Salons for Survival | Eastern

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PRICE - October inspires thoughts of goblins and ghosts, tricks and treats. But October also brings awareness to another issue: breast cancer.

This month, the fifth annual Salons for Survival bake sale fund raiser netted $2,000 to be donated to the United Way to help cancer patients.

Price salons and USU Eastern cosmetology department teamed together to raise money for citizens in the community with an amount that was almost double from last year’s event.

USUE cosmetology students, each wearing hot pink T-shirts, hosted a bake sale on Oct. 11, in the Jennifer Leavitt Student Center to earn money for cancer patients. Armed with baskets of homemade baked goods, they sold their treats in the student center and also traveled throughout campus, offering sweets to those in classes, offices and in the residence halls. Some took goodies to area businesses.

The largest business contributor was Wayne Clausing, manager of Sutherlands in Price, who purchased a basket of goodies and donated $150 to help the cause.

Jeana Jenson, a survivor of breast and ovarian cancer, felt she had to help with the cause. She’s already had eight chemotherapy and 33-radiation treatments. “They helped me when I needed it so I had to pay it forward . . . Now that I have been through it, plus had really close friends and family go through it, I felt I had to raise as much money as I could to ease some of the financial difficulties that cancer patients go through.” Jenson lost a close childhood friend of breast cancer last summer. “It’s terrifying to get the prognosis knowing that I would lose my hair, eyebrows and eyelashes. That’s my identity and one’s entire life changes when one gets cancer.

“My life changed forever; I look at life differently and pick my battles differently. Raising funds that totally stay in this area meant so much to me, I have to pay it forward because the money from this fund raiser helped me and that meant a great deal.”

Debbie Prichard, USU Eastern cosmetology department chair, said, “We’re excited for the support the USU Eastern community has given us for this cause. So many women and families in this community have been affected by this disease, and every penny the student’s earn stays in the area. This money helps people who have cancer and live in Carbon or Emery county.”

Participating salons are donating 20 percent of all services performed on Tuesdays in October. The Salons for Survival salons include: Bellasano Salon and Spa, Perfect Touch Beauty Supply and Salon, Scissor Talk and USUE Cosmetology.