

SWEET HOME — A spaghetti feed fundraiser Sunday evening sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 8624, the St. Helen's Catholic Church Women's Club and the American Heritage Girls generated more than \$3,100 which will be donated to the Fir Lawn Lutheran Church rebuilding fund.

Between 175 and 200 dinners were served and donations were greatly appreciated.

The church was the victim of arson a few months ago and parishioners have been holding services at the Methodist Church.

The fundraiser was held on Divine Mercy Sunday, a day of forgiveness and mercy for Catholics.

Kathy Ives and Gilbert Bures cooked 20 pounds of spaghetti — filling a five-gallon bucket. Council 8624 Grand Knight Alex Paul pre-cooked and seasoned 23 pounds of hamburger and Italian sausage and that was simmered into six gallons of spaghetti sauce.

Dinner included fresh garden salad served by Leo Fernandez, Damian Aranda and Leo Singler, buttery garlic Texas toast grilled by Kyle Sullens and tables filled with desserts prepared by the Women's Club. The American Heritage Girls served sodas and cleared tables.

"We could not have been happier," Paul said. "Since we didn't sell tickets, we really didn't know whether we would have 25 people or 250 people show up. The church hall was full and there was terrific fellowship among members of St. Helen's, the Methodist Church and Fir Lawn Lutheran. People were extremely generous and we had several donations from people who could not attend, but wanted to help. We are sure the donation will be put to good use."

And, Paul added, "We didn't run out of food, which was a blessing."







