



2008 Nampa Department & Division Accomplishments

Finance Department

This past year has presented challenges (or opportunities) for the Finance Dept, including transition in the director's position, staged implementation to new accounting software, and a budget process that represented a shift from a growth economy with expanding revenues to the more demanding efforts required to develop a conservative budget for the new fiscal year. This last item may be at the forefront for most citizens, as the media portrays a dire and depressing economic picture. However, the City of Nampa has put forth its strongest effort not just to contain expenses, but to reduce them while maintaining the level of services citizens expect and deserve. Budget meetings this past spring and summer used energy and erasures, as department directors went back and forth to produce more cuts in order to balance the budget. Many departments managed to decrease their expenditure projections from the previous year, resulting in an overall decrease of 13% from last year's budget. We used revenue projections from the Association of Idaho Cities to modify our own projections for funding, and in some cases used even more conservative projections. This effort appears to put us in a good fiscal position to ride out the coming months with minimal adjustments. We remain watchful over both revenues and expenditures.

Transition in leadership is always tough for an organization in many ways, including employees who must pick up the slack of projects in mid-air, questions and issues that remain unanswered pending a new hire, and the sense of loss and frustration over the bumpy ride of change. And often transition begets transition, which can be very expensive in human capital. The Finance Department had 2 new hires when we lost our Director in early summer, and it is shows remarkable tenacity that all involved put their shoulders to the work of budget analysis, toe to toe meetings with directors, and stepped-up project management while covering the daily work load.

The implementation of new accounting software represented a dramatic increase in work. It has been installed in stages, allowing us to work out the "bugs" as we go along, yet requiring the use of two systems and forestalling the efficiencies to be gained by the new system. We are hopeful while we remain midstream that the results will be more efficient and timely reporting to departments and Council with improved internal processes.

Nampa Police Department

Statistics from the Idaho State Police UCR crime stats January through September:

19.2% decrease in the total numbers of Offenses in the City over last year

6.8% decrease in the total number of arrests in the City over last year

Clearance rate of 42.7% versus 41.4% last year

17% decrease in crimes against persons over last year



21.3% decrease in crimes against property over last year

13.0% decrease in crimes against society over last year

Increase in arrests for DUI, we have arrested 411 DUIs this year so far. (we have added another DUI enforcement officer to the team this year)

Liquor law violation arrests up from 238 last year to 369 this year so far.

We have issued over 21,000 citations so far this year.

So far, we have not had a single homicide in Nampa in 2008 (2000 was the last year with no homicides reported)

Other Items:

- The murder of Bob and Idella Young in 2003 was solved with the arrest of the suspect, Pete Roberts.
- Dispatch handles about 18,000 calls for service per month; we project that we will handle over 200,000 calls for service in 2008.
- The 911 center handles about 2,200 911 calls per month and about 10,000 non emergency calls per month.
- The Nampa Police Department has booked over 5,000 pieces of evidence into evidence storage.
- The Nampa Police Department now has a training coordinator to help maintain records and classes needed for officers to remain current in POST training hours.
- 659 pieces of evidence have been processed for latent evidence in our crime lab. Our laboratory has received 36 “AFIX” hits on fingerprints recovered from previously “cold cases” with no suspects. We have received 39 “AFIX hits” on fingerprints obtained at the scene of a crime. (as a matter of note, the AFIX machine was approved by council for purchase in FY 08 and its worth is immeasurable)
- Over 200 citizens of Nampa have ridden with our police officers this year, a great tool to let people know what it is our officers do every day.
- We have 55 volunteers with the police department.
- This was the inaugural year for the Police Department to invite the Fire Department to participate in the Citizens Police Academy, making it the Public Safety Academy.



- The Nampa Police Department was awarded the 2008 City Achievement Award from AIC for the Public Safety Academy.
- The Nampa Police Department was chosen to again receive a National Award for the National Night Out crime fair from the National Association of Town Watch.
- We are maintaining officers in the Metro Violent Crime Task Force and in the Drug Enforcement Administration local officer program.
- We have entered into a new MOU with all local police agencies for drug enforcement efforts.

Programs initiated in 2008:

The Nampa Police Department implemented the “Audio Reporting System” in which officers are freed from having to write reports. The program was begun on January 13th and thus far, clerks have transcribed 13,836 reports for officers. If an officer saves 30 minutes over the old system per report, this means that officers of the NPD were on patrol almost 7,000 more hours this year over last.

Districting Plan of Policing:

In spring of 08, in an effort to be more responsive to people living in each geographical area of town, we assigned officers to work one of four districts for an entire year. I then assigned a Lieutenant to be the commander of that district. This assures that officers have responsibility for things which occur in their district and that people may know who the officers are. We also began to hold district town halls meetings in which we went to the districts and showed residents and business owners what our problems were in the area, and to elicit information from people as to what they perceive to be problems where they live. We will have these town hall meetings quarterly and our next ones will be held after the holidays.

Staged Police Cars:

Rather than have spare police cars sitting in a parking lot across from the station, we now place these cars in neighborhoods around town and in areas where there is a high incidence of traffic violations such as speeding and red light violations. We have received many appreciative phone calls for this program. It makes people aware of their driving and also may deter vandalism and other crimes in our neighborhoods.

GREAT:

This was the first year our School Resource Officers have taught a gang resistance curriculum in the Nampa School District. The Gang Resistance Education And Training



curriculum was presented to our 5th Grade kids. We feel that this curriculum is an important addition to the SRO program. The program teaches kids how to be self confident and to say no to risky behaviors and influences.

SMART:

This program is designed to assign School Resource Officers to kids and give them a positive role model. The officers took the kids to local parks, gyms, skating and other venues. The emphasis of the program is that kids spend too much time in front of the television and games and they need to spend more time outside.

Mountain Bike Patrol:

The Nampa Police resurrected a program which was scrapped years ago, the bike team. This past summer, we placed SRO's on bikes and tasked them with patrol of the neighborhoods, shopping centers and green belts. The team's main goal was to make contact with people and represent the Nampa Police Department. The same team managed special events such as parades, the Snake River Stampede Rodeo and other events. The use of the team dramatically cut overtime costs to the City for these events and they did a great job.

Community Service Officers:

We took the existing Community Service Officers from their desk jobs and placed them in the field with marked cars to assist patrol in taking calls and assisting citizens.

"Residential Action Team" was re assigned as the "Street Crimes Unit":

With this action, they were taken out of a normal patrol call schedule and responsibility and now work a floating schedule which will allow them to respond to problems in our neighborhoods more efficiently and work as a team. The unit is tasked with working closely with the Special Investigative Unit and to operate as a uniformed/mobile division of the SIU. The unit targets criminal gangs and drug issues throughout the City.

Fire Department

For the first time in many years, the Fire Department experienced a drop in the number of calls for service for the year. A leveling off of population increases would account for a leveling off of calls, but a drop must be attributed to another cause. While it is impossible to prove, we believe that perhaps the efforts of our Fire Prevention staff and particularly our Public Education efforts may be paying off. Statistically you cannot prove an incident that was prevented, but the trends can be identified and throughout the year the trend has been downward.



Response times have been good throughout the city with the exception of the southwest areas. The distances involved with responding to that area are keeping our average times above our goal and we hope to address that in the future as the economy recovers.

Station #5 in the east part of the City saw its first complete year of service and we are very pleased with the impact it has had on responses to that area. It's proximity to the Interstate has proven to be valuable, especially in light of the major work being done to I-84 and all of the complications that have ensued. It was in a good spot for the response to the multi casualty incident at the bridge collapse on Robinson Road on October 27th.

Station #5 was also the site of our first cooperative effort with Southwest District Health in practicing the Point of Distribution concept. In the event of a pandemic or other health emergency that requires a large number of our citizens to be vaccinated, one concept is to have them drive to a local fire station and proceed through the vaccination process while still in their cars thus serving a large number of people in a very short time. Utilizing this concept with Flu shots gave the district and the department an opportunity to try it out and to identify ways to make it happen in the event of a real incident. The experience was positive and will be expanded next year and may include more than just one station. The demographics of Fire Station #4's area in West Nampa make it a prime location for this expansion.

Cooperation with the Nampa Fire Protection District remains high and this year resulted in the creation of the Major Acquisition Fund (MAP Fund). This fund allows the city to expand its buying power and address the capital equipment needs of the Fire Department at a much reduced cost to the citizens of the city. Councilwoman Pam White sits as a trustee of the MAP Fund and represents the city in the purchases.

The Fire Department provided CPR and First Aid training to 183 City Employees outside of the Fire Department last year. This training makes the city safer for both the employees and the citizens. City employees are regularly out and about in the community and the chance that they could happen upon an accident or sudden illness can now be faced with a much higher level of preparedness.

The radio system upgrade that has been planned for several years was completed in 2008. This upgrade, funded by 911 fees and the Fire Protection District installed a series of receivers throughout the community that take the signal from the firefighter's handheld or mobile radio and boost it up to an antenna at Ridgecrest Golf Course. Ridgecrest then sends the signal out to dispatch and all other units. This goes a long way to eliminating dead spots in the city and district and enhances firefighter safety. Two new towers were erected as a part of the system on 11th Avenue North extension and on Happy Valley road near Columbia High School.



With the assistance of an outside facilitator, the Fire Department reviewed its mission statement and values this year. After two days of workshops and several opportunities to provide input online, the members of the department chose to retain the mission statement but to modify its list of values. The mission of the Nampa Fire Department remains **“To honorably serve our community in a safe, prompt, professional manner.”** We take pride in fulfilling our mission to the Citizens of Nampa.

Department of Building Safety & Facilities Development

The two divisions that make up the Department of Building Safety & Facilities Development have been working independently and collaboratively on many fronts, with an emphasis on cost savings. The Building Safety Division implemented an **online plans submittal and approval process for new residential construction**. This service enhancement will not only save the development community time and money it will also streamline our permitting processes. Additionally, in conjunction with our outstanding I.S. Department, we’re proud to have **finalized the deployment of our online permitting technology for electrical, plumbing and mechanical permits, which allows contractors to apply and obtain the permits online, to request inspections, and to track the progress and status of those inspections in real-time** as they are completed by the City’s Inspection staff.

Additionally, the plan review staff from the Building, Engineering, and Planning Departments have joined together to consolidate their services into one central location. **This has benefited our customers by providing the ease of a “one-stop” shop permitting location, and has assisted our plan review staff with an avenue for better coordination, communication, consistency, and thoroughness.** This consolidation has been a tremendous success because of the character, commitment and collaboration of its people.

The City permitted **construction projects valued at approximately \$107,401,000 in 2008 and the number of new single family dwelling units totaled around 257.** By comparison these numbers are similar to the construction activity experienced during the years 1992 -1995. **It is notable that the majority of the construction took place in areas other than residential.**

With the reorganization combining the Building Safety with Facilities operations into a single department, we are **continually discovering new ways to save taxpayer dollars.** One of the most exciting involves the **utilization of our journeymen electrical, plumbing and HVAC inspectors in the maintenance of the City’s 570,000 square feet of City owned buildings.**



In looking at the many improvements initiated by our facilities operations, including some of the preventative maintenance programs, it is notable that our trades' professionals performed work on the following projects:

- Idaho Center Ventilation Upgrade: Through a cooperative effort with Building Safety staff and the Idaho Center management we completed an air filtration project for the primary air handling systems. This will increase efficiencies in the system and provide clean filtered air to the arena.
- Preventative Roof Maintenance: As part of our roof inspection program we were able to identify various roofing deficiencies. We were able to upgrade the roofing and gutter systems at the Magnum Building and at the Vehicle Maintenance shop.
- HVAC Upgrades: In FY08 we identified that two furnaces at the Centennial Golf Course Club House and one roof top mounted unit at the Civic Center were failing and had begun to allow carbon monoxide gas to enter the occupied spaces. We administered the replacement of these units to return the working condition back to a safe and comfortable level.
- Lighting Upgrades: We are continuing to seek out energy conservation measures. Working with Idaho Power we are replacing the old inefficient lighting throughout the Civic Center and we are installing new T8 bulbs with electronic ballasts. This will decrease the electrical energy consumption at the Civic Center.
- Energy Incentive Measures: We have begun the installation of motion activated switches in place of traditional light switches as an energy saving measure. Again, working with Idaho Power this is eligible for incentive rebates.
- Maintenance and Repair Programs: With the combined efforts of Facilities and Building Safety we continue to expand our service and repair capabilities. The Building Safety Inspectors provide many levels of abilities from plumbing, electrical, roofing, building, HVAC, and many others. This has allowed Facilities to expand and offer more types of quality "in-house" service at a greatly reduced overall cost to the City.

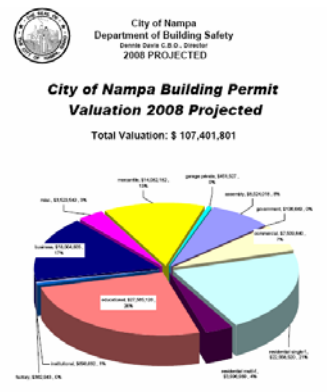
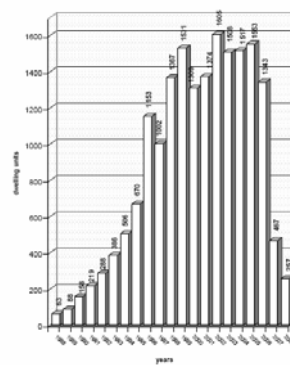
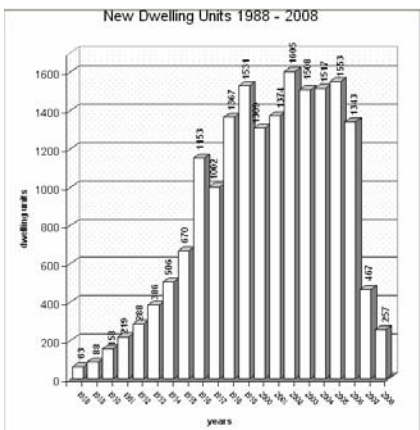
Our Facilities Development operation has also been instrumental in the execution and completion of the following projects/programs:

- Custodial Services: As Facilities expands the custodial operation to encompass more buildings throughout the City we have been able to implement our program



which encourages the use of environmentally safe cleaning products and a standardized cleaning process.

- **Contract and Program Management:** We assisted the Nampa Recreation Center in placing their HVAC equipment under a contract to monitor the quality and value of the maintenance program. We have accomplished the same with a number of the other City buildings. We have been able to establish Facilities as a reliable link to securing and monitoring outside services from a variety of vendors to ensure that all of the City needs are met in a cost effective manner.
- **Nampa Airport Café remodel:** Working with the Nampa Municipal Airport Management we completed the remodel of the café in the terminal building. By furnishing internal labor on many of the tasks we were able to help minimize the overall costs for the project.
- **Family Justice Center HVAC:** When the primary cooling for the Detectives area at the FJC failed we administered the installation of a new heating and cooling unit. This combined with ductwork modifications brought the systems up to code.
- **Recycling Program:** We have continued to expand the recycling program and we now have recycling available for the Police Station and the Administration Building. We are now collecting ink cartridges and toner in addition to the paper, cardboard, aluminum, and plastic.
- **Police Training Building Basement Stairs:** Facilities has overseen the installation of a new stairwell and entry for the basement of the Police Training Building. This will help to bring the basement into code compliance.





Economic Development Department

Economic Development

- Responded to nearly 20 RFQ's for companies considering a new location.
- Hosted 5 major company site visits in 2008.
- In cooperation with BVEP, hosted tours in Nampa for 16 site location consultants in 2008.
- Met with more than 25 corporate real estate consultants around the country.
- Met one on one with 14 development companies marketing our downtown redevelopment project.
- Traveled to Portland, Los Angeles, San Diego, Atlanta, Oklahoma City, Orlando, Las Vegas, Phoenix, Chicago, Cleveland and Dallas on marketing trips in 2008.

Downtown

What happened downtown in 2008?

- Arts Commission formed to promote public art and identify funding opportunities
- Crosswalks reconstruction completed with brick pavers on five downtown intersections.
- Façade Program worked with 5 building owners – Murdoch Finance, Ed Schiller, Hong Kong Restaurant, Trust Realty and LeBaron's Honker Café.
 - o Over the life of the program approximately \$278,000 public dollars have been allocated including a grant from the Idaho Heritage Trust. Those dollars generated more than \$285,000 invested in the exterior facades not including the extensive work done to many of the interiors.
 - Buildings assisted with construction are:
 - Urban Shed
 - Masonic Temple
 - Bank of Nampa – Ed Schiller
 - Murdoch Finance
 - LeBaron's Honker Café
 - Trust Realty
 - Hong Kong Restaurant
 - o Buildings receiving design assistance:
 - Blue Eye Building
 - Village Square
 - Ice Cream Shop (independently made improvements)
 - Burns and Fox Building (received small project dollars)
 - Dewey Scales Building (received small project dollars)



- Keeney Insurance (they also received \$5,000 for a small project from the Historic Preservation Commission)
- Land Acquisition for the new Public Safety Building
- Land Acquisition for the new Library
- Architectural documents completed for the public safety building
- Concept drawings completed for the library and site development.
- New street lighting on 16th Avenue North installed utilizing funds from the old Urban Renewal Agency.

What is on the horizon for 2009?

- Public Art piece on 11th Ave North – Train Mural and arch
- Streetscape master plan for the three downtown districts.
- New downtown parking lot located on Front St. between 13th and 14th Ave and 10th and 2nd St. – NDC Project
- \$1 million upgrade to the downtown water system, to add capacity to the oldest part of the City’s water system.
- Downtown WiFi system – Grant from Capital Matrix

Grants

- I. During calendar year 2008, the City of Nampa was awarded over \$520,000 in grant revenue (not including grants awarded to the Nampa Airport).¹
- II. Highlights of 2008 grant awards include:

\$18,000	Capital Matrix award to provide WIFI internet access in the historic downtown core
\$109,000	Safe Routes to Schools (Idaho Transportation Department) to provide safe passages and educational activities to encourage children to walk or bike to school
\$41,480	Idaho Commission for Libraries to provide innovative Saturday programming and outreach at the Nampa Public Library
\$176,281	Idaho State Police to provide support for the Nampa Police Department and the Family Justice Center
- III. As of December 17, 2008, \$162,286 was pending in grant applications that were submitted during 2008.
- IV. City Departments with 2008 grant activity include:

¹ This includes \$339,761 written or coordinated by the city’s grant writer plus \$179,441 written and submitted by city departments.



Family Justice Center
Recreation Center
Public Works
Civic Center
Nampa Public Library
Recreation Department
Idaho Center and Horse Park
Fire Department
Police Department
Community and Economic Development

- V. In 2008, the City of Nampa received recognition as a *Playful City USA* in response to an application written by the city grant writer in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Department.

Community Development

- Hosted the most well attended Idaho Annual Fair Housing Conference with over 300 attendees
- Expended over \$750,000 in grant funding to provide services for the Homeless, transportation for Seniors, At-Risk Youth alternative education, provide housing down payment assistance, assist with historic building rehabilitation and improve city infrastructure (downtown crosswalks, pedestrian ramps, and wastewater line extension)
 - o Provided 4 grants to downtown business owners with the rehabilitation of facades on Historic Buildings (Old Bank of Nampa, Murdoch, LeBaron's Honker Café, Realty Trust) –
 - o Completed the reconstruction of crosswalks in Downtown Nampa
 - o Provided down-payment assistance grants for 5 low income families to assist in obtaining Homeownership

Code Enforcement

- Successfully mitigated 15,274 multiple property issues and gained 85% (195) voluntary compliance rate of all reported vehicle issues.
- Launched Operation CONDOR designed to sustain neighborhood livability within a specific zone in the City. Program gained 90.3% voluntary compliance rating using a team directed approach in a critical low to middle income (LMI) neighborhood in the city.



- Education and consistency for reduction of illegal signs proved successful by greater than 64% decrease and a difference of 1251 signs.
- Improved residential neighborhood aesthetic with over 300 volunteers for Brush Up Nampa completing 14 houses in LMI areas.
- Hosted a banner year of volunteers during Operation Rake Up Nampa involving over 450 people completing 60 properties for our seniors and disabled residents.
- Developed Community Response Teams within the University District of the City of which College Church of the Nazarene and University Professors/Students completed 20 local area projects for neighborhood enhancement within the district.
- North Central Nampa Community Teams organized to complete 8 projects to enhance their neighborhood aesthetics. These teams were also instrumental to the successful eradication of over 12 major graffiti incidents.
- Parking Division ensured lot improvements on 4 major parking lots in the downtown corridor to enhance functionality and customer support.
- CE Implemented a standard of action plan in cooperation with financial institutions in order to mitigate neighborhood properties impacted by economic circumstances of 2008.
- General Statistics are as follows:
CE Actions = 15,274
Vehicles Tagged = 227
Illegal Signs Removed = 712

Family Justice Center

How Many Clients/Survivors Did We Serve:

In 2008 the Nampa FJC served 1624 victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse. This was an 18% INCREASE over the previous year. Of these clients, 46% (or 754 victims) of them were NEW clients seeking services for the first time. With this increase in victim services, it is apparent that the Nampa Family Justice Center IS making a difference in our City. The endless work and dedication, not to mention the complete cooperation and collaboration between so many local, state and non-profit agencies, is making a difference in the lives of abused women and children.

Volunteerism:

The Family Justice Center has been blessed with some very dedicated volunteers that work endlessly to help run the FJC. In 2008, volunteers logged 852 hours of service helping with fundraising, bookkeeping, and client services. Based on the National rate for volunteer hours, this equates to a savings of \$16,622.52 for work completed for domestic violence and child abuse victims in our community.



Where Do Our Clients Come From:

City of Nampa = 67%; Canyon County = 11%; Other = 22% (Region 3 and Ada County)

How Are We Doing:

The City of Nampa and the Family Justice Center has enjoyed increased national exposure because of its support and commitment to ending family violence. The Nampa Family Justice Center, once again has been featured as a “Best Practice” Family Justice Center collaborative model with a second spotlight presentation at the International Family Justice Center Conference in San Diego; The NFJC has been asked to present its model along with FJC’s from Tacoma, WA and Boston, MA at the National College of District Attorney’s Conference on Domestic Violence; Additionally, Nampa has completed its first formal program evaluation in collaboration with Boise State University’s Department of Criminal Justice. The evaluation recognized and validated several findings: 1) “The NFJC has led to better communication and team-work among agencies; 2) “The NFJC has resulted in improvements to the quality of services for victims of domestic violence, child abuse and sexual assault.”; and 3) “The NFJC provides enhanced services to victims as compared to available services prior to the creation of the FJC.”

Public Works Department & Divisions

Public Works Administration

- Hired a new City Engineer – Lenard Grady, P.E.
 - Lenard’s knowledge and experience is a great addition to the Public Works Department and the City of Nampa.
- Hired a Senior Transportation Planner – Clair Bowman
 - Clair’s experience in planning and the federal aide process has leaped the City forward considerably in the transportation planning arena
- Developed and implemented a new Pavement Management Program:
 - Inspected, inventoried, evaluated, and ranked all 360 plus miles of roadways within the City
 - Implemented an ongoing annual process for pavement evaluation and prioritization
 - Implemented a new maintenance procedures for asphalt surfaces



- Increased service evaluation areas from approximately 25 miles per year and five year cycle to approximately 50 miles per year and seven year cycle
- Birch Latecomer Agreement
 - Finalized the financing and repayment package for the public private partnership
 - Began collection of fees to recuperate expended funds of both private and City participants
- Implemented 2009-2010 Request for Qualifications for Miscellaneous Professional Services Term Agreement
 - This Qualification Based Selection procurement process includes professionals involved with architectural, engineering, landscape architecture, geotechnical, and surveying services
 - Received 67 submittals
 - Negotiation of fees and contracting has begun with first-choice firms
 - This process aids the City in creating a qualified hiring roster to assist with on-going City projects for which the professional service fee is anticipated to exceed \$25,000
 - Also formalizing a process which the professional service fee is anticipated to be less than \$25,000

GO Bond Projects

- Completed Midland and Cherry Improvements project the last of the GO Bond projects. All projects completed on budget and final project reconciliation is complete

Airport Division

- Secured a new Airport Café Lease
 - Robin Moore dba Starving Marvin's
 - Nothing but good reports on the quality of food and the operations
- Thunder Over Nampa Air Show
 - Partnership with Idaho Meth Project Fundraiser
- Complete Parallel Taxiway Relocation
 - Final portion of a five year project
 - Provides significant safety improvements to the Airport
 - Funded through FAA grant with City 2.5% match
 - Total five year project cost \$3,804,031.00



- Total five year cost to the City \$96,384.00
- Airport Master Plan (in process)
 - Completed consultant selection of Airport Master Plan (Kimley-Horn and Associates)
 - Developed Technical Advisory Committee
 - Completed airport inventory
 - Completed Aviation Activity Forecasts
 - Anticipated completion of Master Plan is 2009
- Statistics
 - Attracted three new businesses
 - Nampa Aircraft Interiors
 - Owyhee Air, LLC
 - Starvin Marvin's Blue Sky Café
 - Total based aircraft
 - 341
 - 6% increase
 - Increase of corporate use

Engineering Division

- Cheryl Jenkins promoted to Storm Water Manager
 - Cheryl is taking the lead on the pending EPA storm water permit and leading the City's storm water program into the future
- Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Permit (MS4)
 - Received Draft Storm Water Permit from EPA
 - Coordinated the response for the draft storm water permit with several Canyon County agencies
 - Expect Final Permit issuance in early 2009
- Cassia Street
 - Completed concept design
 - Held neighborhood meetings to evaluate the proposed alternatives
 - Construction funding pending
- Elder LID
 - Initiated a water and sewer LID for the Elder Subdivision
 - Held public meetings and started the LID process
 - Construction expected next year



- Master Plan Demographics Study (Completed)
 - A conservative growth and demographics model with a far reaching look into the future of the City of Nampa
 - Used for all subsequent Public Works master plans
- Sewer Collection System Master Plan
 - Initiated Master Plan
 - Completion expected first of Calendar Year 2009
- Pressure Irrigation System Master Plan (Completed)
 - Evaluated the irrigation system to substantial build-out of the City
 - Will provide a guide for years to come
- Water System Master Plan
 - Evaluated supply and system needs to guide future capital decisions
 - Evaluated the water system to substantial build-out of the City
 - Will provide a guide for years to come
 - Completion expected first of Calendar Year 2009
- Water Rights Master Plan (in process)
 - Completed evaluation of existing domestic water rights
 - In 2009 will evaluate future domestic water rights needs
 - In 2009 will evaluate existing and future water rights and irrigation share needs
- Transportation Master Plan (in process)
 - Completed consultant selection (URS Washington Group)
 - Completed contract negotiation
 - Completed traffic counting
 - First substantial look at all roadway needs in many years
 - Final completion expected early 2010
- GIS Master Plan (Complete)
 - Review of existing staff
 - Review of potential uses for GIS
 - Recommendations for improvement and needed equipment
 - Valuable guide and tool to use into the future
- Flood Plain
 - Engineering Division was assigned flood plain management responsibility
 - Received Draft Flood Plain designation from FEMA



- Filed a joint appeal with the City of Caldwell on the Draft Flood Plain
- Final results unknown

- Construction Contracting
 - Implemented new contracting provisions for construction projects in Nampa
 - Implemented a new construction contracting closeout procedures
 - Improved construction cost tracking

- Water Modeling
 - Performing all computer based water modeling in house for the City
 - Internal promotion of existing staff (Daniel Badger)
 - Expected to reduce consultant costs by over \$100,000 annually
 - Provide more immediate access to information
 - Improves cooperation between the Engineering Division, Planning, and Fire Departments
 - Improved Internal Customer Service
 - Provide bidding, construction management, and technical assistance for all Public Works and Divisions as well as assisting the Parks, Building, and Economic Development Departments
 - Increased utilization of internal design and survey staff and equipment
 - Kick-off of GIS support of GPS location of approximately 27,000 water meters that will be used for water modeling, rate studies, billing and inventory management

Streets Division

- Hired three new equipment operators

- Bridge and Culvert Inspection Program
 - Inspected 25 culverts and bridges
 - Found three in failing condition
 - Completed design and are under construction on two
 - Construction to be completed prior to spring 2009
 - Closed third bridge – design and construction pending

- Star and Franklin Roundabout
 - First Federally funded roundabout in Idaho
 - Design complete
 - Right-of-way negotiations to begin in 2009

- 11th Avenue Lighting and Lighted Crosswalk



- Evaluated existing pedestrian hazard
- Completed replacement of lighting along 11th Avenue
- Installed new pedestrian activated flashing crosswalk
- Total construction cost of improvements \$175,449.14

- Amity Avenue
 - Completed consultant selection to move earmarked project forward (H.W. Lochner)
 - Completed evaluation of segment alternatives
 - Met with property owners
 - Held well attended community meeting
 - Selected preferred segment of Chestnut to Kings Corner Overpass
 - Reduced City project obligation from nearly \$2 million to approximately \$500,000
 - Environmental documentation and right-of-way acquisition expected to begin in 2009
 - Construction expected 2011 or 2012

- Lake Lowell and Midland Roundabout
 - Completed evaluation for needed intersection improvements
 - Completed design of new roundabout
 - Begin right-of-way negotiations
 - Construction to be complete in 2009
 - Estimated costs (\$1.2 million)

- Orchard and Middleton Roundabout
 - Joint project with the Nampa Highway District
 - Completed consultant selection and design
 - Right-of-way negotiations ongoing
 - Construction in 2009

- Midland Boulevard Restriping
 - Evaluated increasing capacity on Midland Boulevard
 - Significantly increased capacity from Orchard to Nampa Caldwell Boulevard
 - Increased lanes from three to five

- CDBG Pedestrian Ramps (two projects)
 - Completed the design and construction of pedestrian ramps in north Nampa
 - Completed 19 pedestrian ramps and intersection improvements
 - Funded by Community Development Block Grant Funds



- Total of two projects \$141,418.39
- 16th Avenue Bridge Deck Reconstruction
 - Design complete
 - Construction expected spring 2009
 - Total cost for design and construction approximately \$3 million
 - In coordination, the City also plans to resurface 16th Avenue from the bridge structure to Garrity Avenue in 2009
- Mason Creek and Ethel Drive Storm Drainage
 - Constructed storm drainage treatment facility
 - Includes relocation of piping from under existing dwellings
 - Should alleviate existing flooding location
 - Includes landscaping and fencing of existing wastewater lift station
- Birch Lane Curb Realignment
 - Completed design and construction of curbing along Birch Lane
 - Construction of 390 lineal feet will allow restriping to three lanes and increasing capacity of three quarters of a mile of roadway
- Madison Avenue Road Rebuild (RX Elite)
 - Reconstruction of a half mile of roadway to serve new industrial area
 - Joint project between the City of Nampa, Nampa Highway District, and private development
 - Includes upgrades of irrigation facilities
- State Highway 55 Corridor Study
 - Joined corridor study with ITD, Caldwell and Canyon Highway District
 - Corridor review from Karcher Interchange to Marsing
 - Will help facility future roadway construction and setback requirements to ultimate roadway
 - Beginning of study is underway
- Karcher Middleton Intersection
 - Project created in preparation for transportation improvement program
 - Preliminary concept report completed by ITD
 - Right-of-way dedication received by Karcher Church of the Nazarene for future road widening
 - City committed highway funds from Airport Road Project for approximately half of construction costs



- Internal Construction Projects
 - Reconstruction of:
 - Freemont Street
 - Greenhurst
 - Railroad tracks on 11th Avenue
 - Doubled magnesium chloride storage area for deicer fluid
 - Added to retention wall for chip storage material
- Pavement Management
 - Immediate benefits of new program recommendations
 - Added fog seal to Midland Boulevard
 - Increased chip retention and marking readability at minimal additional cost
 - Implemented for all arterial and collector street chip seals into the future
- New Equipment Acquisitions
 - Elgin Pelican street sweeper
 - Kenworth water/flusher/deicer
 - Pavement Management Equipment
 - Crack router
 - Crack sealer
 - Slab saw
 - Air compressor
- Statistics
 - Chip sealed 15 miles
 - Painted crosswalks, arrows and centerlines on 122 miles
 - Swept approximately 360 miles
 - Maintenance on approximately 18 miles of alleys
 - Cleaned three-fourths of sand and grease traps citywide
 - Participated in the Pavement Management Survey
 - Four employees completed the Road Scholar Program

Traffic Division

- Conversion of traffic signals to LED
 - Significant energy cost savings expected
- Office Remodel
 - Provided much needed office and warehouse space



- Implemented use of new vinyl sign surfacing material
 - Reduce number of signs replaced due to graffiti
 - Reduce overall sign costs

Vehicle Maintenance Division

- Tune the City Project
 - Due to the rise of fuel costs, steps put into place to begin fine tuning all City vehicles
 - Currently 125 vehicles have been serviced
- Employee Training and Education
 - Importance placed on qualified technicians working on City vehicles
 - Continued ongoing education of staff
 - Four technicians received their Master Automotive Certification through the National Automotive Service Excellence Program
 - Currently employ seven Master Technicians
- Statistics
 - Work Orders Completed

Preventative Maintenance	1,129
Repairs	1,334
Tune-Ups	125
Set-Ups	63
Total Vehicles Serviced	2,651

Wastewater Division

- Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan
 - Complete look at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - Plan for complete build-out of the existing facility
 - Critical look at alternatives and possible scenarios for the pending NPDES Permit
 - Estimate improvements to be \$200 million plus, in the next 20 years
- Pending NPDES Permit Preparation
 - Coordinated discussions and research with all major Treasure Valley municipalities
 - Completed Indian Creek Modeling effort



- New Pretreatment Ordinance
 - Worked with existing industrial users to develop ordinance within required EPA guidelines
 - Due to the collaboration process received no objections upon implementation

- I-84 Sewer Crossing at 11th Avenue
 - Completed design and construction
 - Preliminary budget based on engineers estimate of \$500,000
 - Slip line alternative chosen; total construction cost is less than \$30,000

- Primary Digester No. 3
 - Design complete
 - Will provide required redundancy at the wastewater treatment plant
 - Construction anticipated in 2009 and 2010
 - Estimated cost \$7 to \$10 million

- Nitrification Basin Fine Bubble Upgrade
 - Construction completed
 - Total cost approximately \$3.5 million
 - Completed at approximately \$3 million under engineer's estimate
 - Increased ability to treat ammonia by 40%
 - Included significant energy savings measured
 - Received \$226,000 energy efficiency check from Idaho Power for efficiency upgrades
 - Performance currently exceeds expectations
 - Most significant process change since 1980

- Lift Station 5 Abandonment
 - Abandoned existing lift station
 - Total cost \$54,861.14
 - Annual savings in operation and maintenance significant

- 11th Avenue North Sewer Design
 - Evaluated 4,800 lineal feet of sewer in extremely poor condition
 - Evaluated several design alternatives
 - Total engineering and construction cost approximately \$800,000
 - Construction to begin in 2009



- Fabric Covered Membrane
 - Completed design of fabric covered membrane for sludge drying bed
 - Allows use of drying facilities throughout the winter
 - Significant operating cost reduction to other winter alternatives
- Madison Avenue Sewer Extension (RX Elite)
 - Extension of sewer to new industrial area
 - 100% grant funded

Water and Irrigation Division

- United Water Acquisition
 - Completed acquisition of three small water systems
 - Improved water quality and improved reliability to approximately 150 new customers
 - Acquired new well with an immediate 1,200 gpm supply for the City
- Well 16
 - Completed design and drilling for Well 16
 - Completed well house and treatment facility pilot testing and design
 - Final construction underway
 - First water treatment facility in the City
 - Expected to provide in excess of 3,000 gpm fire flow once construction is completed
- Well 10
 - Completed design and drilling for Well 10
 - Completed well house design
 - Final construction underway
 - Expected to provide in excess of 3,000 gpm supply once construction is completed
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- Prestressed Concrete Water Reservoir
 - 8,047 lineal feet of 24" water supply pipeline completed
 - Construction underway on three million gallon water reservoir
 - Significantly improves water system operation and capacity
 - \$5 million total loan available
 - Construction and engineering expected to be completed for less than 4.3 million



- Happy Valley Irrigation Well
 - Completed design and construction of new supply well for irrigation
 - Facility provides 1,500 gpm of new supply into the irrigation system
 - Completed pipeline installation to interconnect with the irrigation system

- Downtown Water Lines
 - Completed design of water line improvement project to serve all the anticipated needs for a changing downtown
 - Will significantly increase fire flow capacity in the downtown area
 - Construction to be completed spring 2009
 - Total design and construction cost estimated at \$1 million

- Carriage Hill Irrigation Station Rebuild
 - Demolished and rebuilt irrigation pump station with internal staff
 - Project cost to City was \$75,000.00
 - Contracting service cost would have been approximately \$450,000.00
 - Savings to City using internal staff is approximately \$375,000.00

- Historical Downtown Meter Upgrade
 - All meters in the City's downtown historical district replaced with radio read meters

- Statistics
 - 1,907 hydrants flushed
 - 3,745 valves exercised
 - 60 hydrants replaced
 - 1,070 bacteriological tests taken; all passed
 - License upgrades for seven employees
 - Developed Water Division website, in-house
 - Added 700 radio read meters throughout the City

Department of Information Systems

Summary:

The Department of Information Systems achieved many goals over the last year, and continues to support our city employees. Now supporting nearly 650 full and part-time employees and an estimated 82,000 citizens, the IS department is handling 700 cases/tickets and nearly 950 phone calls per month. We are working diligently to continue streamlining our support structure to be able to provide higher levels of service and customer satisfaction, and generate significant recurring cost savings.



Accomplishments:

Over the past year the information services department has achieved numerous goals including:

1. For the third year in a row, the Information Systems Department audited and negotiated telecommunications contracts to realize a savings for the City of Nampa.
 1. Savings generated in 2007: \$50,000.00
 2. Savings generated in 2008: \$24,000.00
 3. Savings negotiated for 2009: \$22,000.00for a grand total of **\$96,000.00** in savings to city taxpayers each year.
2. Implementation of an “Online Utility Bill Payment” system for Central Services.
3. Implementation of an improved “Online Building Permitting” system, including instant online permit fee payments.
4. Consolidation and streamlining printers and copiers at Central Services to realize a savings of \$600.00 annually.
5. Implementation of a Police Report Dictation System utilizing existing systems to save the Police Department more than \$100,000.00 in hardware and software purchases.
6. Nothing tangible to report on the Civic Center this year, outside of what Marie will send... however; look for great things next year. I guarantee it.

Vision:

The IS department continues its focus and dedication to a long-term strategy to further ***reduce operating expenses*** for all city departments. Additionally, we are looking to expand online payment services for more City services over the next year.

Nampa Civic Center

The completion of the 5,500 Sq Foot Expansion of the Civic Center occurred in this last fiscal year with significant contributions from the community to ensure that we continue to set the stage for great events here in Nampa. We were able to thank all the donors and sponsors at an Expansion celebration in November.

We booked over 1,358 events last fiscal year and served over 100,000 people with arts, cultural and community events. There were over 15 events that were multi-day serving over 5,700 guests that required hotel and food in the Nampa area creating a substantial economic impact.



Our “Up with Arts” program once again allowed us to touch the lives of students ensuring that every Nampa student experiences a live performance of music, theater and dance before they graduate. We presented our first Music Theatre Camp for three weeks during summer with 55 student attendees.

We are looking forward to continuing our mission of enriching the fabric of the Nampa community by presenting a variety of cultural events and providing the premier artistic, social and business venue for all.

Nampa Parks & Recreation Department

New Adult Basketball League

- Introduced a 35 and over adult basketball league. In order to accommodate those aging athletes, no fast breaks are allowed in this league.

Playful City USA Designation

- Applied for and received Playful City USA designation through KaBOOM!
- Nampa was the first city in the State of Idaho to receive this recognition. The Playful City USA distinction not only highlights Nampa’s commitment to play, but also gives the city priority for resources and funding opportunities!

Nampa Play Day

- With the efforts of St. Luke’s Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Services, the Parks and Recreation Department partnered with SLERS in hosting a community picnic and Play Day at Lakeview Park. St. Luke’s Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Services, along with other local business, raised money to purchase and donate 8 pieces of adapted play equipment that has been installed at Lakeview Park.
- Other Play Day activities included: free admission to the Nampa Recreation Center, Geocaching at the Nampa Public Library, and Disc Golf demonstration at West Park Disc Golf Course.

Dog Park

- Started Construction of a six acre “off leash” Dog Park located on Amity and 2nd Street near Kings Road Overpass. The park will feature an abundance of trees, shelters, walking paths, benches and separate areas for large and small dogs. The park is scheduled to open in the summer of 2009.



Disc Golf

- Increased play is noticed at our newly established nine (9) hole Disc Golf Course at West Park. Disc Golf is played much like traditional golf. Instead of a ball and clubs, players use a flying disc, or Frisbee®

Forestry

- The City of Nampa was awarded Tree City USA status for the 10th consecutive year. The Forestry Division planted nearly 125 trees in our parks and city right-of-ways.

Landscaping

- The Parks Department established new landscaping for the Boys and Girls Club and finished landscaping for the new entrance to the Sport Complex at the Idaho Center

Cemetery Accomplishments

- Have updated the Cemetery burial website search capabilities. Currently working to provide a link that will provide search options to find Veterans buried in the Cemetery.

Nampa Recreation Center

NRC Scholarship Program

- The Nampa Recreation Center's Scholarship Program continues to be a successful method of helping those individuals and families who need extra support. The volunteer committee has strived to meet the program's mission of "encouraging healthy lifestyles within all socioeconomic groups and ages. This mission is accomplished by providing financial assistance in part or whole to community members who illustrate they have a circumstance or financial need to participate in exercise, wellness, and leisure activities."

This past year, \$15,768 was raised for the Nampa Recreation Center Scholarship Program. With this, 180 scholarships were awarded that allowed individuals/families to use the Nampa Recreation Center. This is an increase of 88 scholarships compared to the previous year.

New Group Fitness Offerings

- With improvements in our group fitness division, the Nampa Recreation Center has improved the variety and quality of fitness programs. New programs such as Chisel, Hard CORE Fusion, Basic Boot Camp, and Zumba have been added to keep participants in shape.



Exercise Equipment

- Many new pieces of cardio equipment have been added that either replace worn out machines or are in addition to our current equipment. The highlight of this year's new equipment is the addition of four Espresso Bikes. They are stationary bicycles that feature video game like interaction on a television screen. They allow the user to experience simulated races in various settings which adds an element of fun to your cardio workout. They are also linked to the internet which allows users to race others who may have access to this piece of equipment anywhere in the world. These innovative pieces of workout equipment, plus the traditional pieces, give the Nampa Recreation Center an updated and modern presence in an increasingly competitive market.

Sauna

- The sauna at the Nampa Recreation Center was rebuilt in FY 2008. With the deteriorating cedar wood paneling that was badly stained and warped, many patrons were complaining about the sauna's aged and dirty appearance. The old cedar paneling was removed from the walls and ceiling and replaced with new, giving the room a much improved and cleaner look. The old benches, heating elements, and door were cleaned and reused since they were in decent shape and would be costly to replace. Overall, the project was met with extreme gratitude and compliments from the public.

Play Center Yard

- A rubber safety-rated play surface was added to the outside play yard at the Play Center. The play area was often unusable due to the wet ground prior to the renovation. The addition allows the children to play outside more and creates a safer environment for play.

NRC Facts & Figures

- FY 2008 memberships sold = 6,116 (representing approximately 13,841 members)
- FY 2008 program participants = 15,057 (counted once per registration for NRC & NRD)
- FY 2008 NRC admittance = 526,807 (including an estimate of 116,637 for NRC program participation)
- 56% of all FY 2008 registered program activities took place at the Nampa Recreation Center



Ridgecrest & Centennial Golf

Here is the information for both Centennial Golf Course and Ridgecrest Golf Club.

- Centennial Golf Course remains a favorite in the Treasure Valley with over 40,000 rounds of golf annually.
- This past year work was completed on the practice bunker improving the amenities for those looking to sharpen their game.
- Centennial Golf Course continues to upgrade the irrigation system to help improve turf grass conditions, conserve water and run more efficient. This past year we completed work on a new pump station and will be replacing all irrigation sprinkles and controllers in 2009.
- Ridgecrest Golf Club remains one of Idaho's Premier Golf Facilities and was awarded four stars by Golf Digest for the eleventh straight year.
- Junior golf and family access programs continue to grow with Family Fun Nights scheduled for every weekend in 2009.
- Ridgecrest Golf Club also had just over 40,000 rounds of golf played (this included the championship and Wee-9 courses).

With all things considered both facilities held there own in 2008. Weather continues to be a driving factor on rounds of golf and the dip in the economy has played a small factor on dollar per round figures.

Planning Department

- **Subdivision Final Plats.** A total of **11** subdivision final plats were recorded during 2008 providing an additional **295** lots for construction within the City of Nampa.
- **Vacant Residential Subdivision Lots.** At the end of 2008 a total of **1,688** recorded residential subdivision lots were vacant and available for new home construction within the City of Nampa.
- **Annexation.** The total area of all lands annexed into the City of Nampa during 2008 was **236** acres or **.37** sq. miles.
- **Planning & Zoning Requests:** A total of 152 planning & zoning applications were being processed through the Planning Commission and City Council by the end of May, 2008: 37 Conditional Use/Special Exception Permits, 7 Zoning Changes, 23 Zoning Variances, 20 Annexations into City Limits, 5 Street or Easement Vacations,



19 Preliminary/Final Subdivision Plats, and 41 Building & Site Design Standards Reviews.

- **Specific Area Plans:** Considerable work has been completed on the NNU District Neighborhood Plan with expected adoption during 2009.
- **Zoning Code Amendments:** Several amendments to the zoning ordinance were completed to clarify and update code: Adding an exception to building and site design standards for existing facades unless they are actually being physically altered. Adding design standards for building & site design, application procedures, and appeals in the GB zones in relation to a) structure placement, building exteriors, exterior finish materials, mechanical units, and overhead doors, b) lighting, c) building orientation, d) fencing/screening, e) trash receptacles, and f) pedestrian pathways. Replacing the 1983 downtown BID Revitalization Plan provisions for landscaping and street amenities with specified standards for bollards, bulb outs, trees, tree grates, street lighting, stamped concrete, trash cans, sprinkler systems, and benches. Adding design standards for the repainting of facades of existing buildings in the BC zoning district. Adding specified landscaping standards for the Airport Corridor Landscaping District. Listing Governmental Emergency Buildings under the Service and Office Land Use/Building Occupancy Type as permitted uses in all land use districts/zones. Adding a severability clause. Clarifying certificate of occupancy & violation provisions. Clarifying building height exceptions and adding to yard, frontage, and access regulations. Clarifying provisions for perimeter fencing. Adding to miscellaneous and temporary use provisions. Clarifying development agreement provisions. Adding land use controls for congregate residences, group residences, transition group homes, dwellings for sex offenders, governmental water/pressure irrigation and/or sewer lift stations, and recycling yard and/or business, and adjusting other controls. Adding provisions for interpreting zoning when parcels are split zoned. Clarifying lot/parcel legal access to public street provisions for all zones. Clarifying off street parking and loading provisions. Amending parking area design and drive regulations. Clarifying parking area improvement and plan requirements. Prohibiting temporary/portable signs in landscape strips of the Garrity Blvd. parking district. Adding certain type signs as prohibited and/or exempted. Adding provisions for bus benches with signs. Prohibiting electronic reader boards in downtown sub districts. Clarifying other sign type and location provisions. Modernizing and streamlining the PUD ordinance. Amending ownership and maintenance provisions for subdivision common area amenities. Amending locational requirements for mobile homes. Changing the length of occupancy provisions for RV parks. Clarifying corridor landscaping relations and exceptions.



Library

STATISTICS from the **fy2008** Idaho Public Library Survey, which will be certified for submission to the Idaho State Library at the January 2008 meeting of the library board:

¶ **Community residents made 235,977 visits to the library**

- An average of 1,079 per day

¶ **While they were here they checked out 662,525 items**

- An average of 239 per hour open

EVENTS & SERVICES (*photos available for most items*)

- Dr. Kim Keller and Eric Muhr joined the library Board of Trustees
- Community Outreach: Nampa Public Library had a very lively presence, including appearances of Booker Bee and a spinning wheel for book prizes, at both the Health Fair in April and the Safety Fair in September. We had materials on display at the Senior Faire in October.
- School Outreach: Visits succeeded in breaking records for number of children reached and effectiveness in motivating children to read and to participate in library programs. 8,000 youth in 20 schools enjoyed the summer reading promotion.
- Summer Reading had over 2,882 participants, with over 1,400 meeting goals and going home with a book of their choice for their home library. The summer Kick-Off and storytimes drew larger crowds than in former years.
- 72 teen volunteers contributed over 1,200 hours to the summer program.
- The library's teen TALK group planned a very successful party for the release of the final book in the Twilight Series, *Breaking Dawn*. Teens attending: 90.
- Saturday Programming enabled literacy and cultural programming for Nampans whose schedules and family circumstances make it difficult for them to attend weekday programs. Family storytime & craft, Chess club and Wii games, Reading dogs and other programs made a difference to many.
- Preparing children to succeed in school: A series of 6 weekly parent/caregiver workshops reached parents and their young children with pre-literacy training during September through October. It was part of the 'Every Child Ready to Read' grant, with funding from the State of Idaho.



RESOURCES

- Special purchases enabled marketing displays on new items on topics of: Books made into movies, Family History, Indoor Hobbies, Self Help, and Animals Everywhere!
- Our youngest customers now enjoy 274 brand new board books.
- We added interactive wall panels and displays on the floor to encourage parents and children to practice early literacy skills when visiting the library, and gain ideas for further learning at home

GRANTS, AWARDS & DONATIONS

- Every Child Ready to Read (\$5,000 State of Idaho funds)
- LSTA grant for Multigenerational Saturday Programming (photos available)
- Five LSTA grants for conference attendance
- One LSTA grant for graduate level tuition
- \$1,000 from Target to support Summer Reading
- The Friends of Nampa Library contributed \$1,100 targeted projects including a summer storyteller, teen volunteer support and an online calendar program.
- Laura Abbott was awarded the Idaho Library Association annual scholarship for graduate education.

BUILDING (current facility)

- New shelving was added for nonfiction, CDs and DVDs, and great quantities of books were shifted to make the collection more accessible.
- New shelving end panels now display materials and encourage serendipity.
- Additional code issues were addressed, including work on the elevator and handicapped lift.

FUTURE BUILDING

- The Board of Trustees and library administration met with Modus Architects for elevations illustrating multiple uses on the new library block, to include a multilevel parking structure, retail and office spaces (illustration available) 2/08
- The Nampa Public Library Foundation received 501c3 status (4/08) and selected an initial fundraising project to support library programming.



Clerks Office

Clerks Office was honored in July by being invited to Sun Valley along with the IS Department to give a presentation at the Laser Fiche Conference where the City of Nampa received the Visionary Award of the Year from Laser fiche and United Micro Data for being a leader in getting all the City Departments on board with Laser fiche. The Clerk's office was the first Department in the City of Nampa to begin using Laser fiche as their electronic filing system about 8 years ago and then with the help of IS other departments started following suit when they were looking for software for electronic filing. We were quite honored to receive this award.

As you know the Clerks office mainly pushes mountains of paper so some of our other accomplishments this past year are:

- Scanned and filed two years worth of backlog of Tort Claims into Laser fiche
- Organized and scanned 20 years worth of Planning and Zoning Minutes into Laser fiche
- Organized and scanned 10 years worth of Nampa Housing Authority Minutes
- We also survived another General Election, even though this was not a City Election the Clerks office was extremely busy the entire month of October registering people to vote and fielding election questions.

We still stay extremely busy with our limited staff of three.

Mayor's Teen Council

The Nampa Mayor's Teen Council is making a difference in our community. They participated in Rake Up Nampa, volunteered as youth leaders at the Wellness Fest, and volunteered at the Flight Against Meth air show. Over two years they raised a combined total of \$983.21 ringing bells for the Salvation Army. Last Christmas they adopted a family of six for Christmas, this Christmas they adopted a single mom and her three boys providing presents, stockings and Christmas dinner, with the help of Sam D'Orazio and Centennial Job Corps.

Twenty eight Teen Council members and chaperones volunteered as a group at the Special Olympic World Invitational Games. They were Athlete Buddies and assisted Special Olympic Athletes through the Healthy Athlete program where many received glasses and other care for the first time. The Teen Council was also chosen to participate in the closing ceremonies, carrying banners and escorting athletes. They have been chosen again this year to be Athlete Buddies during the 2009 World Games.



The Mayor's Teen Council reached 1500 Kindergarten-12th grade students in 2008 with its seatbelt education program, and about 750 children with its recycling education program.

Four Teen Council members attended the National League of Cities Conference with the Mayor in Washington DC. They not only learned more about city government, but they also spent time lobbying our Congressional leaders. They researched the Highway Trust Fund and public transportation issues and asked for more funding for Idaho for our road projects and for our bus systems.

The Mayor's Teen Council also designed and built the Mayor's float for Parade America, taking home a first third place trophy.

IDAHO CENTER

2008 Has brought 259 events to the Idaho Center's Arena, Amphitheater and Idaho Horse Park. The number of events is up from previous year. The attendance, although down a little from previous years was still 356,101. Estimates of over 125,000 of these people came from outside the treasure valley.

Venues Today, an industry magazine – just listed the Idaho Center Arena as the number 1 venue (gross and attendance) and the Idaho Center Amphitheater number 3 for venues our size in the North West.

The Idaho Center facilities continue to be a strong economic engine for the region.

As they city of Nampa continues to grow commercially, we gain more ability to keep that economic impact in our city, rather than loosing it to surrounding communities.

The 2009 goal for the Idaho Center is to keep the economic engine in gear by bringing in more diversity of events, and expecting to increase the range of event goers while keeping the type of events that have worked in the past. We are already seeing some of this diversity in 2008 and as we round into 2009:

In September the horse park was able to attract the Arabian Sport Horse National event for a return visit to our park. This event drives participants from all over the United States and even other countries to Nampa. Getting the return visit is important as it starts the tradition that they make this a more permanent location for the future.



The fastest growing participant horse event in the United States is Cowboy Mounted Shooting. We our first and very successful run with them last summer in which a few world records were broken. We have recently learned that they were very happy with our facilities and are returning next summer. However, they warned us that they are expecting double the participants.

After being absent from treasure valley for many years Sesame Street Live played the arena in December: drawing more young families to the area for 4 shows in 3 days.

In January we have Walking with Dinosaurs is a tremendous event that hits a wide demographic performing 8 shows in 5 days driving thousands of people into our community each day. There is a wide interest in this show including kids of all ages, educational interest and it has a very large WOW factor.

In February we will have the 2 premier events of the Special Olympic World Games, the Opening and Closing Ceremonies. Representatives from countries around the globe will descend on Idaho for a week – and be focused on Nampa for the 2 events that bookend the games.

It is important to acknowledge that the growth of the horse park is largely because of the new additions that have been built. The New lobby of the Sports Complex allows are more clean atmosphere for serving at eating food, but more importantly give office space to the Event organizers. The New Pole barns have allowed us to increase the number of stalls that we have while providing a safer environment in high winds and overall a much better look to the park.

These projects were completed with moneys raised by the Equine Foundation, the NIC, the Snake River Stampede and private investors.