



Koyker Manufacturing



ProTec Fabric Buildings Plant



Livestock Division



Fusion Plastics

In 2008, Sioux Steel Co. opened a new division called Fusion Plastics. This ultra-modern 50,000 square foot facility makes rotational molded plastics for a broad range of agricultural, marine, RV and custom contracted customers. Fusion Plastics also manufactures a variety of livestock products for Sioux Steel's Livestock Division such as stock watering tanks, feeders, and grain bin roof ventilators.

Celebrating 90 Years of Building on Tradition.



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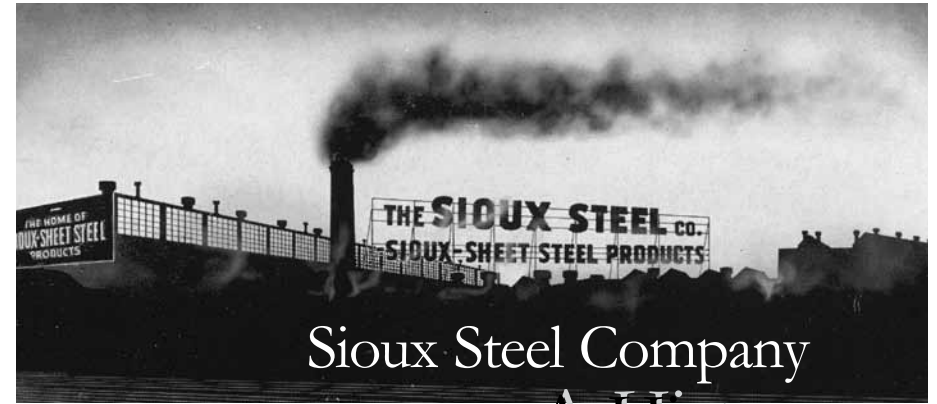
Sioux Steel Co. prides itself on its' reputation for integrity, honesty, and quality products. For over 90 years, Sioux Steel Co. has provided jobs and been an active contributing member of Sioux Falls and its' surrounding communities.

Sioux Steel Co. believes in giving back to the people and communities that have helped make the company such a great success. Sioux Steel's philanthropy has included the Rysdon Pool and Rysdon Gym at the Sioux Falls YMCA. Sioux Steel was also a major contributor of the new YMCA Wellness Center recently opened in Western Sioux Falls and has supported the YMCA Leif Ericson Day Camp for Kids for over 40 years.

Sioux Steel also built the Rysdon Recreational Center at the American Baptist Assembly in Green Lake, WI, and the Sioux Steel Co. Foundation provides funds for many non-profit organizations including the Boy Scouts, Jr. Achievement and The Banquet to name just a few.

"Sioux Steel Company has been rewarded for 90 years of doing business by creating valued products and providing successful manufacturing operations and products for our employees, dealers, and our customer...the farmer. At the same time we remain a strong supporter of our community and committed to staying involved for the long haul. We do not take anything for granted and are continually looking for improvement and expansion in every facet of our business."

Phil Rysdon, Third Generation Owner



Sioux Steel Company ... A History



Established in 1918 and founded by Charles Rysdon, Sioux Steel Company had its first big break in the building of McKennan Hospital (now Avera Health System), supplying all of the copper shingles for the facility. Shortly thereafter, Sioux Falls experienced a building spurt and the small manufacturer supplied most of the furnace duct work for these homes and offices.

"Sioux Steel's first manufacturing facility was located in a small horse barn and adjacent wagon repair area vacated by a local cartage company."

Max Rysdon, Second Generation Owner



These buildings were next to an abandoned granite quarry across the Sioux River from the old Queen Bee Mill and above the falls, where Sioux Steel Company Headquarters remains to this day.

Charles Rysdon's son Max was 15 when his dad started the company, and Max's first summer job was as water-boy for the factory, seeing that the drinking water was kept full and iced.

In the late 1920's, along with the duct work, Sioux Steel began selling furnaces, wall and floor grids (registers), and oil storage tanks that soon required two new additions to the facility.



After graduating from college, Max joined the firm as Sales Manager and Purchasing Agent along with A.H. (Abe) DeGroot as Accountant and Office Manager. As Max traveled the area selling furnaces and oil tanks, he was asked if his company could supply other items such as rainwater filters, galvanized nail bins, and farm building ventilators. He would return to the office and he, his Dad, and Abe would design and price the item.



Wrangler Line Horse Stalls

Business thrived into the later 1930's. What had begun as a construction associated firm, became a farm equipment manufacturer, providing farm gates, livestock tanks, animal feeding units and grain storage buildings and bins.

Following the war, Max Rysdon took over as President, leading Sioux Steel to push forward and expand its territories from the adjacent five states to the entire midsection of the US.

By 1951, Max Rysdon's 14 year old son, Phil, worked summers at the plant in the nuts and bolts, welding and maintenance departments. After college, Phil worked in sales and moved quickly into the advertising and marketing dept.



Gates

In the late 1950's and early 1960's, 200,000 square feet of additional plant space was built. A finance department called Empire Credit was started and Sioux purchased the number one auger manufacturer, Koyker Manufacturing Company, which was located in Hull, Iowa.



Feeders

Koyker's product line was expanded in the mid 1960's, with the addition of a line of front-end tractor loaders and grain cleaners. An unprecedented boom in the farm economy resulted in the building of a third manufacturing facility located in Lennox, SD in 1977.

The 1980's brought some real changes with Phil Rysdon taking over as President. Faced with grain embargoes, high interest rates and poor crops, Sioux Steel relocated it's Hull, IA facility, and its product lines to the Lennox plant location.



Bale Caddie

Management Team

Phil Rysdon, President
 Scott Rysdon, CEO
 Jim Peterson, COO
 Juli Anshutz, Director of Marketing
 Bill Cooper, Purchasing Mgr.

Keith Polzin, Engineering Mgr.
 Liz Alford, HR Director
 Mike Sagness, Director of Finance
 Deon Carriere, Bin Sales Mgr.
 Leo Baumgart, Hay & Forage Sales Mgr.
 Lynn Ziegler, Pro•Tec Sales Mgr.

With the entire Koyker Division now located in Lennox, SD, Koyker re-focused and expanded their product line-up to include loader models for tractors ranging from 20hp to 285hp. This is the broadest loader line-up in the country. They also added Dakota backhoes, a line of skid-steer attachments, and the award winning Bale Caddie small bale accumulator. Koyker's new state-of-the-art paint system bakes on an automobile-type finish on all their new products.



Koyker Loaders

Also in the late 80's, Phil Rysdon's son, Scott, was 18 when he began his career in the tank department. He became project manager after completing college and a 3 year management position with the Surgical Center in Sioux Falls. Scott was Sales Manager for several years and is now Vice President and CEO of Sioux Steel.



Pro•Tec Engineered Buildings

During the last 10 years Sioux Steel has intuitively expanded its products with the development of commercial grain bins, fans and heaters for grain bins, horse stalls, and Pro•Tec engineered fabric buildings, used for everything from grain storage to confinement cattle feeding.



Commercial Grain Bins

Fire wiped out Sioux Steel's 17,000 sq. ft paint building in the winter of 2002, forcing all welded products to be transported to Koyker Manufacturing for paint and brought back to Sioux Steel for shipment. After months of deliberation and planning, Sioux started the process to build a new state-of-the-art paint, powder-coat and weld facility in Lennox, creating a completely separate Livestock division. The Livestock Division has expanded it's product line immensely to include everything that any farm or ranch would need.



Watering Tanks

*Building For Generations
 to Come.*



COMPLETE LINE OF QUALITY FARM PRODUCTS