

## Reader Recipes

### Make-Ahead Potatoes

10 to 12 potatoes  
1 8-oz. pkg. cream cheese  
1 8-oz. carton sour cream  
1 tsp onion salt  
Dash garlic powder  
2 tbsp butter  
1/4 tsp pepper

Boil potatoes in salt water. Drain and combine with rest of ingredients. Mash until fluffy. If needed, add a small amount of milk. These keep well to be reheated. Can be frozen heated in oven.

### Maple Syrup Salad Dressing

2 cups olive oil  
2 cups ketchup  
4 cups cider vinegar  
4 cups maple syrup  
4 tsp garlic powder  
8 tsp horseradish  
2 tsp poppy seeds

Mix with electric mixer - place in blender for 10 to 15 seconds. Makes about 90 oz.

### Norwegian Egg Coffee

10 cups water  
1/2 cup ground coffee  
1 egg  
1 cup cold water

Bring 10 cups water to boil in a kettle on the stovetop. Combine coffee grounds, egg and 1/4 cup water in a bowl. Add egg/coffee mixture to the boiled water. Boil 2 to 3 min. Remove from heat and add 1 cup of cold water (this settles grounds to bottom of kettle.) Serve hot.

### Corn Spoon Bread

8-oz. package cream cheese  
1/3 cup sugar  
1 cup milk  
1/2 cup egg substitute  
2 tbsp butter, melted  
1 tsp salt  
1/4 tsp ground nutmeg  
Dash pepper  
2 1/3 cups frozen corn, thawed  
15-oz. can cream corn  
9-oz. package cornbread muffin mix

Beat cream cheese and sugar until smooth. Gradually beat in milk. Beat in the egg substitute, butter, salt, nutmeg and pepper until blended. Stir in corn and cream corn. Stir in cornbread mix just until moistened. Pour into greased 3-qt. slow cooker. Cover and cook on high for 3 to 4 hrs.

## HeatTrak Keeps Sidewalks Clear

Before winter hits, roll out a HeatTrak® mat to eliminate the need to shovel your walk.

"It's a great traction mat with the added benefit of melting the snow," says owner/inventor Hillel Glazer. "The best way to use the mat is to have it turned on before the snow falls." While the mat can melt accumulated snow, it takes much longer, Glazer notes.

The New Jersey entrepreneur got the idea when he was a teen shoveling neighbors' walks. "I'm always looking to do things more efficiently," he says. As an adult he teamed up with an electrical engineer to create a safe mat.

Hospitals, nursing homes and businesses such as hotels and ski resorts use HeatTraks to keep walkways ice-free.

"I haven't had any problem with them in cold temperatures," says Mark Bjorkstrand, who's a HeatTrak dealer in Minnesota. His customers include people with disabilities who put the mat on wheelchair ramps. HeatTrak can be secured on steps. Other customers use the mat for a warm path to a hot tub or barbecue.

"The mat is a good target for your newspaper delivery person," Bjorkstrand adds with a laugh.

HeatTraks come in 2 and 3-ft. widths in lengths up to 25 ft. in 120-volt (\$32.81/sq. ft. list price) and 240-volt (\$33.75/sq. ft.) versions. Electric costs average 15 cents per hour for both.

Bjorkstrand adds that a sensor can be purchased to turn the mat on when there is moisture in the air.

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HeatTrak mat provides traction while also melting snow.

## Dryerbox Eliminates Vent "Snake"

Eliminate the "snake" crammed behind your dryer with the Dryerbox, a recessed receptacle that collects the dryer vent transition hose in the wall behind the dryer.

Rick Harpenau, inventor/owner of Dryerbox, built homes for 13 years and knew customers wanted a way to avoid having to position the dryer away from the wall.

"Homeowners often push the dryer farther in and squish the hose so much that it creates a severe bottleneck or blockage," says Harpenau. That reduces the dryer's efficiency and promotes the collection of lint in the exhaust conduit, creating a potential fire danger.

Harpenau's Dryerbox, combined with his more recent invention, the Dryer-Ell (a long turn elbow that replaces the typical 3-in. radius elbow), has changed how dryer ventilation is installed in new homes.

"Our products are going into one out of three new homes," he says, adding that 1.7 million Dryerboxes have been installed since he started manufacturing and marketing them in 2000.

Dryerboxes are made in the U.S., and models cost about \$22. To find a dealer, check out the store locator page on the company's website. Or, Dryerboxes can be purchased online.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, In-O-Vate Technologies, Inc., 810 Saturn Street, Suite 21, Jupiter, Florida 33477 (ph 888 443-7937; www.dryerbox.com).



Receptacle holds vent hose in wall behind dryer.



Plastic floor pad is dimpled to create 5/16-in. air gaps between the concrete and the wood or carpet flooring surface. Keeps flooring from direct contact with concrete, preventing wicking of moisture.

## Pad Keeps Basements Dry

You can keep basement floors dry with the Delta-FL floor pad from Cosella-Dörken. The plastic sheet is dimpled to create 5/16-in. air gaps between the concrete and the wood or carpet flooring surface.

It keeps flooring from direct contact with concrete, preventing wicking of moisture. The air space also insulates the flooring from the colder concrete.

A single 5-ft. by 65-ft. roll covers 325 sq. ft.. It costs about \$200 and is available at building supply stores such as Lowes.

Once the layer has been installed, it can be covered with a plywood subfloor and topped with carpet, linoleum, tiles, laminate or other flooring.

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## One Stop Shop For Overalls

Mike Hearron recognized an opportunity when he had a difficult time finding traditional overalls in stores. With experience in the clothing business, he started MHOVERALLS, an online catalog store two years ago.

The Forreton, Texas, hobby farmer and entrepreneur stocks several brands of overalls including Key, Big Smith and Liberty for men, women and children. He also handles welders' shirts, winter wear and other clothing items.

"I live in the country, and I could just tell there was a need for overalls," Hearron says. He wears them himself because they're comfortable.

His goal is to keep prices reasonable and offer as much variety as he can. Overall wearers are just like tractor owners who prefer one brand instead of another, he explains. Key, a 100-year-old company, is one of his most popular brands. But the majority of his customers are not who one would expect.

"A lot of people get my catalog just for the kids overalls," Hearron says. A majority of buyers live in New York and California. "But I talk to customers from everywhere," he adds.

Children's overall prices range from \$19.95 to \$24.95. Adult overalls start at \$24.95. Hearron also carries fire retardant coveralls.

Besides the online store, Hearron will mail a free catalog.

Contact: FARM SHOW Followup, MHOVERALLS, P.O. Box 200, Forreton, Texas 76041 (ph 866 218-0179; www.mhoveralls.com).

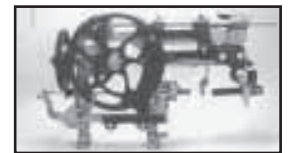


Hearron sells a variety of overalls to fit men, women and children.

## Old-Fashioned Apple Peeler

In spite of new technology, the apple peeler of choice for people who need to peel a lot of apples fast is a machine patented way back in 1870. Two operators using an Apple Combo built by the F.B. Pease Company, Inc., can peel 3 to 4 bushels of apples an hour.

"It's cast iron and stainless steel with some aluminum," says Ronald



You can peel and core an apple in seconds with the Apple Combo.

Thomas, a manager with the third generation company. "They last a lifetime. Customers have handed them down through several generations."

The process is simple: Place an apple on the fork, turn the crank three times, and the apple is peeled and cored. The apple falls to a slicer that will cut it into 4 to 20 slices. It adjusts to apple size and peel thickness.

"This is meant to be a commercial peeler," Thomas says. "We're about the only ones building a machine like this."

Customers run the gamut from restaurant owners to orchard owners to institutions. While there are faster - and much more expensive - electric models available, customers like the quality of the U.S.-made machines. They also know they will always be able to purchase replacement parts.

The Apple Combo has been shipped throughout North America. It comes on a 30 by 30-in. table frame and weighs 160 lbs. Cost is \$4,100, plus shipping.

F.B. Pease also manufactures larger electric apple processing equipment that processes hundreds of apples per hour.

The company welcomes interested dealers.

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