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President's Message

By Larry Browning

At the last meeting Phil Schumacher was telling us about the 2004 Northern Plains Convective Workshop scheduled for Sioux Falls on April 14, 15 and 16. Everyone at the meeting felt our organization should help. Several people volunteered to be on committees but there were some things we could do as a group. That's why we need to meet a week early on April 6 this month. We'll be stuffing envelopes and making final plans for the conference. On the days of the conference, we agreed to be at the registration booth to help plan for Thursday's lunch and to help as we can. Wednesday night there are plans to have a general presentation of videos, etc. open to the public. That should be interesting! Also the workshop is free and any of our members are welcome to participate. It's at the Ramkota Inn in Sioux Falls.

- **Tuesday, April 6: Weather MINDS meeting at NWS to plan and prepare.**

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Weather MINDS
meeting Tuesday,
April 6, 2004.

The meeting will start at 7:00 PM
at the Sioux Falls Forecast Office.
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The National Weather Service in Sioux Falls, along with Weather Minds, will be sponsoring the 8th Annual Northern Plains Convective Workshop from April 14th to the 16th, 2004. The workshop will include presentations from researchers, storm chasers, and forecasters about severe convection and its impact on the public. Several talks will be about the June 24th tornadoes.

This April meeting of WXMINDS will be to firm up duty assignments for the workshop, evaluation of abstracts, and planning for a storm chaser video session Wednesday night and workshop lunch Thursday noon and dinner Thursday night.

Please make every effort to be at the April 6th meeting to see what you can do to help.



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- **Wednesday, April 14 Registration and Video presentation starting at 7 PM**
 - **Thursday, April 15: Sessions all day, lunch at Ramkota, dinner at Theo's (6 PM)**
 - **Friday, April 16: Sessions in morning, ending about noon.**

For updates and more information, you can check out the web site for the workshop at: <http://sio.midco.net/8thworkshop/agenda.htm>.



Also, don't forget the Science and Engineering Fairs. The Mitchell Science Fair is March 23 and the Brookings one is April 2. Art Umland judged the Mitchell, fair and will have a report at the April meeting. Tim Masters is scheduled to judge the Brookings Fair. We have the umbrellas to give away as prizes.

Hope to see you April 6 and at the Workshop.

Larry