

WESCO Restoration and Renovation Alliance Central Park Fountain



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1. Alliance Central Park Fountain fully renovated.
2. The crowd enjoys the light show.
3. Center nozzle as it progresses through its display show.
4. National Historic registration plaque.



Project Overview

Owner: City of Alliance
Location: Alliance, Nebraska
Date: 2007

The Alliance Central Park Fountain was constructed in 1935 by Franklin Roosevelt's Depression era Works Progress Administration and Alliance Parks Department crews. The fountain, first activated during the city's "Stampede Days" celebration in June 1935, was in continuous use during the summer months until the mid-1970s when it fell into disrepair. In 1989 the equipment was updated, but by 2006, it was decided that a full restoration was necessary. When the town put forth that restoration effort, WESCO was the company of choice.

The fountain, historically significant as an electrically powered, colored-light water feature, went through a thorough restoration by WESCO. Keeping the original octagonal basin wall, WESCO replaced all of the original pumps, plumbing and lights with new equipment housed in a subterranean vault that replaced the older and inadequate equipment room. WESCO also added a new display show sequence coordinated with color changing halogen lights. By keeping all of its original character, the fountain is now a fully revitalized part of the City of Alliance, and proudly recognized on the National Historic Register by the U.S. Department of Interior.

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