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# City Newsletter

December 2004 Edition

## Mayor's Message

### Communication

The City Council and I are looking for better ways to communicate with you concerning City business and questions you may wish to raise. At the beginning of each Council Meeting there is an open forum. After signing the register you may address the Council about any City services and policies on your mind (as long as you do it in a civil manner). Although no action can be taken by the Council at that time, your concerns will be taken into consideration for further discussion or action where it is considered appropriate.

As Mayor of Mapleton, I would like all of you to know that you may come to the City Office and meet with me. I am here most every day and if you would call or come in, I will arrange my time to meet with you. If for some reason you cannot come in, call me and I will come to your home at your convenience.

### Mapleton Community Center

Progress is being made in establishing a contractor for the new building, which will be located west of Central Bank. The financing of the building will come from an \$800,000 lease back loan at 4.05% from Zion's Bank, a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Impact Fees, and donations from you, the public, to build the Library. We are doing this project within the present budget of the City. There will be no additional tax to the citizens.

The new building will include the Police Department, Library, City Court, Council Chamber, Senior Citizen Center, and Administration. To make the financing work for the new building, we will need every citizen, including children, to make generous donations to the new Library. We are projecting \$600,000 to furnish and build the Library. All donations will be used strictly for the Library. Donation cards will be sent to each home in the near future. You may make payments toward your pledge, or give a lump sum. Receipts will be issued, and your donation will be tax deductible.

The Mayor and City Council believe that this project will bring our community together, and make a statement as to what we stand for here in Mapleton. Thanks to all of you who have given encouragement and donations toward this project, especially the building committee who have given many hours of their time to bring the Community Center into reality.

## Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

### December 3, 2004

We are pleased to announce that this years Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held in the City Park on Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The event will commence with carol singing by our local school children at 6:00pm. The Christmas tree lights will be switched on at 6:30pm. All residents are invited to attend this special family festivity that proves to be so enjoyable for both parents and children.

## Entertainment

The Mapleton Chorale, under the direction of Cory Mendenhall, will be performing two community Christmas concerts this season. On Friday, December 3, 2004 at 7 p.m., at the Spanish Fork South LDS Stake Center (1150 East 1246 South), the Chorale will combine with the Spanish Fork Community Choir in concert. The Mapleton Chorale will again perform on Sunday, December 12, 2004 at 7 p.m. at the Mapleton North LDS Stake Center, 475 North 1600 West (north end of Hwy. 89, which is also 1600 West in Mapleton). The programs will include a wide variety of Christmas music and are free of charge. Come join us and get in the spirit of the holiday season!

## City Calendar

Dec 1	7:00 pm	City Council Meeting
Dec 3	6:00 pm	Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
Dec 8	7:00 pm	Board of Adjustment Meeting
Dec 9	7:00 pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Dec 14	1:00-4:00pm	Museum is Open
Dec 15	7:00 pm	City Council Meeting
Dec 24		City Offices Closed – Christmas Observance
Dec 28	1:00-4:00pm	Museum is Open
Dec 31		City Offices Closed – New Years Observance

Meetings are held at the City Hall, 35 East Maple Street, unless otherwise indicated. For more information about City Meetings contact 489-5655. Agendas, minutes and the newsletter are available on the City website at [www.mapleton.org](http://www.mapleton.org).

# City Council Action Items

## November 3, 2004

1. Approved – Final Plat of the Tim Kriser Plat A Subdivision.
2. Approved – Final Plat of the Hatfield Plat D Subdivision.
3. Approved – Final Plat of the Haines Plat D Subdivision.
4. Approved – Amendment to the I&M-1 “Industrial and Manufacturing” Zone.
5. Approved – Proposal naming a section of 1000 East Street “Petersen Lane”.

## November 17, 2004

1. Approved – Resolution authorizing the purchase of 5.5 shares of Mapleton Irrigation Water from Mr. John Bleggi at \$2,500 per share.
2. Approved – Resolution authoring the Exercise of Eminent Domain Power held by Mapleton to Acquire, by Negotiation or Condemnation, Real Property or Interests in Real Property Crossed by the Fire Break Road on the East Bench and Owned by Henrichsen, Inc., and Gibby Trust, and Related Matters.

## Library

### Bookmobile Library

We wish to clarify some information printed in last month’s Newsletter regarding the Bookmobile Library. The Utah County Commission has agreed to sign a contract for the continuance of the Bookmobile in Utah County for 2005. The repository, which now also functions as a Library for Mapleton, will continue for another year. The collection will move to the new Library Facility when it is completed. It has been an asset to Mapleton to have a “Library” for over eight years. The City hopes to acquire a collection of its own someday. Money is being raised to build the section of the new facility for our Library and also for the purchasing of books. By the end of this year Mapleton residents will have checked out over 17,500 items from the Bookmobile Library.

### Mapleton Family Literacy Center

The Mapleton Family Literacy Center has been working hard to help students in Mapleton become better readers. We are always looking for new tutors and students. Reading is a skill that is essential in life. The mission statement for the Family Literacy Center is “...to offer effective one-on-one literacy training to help families and individuals develop the necessary literacy skills to thrive in society, finding value and happiness in their work, in their educational experience, and in their personal lives”. If you can volunteer two hours a week to help a student, or you have someone in your home who needs to become a better reader, please call either the Library at 489-4833, Elaine Carlson at 489-6584, or Debbie Neilsen at 489-3959. We offer tutoring before and after school at the Library.

## Police Department

With the Holiday Season now upon us we need to be more vigilant about locking our homes and vehicles. It is the time of season when criminals are very busy earning Christmas money by stealing from anyone they can. You should always lock your car no matter where you are or what time of day it is. If you have packages in your vehicle, you should leave them locked in the trunk or place them out of site. Criminals have been known to knock on doors during the day and night, and if no one answers, they will enter your home if it is unlocked. If you see something that is suspicious, do not hesitate to call the Mapleton Police Department.

# Public Works

## Storm Water Report

We have submitted our First Annual Storm Water Report to the Department of Water Quality. This is available for review at the Mapleton City Offices.

## Clearance of Debris

Please continue to help keep the curb, gutters and sidewalks free of leaves, dirt, and debris in front of your residence. This helps to reduce storm water backup and catch basins from being clogged with debris. As winter approaches, snow will also be required to be cleared of snow. This is part of City Code 12.04.070 and can be enforced by law.

## Recycling Program

Mapleton has the opportunity to participate in a recycling program in which a separate container will be provided for recyclable materials. A **minimum of 300 households** would be required to participate at an approximate monthly cost of \$7.50 to \$8.00 per month. Only those residents who wish to participate will be billed this fee. This will be in addition to your regular garbage fee currently being billed. One can will be provided that any recyclable items (paper, glass, aluminum, etc.) can be put in to, separate from your regular garbage can.

By participating in recycling you are helping conserve natural resources and energy. You will significantly help reduce pollution and eliminate the negative impacts of our landfills. You will also help preserve wildlife habitat and the earth’s ecosystems. It is time to think of our future and our children’s future by slowing the massive production of waste. Since the opening of the Green Waste Center in Spanish Fork, an 18 % decrease has been noted in the waste stream taken to the solid waste transfer station in Springville.

Please give us your positive response when you pay your City bill, or by calling in the City Offices at 489-5655 during regular business hours. Please remember that a minimum of 300 households will be required to make this new service viable.

## Mapleton Senior Citizen’s Center Update

### Mapleton Senior Residents

Mapleton City is in the process of establishing a Senior Citizen Center. We would like to get feedback from our citizens age 60 and over, if you would be interested in becoming a member. Activities that may take place in the Center are quilting, painting, exercising, cooking, playing pool, cards, board games, computers, field trips, humanitarian aid, and many other activities that have been suggested by the committee.

If you are interested in becoming a Member of the Mapleton Senior Citizens, be a volunteer, or have any ideas as to activities you think would be nice to take place, we would love to hear from you. Please contact April Houser or Tracy Padgett at 489-6138 or Cookie Allgaier at 491-3237. If it is more convenient, our e-mail addresses are [ahouser@mapleton.org](mailto:ahouser@mapleton.org) or [tbarker@mapleton.org](mailto:tbarker@mapleton.org).

Further information regarding the Senior Citizen Center will be provided in upcoming Mapleton City Newsletters.

## Volunteers Needed

Mapleton Elementary is in need of volunteers for the "I Can Read" program. It involves tutoring 2 times per week on Monday and Wednesdays, or Tuesday and Thursdays, from 9:00am-10:00am. Contact Sheri Jensen at 489-2850 if interested.

## Reflections Program

Thank you to everyone who participated in Mapleton Elementary School's Reflections Program. We had 130 children submit 145 entries in the various artistic categories. Winners of the Award of Excellence will advance to the council level, where their artwork will be judged alongside the work of other students from Springville and Mapleton. Good luck to you all. These winners are listed as follows:

**Visual Art:** Mickelle Murdock, Josie Boyd, McKell James, Brady Johnson, and Kelsey Lewis

**Literature:** Meili Stokes, Rebekah Jackson, Elise Barney, Danielle Perkins, and Katie Harris

**Music:** Katelyn Card, Sophie Card, Jalene Keliiliki, Meili Stokes, and Sydney Denison

**3-D Art:** Nathaniel Booth, Ali Timmons, Madison Watson, McKenna Holmes, and Devin Larose

**Photography:** Connor McConaghie, Jalene Keliiliki, James Brinkerhoff, Julia Raymer, and Randie Hyer

**Dance:** Jalene Keliiliki, Meghan White, and Victoria Warren

**Theatre:** Peyton Gibson

**Film:** Mitchell Holmes and Katelyn Card

## Recreation

### Boys Basketball Registration

Boys Basketball sign-ups were held November 30<sup>th</sup>. Boys 1<sup>st</sup> grade thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade can still register at the City Offices. A \$10.00 late fee will be added after December 10<sup>th</sup>. Games will begin in January. Please call Stacey Child at 489-7752 for more information.

### Girls Basketball

The girls are having a great season! This year we have more participants than ever before. With twelve teams and an instructional league the program is growing. Games will wrap up on December 18<sup>th</sup>. As always, the success of the program relies on several volunteers and coaches. We have an incredible group of dedicated coaches this season. THANK YOU...Girls Basketball Commissioner: Loretta Clark, Coaches: Kraig Dayton, Todd Nielsen, Kyle Lewis, Jason Williams, Kelly Munns, Todd Powell, Doug Anderson, Andy Ball, Alisa Collingsworth, Robert Ellis, Carla Johnson, Grant McQueen, and David Farley. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Instructional League Director: Terryl Swanson and assistant coaches: Francis Gibson, Shaun Moosman, Maggie Long, Drew Hubbard, Genna Brown, and Anna Harward.

### Interest in 3 on 3 Basketball League for ages 14-18 ???

If you are interested in participating in a 3 on 3 Basketball League please contact Stacey Child at 489-7752. Teams of 5-6 players would play games during the months of February & March. Each team would need an adult coach that could attend all games and must register as an organized team. The approximate cost would be \$40 - \$50 per player (cost will be determined by the number of teams participating). We will not be able to organize this league without enough interest.

### Recreation Supervisor

We are looking for a Gym Supervisor, age 21 or older, to help supervise games and referee. The hours are Tuesday-Thursday from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Please call Stacey Childs at 489-7752 if interested.

## Planning Department

### Garbage Cans

Another reminder that garbage cans need to be separated at least 4 feet from one can to another when putting them at the road for pick-up.

### Petersen Lane - Correction on the naming of 1000 East

The City Council recently voted to officially name 1000 East Street in the South-East area of town "Petersen Lane" in honor of the late and former Mayor and City Council Woman, Marilyn Petersen. This only effects the portion of 1000 East from approximately 1200 South to 1600 South. Petersen Lane is a Street that does not and can not connect with any other Streets. We apologize to those who live on 1000 East North of Maple Street. Some of you may have been sent a letter inviting your opinion on whether or not the Street should be named. We only meant to query those who live on 1000 East in the South-East area of town.



### Temporary Hold on New Rezone Requests and New Development

The Mapleton City Attorney and the Mapleton City Development Review Staff recently recommended to the City Council that they place a temporary hold on applications for **new** development within Mapleton City. This would effect anyone applying for a change in the zone designation for a parcel of property, or a new application to subdivide property. The temporary hold **will not** effect applications for building permits on lots within **existing** subdivisions or "zoning lots" as defined by the Mapleton City Code. The reason for the temporary hold is to determine how any existing sewer connections would be allocated. As you may recall, we explained our current sewer limitations in the last Newsletter. Both the City Engineer and the Planning Staff have recently completed and updated a very comprehensive sewer capacity study. During this holding period we hope to come up with some definitive ways to allocate any remaining sewer connections. We also hope to take this opportunity to update the current City General Plan as well.

### New Businesses Coming To Mapleton

The Mapleton City Planning Commission recently approved site plans for two new businesses, and has received applications for two more site plan approvals. *Papa's Meals to Go* Restaurant will be located on the Northwest corner of 800 North and Highway 89, and the Mapleton Dental Office is being constructed at 108 South Highway 89 next to the Conoco Station. The new applications are for another Dental Office to be constructed on the Northwest corner of 400 North and Main Street, and a Pet Hospital to be built on the East side of Highway 89 at approximately 400 North. Also anticipated is the Harvest Park Business area, which will eventually be built at 800 South and Highway 89.

## Youth Theater Workshop & Performance

Wasatch Home Educators Network and Mapleton Recreation are sponsoring a Youth Theater Workshop and Performance. We will be rehearsing on Wednesdays from 1:00pm-2:30pm starting in mid January. The Workshop will include ten rehearsals and two performances. Parents will be expected to contribute to some aspect of the play and provide simple colonial costumes. The cost is \$15 per family, and children ages 10-17 are invited to participate. To register call Gwen at 491-4026.

## Senior Volunteers Needed

Utah County Senior Companion and Foster Grandparent Programs are looking for men and women, age 60 or older, who can volunteer 20 hours per week. You must meet income eligibility requirements. In return, you receive a stipend of approximately \$200 per month, meal or meal allowance, transportation or mileage reimbursement and other benefits. For more information call 851-7767

## Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	489-5655	Emergency:	911
Planning & Zoning:	489-6138	Dispatch Police,	
Building Inspection:	489-6138	Fire, Ambulance:	851-4100
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	491-8048
Recreation:	489-7752	Newsletter:	489-6138

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## Oscar Whiting Home

614 North 300 West  
Mapleton, Utah



The Oscar Whiting home was built on the Mapleton Tithing lot. It had been used by the early pioneers when tithing was paid "in kind". Construction on the home began in the summer of 1929, and the Whiting family moved into it in October of that year. This was the same year for the first "city water" in Mapleton. In anticipation of a new life of luxury, facilities such as a septic tank, cesspool, and field drains were completed. Of course these included a bathroom, kitchen sink, as well as laundry accommodations in the basement. The newly purchased land offered a great garden spot and areas for flowers and shrubs. The Whiting family became quite famous for their beautiful yard surrounding such a lovely new home. The children were delighted to live near the Mapleton Elementary School. The home is now owned by John Allan who is the grandson of Oscar Whiting.

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