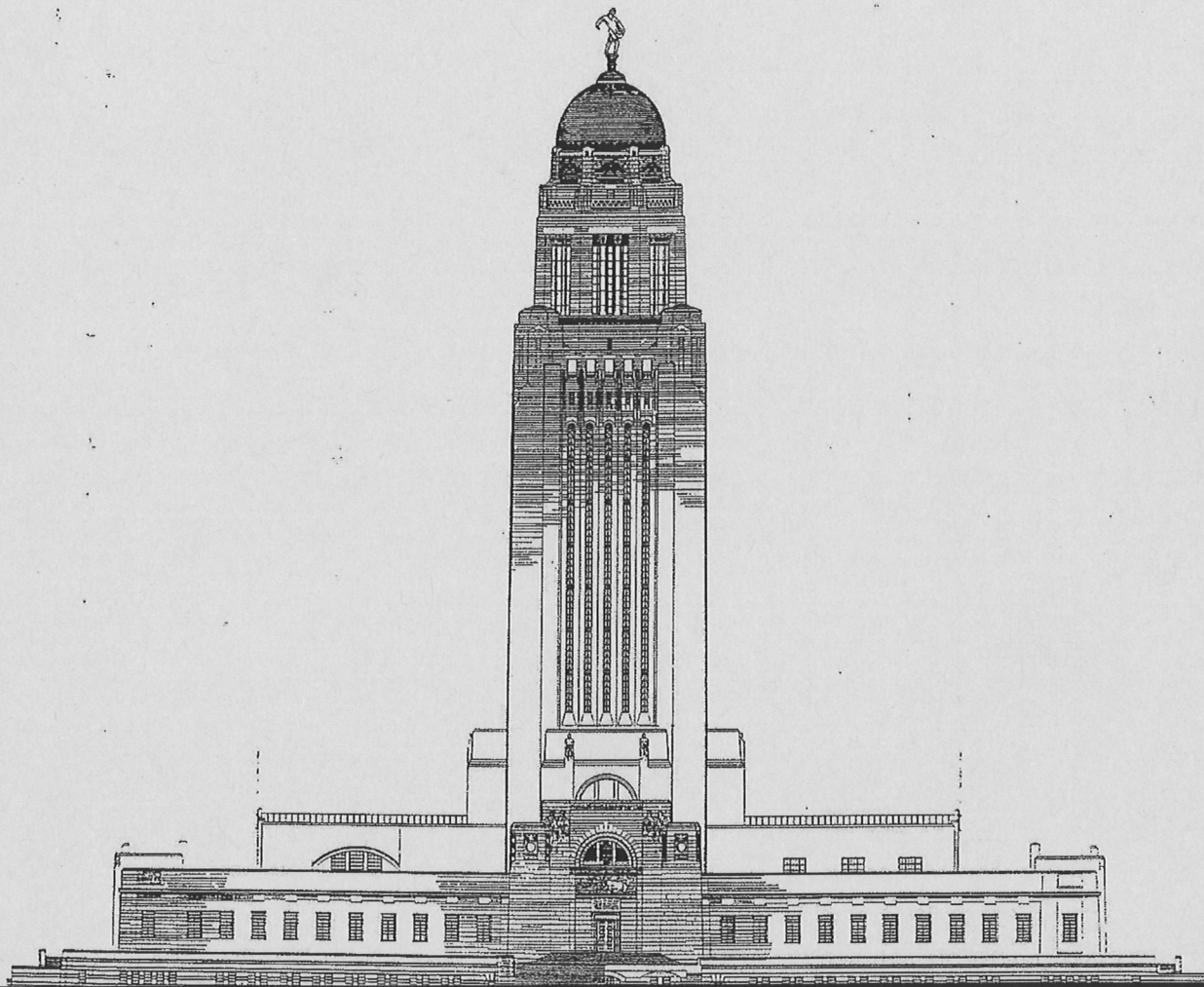




Nebraska State Capitol

Office of the Capitol Commission

Annual Report
2015

Building Conservation-

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Furniture Program Conservation/Restoration Activity-

Ron Dulas, Furniture Program Manager

Dawn Hickmon, Furniture Program Manager

Steve Janssen, Paint and Finish Restorer

Lana Gabel, Furniture Conservator

- Repaired and restored two phone stands in Room #2117
- Remove and store 6 fabric wall hangings from Governor's Private Office
- Restored desk in Room #2217
- Repair and restore small typing table from Room #1220
- Restored chairs and conference table for Room #1214
- Restored and installed desk in Room 1315
- Restored table for Room #1315
- Restored steno door on Macy Steno desk in Room #2119
- Repaired and restored wooden/leather chair for Room #1301
- Ordered and installed glass table tops in Rooms #1117, #1315
- Restored stand up desk for Room #2309
- Repaired leather club chair in Room #2412A
- Stained and finished shop fabricated door for Room 1326, refinished door opening
- Repaired and retouched scratches in NE elevator cab
- Repaired snapped arm post in Room #2318
- Restored executive chairs in Room #2318
- Built glass racks for storage and moved glass to vault storage
- Restored desk in Attorney General's office
- Restored and applied finish to Legislative Hearing Room tables
- Repaired and restored two chairs for Policy Research Room #1319
- Repaired and restored 60 inch oak table for 12th floor
- Prepared 4 chairs for Room #1214
- Repaired Gunlocke bookcase in Room #2118
- Replaced torn leather on five chairs in Law Library
- Removed, repaired, refinished doors, jambs, and casings from Room #2304-6 renovation
- Repaired numerous blinds throughout building
- Removed from vault and repaired/restored for chairs for Room #2219
- Removed, repaired, refinished doors, jambs, and casings from Room #1108-12 renovation
- Repaired and restored desk from Room #1110

- Removed, repaired and restored doors, jambs and casings for Room #1101 renovation
- Repaired broken desk drawer Room #1101
- Repaired and restored stand up desk for Attorney General Room #2121
- Repaired and restored credenza for Room #1214
- Repaired and restored table

Shop staff daily work-

- Responded to work orders
- Helped with snow removal
- Machinist, Roger Frink, John Mackichan
 - Retiring machinist trained new machinist staff
 - Ongoing key and lock maintenance program
 - Manufacture blind hardware
 - Repaired and cleaned door and window hardware for office renovation
 - Install new microphones in Hearing Rooms
- Cabinetry, Mike Marshall
 - Fabricated five picture frames for State Auditor's office
 - Fabricated and installed closet door in 2nd floor rotunda area
 - Fabricated lavatory cabinet for Governor's area
 - Fabricated new door to back of Room #1326
 - Reveneered two phone stand tops for Attorney General
 - Removed blinds in northwest tower for wall repair
 - Fabricated two sets of doors for Landmark Store tall cabinets
 - Fabricated two new door, jam and casing assemblies for Room 1110B
 - Fabricated two wardrobes for Lt. Governor's office
 - Supported renovation work in Rooms #2303, #1110, #1101
 - Supported furniture shop with Governor's Hearing Room chair seats
 - Carved new finials for Governor's Hearing Room chairs
 - Fabricated custom easels for Governor's Hearing Room
- Mason, Phil Lagoni
 - Ongoing cleaning and repair of interior stone finishes
 - Cleaned all slate base in all office renovation areas
 - Core drilled and added electrical receptacle boxes in masonry walls of office renovation areas
 - Assembled limestone pedestals for Hall of Fame
 - Fabricated and installed slate plinths

-Paint and Finish Restorer, Steve Janssen

- Refinished doors, jambs, casings for office renovations in Rooms # 2304-6, #1106-10, #1101

- Refinished and waxed cafeteria tables

- Repaired and repainted wall in Attorney General's office

- Finished new wardrobes for office renovation

- Prepared and repainted Capitol South Entrance Door

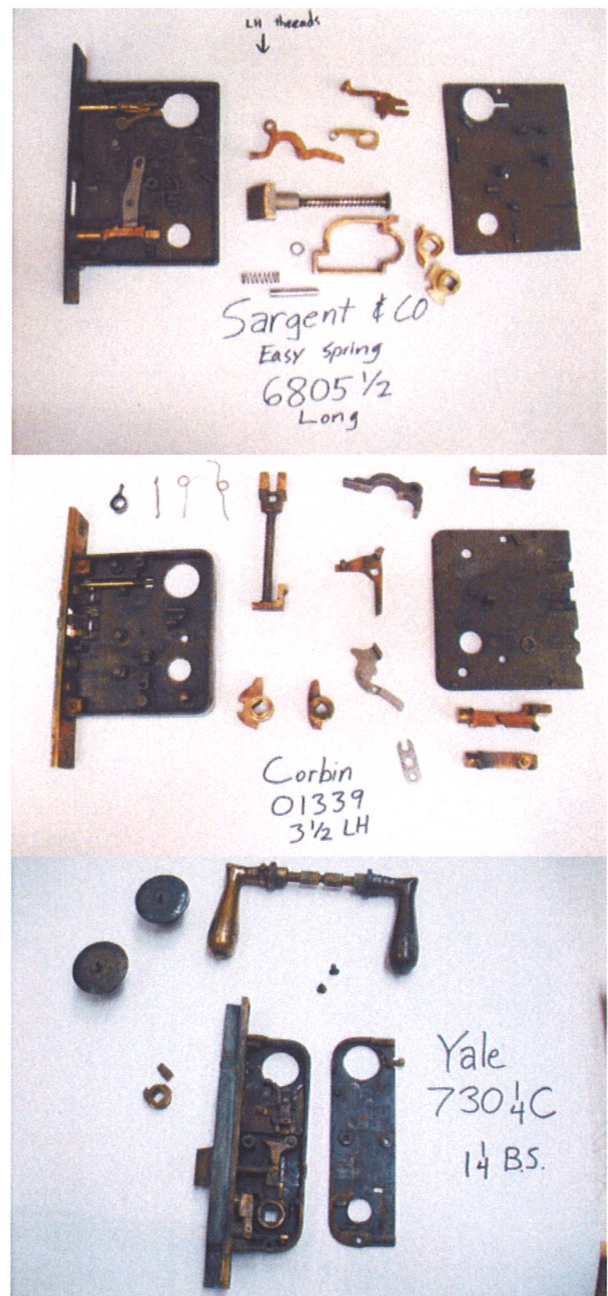
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Door Restoration Ongoing

There are over 1000 doors in the Nebraska State Capitol. The Office of the Capitol Commission carpentry staff is responsible for the maintenance of them all. The team works together; cabinet maker, finisher and machinist all play an important role in keeping the doors functional. During the past year carpentry staff repaired and refinished the Capitol's south entrance door, refinished the walnut doors in the offices undergoing renovation, fabricated a new door for preservation space and repaired a metal door in the basement.

For a door to serve its intended purpose, whether security, privacy or keeping out the elements, it must have a knob assembly and lock. OCC's newly hired machinist, John Mackichan, is responsible for making sure the mechanical parts of the doors work properly. During the Capitol's construction door hardware was supplied by three different companies. The highest quality hardware was specified for doors which had the potential to be opened and closed hundreds of times a day. As part of his training, the new machinist disassembled and reassembled lock sets to familiarize himself with the equipment. In the images, right, the different parts and mechanisms of each kind of lock set can be seen. These three sets represent a small sample of the many different styles of lock sets in the Capitol. When called upon, the machinist will be required to rebuild this hardware from parts he will fabricate himself from brass stock. The door hardware in the building is of superior quality to what is now on the market and maintaining this equipment is an investment in the long term life of the building.



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During the life of the Capitol, it has been called upon to adapt to changing uses and technologies. Originally constructed with telephone booths in many locations, changing communication technology changed the way some areas of the Capitol are used. To accommodate and consolidate a new telephone system, a phone booth and closet near the second floor rotunda switched location. During the change, staff attempted to match the new closet door with existing doors. As the Office of the Capitol works to preserve and maintain the building with a team of highly skilled professionals, staff can return to some of the earlier additions and more closely match original finishes.



Left, the original replacement door more closely resembles an office door. OCC's cabinet maker, Mike Marshall, has the skill to replicate the many paneled original closet doors in the Capitol. Right, using an original closet door as an example, staff creates and assembles a closet door to fit the larger than standard opening. Below left, the new door beside an original closet door. Bottom left and right, after finishing and hardware installation the

new door is put in place near the rotunda. The two doors on the north side of the rotunda are now a matched pair.



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The Office of the Capitol Commission's finisher, Steve Janssen, plays an important role in caring for the Capitol's doors. During office renovations his knowledge and skill enable him to restore and preserve the doors with the minimally invasive techniques. His knowledge also allows him to replicate finishes as he works on new doors created by the carpentry shop staff.



Top left, the doors and trim are removed for restoration during an office renovation. Center left, a door in the finish shop is inspected and any restoration work undertaken. Above and top right, the restored trim and doors await their return to service in the renovated office space. Left, OCC finishers begins to apply stain to the newly fabricated closet door. Using examples from other doors in the Capitol the finisher applies a stain to create a finish which matches the original doors in the building.

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Chair Conservation Ongoing

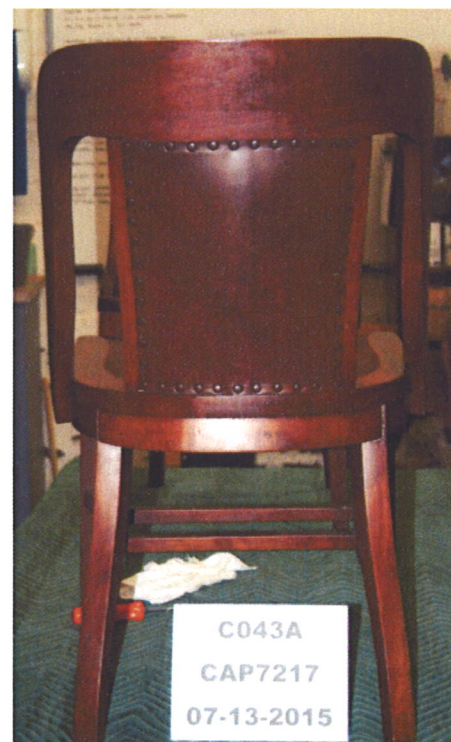
The specifications for the construction of the new Nebraska State Capitol included furnishings for all offices. The Nebraska Capitol Commission was committed to not only to building a monument to public service, but also a functioning office building. The assortment of office furnishings they chose was of the highest quality intended for the longest service. Not only is this walnut wood furniture strong and durable, it is repairable when damaged. The Office of the Capitol Commission Furniture staff are experts in repairing and returning chairs to service in the building.



Above, OCC stores furniture which is severely damaged until shop staff has time for the extensive restoration needed to, in this case, create a spline and join the two broken pieces back together. Three chairs, taken from storage, were repaired, refinished and returned to service in the Court Administrator's Office.



Left and right, in addition to their skill at repairing and restoring the structural wooden components of the chairs, the furniture shop also is capable of reupholstering damaged leather. The torn leather on the back of this chair from the Nebraska Law Library was removed, the repair made and the chair returned to service.



Capitol Collections Program-

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Karen Wagner, Capitol Archivist

Program Activity-

- Provided copies of drawings from past Capitol projects in support of the upcoming HVAC replacement project. Scanned 19 sets of project drawings and provided project consultants with 115 print copies and PDF files.
- Updated the Archivists Toolkit database with added detailed description of original construction correspondence.
- Added entries to the PastPerfect database; both new acquisitions and other objects previously acquired but not in database.
- Provided seven separate researchers copies of 65 images.
- Provided tours of the Archives to various groups and hosted visiting scholars
- Processed image and information requests.
- Provided access to collections for C-SPAN History Channel program

New materials added to our collections-

- Number of donors: 12
- Total number of OCC purchases: 24
- Examples of items added to the collections:
 - 95 digital images from Lincoln Historian Jim McKee's personal collections.
 - 18 digital images of Lee Lawrie's plaster maquettes photographed in 1964.
 - 9 drawings from the R. Guastavino Co. of various domes in the Nebraska Capitol (drawings not represented in our holdings).

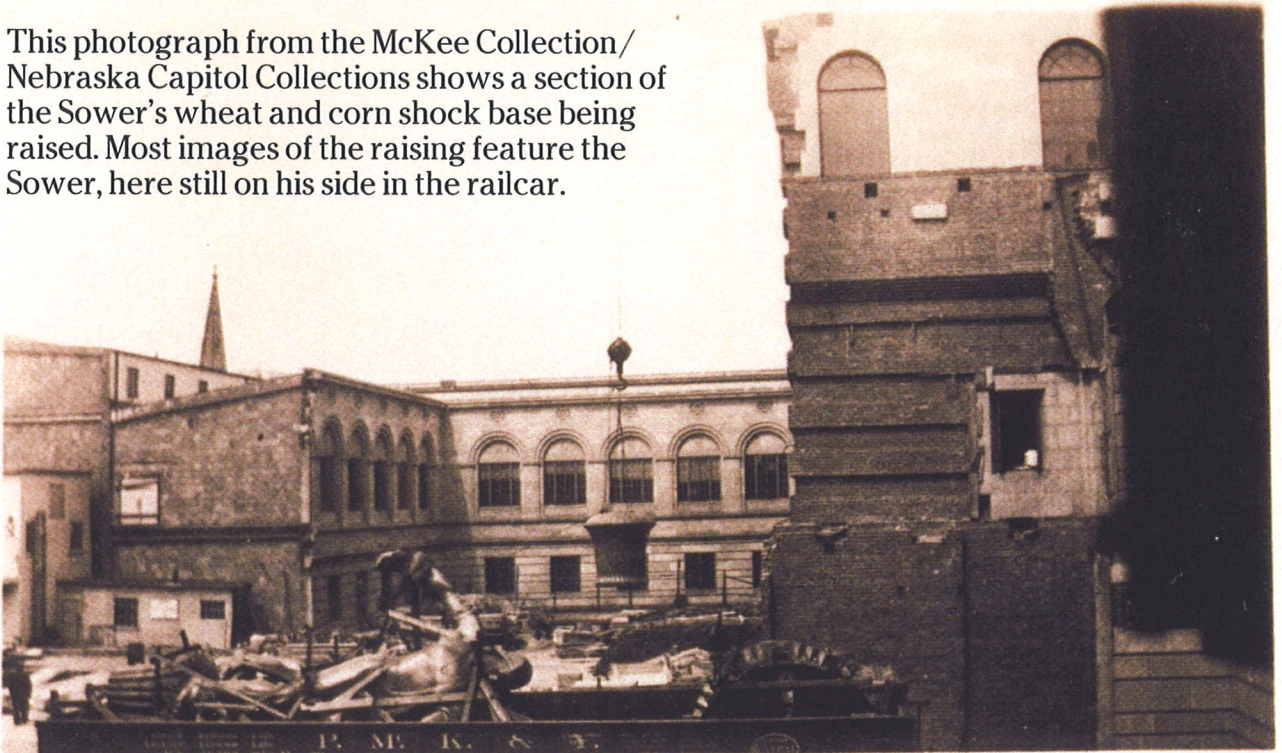
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Expanding the Photograph Collection

The Nebraska Capitol Collection Archive contains photographic documentation of the Nebraska State Capitol under construction. As the Office of the Capitol Commission goes about its business of preserving, maintaining and interpreting the building, these photographs are used for reference. This photographic documentation includes images taken specifically for the 1920's Capitol Commission by staff on site, and images taken by Nebraskans visiting the construction site to see their new Capitol taking shape. This year Lincoln historian Jim McKee donated copies of a series of photographs he had acquired. Some of the donated images were familiar to the Capitol architects and archivist, but others were new and unusual. Several of the photographs appeared to be taken by non-professionals and offer unique perspectives on the construction activity and the Capitol environs at the time. As was done with the McKee images, the Capitol Archivist is able to scan photographs which Nebraskans have in their possession and return the originals. Donation forms acknowledge the important contribution that holders of family photographs featuring the Capitol make when they allow the Office of the Capitol Commission to copy the images for inclusion in the Nebraska Capitol Collection. Together, Nebraskans and the Office of the Capitol Commission, insure that future generations will have the resources needed to preserve, maintain and interpret our beautiful state Capitol. For more information on how to include your family's Capitol photographs in the Capitol Collections contact the Capitol Archivist at (402)471-0444.

This photograph from the McKee Collection/ Nebraska Capitol Collections shows a section of the Sower's wheat and corn shock base being raised. Most images of the raising feature the Sower, here still on his side in the railcar.



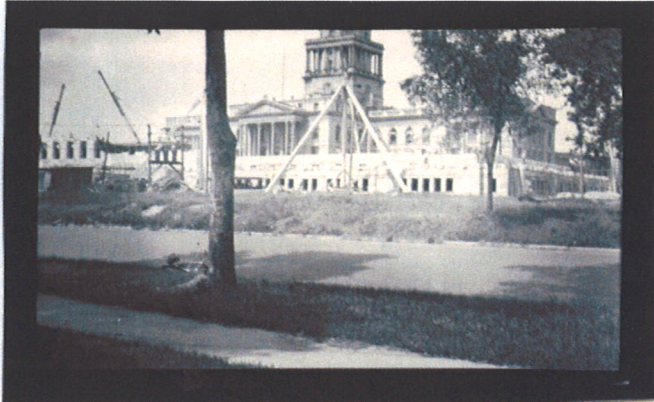
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Construction Timeline

These four images were scanned from photographs and show how Nebraskans documented early phases of Capitol construction. From top to bottom: The first photo shows the south side of the new Capitol under construction, the ground floor limestone is in place and the second level is starting to go up. The second photo shows the south pavilion nearing completion and more trees have been removed. The third photo shows the north entrance under construction, the brick street in the foreground is now Centennial Mall. The final photo shows carving stations on the south facade and the old Capitol's dome removed to reveal the structure beneath.

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Capitol Custodial

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Perry Shuman, Capitol Conservation Supervisor

Richard Mallam, Custodial Leader

Rick Naber, Custodial Leader

-Five nights/week, 52 weeks/year OCC custodial staff cleans 70,000 sq. ft. of Preservation space. OCC oversees Service Master custodial services cleaning an additional 195,000 sq. ft. of adaptive use space daily.

-OCC staff has increased corridor cleaning in the areas of interior renovation this past year and has cleaned office suites after construction renovation

-OCC cleans carpet in the Capitol and does specialty cleaning of exotic finishes in all preservation spaces

-OCC has increased custodial presence in the Law Library Preservation Space and new office space due to increased use by the Judicial Education Division.

-OCC staff manages recycling duties in the Capitol, primarily paper and cardboard, the amount of recycling within the Capitol has increased by 10% over the past year, plastic and aluminum recycling continues to increase

-OCC staff handles approximately 7 tons of cardboard, 50 tons of office paper, 10 tons of newsprint, 2 tons of magazines, 6 tons of mixed paper and approximately ½ a ton each of aluminum and plastic

-OCC staff has all floor cleaning duties and this year, due to contract staff turnover, has begun an extensive training program to introduce new workers to the unique nature of the Capitol's floors by stripping, refinishing and restoring wardrobe and sink closet floors in newly renovated offices, this training has integrated the contract floor crew with in-house staff to produce results that meet or exceed contract requirements, and continues the floor renovation program which will eventually strip and refinish all perimeter stone floors on first and second floors

-OCC custodial staff continues to be involved with event setups as more groups discover the beauty of the building and have events in the Capitol

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Floor Refinishing

Refinishing floors in the Nebraska State Capitol is one of the OCC Custodial staff's many duties. As time and staffing allow, Capitol custodial staff and custodial contract staff are able to move beyond the basic maintenance of the corridor floor finishes and refinish sections. This year staff stripped and refinished the first floor south center corridor floor. Ground level corridor floors are granolithic concrete with a Vermont slate border. Over several months staff stripped the many layers of discolored and chipped floor finish and then put down a new layer of finish. To prevent damage to the floor's surface the finish removal process requires many passes with special buffer pads. This slow removal process takes many evening's work and insures the original surface is not damaged. Removal of the old finish reveals the original floor surface and the new four layer finish provides a durable base for future maintenance without diminishing the beauty of the natural material, in this case concrete and slate. It is the Office of the Capitol Commission's goal to eventually remove the many layers of finish applied over the past 30 years and upgrade the finish on all the first and second floor corridor floors.



In the above image custodial staff carefully removes finish by hand, working in small section as time and staffing allow. Right, once the floor is bare, staff apply the finish to the granolithic concrete and slate floor. Granolithic concrete was chosen for the ground level corridor floors because of its greater durability over regular concrete. Unlike standard concrete, cement mixed with an aggregate such as sand, granolithic concrete is a mixture of cement and granite chips or powder. The resulting floor is very durable and holds up under the high traffic public activities occurring on ground floor, such as public hearings. The resulting floor surface appears similar to the Indiana limestone interior and exterior facade of the Capitol. Staff worked hard to get the final coat of protective finish down before inclement weather of winter and the resulting snow and ice melt being tracked into the building.

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Carpet Cleaning

Office of the Capitol Commission custodial staff work with contractor custodial staff to clean and preserve the building each night. OCC staff cleans floor and preservation spaces, while the Servicemaster Division III staff handles routine office cleaning. Division III staff uses Capitol equipment to clean office carpets. Previously office carpets were routinely cleaned on a specific schedule. Current staff shortages have resulted in office carpets being cleaned on an as needed basis and by request. Generally carpet cleaning occurs on Friday evenings to allow the carpet a chance to dry over the weekend before furniture is returned to the floor. Some high traffic carpeted areas of the Capitol which are susceptible to soiling are still cleaned on a schedule.



Grounds Maintenance

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Craig Kreiner, Horticulturalist/ Supervisor, State Building Division

Lee Briggs, Groundskeeper Leader, State Building Division

Jordan Walklin, Groundskeeper Leader, State Building Division

Don Pracheil, Automotive Mechanic II, Office of the Capitol Commission

Heather Dinslage, Groundskeeper Leader, Office of the Capitol Commission

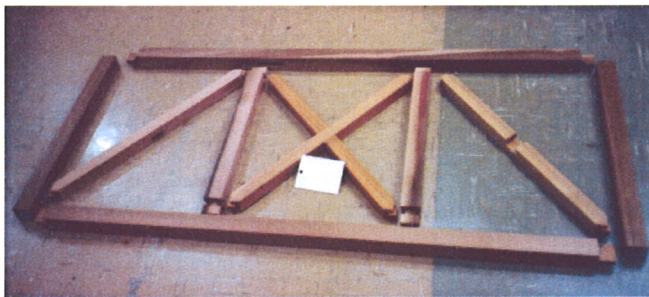
- Daily maintenance of 2.5 million square feet (58 acres) of landscape and hardscape by combined Office of the Capitol Commission and State Building Division grounds staff, including mowing, chemical applications, aerating, seeding, manicuring, mowing and edging of sidewalks areas within turf and snow removal for 58,000 sq. ft. of Capitol hardscape.
- Support OCC Capitol events with set up and take down
- Participate in furniture and office moves during Capitol renovation projects
- Continued modified irrigation schedule
- Selected, cut, decorated, maintained and removed Capitol Holiday tree
- Planted and maintained flower boxes on promenade of 1526 Building
- Maintained plantings at State Lab
- Mulched all plantings at Capitol and other sites
- Oversaw concrete repairs and replacement in parking lots
- Removed branches damaged by high winds
- Oversaw tree trimming at Governor's Residence and parking lots
- Oversaw replanting of areas along completed portions of Centennial Mall
- Mechanic and assistant maintained:
 - Six vehicles (four pickups with snow blades and two stock trucks)
 - Three Toro riding mowers with snow broom attachments in winter
 - Three John Deere tractors, one with a front end loader, snow blower, aerator, and forklift attachment and two smaller tractors
 - Seven push mowers
 - Self propelled and pull type aerator
 - Two riding spreaders for the lawn and smaller push spreaders
 - Assorted weed whips and edgers
 - Tennant floor sweeper for cleaning parking lots and garages
 - Three sprayers for the lawn
 - Five snow blowers and three self-propelled snow brooms

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Preparing for Winter

The Capitol Grounds crew is responsible for snow removal on the sidewalks and entrances of the Nebraska State Capitol, the Nebraska State Office Building, the Governor's Residence and many other office and parking facilities in Lincoln. Maintaining snow and ice free walking surfaces is a major challenge considering Nebraska's variable weather. However, the crew does not worry about keeping the Capitol's north entrance plaza, stairs or promenade deck open. Each year as the temperatures drop, the Office of the Capitol Commission closes these areas to pedestrian traffic rather than fight a losing battle with snow and ice on the granite steps and decks. OCC Carpentry staff fabricated the promenade deck barricades in sections to be stored flat in the basement and then easily assembled and carried into position. These custom designed barricades replace older saw-horse style barricades which allowed people to crawl under and access these icy surfaces. The new barricades restrict access and match the building's architectural detail, an elegant solution to a public safety concern.



Above, the barricades created by OCC Carpentry staff are cedar with centuries old mortise and tenon joinery for durability. Right, the shop fit the barricades together and then drilled the holes for the bolt assembly which holds them together. Below left and right, after moving the pieces via a cart onto the dock, grounds staff assembles the barricades and then carries the finished pieces up onto the stair landing. The barricades serve to block access and compliment the architectural detail of the Capitol.



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Maintaining the Landscape

The Capitol Grounds crew is responsible for maintaining the Capitol Grounds. Once the lawn goes dormant for winter, and staff is freed from mowing twice a week, the other components of the landscape can be addressed. Ernst Herminghaus' original landscape plan for the Capitol Grounds specified the trees and shrubs which frame and accent the building. To enhance the appearance of the building, Herminghaus determined the proper size and scale of these focal pieces. He advised future grounds keepers that once the plant material had outgrown its appropriate size, it be replaced with smaller trees and shrubs. He understood that the Capitol's landscape design needed to be continually maintained, requiring the removal and replanting of trees and shrubs many times during the life of building and grounds. Large sections of the foundation plantings were replanted as a result of the exterior masonry project. This fall staff continued to remove overgrown plant material from the site.



The Globe Blue Spruce, above, has grown much larger than intended and dwarfs the Junipers planted following the Exterior Renovation Project requiring its removal. Grounds staff begins by using a pole trimmer to reach into the crown and cut the shrub into manageable pieces.



The process is repeated on the opposite side of the building. Above and below, once the shrub is cut into pieces, it is loaded into the bucket of the tractor and then places in the stock truck for disposal and conversion into wood chip mulch.



HVAC/Electrical/Plumbing

Maintenance and Preventative Maintenance

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Michael Jordan, Shop Supervisor Jeff Gillett, Capitol Plumber
Kent Bonebright, Sheet Metal Fabricator Tahir Karimi, Capitol Electrician
John Steele, Maintenance Technician

Shop staff daily work-

- 261 daily rounds to inspect HVAC equipment for proper operation
- hot/cold calls from Capitol occupants, lights out calls, etc.
- sound system and electrical for Capitol events
- seasonal heating/cooling change, work on steam and chilled water system pneumatic controls

***Preventative Maintenance/ Work Orders**

- responded to over 500 work order calls
- staff performs approximately 1,050 Preventative Maintenance Work Orders per year
- check and replace air filters
- grease motor and fan bearings
- check air handler belts
- tear down and inspect hot water boilers
- service air compressors for pneumatic system
- service ice makers and café kitchen equipment
- inspect electrical system in Capitol
- clean and inspect special A/C units in computer server and hearing rooms
- clean and inspect all roof drains semi-annually
- inspect exterior lighting weekly to insure safety and security
- re-lamp Capitol chandeliers
- change ballasts for office lighting upgrades
- clean cooling coils in induction units in all Capitol offices
- install power and lighting in newly renovated offices

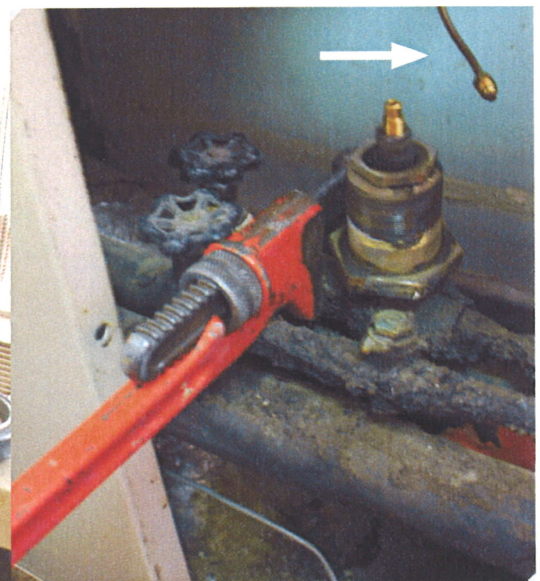
*It is due to the great skill and dedication of present and past Capitol Maintenance Staff that the 50 year old Capitol heating, ventilating, and air conditioning system is still functioning when comparable systems only last an average of 30 - 35 years.

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HVAC Maintenance

The Office of the Capitol Commission has four maintenance staff caring for the Capitol's heating, cooling and ventilation system. These four staff members work diligently to see that the 50 year old system performs as well as possible. During the course of the past year, staff have repaired and serviced many components of the system. The pumps, valves and air handlers which move steam and chilled water, condensate and air through the system are regularly maintained. However, the system sometimes breaks down and staff is called upon to make the repairs which keep the system functioning.



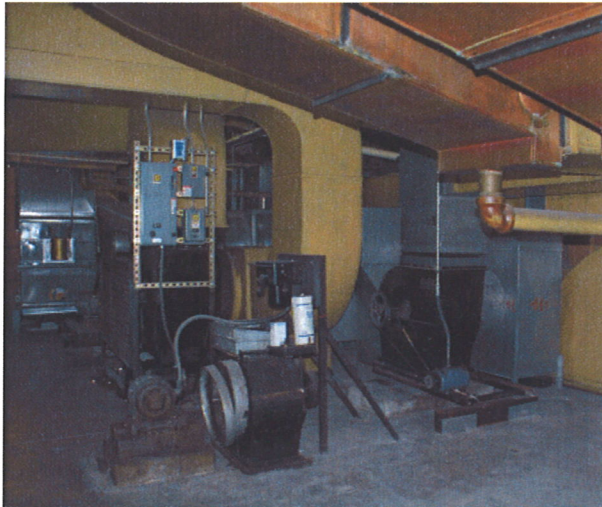
Last year, staff replaced one of the two compressors operating the pneumatic system which opens and closes valves in office induction units. Above right, a pneumatic line can be seen hanging above the valve which it opens and closes, allowing steam or chilled water to enter the unit as needed to maintain office temperature. In this instance, the valve failed and water leaked onto the office floor. After shutting off the lines to the induction unit, maintenance staff replaced the valve and returned the unit to service. Finishing up, staff vacuumed up as much of the leaked water as possible. After the carpet dried, the office was put back in order and office work resumed.



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The Capitol's HVAC system includes air handlers and ducts which move fresh air to the induction units. Located in the attic space above the second floor, the air handlers are a combination of original duct work and ducts added during the 1960's HVAC changes. The large fans are operated by motors and pulleys. While replacing a belt, staff noticed a pulley not performing as expected and replaced the bearings. the fan is back to running as efficiently as possible.



Left, the air handlers are a combination of original duct work, painted brown, and galvanized duct work added in the 1960's. As the HVAC upgrade progresses this duct work will be modified or replaced to accommodate the new system. One of the many challenges of the project will be the removal and installation of equipment in very tight attic spaces.

Right, maintenance staff puts the pulley assembly back together after replacing bearings and lubricating the assembly. The tight spaces in the attic require staff to crawl in and through the system. The work done here occurred behind and around a corner from the equipment seen above.



Left, the fan assembly is put back together and staff bolt the components back in place. The almost continual operation of the air handlers and induction units wears on the system's components and requires frequent servicing.

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As the steam created from water heated to boiling in the generation plant behind the State Office Building's south parking garage moves through the Capitol, the heat in the steam is removed as the fans blow air through the induction unit coils. The use of heat from the steam inside the coils returns the steam to liquid. The resulting condensate, water, is moved through the closed system via a series of vacuum pumps in the basement and stored in holding tanks. When the steam generation plant needs the water from the system it is returned via the underground pipes and reheated and returned to the Capitol as steam. There are two condensate pumps in the Capitol and because of their importance to the system, staff spends a week annually rebuilding the pumps to ensure they operate as expected. Rebuilding equipment is less expensive than purchasing new and enables staff to troubleshoot the system.



Left, one of two condensate pumps in the Capitol operates the vacuum system which removes water from the HVAC pipes and returns it to the steam generation plant outside the Capitol. The light blue pump assembly is rebuilt each year to ensure proper function.

Right, OCC maintenance staff checks the valves and gauges of the equipment before completing the pump installation and returning the condensate removal system to service.



Capitol Tours and Special Events

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Roxanne Smith, Public Information Officer
(Tourism Supervisor /Special Events)
Gloria Witherspoon, Tourism Aide (ret.)
Daniel Hutt, Tourism Aide

Tours-

During the past year almost 1800 tours were given.

- over 20,000 school children during Spring 2015
- Over 80,000 total visitors in Capitol
- Special tours for guests of Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches, trade mission tours, Mayor's Committee for International Friendship, groups traveling with US State Department, classes from colleges across Nebraska to meet curriculum needs, art and architecture tours, pre-school and day care tours

Special Events-

- 30 News Conferences
- 51 Weddings and 84 Wedding Photography sessions
- 42 Family Photography sessions
- 26 Rallies/Events on the Capitol Grounds
- 39 Displays, First Floor Rotunda, State or Non-Profit Sponsored
- 9 Concerts, Second Floor Rotunda
 - Music in Our Schools Concert Series
- 20 Rotunda Ceremonies, including:
 - Martin Luther King Ceremony
 - Youth Art Month Award Ceremony
 - Girls and Boys State Events
 - State Bar Association Swearing In Ceremony
 - Governor's Employee/Supervisor of the Year Ceremony
 - Department of Education Ceremonies and Programs
 - Hispanic Heritage Month Commemoration
 - Department of Corrections Awards Ceremony
- 4 special exterior lightings of Capitol
- 2 road race events at Capitol
- 1 Eagle Scout Ceremony

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Lighting the Capitol at Night

The Indiana Limestone facade of the Nebraska State Capitol takes on the character of the light which illuminates the building. Whether viewed in brilliant sun or through a lifting fog the Capitol is an inspirational symbol for citizens. The Office of the Capitol Commission works with civic groups to illuminate the Capitol at night for special events and activities. Occurring four times a year the Capitol reflects colors significant to these non-profit groups.

