## Microwaveable "Hotplate", Coffee Mug

You can keep food and beverages hot for 30 minutes or longer with this new "microwavable" hot plate that's designed to be placed directly on the dinner table without doing damage to the surface.

The cordless "Heatwave" consists of a ceramic tile and heat core that's surrounded by an insulated outer casing. You heat it in a microwave for 3 to 4 minutes which brings it up to a temperature of 300 degrees yet the outer casing remains cool to the touch. Can be used to keep food warm on the table for up to 30 min. or to keep one dish hot while preparing another.

After use, the unit can be submerged in water for washing.

Two models are available - an 8-in. dia. unit that sells for \$24.95 and a 10-in. dia. unit that sells for \$29.95.

Also available is a 16-oz. Heatwave coffee mug. It has an energy core that's acti-



Just stick this plate in microwave for 3 or 4 min., and it'll stay hot for 30 min.

vated by placing the empty mug in a microwave for 2 to 4 minutes. Then you pour your coffee in. Heat from the energy core is distributed evenly for up to 30 minutes. The insulated base allows the heated mug to be placed directly on a tabletop.

Sells for \$9.95

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Niche Marketing, Inc., 622-D Guilford College Road, Greensboro, N.C. 27409 (ph 800 753-1462).

## Easy-To-Make Dog Feeder

"Dogs love it and it saves you time," says Ricky Parnell about his homemade dog feeder.

"You only have to fill it about once a week, depending on how much your dog eats. The one I built holds about 20 lbs. of food. You can put it against the side of a tree or next to a tree.

"It consists of a tall narrow hopper made out of plywood that gets narrower as it reaches the shallow feed pan at bottom. A narrow opening at bottom lets food out into the pan as it's eaten. A flip-up cover protects both the hopper and the feed pan from the elements.

"I got the idea because my dogs were wasting a lot of food when fed in a pan or on the ground. This feeder lets them eat when they want to and they can eat as much as they want because of the constant sup-



Simply designed dog feeder stops waste.

ply of food. But nothing is wasted."

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Ricky Parnell, 3239 Keltner Rd., Edmonton, Kent. 42129 (ph 502 432-2062).

### **Sheet Metal Artists Work From Photos**

You can have a favorite photograph turned into a custom designed piece of sheet metal artwork, says G & M Custom Designs, Oswego, Kan.

A plasma torch is used to cut 10 ga. sheet metal into black silhouettes. Each design is hand cut to your specifications. Names can be added. Design examples include rodeo action, animals, fishing and hunting scenes, farmsteads, ranch entrances, sports, store and business logos. They can be used as mailbox decorations, house markers, interior wall designs, or outside buildings.

Pieces sell for \$20 and up, depending on the size and design.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, G & M Custom Designs, 646 Iowa St., Oswego,



You can turn a favorite photo into a black silhouette.

Kan. 67356 (ph 316 795-2470 or 316 236-7875).

#### **New Bread Machine Makes Butter, Too**

First-of-its-kind bread machine not only makes fresh breads from scratch and bakes them, it also churns fresh butter from heavy cream.

The Toastmaster 1195 has a 30-minute churning cycle. You just pour in the cream and turn it on and it does the rest

In addition to the butter cycle, the unit includes eight bread programs, a dough cycle, a delay timer, a viewing window, a bread warmer, and a non-stick loaf pan. Sells for \$215.75.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Toastmaster, Inc., 1801 North Stadium Boulevard, Columbia, Mo. 65202 (ph 314 445-8666).



New bread machine churns fresh butter in just 30 min.

# New Products Especially For Women And The Farm, Ranch Home

## "No Mess" Outdoor Electric Grill

There's no fire to work up or LP gas to run out of with this new outdoor electric grill which eliminates the mess of charcoal and the bother of gas tanks, says The Thermos Co., Schaumburg, Ill.

The new grill plugs into a standard 110volt outlet. Other features include side shelves equipped with utensil holders, a lower shelf for additional storage, a timed automatic shutoff, and a thermostat.

"It provides much more even heat distribution - there's less than a 25 degree variance in temperature across the grilling surface - so it cooks more evenly than conventional grills," says a company spokesman. "You can cook shrimp, vegetables, fruit, etc., without worrying about them falling through because the food rests directly on the cooking surface. The cooking grid has more usable cooking area than larger gas grills and the nonstick coated surface makes it easy to flip food over. Grease is channeled away into a removeable grease cup. The unit runs on only 1,500 watts and costs about 60% less to operate than conventional gas grills."



Grill cooks more evenly than gas or charcoal.

Sells for \$325.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Thermos, 300 N. Martingale Road, Suite 250, Schaumburg, Ill. 60173 (ph 708 240-3150).

## How To Get Your Face In Shape!

Noticed any new wrinkles when you look in the mirror in the morning? Face muscles feeling sluggish?

If so, you might want to check out this new face exerciser that the manufacturer says will "give your face a lift without surgery".

The unit consists of a pair of curved stainless steel bars with plastic end pieces. You place each end in the corners of your mouth. Then flex the unit against your lips.

Sells for \$69 (\$4.25 S&H). Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, Self



Care Catalog, 5850 Shellmound St., Suite 390, Emeryville, Calif. 94608 (ph 800 345-3371).

### Zucchini Milk

If you've ever been buried under mounds of zucchini from your garden and you've tried baked zucchini, fried zucchini, steamed zucchini, and zucchini casserole, don't despair. Now you can make milk out of it.

Just peel the zucchini and cut it into small cubes. Big zucchini work great for this. Take out the seeds if they've become hard. Fill a blender about one third full of cubes and add a small amount of water. Run the blender on "liquify". In a few minutes, you'll end up with a thick, white milk.

You can bake almost anything with this milk including biscuits, pancakes, bread pudding, etc. Yeast bread and rolls are particularly moist and delicious. Zucchini milk has no fat or cholesterol and offers a mere 5 calories per ounce but contributes vitamins A and C, iron, calcium, and part of the B complex - niacin, riboflavin, and thiamin. Another plus is that it can be frozen for use in winter. Backwoods Home Magazine, Ashland, Oregon