

Bargain hunters go wild

Norcatur sales draw lots of people

Windy weather and muddy streets didn't deter bargain hunters as they swarmed all over Norcatur on Saturday for the fifth annual city-wide garage sale.

Starting at the Cardinal Cafe, determined garage sale buffs picked up their maps, a cup of coffee and a sweet roll and headed off down Ossipee, Oneonia, Opelik, Onega, Olathe, Odessa and Otoe streets and Decatur, Desoto, Dexter, Detroit, Michigan and Kansas avenues, looking for bargains.

With 14 stops on the map, cars and trucks were running from one side of town to the other, and bargain seekers were finding everything from Christmas decorations to housewares, to tools and appliances.

Treasures were for sale at the old Keith's Market, in garages, on lawns and on porches. At each stop, shoppers could sign up for a \$25 prize. The winner was Heather Bray of Clayton.

The United Methodist Church women were running things at the cafe, which closed last week. The whole event was under the sponsorship of the Norcatur Commercial Club, which charged \$5 each for a spot on the map.

There was something for everyone, and very few people went home without some used treasure.



DOWN ON HIS HANDS and knees, Robert Annon of Norton was trying to find the westerns in a box of used books. He did pretty well, too, coming up with more than \$2 worth of 10-cent paperbacks.



"THIS TREE'S STRAIGHT," Connie Olson (above) said as she bought a new Christmas tree to replace the crooked one at home. Virgil Price (above left) only needed change to pay Troy Marshall (with cup) for his purchases. Meanwhile, across town, Brenda Davis (below left) found a basket that was to her liking.

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