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The added attraction of a Tour of Homes during the annual Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge (FFVF) Christmas House in Imperial this year drew over 40 visitors to four homes. "It was cold, so I was pleasantly surprised," said FFVF President Lynn Luhrs.

Her house was the site of the Christmas House last Thursday, and was on the Tour, as were the homes of Dirk and Elizabeth Haarberg, Jeri and Rod Markee, and The Balcony House Bed and Breakfast.

The items sold at the Christmas House raised about \$1,000. In addition, orders were taken for cabbage pockets, which will be made and delivered in late January and early February.

Also, orders are being taken for cinnamon rolls, at \$15 for a dozen. To order, call Jill Moline at (308) 883-5389.

Raffle tickets for services were donated by local businesses, which Moline thanked for their generosity.

Winners were: Linda Mollendor for \$100 at Harchelroad Motors; Gene Heathers for \$100 at Imperial Country Ford; Brenda German and Kay Haarberg for a gift certificate for a cut and wax and cut and color respectively at The Color Box.

Fourteen new members signed up during the Christmas House.

FFVF raises money for a trip for high school students from Chase County to Valley Forge, Pa. and Washington, D.C. April 21-28, 2010.

Applications for the trip are available at both Chase County Schools and Wauneta-Palisade High School. The interviews are scheduled for Jan. 12 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at CCS.