

also made cardboard boxes for hauling trash from the storm.

The young and old helped. Jennifer Small, 13, reported at the Red Cross Chapter House before sunup every morning for seven days following the tornadoes. "It's just like one great big family," she said.

Jennifer helped prepare and deliver meals to disaster victims and workers until 9:30 at night. She wasn't too busy to remind her parents, Jack and Cheryl Booker, 1737 Avenue L, of an elderly neighbor who would need help. Jennifer will continue as a volunteer for the Red Cross where she has volunteered an afternoon a week for two years.

Marilyn Carberry, a friend to the neighborhood in the 2700 block of Avenue D, prepared and delivered breakfast to Doris and Harold Christensen and others until their lights went back on late Tuesday. She went the second mile in taking their laundry home and ironing it..

When Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church was just about destroyed, five congregations and a shopping mall offered the use of their buildings. "We are very, very appreciative of all who helped," said the Rev. Jack Peterson, the church's pastor.

For the most part, people kept their good humor. "Red Cross staff stayed cool and pleasant," said Sue Mankin, who answered the chapter house phone two days a week through the emergency.

The Red Cross disaster team members said the people of Council Bluffs responded exceptionally well. "Community response has been fantastic; (volunteer efforts) are really outstanding here," said Chuck Delaune, New Orleans.

Another disaster team member, Jim Aldridge of Milwaukee, said, "I was really shocked at the damage; it's overwhelming. People really pulled together to get the job done."



Blayne Zeschmann clears away tree limbs from inside the second story bedroom of this duplex at 618 N. 9th on Monday following the storm. The wind tore the roof off of one side of the building.—Photo by Steve Glowacki.



Automobiles damaged or destroyed by the storm in the sales lot of Superior Honda, 3501 West Broadway, Friday evening, moments after the tornadoes hit. The dealership reported over \$1 million damage.—Photo by Dan Koenig.