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Carl Ford, shown with wife Jean, says it takes just 15 seconds for the 15 ft. turntable to turn the car completely around so Jean doesn't have to back the car out of the driveway.

ELIMINATES NEED TO BACK OUT OF LONG DRIVEWAY

Look! A Homemade Driveway Turntable

"We have a long, narrow driveway which my wife has trouble backing the car out of so I built the turntable," explains Carl Ford, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. "It solved the problem."

Now, his wife Jean just backs the car out of the garage onto the 15-ft. dia. turntable. She then pushes a button on a modified garage door opener control and the table turns. When the car's facing the right way, she releases the control and drives forward out the driveway.

"It takes just 15 seconds for the table to turn 180°," notes Ford. The 15-ft. dia. turntable sits in a 1 ft. deep

poured concrete pit. It's made of aluminum, covered with indoor/outdoor carpeting, and driven by a ¼-hp. electric motor with reducer drive. It turns on 20 stationary 6-in. steel wheels positioned in the pit around the outside of the turntable. Ford notes that it's built heavy enough to handle the weight of even trucks and boats.

A drain in the pit gets rid of water but, if ice covers the turntable, Ford says "it's time to head for Florida". He estimates that it would cost \$6,000 to \$8,000 to have a similar turntable custom built.



A micro chip adjusts the toaster for perfect toast every time.

First Computer Toaster

"It toasts slice after slice with no difference in 'doneness' and with no need to cool down between cycles," says the manufacturer of a first-of-its-kind computerized toaster.

The electronic digital toaster contains a micro chip that automatically adjusts the toaster to produce precise shades of toast every time, unlike mechanically controlled toasters fitted with thermostats that require a cool-down period to work best.

Digital controls let you choose any

shade from golden light to dark brown. It can also be set to simply warm up toaster pastries. It emits an electronic beep when done and also features hinged crumb trays, non-skid feet, and wide-mouth slots that help keep toast from getting stuck.

Toaster sells for \$59.95.

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

"HIDES" UNDER THE CARPET OF YOUR BASEMENT FLOOR

Build Yourself A Safe-Storage Vault

You can build yourself a safe storage vault — right in the basement of your home — that's virtually fire and burglar proof, thanks to new do-it-yourself foundation safe kits, introduced by Defiant Safe Inc., of Dallas, Texas.

Available in two models — The Silo and The Cavern — they're made of ½-in. thick, high density steel and are designed for installation in the concrete floor in a corner of your basement floor. You simply roll back the carpet, knock a hole in the concrete, set in the safe, then pour new concrete around it. You then roll the carpet back into place to hide the safe and its contents, making it virtually undetectable to would-be burglars. And, even if they should find it, it's designed to resist attack by prying or wedging.

On new construction, you position the safe, then pour concrete around it as the new basement floor is poured.

Each safe comes equipped with a "safe seal" which keeps it free of moisture and debris during installation. A steel cover conceals the safe under the carpet. The lift-out door head features a four-number combination lock that's chrome plated for long life. Independently-triggered reloading bolts inside the head provide an extra barrier to attempted burglary. They're activated automatically if an intruder uses force against the pressure-sensitive door head, the manufacturer points out.

"The Silo" version is 22 in. high, 8 in. in dia. and weighs 65 lbs. It retails for \$239. "The Cavern" is 12



"The Silo" safe is 8 in. in dia. and 22 in. high.

in. high, 12 in. in dia. and 12 in. deep. It weighs 85 lbs. and retails for \$329. "The Cavern is our best seller since it sells for only \$90 more than the Silo, yet has twice as much storage capacity," notes Joe Linville, sales manager. The interior of both models is lined with velvet-like flocking to protect delicate valuables.

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