

## Neighbors seek treasure at local sale

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Neither cold nor clouds nor threat of rain would keep treasure seekers from their hunt Saturday as they converged upon the third annual Barrington Community Treasure Sale.

Friends and neighbors hunted for that special find while supporting local not-for-profit organizations.

Dulcet choral music greeted customers at The New Oratorio Singers table, manned by Janet Lareau. However, it was the giant blue-faced stuffed monkey that grabbed everyone's attention.

Dick Larsen, Curt Moratz and Bill Zeplin of the Barrington Career Center perhaps had the most challenging sale - a pair of purple suede shoes. Even the addition of a free coordinating Dino Pez dispenser didn't help. Maybe if they were blue?

Karen Atkinson reported that a musical backscratcher and a collection of nutcrackers were items coveted early by patrons of the Barrington Area United Way table.

Banana bread sold out within 30 minutes of Diane Stephens and Noreen Lavine placing it on the BACOA table. Also quite popular were gourmet coffee beans.

Dee Homuth, an 80-year Barrington resident, sold books and much miscellany for the Barrington Area Historical Society, sponsor of the sale.

Ken Cowan and Andrea Cassese tried marketing a voodoo doll for 50-year-olds, among other items, at the Citizens for Conservation booth. Marjory Larson attracted buyers by playing an impromptu ukulele solo.

The enthusiasm of Sarah Reczek and Wendy and Caroline Habicht helped their New Generations table sell everything from cookie cutters to a computer.

Egg coddlers and a tricycle were among many other items sold by Linda Wychman and crew for the Signal Hill Chapter of the DAR. Shawn bought star cookies and yours truly purchased a 1985 Barrington High School football program marked "collectable" and enclosed in a dust cover. As a member of that graduating class, I felt more than a bit antique!

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