

# New Eddies in the Current

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## **TREE FESTIVAL**

Our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Christmas Tree Festival was a huge success. Over 200 individuals signed the guest register and 28 groups came through. A new feature this year was the German choir singing Christmas carols. It was a lovely touch and will be expanded on next year.

A huge thanks to the many volunteers who not only came in to help decorate, but also to assist during open hours and to help take down decorations and trees afterwards. Your being there was greatly appreciated.

Thanks, also, to the junior Ag Business class who made many trips up and down the stairs carrying trees and decorations both before and after the festival.

## **BUILDING RENOVATION**

Our renovation project is finally beginning to move. A hole has been cut for the stairway and block will soon be laid. The framing for the new restrooms is in place and the plumbing is started. It isn't pretty right now, but it is progress!

As with most renovation projects, costs keep going up. This year the Dienstberger Foundation gave us another \$15,000 to help with the stairway and bathroom projects for which we are most appreciative.

## **In Memorium**

The trustees would like to express their profound sorrow upon the loss of friend and fellow trustee, Ron Ahten, who died December 5, 2008. He was a wonderful example of unselfishly giving of himself for the benefit of others; and he will be sadly missed by all.