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To start off the New Year, the traditional Patscan calendar of bizarre patents presents some of the world's most wonderful inventions, celebrating the human creativity that began when the first hominids banged rocks together to make tools.

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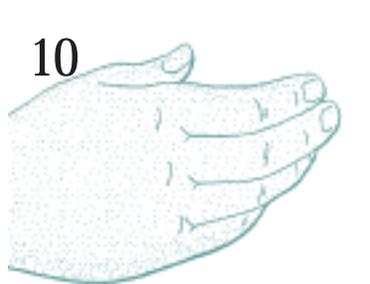
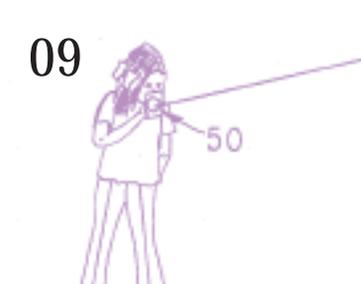
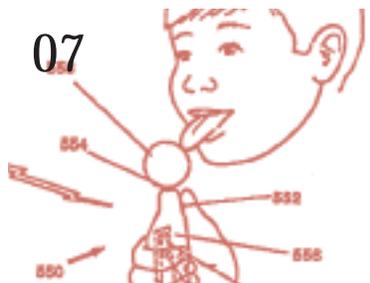
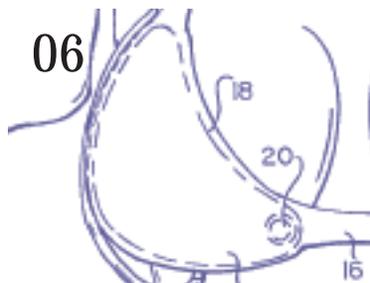
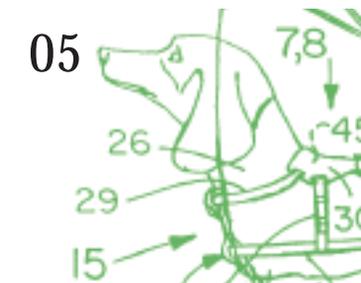
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### Swimwear as information device

2004-11-04  
Robert A. Dickey  
Ruth A. Stephens

Swimwear as an information device is provided wherein by prominently displaying international signal flags on said swimwear, a wearer can convey messages to others as prescribed by the International Code of Signals. Example: "Charlie," "Hotel," and "Two," which communicates "Spaceship is down and requires immediate assistance."



 C-H-2  
Charlie Hotel 2  
"Spaceship is down  
and requires  
immediate  
assistance."

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JANUARY

Love is a fire. But whether it is going to warm your heart or burn down your house,  
you can never tell. – Joan Crawford

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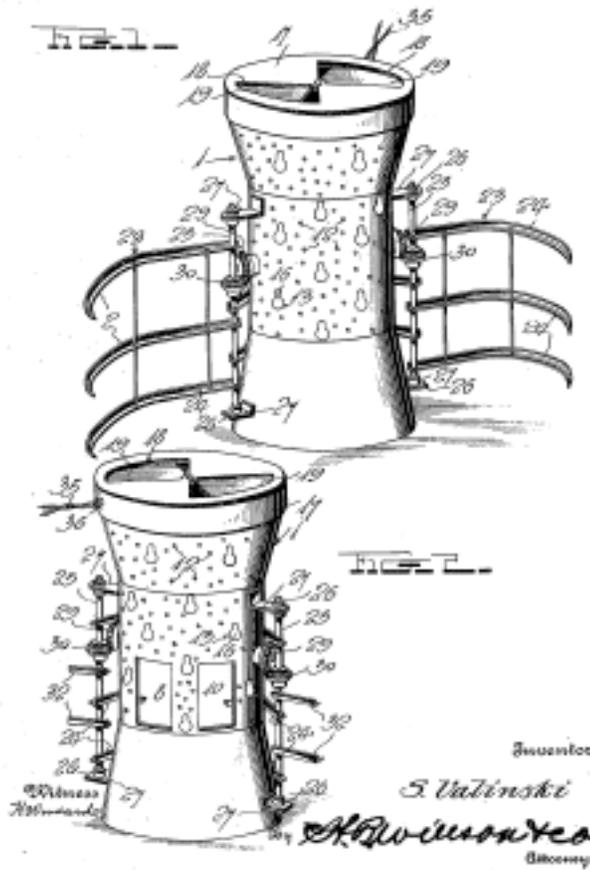
US1392095

### Man catching tank

1921-8-27

S. Valinski

This invention relates to a man-catching tank ... designed for use in banks for catching and holding burglars or the like. The principal object of the invention is to provide a portable motor-driven armored tank ... being equipped with peepholes, gun-openings and having on its exterior novel means for grabbing and holding a thief until assistance arrives.



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FEBRUARY

The world is a madhouse, so it's only right that it is patrolled by armed idiots.  
— Brendan Behan

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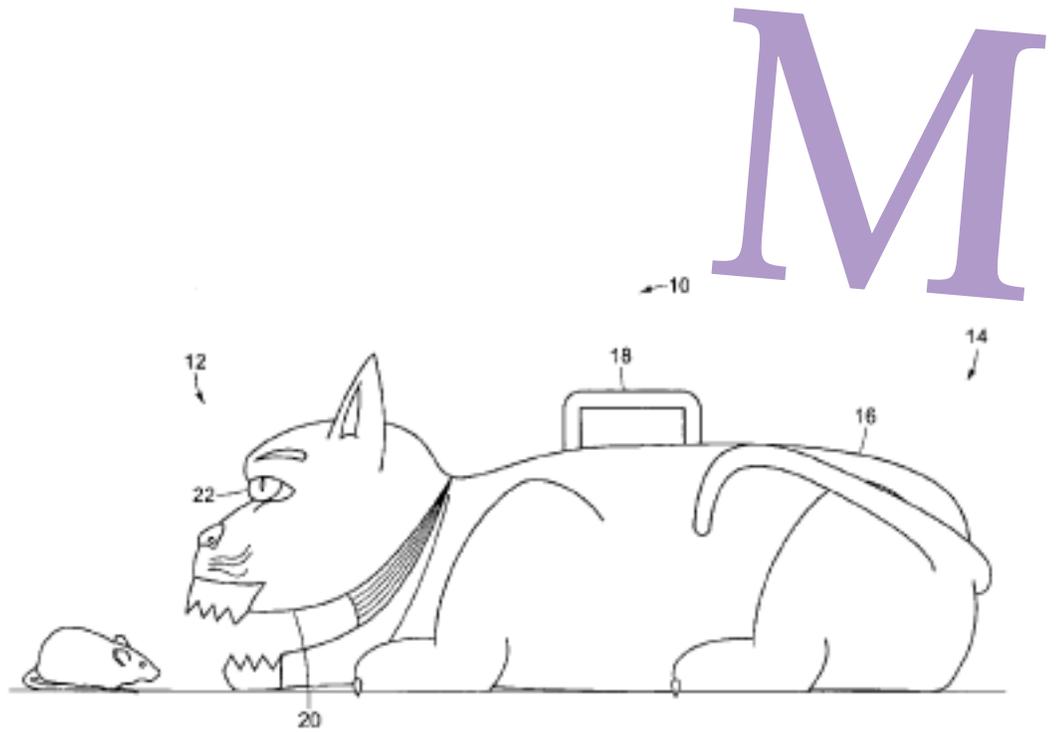
US686843

**Portable electric  
mousetrap**

2005-03-15

Charles Jordan Sr.

A portable electrical mouse trap that has a housing in the shape of a cat to which a handle is attached. An interior cavity of the mouse trap contains a primary motion sensor near its entrance, a that smells like fresh cheese, a secondary motion sensor near an entrance to the collection chamber, a retractable secondary gate and a vacuum source. The primary motion sensor and secondary motion sensor detect the presence of a mouse inside the interior cavity. The primary gate automatically opens when activated by the primary motion sensor and the secondary gate automatically opens when activated by the secondary motion sensor. A vacuum tube connects the vacuum source and collection chamber. The vacuum source sucks the mouse fully into the collection chamber and thereby suffocates it.



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MARCH

Success is like a fart – only your own smells nice. – James P. Hogan

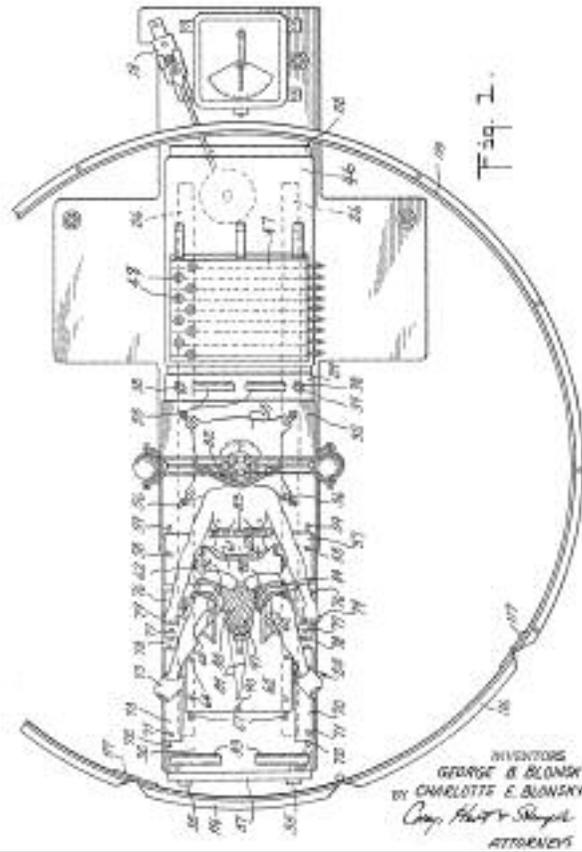
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US3216423

**Apparatus for facilitating  
the birth of a child by  
Central force**

1965-11-09  
George and Charlotte Blonsky

In accordance with the invention, there is a provided rotatable apparatus capable of subjecting the mother and Fetus to a centrifugal force directed to assist and supplement the efforts of the mother so that such centrifugal force and her efforts act in concert to ... facilitate the delivery of the child. It is the primary purpose of the present invention to provide an apparatus which will assist the under equipped woman be creating a gentle evenly distributed properly directed, precision controlled force that acts in unison with and supplements her own efforts.



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APRIL

Genius may have its limitations but stupidity is not thus handicapped. – Elbert Green

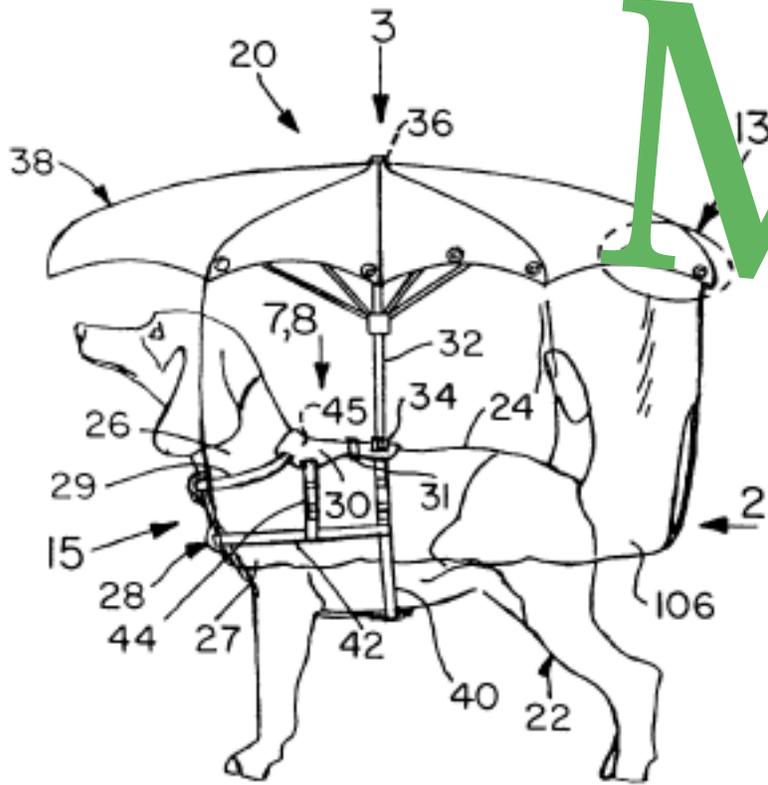
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US5918611

**Animal umbrella**

1999-07-06  
Amato Michael

An animal umbrella that is adaptable to a conventional animal harness and collar. The animal umbrella includes a saddle, a saddle attaching apparatus, a vertical shank, a vertical shank attaching apparatus, and a foldable canopy. The saddle is detachably mounted to the conventional animal harness and is pivotally mounted to the conventional animal collar. The saddle has a lower surface. The saddle attaching apparatus detachably mounts the saddle to the conventional animal harness.



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MAY

You've got to be very careful if you don't know where you're going,  
Because you might not get there. – Yogi Berra

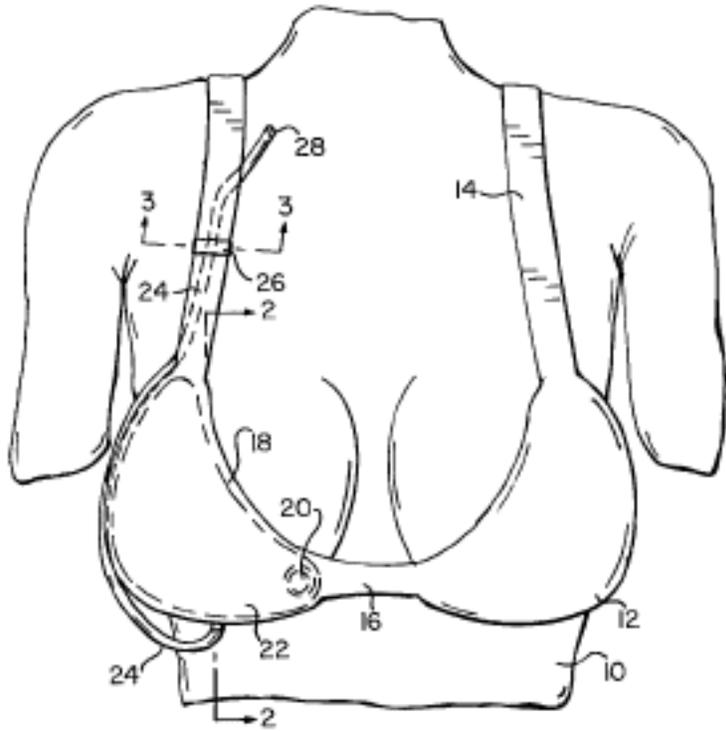
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	MEMORIAL DAY (US)						

US6241575

**Brassiere having integrated  
inflatable bladders for the  
holding of comestible  
liquids**

2001-06-05  
Tracy Shailer  
Boobieflask Inc. (US)

Cups of a bra include integrated flexible bladders formed of a medical grade material having sufficient fluid integrity to hold a comestible liquid. The bladders may include a fabric sleeve. Each bladder is provided with an inlet, for purposes of filling, and an outlet for purposes of consumption. Alternatively, bladders having an appropriate geometry are filled by a manufacturer of the comestible liquid such that only an outlet is necessary. In all forms, the outlet communicates with a flexible narrow straw.



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JUNE

We must believe in luck. For how else can we explain the success of those we don't like?  
— Jean Cocteau

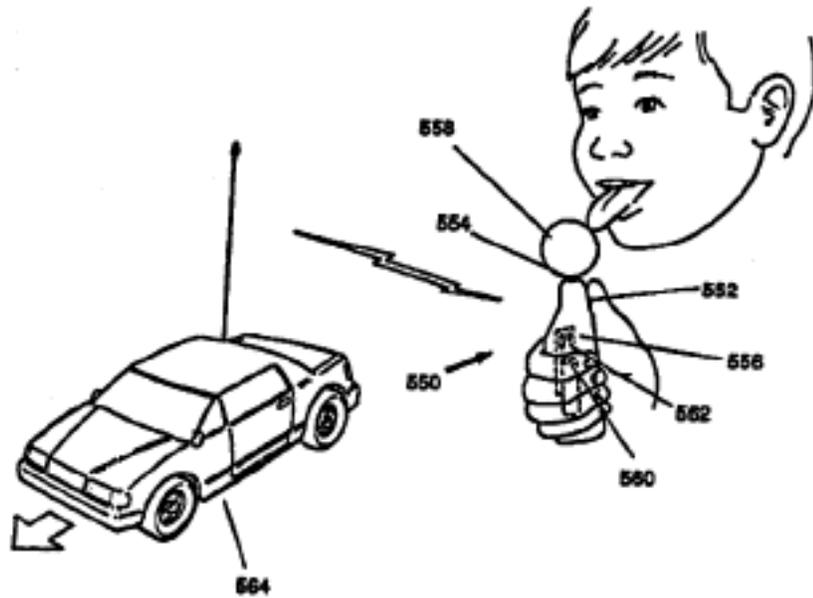
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WO9853892

**A toy that closes an electrical circuit when end user consumes a consumable substance**

1998-12-03  
Elliot A. Rudell  
Raymond Earl Fisher  
George Foster

A toy that includes a first electrode and a second electrode that are coupled to an electrical circuit. The first electrode is also coupled to a consumable substance. The circuit is closed when an end user becomes electrically coupled to the first electrode and the consumable substance. Closing the circuit may activate one or more actuators, sound devices, etc. of the toy.



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JULY

A common mistake that people make when trying to design something completely foolproof is to underestimate the ingenuity of complete fools. — Douglas Adams

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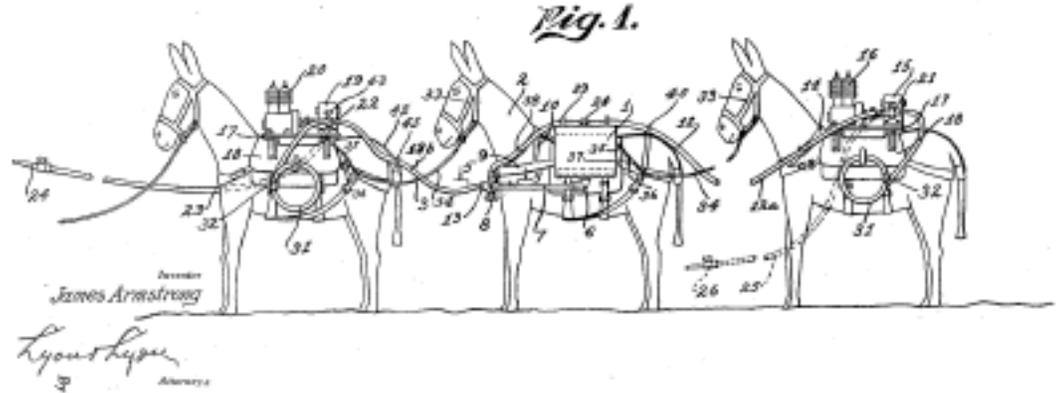
US1953331

**Forest fire fighting  
apparatus**

1934-04-03  
James Armstrong

I claim in forest fire fighting apparatus, the combination of a plurality of saddles for pack animals, hitching apparatus for hitching the animals into a train, water projection apparatus carried on the saddle that is located at one end of the train, water projecting apparatus carried on the saddle that is located at the other end of the train, reservoirs for the water carried on the animals, and hose having branch connections leading from the reservoirs.

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AUGUST

A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent doing nothing. — George Bernard Shaw

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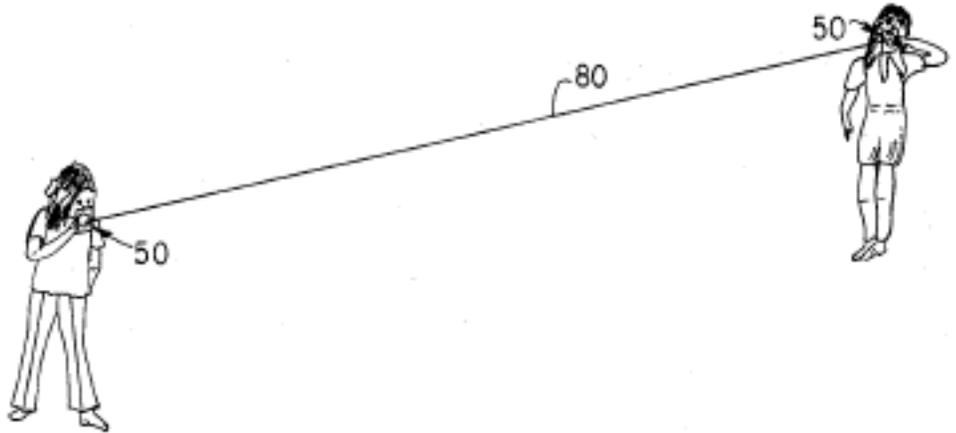
US4195707

### Communicating device

1980-04-01  
Dennis Kupperman  
Sam Kupperman

A device for communicating in which a hollow frustum extending outwardly from a flat base has tabs at the ends thereof for holding a relatively rigid diaphragm having spaced apart apertures therein. A pair of these devices are interconnected by a cord or string, whereby conversation or sound projected into one of the devices is reproduced at the other device.

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SEPTEMBER

If at first you don't succeed, then try again. Then give up.  
No use being a damned fool about it. – W.C. Fields

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US5638832

**Programmable  
subcutaneous  
visible implant**

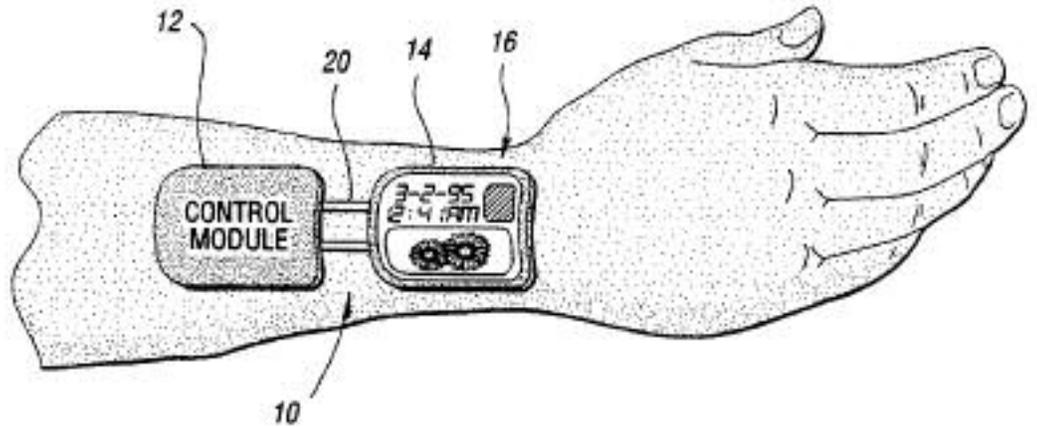
1997-06-17

Andrew J. Singer

Sean White

Interval Research Corp.

A subcutaneous implant for displaying various re-programmable information or decorative patterns beneath the surface of the skin of a person or an animal. A biologically inert subcutaneous implant that is constructed of a flexible material so as to conform to the skin's surface. The subcutaneous implant includes a battery for providing power to the implant. The subcutaneous implant also includes a receiver for receiving programming information from a user, and a display for displaying the programming information through the skin.



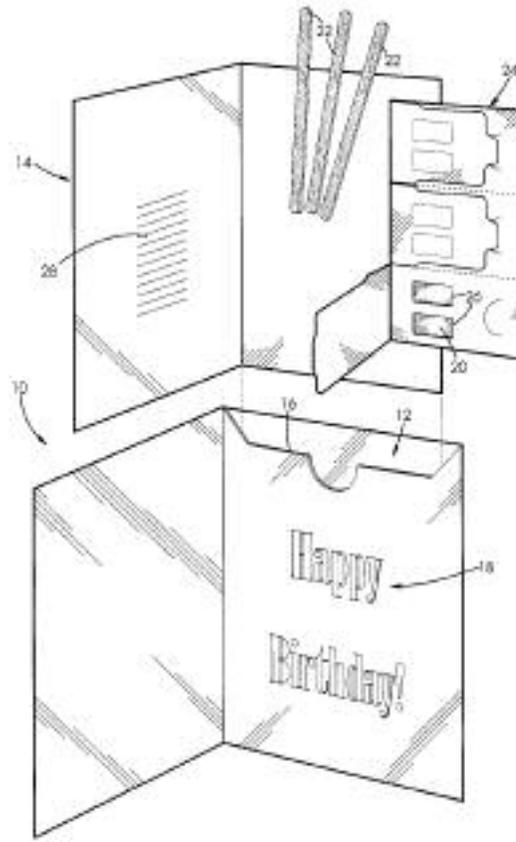
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US5954369

**Greeting card with kit  
for health testing**

1999-09-21  
March E. Seabrook

A greeting card is formed to have a pocket for receiving a test kit therein. In one embodiment of the present invention, the greeting card is a fiftieth birthday greeting card and the test kit is a fecal occult blood test kit. The pocket is formed to have a cutout portion for facilitating removal of the kit, and the text and graphics of the greeting card refer to and correspond to the type of kit contained in the pocket. In the example given, competent health authorities recommend use of fecal occult blood test kits annually beginning at age fifty.



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NOVEMBER

Build a man a fire and he'll be warm for a day. Set a man on fire and he'll be warm for the rest of his life.— Terry Pratchett

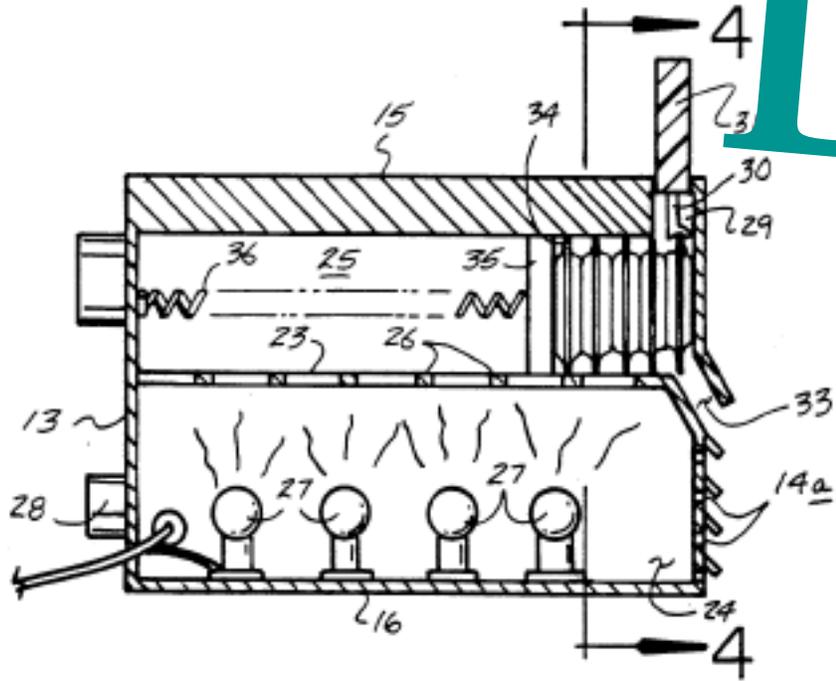
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US5310084

**Combination condom  
warming and radio  
apparatus**

1994-05-10  
Daniel J. Pittman  
Ak Juneau

A clock radio housing is arranged to include spaced chambers, with an underlying chamber directing heat to an overlying chamber having a row of condoms directed to a second side wall of the housing, wherein a push-bar projecting through a top wall of the housing is oriented to direct condom packages one at a time through a second side wall chute.



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DECEMBER

You ask me if I keep a notebook to record my great ideas. I've only ever had one.  
— Albert Einstein

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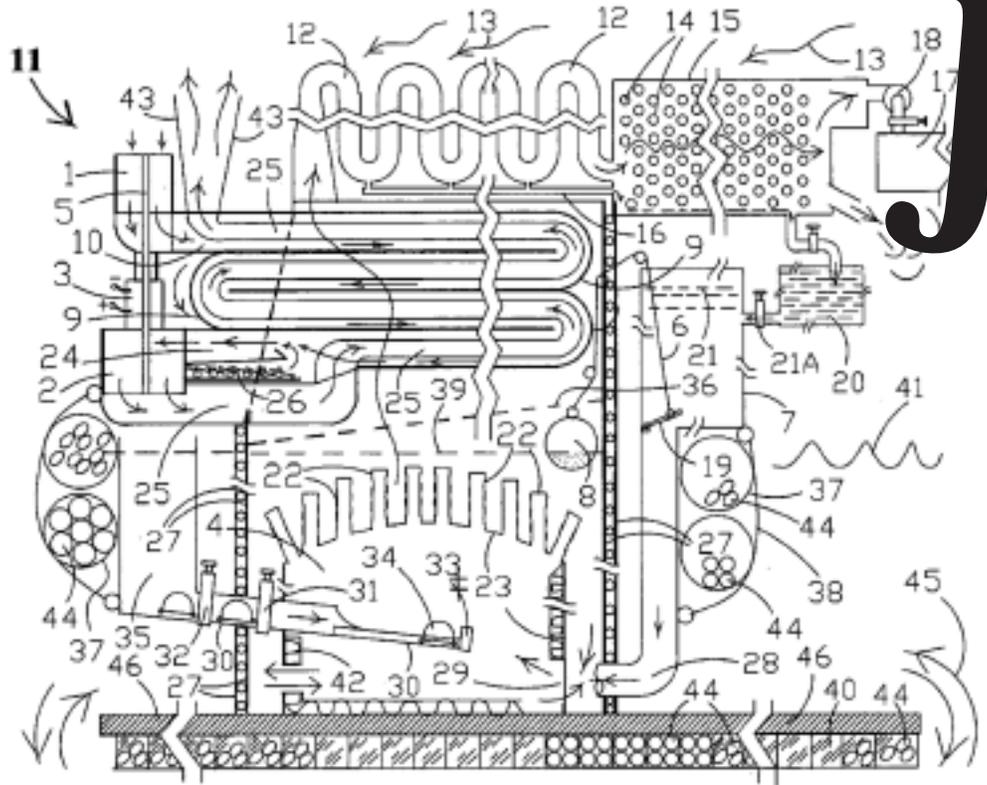
US20050120715A1

## Heat energy recapture and recycle and its new applications

2005-06-09

Gaudencio Aquino Labrador  
Christon School of Technology Charitable Foundation Trust

Heat energy recapturing and recycling process, involves detonating hydrogen bomb in deep ocean to catch flames by water to capture fusion heat energy, and passing electric arc across liquid deuterium to produce fusion energy... an abundant electric arc is passed across liquid deuterium or across gaseous deuterium by the electro-plasma torch and sparkplug in the internal combustion engine, and by detonating a dynamite inside a liquid deuterium; wherein diamond is produced by placing carbon inside the hydrogen bomb.



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JANUARY

We all have mental problems – it's just that some of us choose to show them.  
–Nathaniel Huddleson

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