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“Tree Information Meeting Held in Norfolk”



Nebraska Forestry Service Community Forestry Specialist Graham Herbst explained to the Tree Information Meeting participants ways to take a community tree inventory.

Norman Lorenz of Osmond told the group about his efforts putting a mini fruit orchard in the town of Osmond. Wanda Kelley of Pender described the efforts of the Tree Board in Pender in planting at least 25 trees through the town. Kelley is also the President of the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum. Diane Becker, a member of the City of Norfolk Tree Advisory Board, told the group about tree activities going on in Norfolk including the Plant 150 program for the city's 150th celebration. People are to plant a tree and then email a picture planting the tree to the City to put on its website. State Forester Steve Rasmussen described how the town of Wayne had the tree contest to recognize their 125th celebration.

Graham Herbst, Nebraska Forestry Service Community Forestry Specialist, showed various ways a community can take a tree inventory. He described the process, the data that can be collected and also the software to be used to analyze that data.

Over forty people attended the Tree Information Meeting sponsored by the City of Norfolk Tree Advisory Board at the Elkhorn Cabin last week. This is the second time in two years that the board has sponsored an afternoon program to inform participants about the ideas and resources available to them in promoting trees in their communities. The Nebraska Forest Service and the Lower Elkhorn Natural Resources District coordinated the meeting

During the first section of the workshop, members from various Northeast Nebraska communities shared information about their tree projects.