

Family Living

"Just In Time For The Holidays"

Simple Facts On The Talk-Line

During November and December, 48 professionally trained home economists and nutritionists will be available just in time for the holidays to provide holiday cooks with solutions to virtually every turkey-related need.

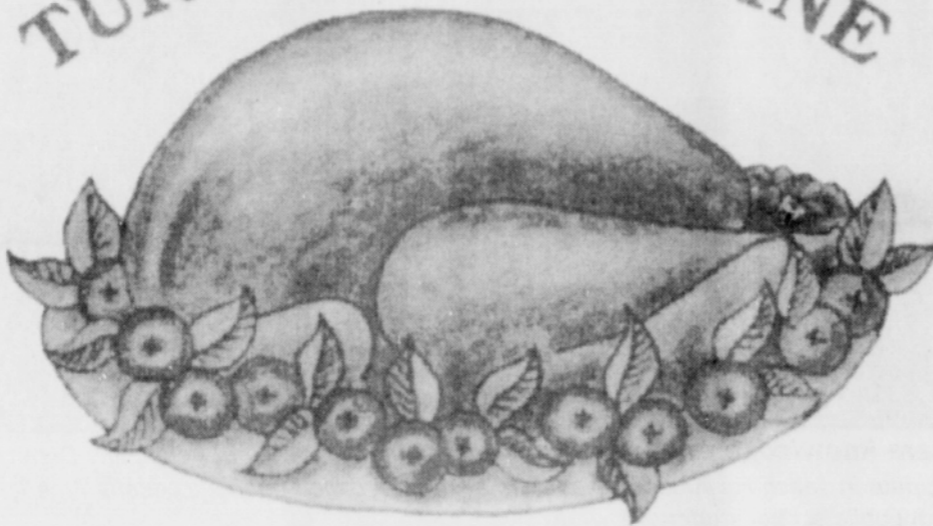
Each season, the experts at the Talk-Line help ease holiday cooking anxieties for more than 200,000 callers.

Since 1981, the Talk-Line has received more than 2.1 million calls and since 1995 has assisted more than 840,000 consumers via "Butterball Online," Butterball's site on the World Wide Web.

Free to every caller this season, the Talk-Line will offer a "Butterball Makes it Easy" cookbook featuring 72 delicious Butterball recipes, mouthwatering full-color photography and more than \$4 in coupons. Valued at more than \$9, the book is available to callers for only \$2.50 for postage and handling.

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TURKEY TALK-LINE



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November 22 - 23, Weekend prior to Thanksgiving Day, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CST)

November 27, Thanksgiving Day, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CST)

November 28 - December 23, Weekdays, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (CST)

Dates To E-Mail The Talk-Line Home Economists

November 1 - December 23

Increasing Number of Oregon Children Find Permanent Homes

More Need Adoptive Families

Oregon has seen a 26 percent increase in the number of children placed for adoption while in state care in 1997.

Of the approximately 1300 children for whom returning home is not an option, 702 were placed into adoptive homes in the year ending June 30, 1997, up from 558 the previous year.

"This is cause for celebration," says Kay Toran, director of the State Office for Services to Children and Families (SCF), the state's child welfare agency. "We are on our way to realizing a major goal - finding safe, supportive and permanent families for an increasing number of Oregon children who desperately need them."

Toran sees the trend continuing. In September and October, SCF has signed 110 consents to finalize adoption, a 30 percent jump over the average for recent years.

The 1997 legislature gave SCF additional staff to address the increasing needs of children in its care, from child protective services, through foster care and adoption. SCF has promised the legislature to find permanent homes for 900 children a year in 1998 and 1999.

Toran credits new adoption workers with the increase in placements. "We brought some new staff on in January and already are seeing the fruits of their labors." The workers are completing homes studies to identify the best resources and ensure safe adoptions, thus moving children more quickly through the system.

Other 1997 adoption trends include: * 200 of the 702 children placed were minority youngsters, compared with 161 out of 558 total placements in 1996, a percentage which is holding steady. Oregon must find more families to meet the needs of minority children. SCF is hiring five new regional recruitment/retention staff and will increase recruiting efforts in minority communities.

* SCF placed 197 children under age 3. This represents over 28% of total adoptions, a figure that has held steady for the past four years.

* Most children (64%) were adopted by relatives or foster parents. SCF has a major commitment to increase relative and kinship care.

* 96% of Oregon's adoptive placements continued to finalization without disruption, a record that continues to make Oregon number 1 in the coun-

try. Oregon's adoptive committee process is a model; a number of people make the decision about a child's best placement rather than a single adoption worker as in most states.

* At least 15% of children leaving SCF foster care are placed for adoption.

* The majority of children in SCF care have special needs. They often don't meet the expectations of many potential adoptive families.

Oregon has held steady over the past four years as the numbers of adopted children under age 3, children adopted by relatives, minority place-

ments have grown in proportion to the total number of youngsters placed.

However, the number of children needing safe permanent homes continues to outpace the availability of families. Each month, the number of children freed for adoption is greater than the number of children placed.

"In the short term, more children will be freed for adoption as SB689 takes effect," notes Toran. "They need care and commitment of us. Our greatest challenge is to develop our community resources to respond to their needs and assure them safe, loving homes."

SCF will:

- * focus the 38 new adoption positions, on board as of November 1, on completing home studies and concentrating on placing the children who already are freed. The home study process is one place where the current system slows down.

- * increase supports to adoptive families in the years after placement
- * strengthen relationships with the private adoption agencies to broaden the resources for these children.

- * continue to use family decision making process to mediate between birth and adoptive families.



(DM)-Treat yourself to something sweet with Nutty Coconut Bars. This rich and chewy confection is made with a buttery crust, topped with layers of chocolate and white morsels, coconut, nuts and sweetened condensed milk. Using a microwave oven, a total cooking time of 10 minutes is all that is needed. Whirlpool Corporation home economists recommend overnight cooling before cutting.

NUTTY COCONUT BARS (24 bars)

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1/2 cup margarine, softened
- 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate morsels
- 1/2 cup premier white morsels
- 3/4 cup flaked coconut
- 1 can (15 oz.) sweetened condensed skimmed milk
- 3/4 cup chopped walnuts

1. Combine flour and sugar in small bowl. Cut in margarine. Press evenly in bottom of 11 x 7 x 1 1/2-inch glass baking dish. Microwave at HIGH (100%) for 3 minutes or until set, rotating dish a half turn once during cooking time.

2. Sprinkle chocolate and white morsels evenly over warm crust. Then sprinkle with coconut. Pour sweetened condensed milk evenly over coconut. Top with walnuts.

3. Microwave at HIGH for 7 minutes, rotating dish a half turn once during cooking time. Remove from microwave oven. Let cool several hours or overnight before cutting into bars.

Nutrition Information (1 bar): 208 calories, 3g protein, 10g fat, 0 cholesterol, 26g carbohydrates, 70mg sodium.

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