

Silent Santa delivers

Dec 31 1985

By Marie Barr

Millie Workman and her crew filled hampers on Friday night and Saturday morning to insure that Silent Santa had hampers to deliver in the afternoon. The Cubs came to the new Stake Centre at 1:00 p.m. and were met with the sight of a wall full of boxes and food all ready to go.

The turkeys lined the floor and the wall for a short while as the leaders got organized and then the turkeys and hams went into the appropriate hampers so that when the campfire for the boys was finished they could be delivered by the District Council. Although the numbers of helpers was low the enthusiasm was high. Everyone who helped seemed to feel good at the end of the day when there had been 45 hampers delivered.

If you now think that this was great the final total was 64 hampers filled and delivered, 57 of which were delivered to families in the

MD and 7 to families on the Reserve. Some of the hampers were even delivered Christmas Day.

The committee would like to thank all those who helped with a special thanks to those businesses who gave discounts. Those were Cardston Book Store, Burt's Grocery, IGA and Saan Store. Without the help of everyone we could not have helped as many people as we did. A big thank you goes to all those individuals who cause the success, each person who donated a can of food or a toy!

The final totals for the project are as follows:

Balance forward	\$ 1131.74
Anonymous	5.00
Anonymous	2.00
Ann Watts	5.00
Scout Committee	250.00
The Chronicle	100.00
Anonymous	479.03
Total	\$ 1972.77

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The breakdown of expenditures was not available this week but will be for next week's paper so that all can see where and for what we spent the money. There is very little left but enough to keep the account open for next year.

Some suggestions have been put out already for next year. Marge Kearn has expressed a wish to set up a doll hospital so that second-hand dolls may be fixed up and dressed for next year. Anyone having dolls that they would like to donate can contact Marge at South Country Realty.

Another suggestion has been to have yarn donated to the senior

citizen homes so that they can knit hats and mitts for each child for next year. It not only helps Silent Santa but it also gives some of those people a valuable way to contribute to a worthy cause. Anyone with any yarn they wish to donate can contact either Marie Barr or Millie Workman.

Another suggestion was to plant extra vegetables next summer in anticipation of this effort at Christmas. Potatoes are always good as well as carrots. There are as many ways of helping as there are people who are willing to help. Put your imagination to work because Silent Santa will be back next fall so that when Christmas rolls around there will be lots for those who have a need of our help.

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By Cheryl Hesse

A day's information on alcohol, drugs, their effects and consequences in life was given at E.J. Wood school in Cardston on Saturday.

Everything from technical information on drugs, to personal testimonials about alcohol and drug abuse, was presented at the "Family Drug Seminar," sponsored by the Cardston and District Home and School Association, the RCMP and AADAC.

As organizer Stewart Beggs put it in his opening remarks, "What we have here is a million dollars worth of public information."

He had hoped for a better turnout than the 40 participants who showed up for the seminar. But those who did attend took away valuable information and insight into alcohol and drug-related problems.

United Church serves dinner

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By Cheryl Hesse

For a good hearty Thanksgiving-style meal, the United Church was the place to be last Wednesday.

Supper was served to about 300 people, which is no small task for the United Church Women. It took 13 large turkeys, 150 lbs. of potatoes, 95 lbs. of carrots and 60 lbs. of

rutabagas, along with salads and pie for desert, to satisfy the crowd.

Church members plan for this supper all year, as it is the one major fund raiser the church holds annually, says Marie Barr of the United Church Women. The funds

add to the Church's general revenue to support upkeep of the church and grounds, to send money for

camp programs and for all other church activities and functions.

Quite a few donations are also received from those who may not be able to attend the supper and most of the meal was provided from local gardens except for the purchase of the turkeys.

Besides feeding those who could make it to the church, about 20 dinners were taken to shut-ins.



The United Church provided dinner for more than 300 patrons last Wednesday.

Church to be closed

By Darrell Bellaart Dec. 12, 1989

It's a sad day for those who used to be active members of the old Spring Coulee United Church congregation.

Soon memories will be all that's left of the old church visible from Hwy. 5.

And mourning has already begun for the end of an era.

The church, which hasn't been used for regular services since the late 1950s, will have to be given up, says Carol Beswick.

"We didn't want to lose that church," Beswick, of Magrath said. "But, eventually the inevitable oc-

curred - the population declined, and we had to accept the closure of the church.

"The expense to fix it up would be horrendous. It would require too much work and money, and of course it hasn't been used as a pulpit-point for years."

Beswick is the chairperson of an ad-hoc committee formed to sort out what to do with the crumbling 80-year-old building and its contents.

The committee is working with South Alberta Presbytery to decide where old church furnishings and belongings will go, once the church is demolished.

"The committee is appointed with dispersing of the church property, since the church is no longer in use," she said. "Something will also have to be done with the land."

Beswick said it is an emotional experience for everyone involved. She added it is too early to tell where the furnishings will go, although it will be distributed amongst other United Church pastoral charges.

"It's really a sad job. We want to use the furnishings from that United Church to enhance the worship in other churches. Nothing is official yet, on where the furnishings will go."

Cardston area students

'Dinner on demand' winners

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Martha Reichle

By Geri Walton

A group of Cardston and area women, referred to as the Christian Women's Club, held a Chinese dinner to enjoy fellowship together last week.

With about 37 ladies in attendance, and Christmas Edibles as well as a devotional enhancing the evening, the ladies determined they would meet again late in January or early in February.

Linda Jensen, one of the women attending said the group came together initially from a bible study class held on Wednesday mornings over a ten-year period. She said the dinners were not held regularly, but rather on request, she gave it a fun flavor by saying it was, "dinner on demand".

The Christian Women's Club is not a formally organized body with an executive, but rather three of the study class members somehow took the responsibility for calling all the ladies together. She said previous dinner evenings have seen as few as 35 or as many as 60 ladies in attendance.

Adrienne Riehl, Georgia Blatz and Joan Strang are given credit for organizing last week's dinner and they invited Emma Knock to sing a solo for them, O Holy Night, and Martha Reichle to share recipes for Christmas entertaining.

Reichle said some of her edibles were from old favorites she had taught at the high school during her years as part of the home economics staff.

"They cleaned out the treats pretty well," said Reichle.

Some of Reichle's recipes may appear in the news a bit closer to Christmas.

Community College students in the form of athletic scholarships. The Jimmy Condon awards are funded by the Alberta government.

The following students were among the award winners:

Cardston: Wade Bevans, Alberta Sugar Company, \$200; Craig Carull, Treasury Branches of Alberta Sursary, \$1,000.

Magrath: Barbara Caldwell, Arlo Irvine Memorial, \$200; Warren Salberg, Lethbridge Community College Faculty Association, \$100; Lethbridge Community College Board of Governors, \$500.

Spring Coulee: Mark Ratke, Eat Board Monies Trust Scholarship, \$100.

Raymond: William Barnes, Lethbridge Automobile Dealer Association, \$100.