



Benefit brings in money for Village employees

Sunday, the people turned out in large numbers to support the benefit held for the Good Samaritan Village employees. Many of the employees have been out of work since the fire burned part of the facility on Oct. 19, thus, closing it down.

There were around 50 volunteers who gave 200 hours total to organize and hold the benefit dinner on Sunday at the St. Francis high school. Chicken, potatoes, gravy, vegetables and apple crisp were served to over 400 people.

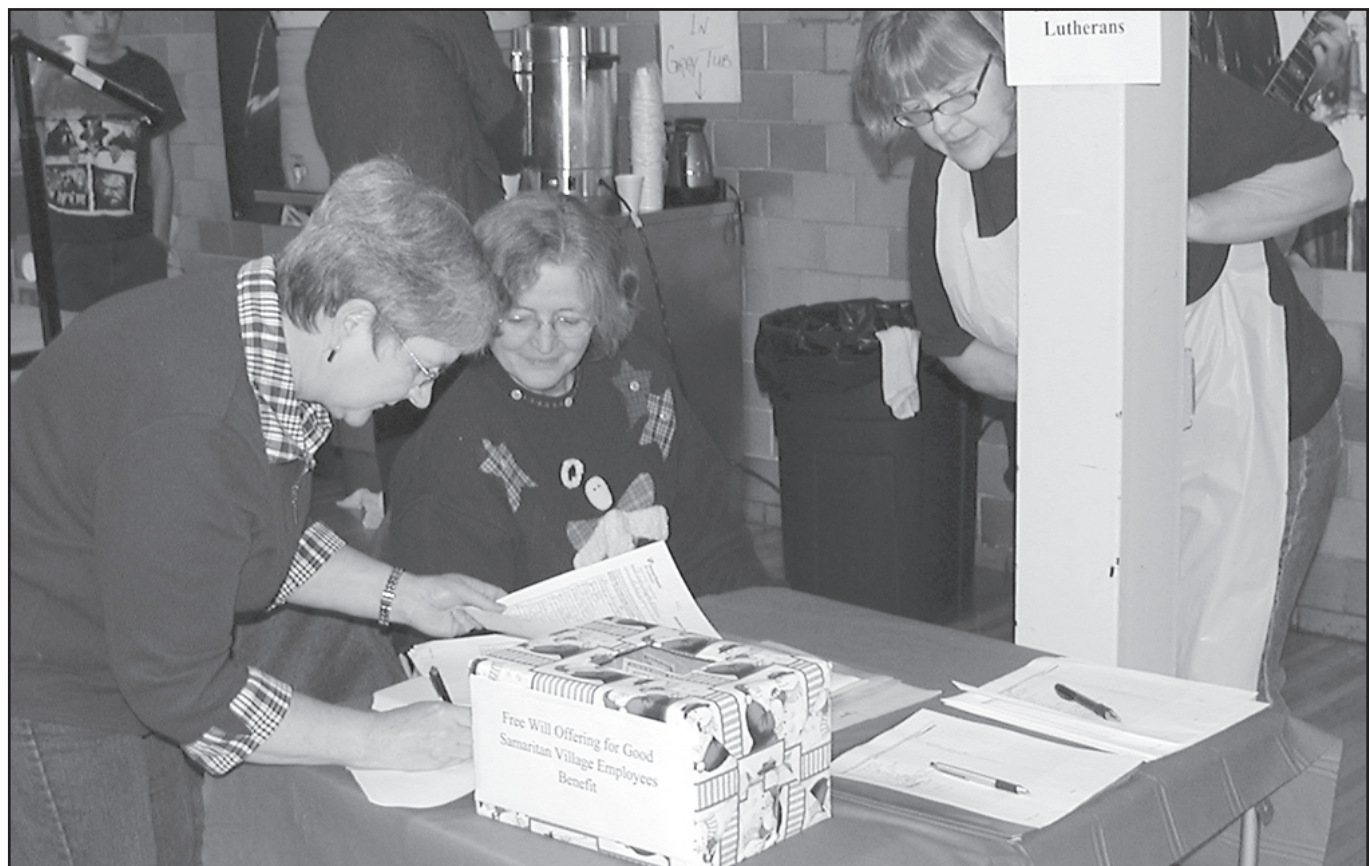
There was also a bake sale and a silent auction held. Money raised

was right around \$15,000 and Thrivent is supplementing \$2,400 and the donations are still coming in.

Deb Patton and Dorothy Kellner, both who were active volunteers, said the money will be turned over to the St. Francis Area Chamber of Commerce and scrip money will be distributed to 60 employees.

Mrs. Patton said the response of the county residents was wonderful.

The fate of the Village is still not known but questions are expected to be answered sometime next week.



BENEFIT DOLLARS came rolling in on Sunday as volunteers held a dinner, auction and silent auction for Village employees on Sunday. Pictured at the top is Glenn Isernhagen getting his plate from the cooks (l to r) Lezlie McCormick, Colleen Applegate, Carol Ross and Sherry Weeks. Looking on is Miriam Yonkey. Clockwise, looking at silent auction items were Mary Rath, Wanda Gienger and Betty Schorzman; Deb Patton and Glorianne Milne did some of the paperwork while Barb Holzwarth watches; the bake sale table was loaded with goodies. Gudrun Schoenrogge and Neala Carmichael check out what they are going to buy. Manning the table are Sarah Trembly, Jodie Hilt, Christina Hilt, Mikaela Grace, Shayla Hilt and Jalyn McCauley; Pastor Jeff Landers took some time to visit with Pat Carmen. *Herald staff photos by Casey McCormick*