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Over \$21,300 raised for Haying in '30's



Merrien Chudyk, far right, presents Haying in the '30's representative Reil Corbiere, left with a \$4,000 cheque, while MC Mae Adamyk applauds.



MICHELLE PINON PHOTOS
Auctioneers Paul Hope, left, and Richard Mandryk, keep track of the bidding which was fast and furious during the March 11 fundraiser in St. Michael.

Michelle Pinon
Editor

Perhaps CFCW Radio Morning Show Host Stella Stevens told the crowd of more than 350 people to "dig deep" into their pockets to donate to the Haying in the '30's Cancer Support Society during the annual fundraiser Saturday, March 11.

Stevens said her friend, only 34 years of age had just been diagnosed with leukaemia last week, and would have to spend four to six months away from her home in Mallaig to undergo cancer treatments in Edmonton. "You never know if it will happen to you," added Stevens who urged attendees to be as generous as they can.

As far as generosity, MC Mae Adamyk told the crowd that since the St. Michael District & Community Ag. Society began hosting the event 11 years ago, more than

\$200,000 has been raised for victims of cancer. "We've helped over 400 families with your help," stated Adamyk. "Words cannot express our thanks for your generosity."

She also thanked Sharon McLean, who has been a great supporter of the society. She (Sharon McLean) told me, "Mae, I'm praying I can make one more fundraiser." Mae replied: "We're all praying for you so hang on till next year." McLean was surrounded by several family members who came from Whitehorse, Grande Prairie, Athabasca, and Armstrong to visit and support her and the cause. One of those family members, Shaun Borshowa won the 50/50 draw and donated his half (\$677) back to Haying in the '30's.

Auctioneer Bernie Florkow asked folks in the crowd to pray for Dennis McCartney, who is undergoing cancer

treatment. Joining Florkow to assist with the live auction were fellow auctioneers Richard Mandryk, Nick Kowarchuk and Paul Hope.

At the beginning of the auction Adamyk accepted cheques on behalf of the Alberta Floor Curling Association. President

Merrien Chudyk, (\$4,000); Skaro Knights of Columbus Council, Vice President Tom Adamyk, (\$2,000); and Andrew Lions Club, President Dave Diduck, (\$500).

There were a total of 105 live auction items and 170 auction items sold during the event.



Volunteer Chris Klita delivers packed meat that was donated by Malica Meats to the highest bidder of the item.

Crop-Stubble burning prohibited by Lamont County council

Michelle Pinon
Editor

Lamont County council has decided that it won't allow unharvested crops to be burned.

That decision was made during council's regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 7.

Regional Fire Chief Dave Zayonce appeared before council to briefly go over his recommendation to not permit field and crop burning of any kind no matter the type of crop or field area as well as some of the reasons behind it.

"I still hold the same position," stated Zayonce. He reiterated that: "Allowing crop burning of any kind may impact fire services response

and fires may become unmanageable in size and intensity, and with the unpredictability of spring wind conditions fire can and may spread to adjacent landowners properties threatening buildings, destroying shelter belt, and worse creating smoke pollution hazards which may impact citizens who have conditions such as emphysema and other respiratory conditions."

Coun. Roy Bryks agreed, telling Zayonce he was with him on that. There were no other questions, concerns or remarks by other council members before Coun. Roy Anaka's motion not to permit field and crop burning of any kind was passed unanimously.