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## Fix-her-upper

Stores take notice of all the women handling their own home repairs



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## Dad's a master of the microwave

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## Webber, Pollard hurt in Kings loss

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Fog, mostly cloudy  
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## Budget begins

*"The course of this nation does not depend on the decisions of others. What..."*

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# TASTE

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Express lane

The Bee's Gwen Schoen samples four varieties of soy milk. ▶ Page F5

## With 50,000 food samples, S.F. show is a caloric delight

By Gwen Schoen  
BEE FOOD WRITER

Across the aisle, like a life raft, was Fudge Fatale made by Alexander Black. After tasting a sample, it's easy to see why Better Homes and Gardens crowned Black the Fudge king. His fudge is like eating chocolate velvet: appropriately, it comes in a velvet box. It can be ordered online at [www.fudgefatale.com](http://www.fudgefatale.com) or by calling 1-(888)92FUDGE (923-8343).

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The Assembly OKs pending reductions, paves the way for a higher vehicle fee.

By John Hill  
BEE CAPITOL BUREAU

The Assembly made its first move toward dealing with the state's fiscal crisis Tuesday, approving cuts to schools and

# Bush steels nation



## War cloud hangs over Medicare,