



AT THE TRADER HORN booth on Sunday, Marilyn Horn showed a girl (below) checked out the books at the booth of Ron's Solid Tops from McCook. (above) how to put game pieces together in the box. Two home show visitors The business specializes in counter tops.

## Hundreds visit show at Gateway

Everything from toddler beds to toilets to bears that smelled like cinnamon was represented in The Gateway on Saturday and Sunday at the first Decatur County Area Chamber of Commerce and KFNH Home Show.

Chamber Manager Glenva Nichols said they had 29 booths signed up but only 27 showed up. Most were from Kansas or Nebraska, she said.

The booths had a lot of variety, she said. There were barbecue grills, tarps made for all sorts of materials, flag poles, gardening gear and home air machines.

The Gateway staff served lunch both days. People could choose

from sandwiches, barbecue beef or hot dogs.

In the two days the show was open, Mrs. Nichols said, they had 500 to 600 people milling around the arena.

"We felt really good with the numbers," said Mrs. Nichols. "This was brand new this year for the Chamber and radio station. Those people who were a part of it indicated that they would return."

She said the group plans to hold another home show next year.

Mrs. Nichols said she isn't sure if they made any money on the show. She said the Chamber was hoping to break even and she is pretty sure they did that.



AT LUNCHTIME, Darbi Rouse (above) ate a hot dog as her parents worked the booth for Gorman Tarps. Elsie Wolters (left) talked with Sharolyn Bredemeir about a wall hanging of Noah's Ark.

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