

She Makes Lamps From Bottles

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Mrs. Cora Dockery of Route 2, Murphy, uses her spare time

for a fascinating hobby of collecting odd-shaped bottles and making lamps from them. According to Mrs. Dockery, most of the bottles are collected along the road, others containing fruit juice, cooking oil, syrup, etc. are bought at local stores.

The bottle serves as a base for the lamp. The electrical switch is placed over the opening of the bottle and securely attached to the bottle. The dark bottles are usually left their original color. The other bottles are coated with a glaze solution which comes in many different colors. This solution, when applied with a brush, makes its own designs or patterns.

A few of the bottles are covered with sea shells. These are glued to the outer surface of the bottle, leaving only a handle of glass visible. The shells used come mostly from Florida and are brought to her by a son.

The bottles with a large base are filled with crushed glass of a variety of colors. This makes the base heavier and prevents the lamps from toppling over.

Her largest lamp stands 36 inches tall, serves as a floor lamp and is not made from a bottle. The base is made from the metal reflector of a spotlight. The pole or "stem" is made from a large cardboard mailing tube, and placed atop this is a plastic fruit bowl. The lamp socket is placed in the fruit bowl with the cord hidden in the cardboard tube. The entire lamp has been sprayed with gold paint.

She has also made several lamps from cactus wood and rocks, ranging in size from 16 inches to 36 inches.

"My interest in craft started about 30 years ago," says Mrs. Dockery. "I started by making flowers from crepe paper. Lamps have been a hobby for about eight years. Most of my work is given to my children almost as soon as it is finished. They see these items, say they want them, so I just give 'em to them."

Aside from making lamps, she does a great variety of centerpieces, wall plaques and crochets afghans.

One of her most beautiful centerpieces, a huge pink bird. This is made from an assortment of light pink feathers, dark pink net and styrofoam. His bill is made from a piece of black cloth material attached to the styrofoam with gold sequins and his eyes are sequins also. The hidden base of this centerpiece is half of a plastic gallon jug. The bird sits in a plastic bowl resembling a bird bath, the bowl is mounted on a short pedestal. A flower arrangement of lilac and sweetpeas surrounds the base.

The dolls, also centerpieces, are made from feathers, ribbons and styrofoam.

The afghans are crocheted from brightly colored yarn and are as large as 64" by 84". The throw covers crocheted for chairs and sofas vary in size, according to the objects for which they are made.



Mrs. Cora Dockery

Clay County 4-H'ers Win Blue Ribbons

Approximately 100 people attended the annual Clay County 4-H Achievement Program on Jan. 22, in the Hayesville School Auditorium.

4-H Club members were recognized for their 4-H Club achievements during the past year. 4-H leaders were recognized for their leadership in 4-H during 1969.

Blue ribbon 4-H winners were Rex Smith, beef calf and tomatoes; Joel Smith, beef calf and tomatoes; Joyce Scroggs, foods-nutrition; Yvonne Parker, foods-nutrition; Cathy Dyer, foods-nutrition and crafts; Caren Carter, dog care and clothing; Emily Bowers, foods-nutrition; Elsie Woodard, Crafts and Health; Steve England, Beef and Tobacco; Bill Alexander, beef; Jim Alexander, Bicycle Safety; Debbie Groves, clothing; Jim Curtis, crafts; Teresa Vaught, Health; Wesley Chastain.

In 1967, almost 3 out of 5 women workers were married, one in 5 was single, and one in 5 was either widowed, divorced or separated.

photography; Paula Beal, health; Kerry Staton, crafts; Anita Wood, crafts; Anglea Palmer, crafts; Glenda Scroggs, crafts; Clara Ann Woody, crafts; Carl Fay Rogers, crafts; Bill England, tobacco; Maurice England, Tobacco; Lanette Mos, Foods-Nutrition. Perry Stalcup, Electricity; Brad Woodard, Bicycle Safety; Wesley Chastain, Health; Henry Parrott, Beef.

Certificates were presented to the following 4-H leaders—Mrs. Monroe Wilson, two-year certificate for leadership; Mr. and Mrs. Barry Wheeler, one year; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Auberry, four years; Mrs. Noel Smart, five years; Mrs. Eral Cheeks, one year; Mrs. P.W. England, ix years; Mrs. Bud Scroggs, two years; Mrs. Joe Woodard, one year; Mrs. Gordon Chastain; four years; Mrs. Clarence Woody, two years; Mrs. Gene Moore, one year; Mrs. Dennis McTaggart, one year; and David Ayers, one year. The Sweetwater Community was presented a charter for having organized a community 4-H Club in 1969.



First Baby

The first baby of 1970 born at the Towns County Hospital in Hiwassee, Ga., arrived at 2:15 Sunday morning, Jan 4. His name is Barry Ralph Berrong and he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berrong of Hayesville.

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