
City of Eau Claire

Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department

Annual Report 2008



Eau Claire —
PARKS, RECREATION, & FORESTRY



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The City of Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department is proud to present the Department's 2008 Annual Report. This report is designed to provide a short synopsis of the myriad of programs and services we offer and the facilities we maintain. The individuals mentioned in this report, along with thousands of volunteers, have endeavored to provide high quality programs, services and facilities.

Even though less resources are available to local government each year, operational changes and efficiencies have been implemented so that we can continue to make quality parks, recreation and forestry services available to the community.

We invite you to become involved in your community parks by registering for a recreation program, visiting a local park, participating in a park master planning process or serving a term on the Waterways and Parks Commission.

We thank you for your support of parks, recreation and forestry in Eau Claire.

Sincerely,

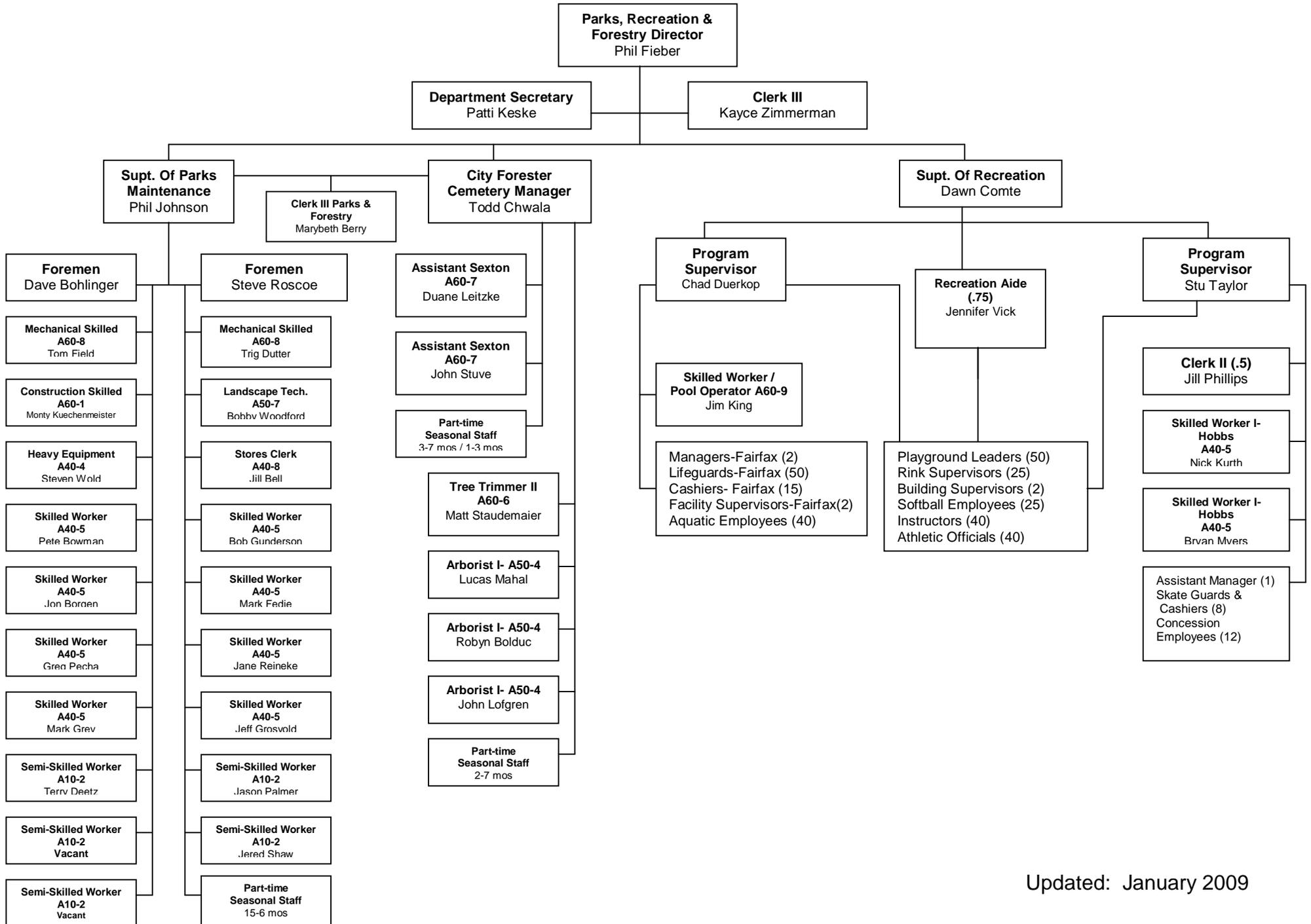
Phil Fieber, CPRP

Cc: Waterways and Parks Commission members
City Council
City Manager
City Department Heads

The Benefits are Endless

Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department

Department Organizational Chart



Updated: January 2009



CITY COUNCIL ROSTER

David J. Adler	City Council-President
Kerry Kincaid	City Council-Vice President
Jackie Pavelski	At Large
Larry Balow	At Large
Brandon Buchanan	At Large
Thomas T. Vue	At Large
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WATERWAYS AND PARKS ROSTER

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Dennis Eikenberry	Member
Jon Case	Member
David Kinkhammer	Council Rep
Brandon Buchanan	Council Rep
Phil Fieber	Rep, Parks and Recreation Department
Pat Ivory	Rep, Planning and Development Department

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Half Moon Lake Task Force Implementation Committee: The group met for the fourth time in 2008 on September 18, to update progress on sub-committee projects. The group continued a five-year summary and re-evaluation of the original 2002 recommendations by the HML Task Force. The next quarterly meeting is January 15, 2009, at the Parks and Recreation Community Center.

Northwood's/Express Baseball: Summaries:

Year	Ave Game Attendance	Total Season Attendance
2005	1,600	51,200
2006	2,205	68,360
2007	2,133	72,529
2008	1,667	55,000

Department Safety Committee: The monthly Department Employee Safety Committee met December 17, 2008. The next monthly employee safety meeting will be January 21, 2009.

Special Events: The Special Events Committee continues to work with all the groups that conduct events within city parks and meets at least monthly. Park and Special Events Standards have been compiled and were communicated to the community. These standards clarify appropriate uses for our parks and should assist special event organizers. The Department coordinates over 65 special events annually.

Baseball History/Memorabilia Committee: Approximately \$40,000 has been raised to date for the project estimated to cost \$175,000. The Committee has installed two bronze plaques – one for Bezanson and one for White. The wrought iron fence was installed on the back edge of the Hank Aaron Plaza. The group has scheduled the 2009 Hall of Fame induction for January 28, 2009 at the Ramada Inn. Bruce Froemming, future Major League Baseball Hall of Fame umpire, will be the featured speaker. Bruce started professional umpiring in Eau Claire in 1959 and is now supervises all MLB umpires.

Hobbs Ice Center Capital Projects: Council approved moving forward with design documents for the UWEC locker rooms, front lobby improvements and third ice sheet. Tom Betti of Ankeny Kell Architects of St Paul, MN won the bid and held their first meeting with stakeholders on April 17, 2008 and a second meeting on May 20, 2008. Schematic design of renovations, and preliminary cost estimates were completed by mid-summer and a presentation/update, to the City Council, was made on Monday, September 8, 2008. Fundraising has been slow, but lower construction costs may offset that figure. The Director spoke to the EC School Board and requested financial participation in the project. Bid documents will be distributed in mid-January 2009 with a bid opening scheduled for February 17, 2009.

Fairfax Pool Master Plan: The Recreation Division is working with Water Technology, Inc. of Beaver Dam, WI to develop a master plan for Fairfax Pool. The Pool completed its 18th season in 2008. As part of the contract, Water Technology, Inc. will evaluate the condition of all pool finishes, deck areas, gutter and surge area, filtration system, water heating equipment, chemical feed and control system, piping and recirculation system, and the structural condition of pools and buildings. Water Technology will also be developing at least two “concept” plans for proposed improvements to the facility designed to increase revenues and make the pool financially self-supporting.

Summer School Contract: The Recreation Division completed an agreement with the Eau Claire Area School District to provide summer school programming to school district residents. The City provided over \$68,000 in services to the School District, all of which was reimbursed to the City. Enrollment increased by 12%, 2460 Eau Claire School District residents enrolled in these programs. This was the 5th year of this partnership.

Recreation Program Brochure: The Fall edition of Prime Times was mailed in mid-August as scheduled. Prime Times will continue to be published twice per year, but we will be limiting the mailing of the document to those requesting the document. We will emphasize distribution through the schools and on-line, which will save money.

Eau Claire Municipal Band: As directed by City Council, the Eau Claire Municipal Band will become an independent organization in 2008. The band has obtained 501 C 3 statuses and is conducting fundraising activities.

Recreation Division Programs: A detailed report of 2008 Recreation Division activities will be available for review www.eauclairewi.gov/pr

Future Brush Site: The Forestry Division, and the community, waits patiently for a new brush collection site on Jeffers Road. Development of the site is contingent on industrial park development on the neighboring site. The brush drop off site will be open to county and city residents. Wood chips are available for residential use at the site, but no brush may be dropped off yet. The site is approximately one mile north of the North Crossing on Jeffers Road.

GPS/GIS Forestry Asset Management: The Forestry Department has begun a process to map all park and boulevard trees, by latitude and longitude (GPS) and including that information on the city GIS map system. This system will allow for more efficient use of time by planning and maintenance staff. The Department was awarded a DNR Forestry Grant in 2006 for this purpose. In December of 2008, the Forestry Division, with assistance from Information Services was able to add two computers for field data collection. To date 24000 street trees have been added to this inventory. Our goal is to have all street trees into the program in 2009, and in 2010 begin to add park cemetery and trail trees. The tree inventory program is now a web hosted program. This change will eventually allow our department to include much of this community forest and cemetery information to our city web site.

Department Strategic Plan: Parks, Recreation and Forestry staff is implementing the 2006 Department Strategic Plan. The plan is available for review on the City Web Site.

Community Parks and Recreation Needs Survey 2006: Decision Resources conducted a telephone survey designed to determine park and recreation program, facility and services in September. The goal was to develop a list of community needs to aid in developing master plans for Northwest and Southeast Community Parks. The survey results are available for review on the City Web site.

Adopt-A-Park/Adopt-A-Flower Bed Volunteer Program Concept: In 2008, over 1500 individuals volunteered during the second year of the Parks Maintenance Division park adoption program. 2009 will be kicked off with the repeat of the "The Amazing Eau Claire Clean-up" in April, as part of Earth Day / Arbor Day. This event will involve clean up activities throughout the community, with a celebration at Owen Park in the afternoon.

Dog Park Project: Water has been installed at the Southeast Dog Park. The Friends group continues to meet to discuss policies and other operating issues. The Dog Park group is very interested in another site somewhere on the north or west side of Eau Claire. A small dog area is also a priority.

Skate Plaza: The skate plaza group has initiated the fundraising planning stage of their project. Their goal is \$20,400. They have raised \$5,500 to date.

Park and Open Space Plan 2008-2012: The current Park and Open Space Plan (2003-2007) expired on December 31, 2007. The Department has developed a new plan, which was recommended for approval by the Waterways and Parks Commission (February 2008) and the City Council in March 2008. A current plan is required for most local, state and federal grant applications.

Phoenix Park Restroom: The need to construct a restroom building near the Phoenix Park pavilion and amphitheater became apparent during the summer of 2006. The Park, Recreation & Forestry Department CIP identified \$139,000 in 2007 and \$11,000 in 2008. A grant application to DNR in 2007 was denied. Additional funds in the 2009 Parks CIP budget are now available to complete this project by September 1, 2009.

Carson Park: Message Center: The message center and sign was installed and fiber optic connections were completed on July 17, 2009. Fees will be charged to park users desiring to advertise their events being held in the park. The basic advertising fee is \$100 per month.

Rod and Gun Park: Park Renovation: A final master plan was adopted by the City Council in February 2008. Grant applications, donations and CIP budgeting can now continue. The grant application submitted to the DNR on May 1, 2008 was not funded, as notified on July 17, 2008 by the DNR. We will apply for funding again in 2009.

McDonough Park: Shelter/Restrooms/Parking Lot

The \$148,000 park improvement project that includes a new shelter and new parking lot was completed during the summer of 2008.

Mt Simon: Parking Lot and Boat Launch Improvements

Cedar Corporation of Menomonie has been hired to prepare a design for improvements to the main gravel parking lot and new boat launch at Mt Simon Park. The preliminary design has been prepared. Presently the project is on hold and is being reassessed as to if and what the improvements to the Lower Mount Simon Park should include.

Northwest and Otter Creek Community Parks: Master Planning

The planning process for both the Northwest and Southeast Community Park began with tours and two initial meetings. The community was very active in the process. An initial plan for each of the two parks was unveiled to the public, for comment, on July 22, at 6 PM at the Parks and Recreation Community Center. The Waterways and Parks Commission approved the plans in September 2008 and by the City Council on November 25. The plans will be added to the City Five Year Park and Open Space Master Plan document.

Trail development: Cameron Street to Half Moon Beach: The Department continues to acquire property or easements to construct a trail that will encircle Half Moon Lake. Property at 809 Cameron Street was acquired in early 2008. The property next door – 813 Cameron was for sale with an asking price of \$149,000, and was sold in the fall of 2008 to a family.

Trail development: Barstow Street to Farwell Street: The trail project in front of the Chamber of Commerce was completed this fall.

Carson Park: Entrance from Menomonie Street: As part of the Rod and Gun Improvement, a master plan for the improving of the 9.16 acres presently used as a Carson Park Maintenance area was included in the planning process. Recent developments with the YMCA have helped to redefine the development options of the area south of the Carson Park Maintenance Facility. Presently a joint parking lot is being considered as well as a buffer area between the new lot and Half Moon Lake. The Parks Maintenance Building was sold to the YMCA and we will need to relocate maintenance operations to another site in Carson Park.

Mt Tom: Landscape Improvements: Improvements to Mt Tom has to be put on hold at this time, the project may be taken up after the new communication tower is constructed.

North Athletic Complex

A site plan for the park/brush site within the park went to the Plan Commission on August 1, 2005 and to City Council on August 9, 2005 and was approved. The County Board approved the agreement in September of 2006. To date, no grading has occurred.

Putnam Park Commission

Staff requested the minutes and agendas of the Putnam Park Commission be shared with the City Waterways and Parks Commission as they are received. As of July 20, 2007, we have not received any new materials since 2006.

Emerald Ash Borer

The EAB has been discovered in two Wisconsin counties – Ozaukee and Washington. Our Forestry Division continues to formulate a plan for addressing disease containment, tree removal and replacement for city boulevard and park ash trees.

Cemetery Operations

We are exploring consolidating cemetery operations at Forest Hill into one facility at Lakeview Cemetery in order to save operating dollars. Water service at both cemeteries has been reduced to single service locations for 2008. FYI – the City discontinued watering grass in the cemeteries in 1996. Additional water sources at each will be added in 2009.

Weed Harvesting in Half Moon Lake:

The WIDNR and the Army Corp of Engineers have asked the City to reduce the amount of weed harvesting in 2008 in order to obtain benchmarks for use in comparing the effectiveness of the proposed 2009 herbicide treatment. High use boat launch and shore fishing areas will be harvested. The City has been awarded a grant for herbicide treatments in 2009, 2010 and 2011. The project cost is \$261,664. The State DNR Grant covers approximately 75% of that. The City and the Army Corp of Engineers- Eau Galle

Lab will cover the remaining \$66,600. The ACOE share will be \$39,264 and the City share will be \$27,336.

Carson Park Baseball Stadium Lighting: Two new infield light poles at Carson Park baseball Stadium and were installed in April 2008. The infield light foot-candles are over 100 and outfield is over 50.

Soccer Park: East/West Trail Development, concession stand, plaza expansion, recognition bricks and enlargement of Field #8. The City waits for a financial donation from AYSO and Soccer United prior to beginning the work.

Carson Park: Miscellaneous: Repaved original recreation trail sections, any over 20 years old, in 2008.

Phoenix Park Play Equipment: The Eau Claire Junior League, a civic volunteer organization, is interested in raising funds to create unique children’s play equipment. This project will take a few years to complete.

Recycling: The Department continues to explore a better way to capture recyclables in the parks and during special events. We are trying to determine the best system and equipment for capturing recyclables in the park system. The local Coke distributor is interested in being a player in our project. We will be working with JONAH, a consortium of churches to advance the recycling effort in the parks and at special events.

ICMA Awards: The City Parks and Recreation Department received awards in September 2008, from the International City Managers Association (ICMA) for scoring well on recent citizen surveys.

Friends of Eau Claire Parks, Recreation and Forestry: The Department is exploring the possibility of creating a “Friends” organization to solicit volunteers and donors to assist in fundraising for department programs and services. The Community Parks Association, Inc. is a similar organization, but is limited to park facilities and park acquisitions.

Hobbs Municipal Ice Center: Hobbs Ice Center is a year-around facility open to the public. There are four major users, UW-Eau Claire (men's and women's varsity hockey programs), Eau Claire Area Public Schools (junior varsity and varsity programs at North and Memorial High Schools), the Eau Claire Figure Skating Club, and the Eau Claire Youth Hockey Association. These four organizations account for approximately 65-70% of all ice time rentals per year.

In addition to ice time sales, additional revenue is generated at the Ice Center through open skating and open hockey admissions, skate rental, vending commissions, board advertising sales and concession sales.

Open Year	Hours Utilized	O'Brien	Akervick	Hughes	Average # of Weeks
2008	4419*	44*	34*	7*	
2007	3561	34	32	12	
2006	3554	34	31	12	
2005	3425	28	38	11	
2004	3952	28	37	10	

* estimation (final numbers have not been calculated)

Fairfax Pool: Fairfax Municipal Swimming Pool is a seasonal facility that is open the public the weekend after Memorial Day through Labor Day. The facility is open 60 hours per week for public recreational swim. On Labor Day the pool is opened for the annual “Doggie Swim” event sponsored by Eau Claire Parks, Recreation, and Forestry and the Friends of the Dog Park.

In addition to pass sales, additional revenue is generated at Fairfax Pool through scholarship donations, daily admissions, lap swim/water aerobics admissions, vending commissions, and concession sales.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Season Pass Sales</u>	<u>Scholarships</u>	<u>Days Open</u>
2008	57,151	835	66	83
2007	51,560	1052	49	92
2006	58,025	940	40	87
2005	62,151	939	49	86
2004	45,961	926	33	89

Aquatic Programs: The Recreation Division offers a variety of aquatic programs that include; learn to swim, lifeguard training/water safety instruction, water aerobics, and open/lap swim. 5995 youth and adults participated in these programs. Over 50% of those that participated were youth that enrolled in the Learn To Swim program.

Adult Activities: A diverse program selection is offered to the adult demographic. 564 adults enrolled in various instructional programs that promote life long leisure opportunities. Adult athletic leagues offer participants a more competitive program option. There were 4429 adults that played on athletic teams.

Youth Activities: The Recreation Division realizes the importance of promoting active lifestyles to the youth demographic. 2314 youth enrolled in various instructional programs that promote a healthy lifestyle and teach life long skills. Youth athletic programs provide an opportunity for both individual development and competition. There were 3962 youth that participated in the athletic programs.

Special Populations: The special population programs are offered to youth and adults with varying abilities and exceptionalities with the emphasis on inclusion. The largest program offered is adult Par-Te-Rec that focuses on social integration, community participation, and allows participants to experience independent skill development. There were 389 youth and adults that participated in our special population programs.

Neighborhood Centers: The Recreation Division recognizes the value of offering free or low cost activities for the community. Impacts on participation include, weather, transportation, location, and schedule. The 2007-08 attendance for the Outdoor Skating Rink operation was 9360. With the cold temperatures, the skating rinks were open the entire season. The Neighborhood Playground Program reduced the scheduled hours at some sites. The impact of this change was minimal in relation to the overall attendance history. 9148 youth attended the Neighborhood Playground Program.

Facility Use:

Parks & Recreation Community Center	672 Reservations (35 Groups)
Pavilion Rentals	770 Reservations
Neighborhood Shelters	51 Reservations (14 used by ECASD)
Football Stadium	727 Hours Utilized

Baseball Stadium	866 Hours Utilized
Hobbs/Gelein Field	151 Hours Utilized
Soccer Park	3710.75 Hours Utilized

Discounted Ticket Sales Program: The Recreation Division enters into an agreement with the Wisconsin Parks and Recreation Association and Valleyfair to sell discounted attraction tickets. The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department receive \$.75 to \$1.50 per ticket sold.

Great America	28
Noah's Ark	394
Mt. Olympus	116
Valleyfair	441

Staff Reductions: The Park Maintenance division was reduced by one full time employee in 2007 and had 2 retirements in mid-2008. The 2008 retirements were left vacant throughout for the balance of the year. In addition, (12) 3-month seasons were not hired. This represents a loss of 12,000 man-hours in labor in the Park Maintenance division in one year. This is the equivalent to losing 5.7 full time positions.

Trash collection service reduction: In response to less available staff, the Park Maintenance division made a 40% reduction in the number of trash picks up sites and trash cart location. Volunteers will be used more to clean problem areas affected by the trash collection reduction.

Eliminate moving of picnic tables for group: The Park Maintenance Division no longer has staff available to move picnic tables between parks for large group activities. Annually, approximately 300 tables would be moved at a cost of \$5 per table. This was a loss of revenue of \$1,500.

Wilson Park Irrigation system: An in-ground irrigation system was installed at Wilson Park. The previously the park was watered with a manual in-ground system. The new system has a built-in weather station and sensors that evaluated the present weather conditions and adjust the irrigation watering cycles.

Electrical upgrades at Carson Park: A series of upgrades to the electrical system at Carson Park created a safer, user-friendly access to the lighting system at the baseball Stadium and at Hobbs Softball field.

County Farms Neighborhood Park: The project includes the construction of a Pavilion, playground, parking lot, basketball court and a lopped walking trail. Presently the site has been graded, the playground installed, the pavilion footing installed and the pavilion has been delivered for assembly in late winter.

CEMETERIES

The City owns and operates two public cemeteries, Forest Hill and Lakeview.

Operating Budget

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues	\$162,433	\$189,646	\$159,876	\$188,918
Expenses	\$394,865	\$388,814	\$377,355	\$405,722

Staff Positions

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Full Time Staff	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

Cemetery Service Activity

Available Lots Jan 1

	2008	2007
Lakeview	3869	3943
Forest Hill	2308	2334

Lot Sales

	2008	2007
Lakeview	61	74
Forest Hill	14	26

Available Lots Dec 31

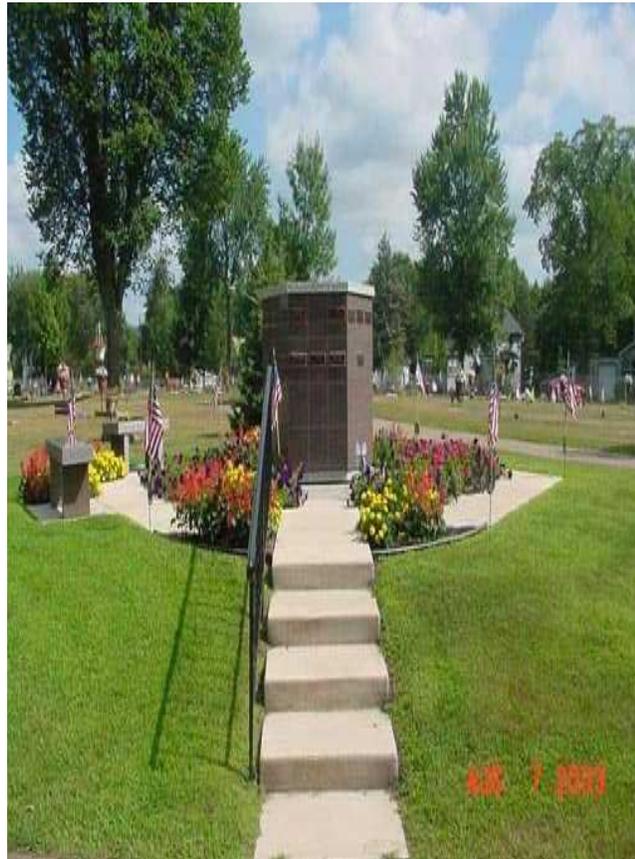
	2008	2007
Lakeview	3,808	3869
Forest Hill	2,294	2308

Columbaria Sales

	2008	2007
Lakeview	9	4
Forest Hill	2	1

Reconveyance

	2008	2007
Lakeview	6	3
Forest Hill	5	3



Grave Openings/Closings

	2008	2007
Lakeview	43	110
Forest Hill	50	46

Cremains Opening/Closings

	2008	2007
Lakeview	43	44
Forest Hill	39	44

Disinterment

	2008	2007
Lakeview	0	2
Forest Hill	0	1

Marker Permits

	2008	2007
Lakeview	52	62
Forest Hill	41	54

Chapel Storage

	2008	2007
Lakeview	0	0
Forest Hill	N/A	0



Highlights

- ❑ Discontinued use of sod at Lakeview Cemetery to cover winter opened graves.
- ❑ Repairs to water system exceeded \$5000.00 in 2007.
- ❑ Installed a central location for water access in each cemetery, discontinued irrigation.
- ❑ Upgraded landscaping at the Lakeview Sexton's office.
- ❑ Reopened vistas of Half Moon Lake at Lakeview.
- ❑ Invasive specie control Lakeview (buckthorn removal).
- ❑ Repairs to ceramic tile roof Putnam Chapel Forest Hill.
- ❑ New backhoe with jackhammer attachment will help to reduce the labor-intensive task of opening frozen winter graves.
- ❑ Held two informational meeting with funeral directors.

FORESTRY DIVISION

Operating Budget

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues				
Expenses	\$474,570	\$434,755	\$459,333	\$387,877

Staff Positions

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Staff	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

Forestry Service Activity Trees in City Inventory – Estimate

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Trees	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000



Trees Planted

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Spring	227	211	172	181
Fall	126	202	186	211
Seedlings	330	300	1000	

Service Activity

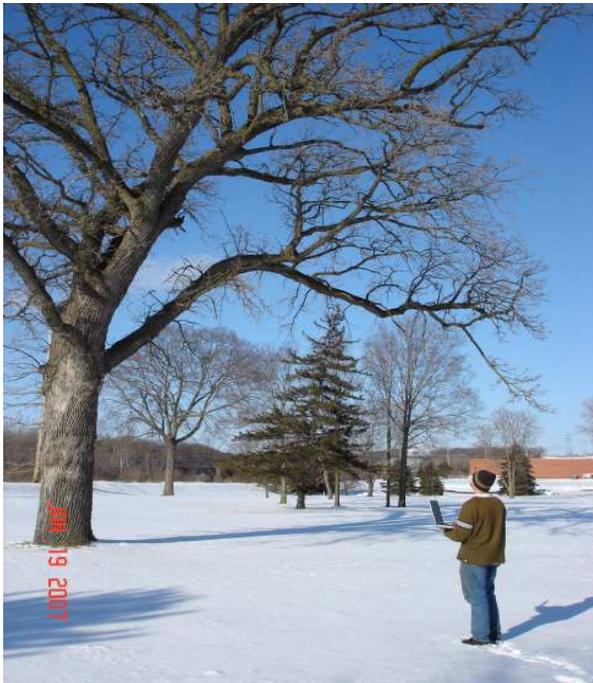
	2008	2007	2006	2005
Memorial Trees Planted	7	6		
Tree/Stump Removals	186	216		
Merry Mulch	4200	4600	3750	
Dutch Elm Disease Prevention	16	49		
Oak Wilt Management - hours	86	160		
Storm Clean Up - hours	137	416		
Trees Inventoried	958	2800	19640	1600

Boulevard Tree Rebate

	2008	2007
Number	98	141
Dollar Value	\$5,571.59	\$7,805

Bow Hunting Permits

	2008	2007	2006
Properties	9	11	17
Permits Taken Out	33	26	15
Deer Kill	4	11	3



Highlights

- ❑ Arbor Day Sponsor at four elementary schools.
- ❑ Earth Day Participant at Phoenix Park – April 22nd.
- ❑ Tree City USA for 27 consecutive years.
- ❑ Emerald Ash Boher - 19 ash trees identified as detection trees. No evidence of EAB during December, 2008 survey of 19 ash trees.

PARKS MAINTENANCE DIVISION

Operating Budget

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenue	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Expenses	2,656,353	\$2,746,622	\$2,626,267	\$2,447,033

Staff Positions

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Total Full Time Staff	24	24.75	24.75	24.75



Park Service Activity

Park Acreage Maintained

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Carson: 130.0a	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Fairfax: 75.0a	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Rod and Gun: 36a	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Phoenix Park: 5.9a	5.0	5.0	5.0	3.5	n/a	n/a
Mt Simon: 49.3a	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
Owen Park 17.8a	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Riverview: 39.2a	25.0	25.0	25.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
Soccer Park: 38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2	38.2
Lakeshore: 2.8a	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Archery Park 6.4a	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.0	4.0
Cameron: 3.4a	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Buffington: 11.7a	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	11.7	11.7
Demmler: 3.9a	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9
Randall Park 2.9a	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
State Street Park: 1.2a	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wold Court: 1.6a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Wilson Park: 1.6a	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
University Park: 1.3a	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Jaycette Park 2.0a	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Kessler: 1.9a	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Hobart 2.5a	0	n/a	n/a	2.5	2.5	2.5
North River Fronts: 1.0a	1.0	1.0	1.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
Grover Heights 8.9a	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9	8.9
McDonough: 10.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.3	10.3	10.3
Mitscher 2.9a	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Newell:3.0a	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Oakwood Hills 5.4a	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Pinehurst 58.3a	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	3.0	3.0
Boyd: 7.2a	3.5	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2
Sundet 5.1a	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Putnam Heights 5.4a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4	5.4
Zephyr Hill 5.2a	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Kappus 3.9a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9	3.9
Shale Pit Park: 11.3a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kessler Hockey Bowl 1.9a	0.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Domer: 5.0a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ferry Street: 32.3a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mt Tom Park: 20.2a	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SE Park: 77.3a (includes Dog Park-18.6a)	2.0	18.6	18.6	18.6	18.6	0.0
NW Park: 111.5a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Jeffers Rd Athletic Fields: 80a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Forest Street						
County Farm						
Other miscellaneous areas: 127.0a		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Acreage: 1020.0a						
Park Acreage Maintained	338.9	359.1	359.1	369.4	384.8	366.2

Athletic Fields Lined/Marked/Prepped

	2008	2007
Bollinger Fields Softball	239	242
Mt Simon Baseball	99	102
Fairfax Baseball	88	18
DeLong Baseball	137	104
Carson Softball/Baseball	261+	200+
Total Athletic Fields Prepped	824+	666+



Trail Usage

	2008
January	
February (Began count in Feb)	362
March	5,660
April	10,045
May	13,193
June	18,139
July	16,706
August	15,628
September/October	33,183
November	5,181
December	4,386

Recreation Trails Maintained (In Miles)

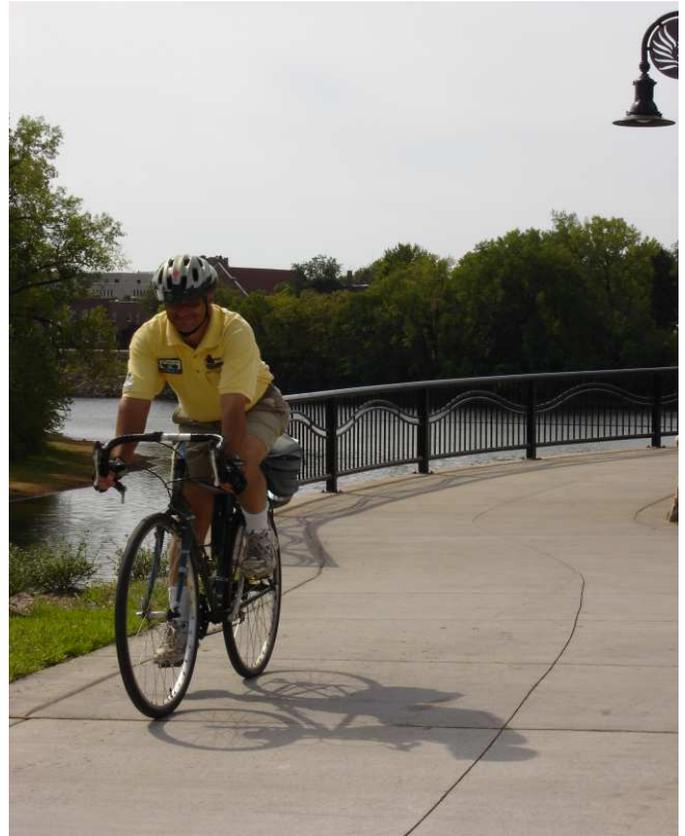
	2008	2007
Chippewa River Trail	3.34	3.34
Westside Loop	1.5	1.5
Carson Park	.92	.92
Barstow to Bellvue	1.5	.625
Phoenix Park	.99	.49
Bellevue to Eddy Street	2.92	2.42
North Crossing	1.86	1.86
Hwy 93	1.12	1.12
Trail thru Hamilton Soccer Complex	.58	.58
Hasting Place to Riverprairie	.90	
Clairemont	3.12	
TOTALS	18.75	12.855

Volunteer Program

	2008	2007
Groups	58	18
Volunteers	2422	1423

Special Events

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Events	74	60	52	48
Weddings	49	41	31	29



Pavilion Rentals

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Brauns Bay	56	71	83	98	71	76
Birch	65	81	74	95	119	86
Oak	83	89	111	111	114	103
Pine	87	96	91	105	109	105
Rod and Gun	71	80	91	90	96	129
Mt Simon-Dells	64	75	66	64	85	90
Mt Simon-Hillside	50	66	59	63	56	67
Riverview-North	51	48	48	48	60	85
Riverview-Lions	43	44	50	53	75	76
Riverview-Island	34	41	35	37	57	62
Phoenix Park-Amphitheatre	32	28	24	0		
Phoenix Park Pavilion	85	89	37	0		
Phoenix Park Plaza	6	3	4	0		
Owen Park Bandshell	37	34	37	0		
Boyd Shelter	22	57	20	0		
Neighborhood Parks	29	38	27	0		
Total	821	940	857	764	842	879
	\$39,422	\$38,282	\$28,998	\$32,205	\$15,765	\$8,790

Carson Baseball Stadium

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Games Played:						
UWEC Baseball Club Team	6	1	15	8	11	5
WIAA Sectional Trny	1	3	0	0		
Memorial High School	9	5	14	11	14	12
Immanuel High School	11	5	12	13	8	16
Eau Claire Bears	6	8	8	16	20	24
Regis High School	10	8	9	11	18	8
North High School	10	10	10	14	8	20
American Legion	10	11	18	15	28	21
Jr Legion Tourney	7	6	0	0		
Sr Legion Tourney	1	12	0	0		
Eau Claire Express	34	34	33	34		
Eau Claire Cavaliers	34	46	25	36	47	50
Babe Ruth	0	0	0	3	5	8
Total	139	149	144	161	159	164



Carson Park Football Stadium

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Hours Rented					Games	Games
UWEC	138.5	92	98	100	6	6
Memorial HS	82.5	125.5	144	100	5	5
North HS	40	71	61	117	5	5
Regis HS	26	64	79.25	78.5	5	5
EC Parks and Recreation	38	27	33	21		
Eau Claire Predators	102.5	112	95.5	128		
Eau Claire Crush	146	117	0	0		
Others	143.5	35.5	22	14		
Total	727	644	532.75	558.5	21	21

Other Athletic Facilities

Hours Rented	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Hobbs/Gelein Fields	151					
Soccer Park	3710.75					

Half Moon Lake Weed Harvesting

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Days Harvesting Lake	11	24	20	28
Loads Removed	24	65.5	39	33
Total Tons Harvested	60	164	98	82.5

Dog Park

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Daily Pass Revenue	\$3008.15	\$3,570.34	\$ 3,406.81	\$1,999.78	\$1,810.55
Dog Park Season Passes	623	610	532	473	340

Cross Country Ski Trails Maintained-Miles

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Carson Park	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fairfax Park/Golf Course	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Water Wells Area	3	3	3	3	3	3

Skating Rinks – Outdoor

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total Maintained Skating and Hockey	10	9	10	9	20	20

RECREATION DIVISION

Operating Budget (4417-4429)

	2008	2007	2006	2005
Revenues	\$537,864	\$ 548,202	\$ 420,677	\$ 462,774
Expenses	\$814,502	\$ 799,578	\$776,022	\$ 786,028
Net	(\$276,638)	(\$251,376)	(\$355,345)	(\$323,254)

Staff Positions

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total Full Time Staff	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00

Recreation Service Activity

Ticket Program

	2008
Six Flags Great America	28
Mt. Olympus	116
Noah's Ark	394
Pirates Cove Mini Golf	22
Valleyfair	441
Total	1,001

Aquatic Classes

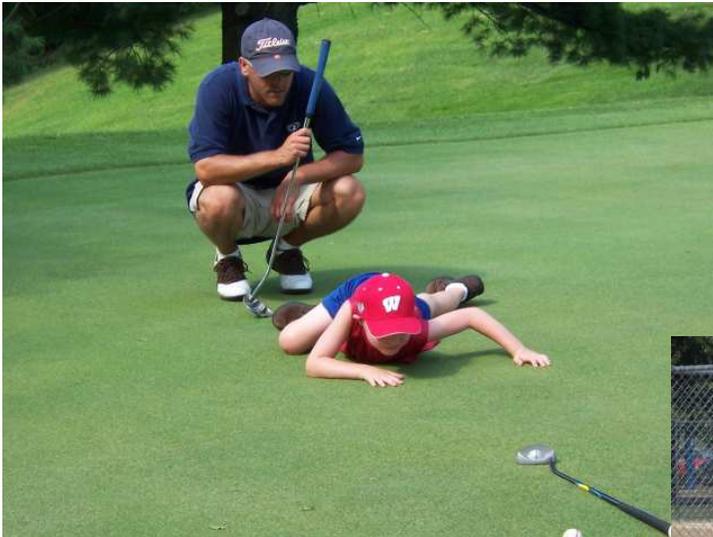
	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Water Aerobics - Adult	351	341	323	335	313	286
Learn To Swim - Adult	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	13	22
Adapted/Individual Swim - Youth	64	53	43	48	50	7
Lifeguard Training/Water Safety Inst - Youth	90	38	62	52	38	45
Learn To Swim - Youth	2847	2,844	2,792	2,662	2,747	2,968
Total	3,352	3,276	3,220	3,097	3,161	3,328

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Water Aerobics - Adult	1022	1084	1234	1244	1072	
Learn To Swim - Adult	1621	1602	1793	2672	2870	
Total	3,352	3,276	3,220	3,097	3,161	4604

Athletic Programs

Adult	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Basketball-Adult	54	57	47	81	102	135
Officials Training-Adult	17	21	29	48	40	21
Hockey - Adult	210	210	189	210	175	180
Volleyball-Open Gym-Adult	1008	735	1,182	1,138	888	1,113
Volleyball-Recreation League-Adult	255	240	308	337	312	345
Volleyball-Competitive Leagues - Adult	620	668	556	719	652	600
Volleyball Sand - Adult	101	66	54	121	113	118
Total Adults	2,265	1,997	2,365	2,654	2,282	2,512

Youth	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Baseball - Youth	221	221	243	248	269	313
Basketball - Youth	173	249	259	241	311	245
Flag Football Youth	96	48	47	n/a	n/a	n/a
Golf League-Youth	12	34	49	31	10	32
Hockey Clinic - Youth	145	145	136	96	157	210
Hockey - Youth	176	231	167	291	276	295
Running Club - Youth	43	42	35	37	38	n/a
Sand Lot Sports - Youth	299	303	74	n/a	n/a	n/a
Soccer - Youth	379	400	420	399	410	432
Total Youth	1,544	1,673	1,430	1,343	1,471	1,527



Instructional Programs

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Art - Adult	n/o	n/o	n/o	9	38	52
Dance Adult	225	272	318	292	273	256
Golf - Adult	101	98	104	102	116	102
LIFE Series	165	123	62	24	66	85
Yoga	73	24	24	24	28	12
Total Adult	564	517	508	442	483	455

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Adventure - Youth	88	58	63	62	49	
Art - Youth	451	447	368	368	465	495
Baton - Youth	n/o	22	29	43	44	39
Cooking - Youth	57	37	52	43	62	52
Discovery Junction - Youth	38	68	66	96	103	141
Golf - Youth	94	97	95	80	77	85
Gymnastics - Youth	297	276	287	170	409	389
Karate - Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	117
Pet First Aid - Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	30	26	n/o
Pom Pom Dance - Youth	37	37	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o
Sailing - Youth	12	12	0	10	6	11
Sign Language - Youth	n/o	7	11	n/o	n/o	n/o
Soccer Instruction - Youth	112	104	92	110	70	74
Spinners - Youth	6	7	9	9	8	16
Start Smart - Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	18	18
T-Ball - Youth	116	114	99	106	128	110
Tennis - Youth	345	287	286	264	257	217
Theatre - Youth	n/o	8	15	34	53	58
Total	2,314	1,581	1,472	1,425	1,775	1,822

Community Center Building Use

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Number of Meetings Scheduled	672	778	1,065	1,104	1,065	1,041
Attendance	20,095	23,097	39,905	39,595	35,863	35,899

Outdoor Skating Rinks

	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004	2002-2003
Number of Rinks Supervised	10	9	10	9	9	17
Attendance	9,360	5,649	6,797	8,019	10,628	13,793



Softball Programs

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Kickball - Adult	261	196	134	n/o	n/o	n/o
Softball Tournament - Adult	288	150	165	240	240	240
Softball Leagues - Adult	1462	1,555	1,551	1,773	1,517	1,648
Classic Fastpitch Tournament - Teams	13	10	11	16	16	16
Fastpitch Softball Instruction-Youth	n/o	n/o	13	26	27	30
Fastpitch Softball League-Youth	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	n/o	64
Total	2,024	1,901	1,863	2,039	1,784	1,982

Special Education Programs

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Alley Cats, Par te Rec, Camp Summertime	389	376	395	407	345	355

Tri-City Volleyball

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Held every three years in Eau Claire	EC 24 Teams	CF 19 Teams	Menom 24Teams	EC 23 Teams	CF 22 Teams	Menom 26 Teams



Playground Program

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Number of Playground Sites	16	17	20	20	18	19
Registrants	740	738	822	637	725	725
Total Attendance	9148	10,368	11,625	13,063	12,284	11,318



Hobbs Municipal Ice Center

Operating Budget

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Revenues	\$514,447	\$482,171	\$477,225	\$448,870	\$412,327
Expenses	\$545,895	\$524,059	\$556,105	\$479,126	\$446,184
Net	(\$31, 448)	(\$41,888)	(\$78,880)	(\$30,256)	(\$33,857)

Full Time Staff Positions

STAFF POSITIONS	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total Staff	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.0	3.0



Hobbs Service Activity

Hours Rented

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
O Brien Rink	2,139	2,191	2,120	1,882	2,082
Akervick Rink	1,436	1,342	1,418	1,458	1,782
Hughes	108	28	16	85	88
Total Hours Utilized	3,683	3,561	3,554	3,425	3,952

Hobbs Open Skate Attendance

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total Paid Attendance	4,641	5,182	5,444	3,417	3,977	4,130

Fairfax Pool

Operating Budget

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Revenues	\$257,910	\$232,125	\$230,835	\$231,366	\$188,948	\$215,947
Expenses	\$333,907	\$307,983	\$286,373	\$273,650	\$248,564	\$290,988
Net	(\$75,997)	(\$75,858)	(\$55,537)	(42,284)	(\$59,616)	(\$75,041)

Staff Positions

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Total Staff-Part Time	80	80	80	80	80	80

Pool Activity

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Attendance	57151	51,560	58,025	62,151	45,961	60,141
Season Pass Sales	835	1052	940	939	926	
Scholarships	66	49	40	49	33	
Days Open	83	92	87	86	89	

Division Revenue Summary

	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Recreation	\$537,864	\$548,202	\$420,667	\$462,774	\$470,489
Fairfax Pool	\$257,910	\$232,125	\$230,835	\$231,366	\$188,948
Hobbs Ice Center	\$514,447	\$471,496	\$476,240	\$447,894	\$403,072
Total	\$1,310,221	\$1,251,823	\$1,127,742	\$1,142,034	\$1,062,509

