredients together and cover in refrigerator overnight (this is a must). Make into small patties and fry slowly in cooking oil until golden brown.
Craig Froman

Peach Cobbler

1 cup self-rising flour
3/4 cup sugar
3/4 cup milk
1 stick margarine, melted
6 to 8 ripe peaches (or other fruit)

Melt margarine in casserole dish, mix flour, sugar and milk. Pour batter into margarine. Slice fruit and place evenly into mixture so slices are covered with batter. Bake at 350° for 45 min. to 1 hr.
June Larson



Personalized cake pans and cutting boards add a nice personal touch to your kitchen, says The Elf Factory.

Personalized Cake Pans

An Indiana couple that sells personalized cake pans and cutting boards did a lively business at the recent National Farm Machinery Expo in Louisville, Ky.

"They add a nice personal touch to your kitchen and also make great gifts," says Penny Flowers of The Elf Factory in Lynnville, Ind.

Her husband Denny uses an engraving machine to etch in the words and designs. The customer chooses the scene he or she wants from a library of designs. The scenes include religious, wedding, outdoor, "for the farm", decorative kitchen, miscellaneous, and sports.

The cake pan measures 9 by 13 in. and has a lid made from powder coated, scratch resistant paint. The lid is available in 4 different colors - burgundy, navy, forest green, and black. Etching can be done on both the lid and on one side of the pan.

Two different styles of dishwasher-safe cutting boards are available, both made from non-porous Corian. One is paddle-shaped and has a hole in the handle so it can be hung from a wall. The other cutting board has a standard shape and is available in 3 different sizes: 12 by 12 in., 12 by 16 in., and 13 by 20 in.

"Contact us and we'll send out a sheet showing the different designs, and also an order form," says Penny. "We hope to have a website up by next fall."

The cake pan sells for \$29.95 plus S&H. The 12 by 12-in. cutting board and the paddle-shaped cutting board each sell for \$21.95 plus S&H.

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Fire Pit Made From Water Pressure Tank

"I had to replace the pressure tank in my water system and didn't want to throw the old tank away, so I decided to convert it into an outdoor fire pit," says James Kennedy, Chino Valley, Ariz.

He cut 4 large openings in the sides and fitted a piece of 6-in. dia. thin wall steel tubing into a hole on top to allow smoke to vent.

"The project took about half a day to complete, and my only cost was for some welding and cutting materials and a little paint," says Kennedy. "I plan to line the bottom of the tank with fire brick, so it won't burn out any time soon."

"A word of caution - if you want to do a project like this, don't use a tank if it ever contained a flammable product."

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Openings cut into tank convert it to an outdoor fire pit.

Garage Door Panel Shelves

"I had to replace my garage door because the bottom panel was rotten. However, the door's other three panels were in good shape so I used them to make shelves in my garage," says Blaine Kalahar, Champlin, Minn.

"I used 1 by 4's and 2 by 4's to make the brackets and used 3 1/2-in. deck screws to fasten them to the garage walls. Then I screwed the panels on top of the brackets. The shelves are mounted high enough that I can walk under them, yet low enough that I can retrieve stuff without using a ladder. Now everything has its own spot."

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Blaine Kalahar used garage door panels to make shelves in his garage.

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Six pants and six shirts for under \$50? Coveralls for \$11? The price is right and there is plenty of life left in the reconditioned work clothes sold by Walt's Wholesale Clothing. And as a bonus, the clothing is actually made in the U.S.

"These are commercial grade products," says Carlton Wiley, owner of the South Carolina company. "What you get is an industrial product that's double-stitched, more durable, and treated to be soil and grease-resistant so they will come out clean."

The company purchases clothing from rental businesses that launder and deliver uniforms for everything from laboratories to manufacturers to car repair shops. Wiley's staff makes simple repairs on buttons and zippers, and tosses out any clothing with holes, tears or stains. Their full line of work clothes is sold through the company's website.

"Farmers make up a large percentage of our customers," Wiley says. Her father, Walt, started the business with a friend in 1968. They bought used garments, then delivered them to farm and feed stores to sell on consignment. By 1976, Walt was sole owner, and he started a mail order company. Adding a website more than a decade ago opened even more doors to new customers.

A recently updated website includes photos of the clothing they offer. Prices start at \$2.75 for painter's shirts. Work shirts run \$4 each or \$39.95/dozen. Shipping is not included.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Walt's Wholesale Clothing, P.O. Box 208, Darlington, S.C. 29540 (ph 800 233-1853; www.usedworkclothing.com).

"Bullet-Proof" Kevlar Shoe Laces

You won't have to worry about breaking shoelaces or watching them rot away with these new heavy-duty bootlaces.

KG-Xtreme bootlaces are made from 60 percent Kevlar and 40 percent nylon, with the strands braided together and wax-coated. The last 1/2 in. of the laces are metal-tipped.

"These shoelaces are chemical resistant, manure resistant, fire resistant, and virtually unbreakable. Anyone who's had on shoelaces will like them," says Jake Brownell, KG's Boot Guard, Eau Claire, Wis. "There are a lot of cheap shoelaces out there, so it's easy to break a shoelace every couple weeks. Even under the harshest conditions, these bootlaces will last for many months. And our metal tips won't come off like plastic ones."

KG-Xtreme bootlaces are available in 5 different lengths, from 45 to 84 in. Prices range from \$8 to \$9.40 plus \$5 S&H.

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