

Use the ceiling as a bulletin board

Extra space is where you find it

Every now and then I like to surprise my family by doing something out of the ordinary. This week I decided to put the dishes that normally float between the dishwasher and the table back in the cupboard.

I was shocked to find there was no room for them. Had it been that long since they were last put away? I pushed the canisters, jars, and appliances on the counter aside making room for the armload of dishes and wondered what happened to my spacious kitchen.

This overcrowding cancer had spread to every room in the house and I had completely ignored the warning signals. Tax papers, coloring books, library books and the typewriter engulfed the dining room table totally eclipsing the table's surface and choking off a bouquet of wilted flowers. The table had become a holding pond for the desk's run off.

I once was concerned that the desk's top would be marred by heavy pencil marks and should be protected by a pad. One had evolved over the months due to an abundance of notes, bills, returned checks and unanswered letters. The drawers had been taken over by the girls' school supplies and the husband's business papers. The telephone that once seemed rooted to the desk's back corner had been transplanted to the front room floor.

It wasn't necessary to dust the desk, in fact it was impossible.

The bathroom was no better. The tub had been lined by the girls with a six-inch layer of plastic bottles, cups, and toys all half full of cold water. The counter top was

cluttered with an assortment of shampoos, rinses, hand soaps, and degreasers. The drawers looked like a mini drug section starting at the top with brushes, combs and curlers and working down through toiletries and vitamins.



Margaret Schmale's

Bits
and pieces

The living space was getting crowded. It was either time to construct a \$10,000 addition or throw something away. The alternative, of course, was to find unused space. But where?

The more thought I gave the problem the more space I found. Every house has space it does not utilize.

The ceiling, for example, hangs around completely blank except for a light and an occasional spider. What a magnificent bulletin board it would make. Photos could be displayed on ceilings eliminating the need for books. Children's rooms could have posters plastered across them and the family room could be overcast with maps and charts showing the vacation routes and weather fronts.

The water bed could be a source of extra income, if the manufacturers just made the opening a little bigger. It's heated waters would make an ideal spawning ground for tropical fish. It could be the answer to the world's food shortage; every home could have it's own kelp or oyster bed. Catfish and other edible bottomfish could survive in slightly cooler temperatures.

The tank on the back of the toilet could be put to better use than storing bricks. A planter placed over the tank would automatically be watered. Slips could be rooted for those with green houses. Pets could be watered while owners were away at work or on a trip.

Pounds and pounds of dirt go to waste in house plants' flower pots. Earth worms could be thriving in and around the roots of every African violet providing the household with a source of protein or, at least, something to catch the catfish with.

The roof is the limit! Refrigerators have been bulletin boards for years cluttered with magnets and toys. Now it's time to spread out, up and over the rest of the house. I feel so much better since I've found all this extra space. So why is it I still can't find a spot for my toaster?

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