

King Solomon once said that there is nothing new under the sun. Of course he was wrong. There have been many inventions since his time. The Boys and Girls Aid CEO and President Dr. Suzan Huntington has invented an Easter Wreath. We have never seen one before. Have you?

Why the Easter Wreath?

Each year the Cypress Branch of Boys and Girls Aid creates Easter Baskets for 15 girls and boys that are cared for by Boys and Girls Aid. We have done the baskets for many years. Every year, at one of our luncheons we pass around a list of what is needed for the Easter Baskets. Women sign up for the items they will provide. This year we are not having luncheons in person. We needed another way to 'sign up' for items.

That is the reason for the Easter Wreath. The wreath contained about 25 cardboard eggs. On the back of each egg was a request for items to go into the Easter baskets. Each request was for 15 items, one for each basket. Suzan hung the wreath she had invented on Leslie Walkers front porch. Each of us selected an egg, purchased the items and returned them to Leslie.

Then Terri Royse with her committee assembled the baskets at her house. The baskets themselves, along with the Easter grass, wrapping, beanie babies, coloring books and pencils are donated each year by Connie Taylor. The rest of the items donated by those of us who chose an egg, include socks, journals, chocolate rabbits, plastic eggs with candy inside, craft items, stickers and more. Girl's baskets contained girl items such as ribbons or scrunchies. Boy's baskets contained items such as Legos or cars. Each basket was wrapped in cellophane and tied with a big bow that one of our members made.

The baskets were wonderful. The boys and girls who receive them had never had one before. This is truly new for each of them.

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