

## JANUARY 2008 NAUVOO BETTERMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT

The Nauvoo Betterment Association held its first meeting for the year 2008 on January 10th at the Nauvoo fire station. Each of the five main committees reported as follows:

**Park Planning** : Seth and Jessica Blatter are working with a volunteer group from Western Illinois University. Elizabeth Slack is the intern working directly with the NBA group and specifically with Seth and Jessica. These students are majoring in park and recreation or related subjects and will be a great help to the Park Committee, and our community.

**City Hall Facade**: Paul McKoon gave a report with several intriguing options for updating the facade for the City Hall building. He will report next meeting with a cost analysis/breakdown for these ideas.

**Benches**: David Miller presented his committee's choice of benches. Color, size, and style were discussed and approved. These quality benches may be purchased from the Nauvoo Better Association by individuals or organizations. More information about the cost will be available in the next few weeks.

**Flowers/Mini Parks**: Karen Ourth and Marilyn Candido are in the planning stage for their beautification project. In the interest of keeping costs down they are considering asking for flower donations from gardeners in our community. If any of our "green thumb" friends have perennials they would be willing to share please contact Karen Ourth ( 453-2236).

**History Buffs Walking Tour**: Karen Ihrig's committee is ready to move forward. The Nauvoo Historical Society has stepped on board and is in the process of forming a committee to assist with this project. Karen's committee plans to have their project completed and ready to go by May of this year!

The Nauvoo Betterment Association is pleased and excited about the plans for our community. We are looking forward to meeting with our friends and neighbors in 2008 as we all work together ..."enhancing the perception of Nauvoo's appearance and amenities by making the town more comfortable, interesting, and attractive..."