

Drain from A1

everybody's on board with," she said.

Generally, most of the sales take place in Drain's Civic Center, or in the neighboring pavilion and park, but sales around town were also welcome. According to Reed, this year there were about 10 vendors inside and around the pavilion, along with about 40 more at the Civic Center in the form of a massive book sale.

Additionally, about 10 to 14 vendors were situated around town.

"People will wait to have their sales for this weekend because there's so many people in town," said Reed.

The sales included more than the usual wares as well. Some sellers chose to present their own crafts for people to buy, such as Mendy McDaniel, who

sold handmade aprons, potholders, bowl cozies and other items such as potted plants.

When asked what she

by Kim Kraft, who is a regular at the sale with nearly 15 years of experience. He sells his toys and collectibles as a hobby around

ferent towns down there on the coast."

He expressed an excitement towards coming back and selling next year as well. "I just have a fun time doing this and I love coming up here."

As shoppers milled about, the rain increased to a heavy downpour and people crowded into the pavilion. Vendors with tables outside the cover made sure to put tarps over their wares.

"It's too bad it rained because it ruined it for some people," said Betty Hodges, one shopper taking cover. She was at the sale looking for beads, yarn and other useful things. But the rain didn't dampen her mood.

"I think it's wonderful for people — a way they can sell what they make or buy and see other people and visit. So, I think it's really nice for our area," said Hodges.

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Drain Community-Wide Yard Sale shopper

liked about the sale, McDaniel mentioned the conversations with people who had bought things from her in the past.

"They tell me how great their plant is doing," she said.

Of the many things for sale in the pavilion, almost everyone spared a glance at a group of three model ships, each one about two feet tall and three feet wide. They were being sold

Oregon at festivals and other sales. Kraft found the ships while exploring the other sales around Drain and bought them because they were just collecting dust — and he had to have them. He said if they didn't sell at the community-wide event, he would try Coos Bay, where he's from.

Kraft also mentioned his advertising for the sale, "They send me the flyers and I hang them up in dif-



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