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VINTAGE TIMBERFRAMES
CUSTOM TIMBERFRAME DESIGN
ANTIQUÉ WOOD • BARN REMOVAL

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TIMBERFRAME BARN RAISING 75 Year-old Building Gets a New Life

Rustic Innovations will raise an antique timberframe barn / shed in Scandia, MN this fall. Timberframe construction is old-world barn construction mortise and tenon joints securing large posts and beams held together with wooden pegs. Rustic Innovations rescued this frame from an old homestead in Sugar Bush, which is near Oshkosh, WI. The roof was leaking and didn't fit the owner's needs so it was going to be destroyed. The frame is about 75 years-old and is 26' x 40' with 7' sidewalls. Rustic Innovations labeled each piece and then carefully took the building apart piece by piece. Every effort was made to save as much old material as possible. After the materials were transported to Minnesota, they were pressure washed and treated. The old frame will be raised onto a new concrete slab foundation with block knee walls. New stress skin panels will provide additional strength and insulation. The old shed's siding will be used again to maintain a similar exterior. The old shed will then get a new life as a wonderful insulated garage. Rustic Innovations' owner, Curt Richter, hopes that others can use this example to save their old farm building. He stated that he meets many people that enjoy the history, artistry, and craftsmanship of old barn buildings. One nonprofit organization with a similar goal is the Friends of MN Barns (FoMB), to which Mr. Richter is also a member. FoMB provides education, workshops, and tours of old barns. A schedule of Rustic Innovation's barn raising events can be requested at curt@rusticinnovation.com



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Members of Friends of Minnesota Barns, Barn lovers, Reporters and/ or photographers are welcome to attend the events.

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