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Mayor's Message

It is recreation time! Spring is here and boys and girls thoughts turn to basketball, baseball, soccer, football, swimming, hiking, climbing, just about anything to get out of the house where they have been all winter. We have a great recreation program, and every year the number of youth involved in organized recreation grows. Not too long ago, Mapleton youth would go to Springville to join the Springville recreation leagues, now we have Springville residents coming to Mapleton's leagues. Some of us remember the great work of a former council member, Wave Miguel, as he brought baseball to Mapleton. The growth of the baseball program was a motivating force in the acquisition of Ira Allen Park, the building of four baseball diamonds and many soccer fields. Mapleton now has a Recreation Director with supporting staff to handle the growth of demand on our programs. It has not slowed down. Last year we had about 900 boys and girls sign up for T-ball, coach pitch, baseball, softball and the V.I.P baseball league. We had about 800 youth sign up for soccer teams, and 450 youth sign up for basketball. The indications are that there will be even more this year.

But the city's recreation programs are not limited to the youth. In addition to baseball, softball, basketball and soccer, the recreation department offers the following programs for all ages:

- Family walking program
- Tennis
- Self Defense
- Volleyball
- Dance instruction,
- Tai Chi and others

Impact fees, paid by the developers of new subdivisions will be used to make improvements to Ira Allen Park. In the next month, work will begin on a new concession stand between the backstops with plans for future electronic scoreboards. Those of you who have been sitting in the bleachers only to be hit or startled by

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foul balls will be happy to know that safety netting will be installed above the bleachers. A batting cage will be built, and we are looking at options to increase parking spaces.

Not all of our recreational activities need to be organized by the city. Some prefer the solitude of walking, jogging, horseback riding, biking, hiking, or just being outdoors. We have and will continue to make improvements to Eagle Rock Park and trail. In the next few years we should have a long north-south trail along the Mapleton-Springville irrigation canal, and we are currently looking into acquiring additional land for future city parks and trails as well as exploring the costs of building a multi-purpose recreational center.

Mapleton will continue to be a beautiful place to live and raise our families. We want our recreational plans to keep pace with our growth. If you have any questions about our recreation programs call our Recreation Director, Stacey Child 489-7752. If you have any questions or suggestions for me, call me anytime at 489-7516.

City Calendar

April 3	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
April 4	7:00pm	Raspberry Seminar/Memorial Hall
April 12	11:30am	Senior Citizen Potluck Luncheon
April 12	7:00pm	Planning Commission Meeting
April 17	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
April 14 th - May 13 th		Open Burn Season

Museum Tours call:

489-6714, 491-6676, or 489-7786

Calendared City Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North). City Council Meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of each month. For more information about City Meetings contact 489-5655. **Agendas, Minutes, Public Notices and the Newsletter are available on the City website at www.mapleton.org.**

2007 Open Burn Season

April 14th-May 13th, 2007

The 2007 Utah County open burn season will start on Saturday April 14 and will run thru Sunday May 13. Mapleton residents that are interested in burning yard waste will be required to have a burn permit. Burn permits will be available at the Mapleton City Office and will only be issued if the Utah County air quality Clearing Index will allow for open burning. The permit will only be valid for the date issued. Burn permits will be issued for Saturday and Sunday if the Utah County air quality Clearing Index allows for open burning on the Friday prior to that weekend. Residents may contact the Mapleton City Office at 489-5655 to inquire on the availability of burn permits on the day they intend to burn. Please follow ALL guidelines listed on the Burn Permit. Mapleton Fire Department

Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive 2007

The National Association of Letter Carriers and the U.S. Postal Service will collect food during the 15th annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday, May 12. On this day, households are invited to help fight hunger in our community by placing a bag full of non-perishable food next to their mailbox. Last year, over 175,000 pounds of food were collected through the Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive in our area. All food collected by the U.S. Postal Service in Utah, Summit and Wasatch counties will be donated to Community Action Services and Food Bank. Community Action Services and Food Bank are celebrating 40 years in our community and wants to thank you for your continued support. For more information, visit www.CommunityActionUC.org.

Sons of Utah Pioneers

The Maple Mountain Sons of Utah Pioneers will meet at the Springville Art Museum on Thursday April 22nd at 6:30 pm. There will be a catered dinner, after which Vern Swanson, the Museum Director, will speak about his recent book, Dynasty of the Holy Grail, Mormonism's Sacred Bloodline. He will focus somewhat on some of the well-known Utah Pioneers and their sacred bloodlines. The meal will need to be prepaid to Frank Nielsen (489-4506).

Mentors Needed

Mentors are desperately needed for about 95 youngsters (boys and girls) in this county before they get into trouble. You can be that critical factor in his/her life for only one hour a week. Call Norman Smith for details at 798-1609.

Public Works

Pressurized Irrigation will be turned on April 16th. For all outside water use, please be mindful of water conservation by checking your sprinkling systems for proper coverage. Check the soil with some type of probe to see at what depth water is penetrating the soil. Clay soils may require an application of water with two separate intervals to provide better penetration of water.

Please check the coverage of your sprinkling systems. Adjust the heads so that water is not spraying onto the sidewalk or into the street. To further optimize your sprinkling system for better service, more stations may need to be added to provide better coverage of the landscaped area. Connection to a secondary water source requires a physical air gap, not just a valve between the secondary and culinary systems. As part of our cross connection program and for public awareness, we do periodic checks on the systems.

Please also be aware that a cross connection between the pressurized irrigation system and the culinary water system is in violation of State and Municipal Code (Mapleton City Section 13.30, Class B misdemeanor). This is to protect against cross contamination to the City's culinary water system.

Compliments to our Mapleton Police Department

Letter written by a Mapleton Teenager

"I wanted to write you a letter to tell you how good your police staff is with teenagers in Mapleton. I am a teenager that lives in Mapleton, and a few weeks after I got my license I got pulled over because my tail light was out. The policeman that pulled me over treated me very good. He treated me like an adult. I have been pulled over in an adjacent city since, and they treated me very poorly. Both of the police officers tried to scare me and were really rude there. I wasn't given a ticket by any of the officers – but I definitely respect the Mapleton Police more than the adjacent city's. Thank you for the hard work you do for Mapleton. You have some great officers that know how to handle teenagers.

Thanks again"

Recreation

2007 Boys Baseball and Girls Softball Registrations

Baseball and Softball registrations were held on March 21st and 22nd. You can still sign up, but will be charged a late fee of \$5 after March 22nd, and \$10 after March 31st. Please see the placement schedule below. All participants for these leagues must attend. They will be held at the Ira Allen Park, 1800 South 800 West in Mapleton.

Coaches Preview & Team Placement Schedule below:

Pinto –	Tuesday, April 3 rd	5:30pm-6:30pm
Mustang –	Wednesday, April 4 th	5:30pm-6:30pm
Pony –	Thursday, April 5 th	5:30pm-6:30pm
Filly –	Tuesday, April 10 th	5:30pm-6:30pm
Falcon –	Wednesday, April 11 th	5:30pm-6:30pm
Fox –	Thursday, April 12 th	5:30pm-6:30pm

“Mapleton Has Soul” Program

The “Mapleton Has Soul” Program will be coming up. Watch for more details and registration dates in the May Newsletter.

Shade Tree Committee

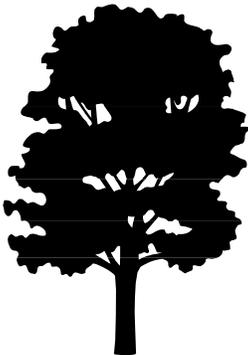
By Orpha Dee Johnson

Trees are Terrific!

Circle your calendar date for Saturday, May 19, 2007 at 7:00am. The fireman will promote an annual breakfast and the Shade Tree Committee will celebrate Arbor Day. Come to the park, a good place to meet friends and enjoy a Saturday morning activity. Sponsored by the Mapleton Firemen and Shade Tree Commission. Breakfast, Smokey Bear, Forest Service Representatives, Seedling Trees, tree planting and prizes will all be part of the day's events.

Lets Plant a Tree - Ash Fraxinus Anomala

Single leaf, height 20', and width 10'. Ash trees do well in Mapleton. There was a concerted effort to plant white ash in about 1912. The white ash trees lining the west side of the discarded City Building were among the plantings. Many others are still standing. The most recommended variety for planting today is the seedless Marshal Ash. Other species are the European, Modesto, Green Ash and Single Leaf Ash. They grow well in moisture scarce thin soils.



Senior Citizens

Computer Class

The Senior Citizens will be starting computer instruction classes the end of February or the beginning of March. Contact Sallie Korman 489-8593 if you are interested in either training to instruct others on the computer OR want to be instructed in computer skills. Once we have people trained, we will be offering appointments to others seniors on a one-to-one basis. We will be using the computers in the library.

Painting

There is Group Paining held on Monday's from 1pm-4pm at the Mapleton Community Center. Contact Joan Bateman for more details at 489-7753.

Tai Chi Class

Tai Chi Classes are provided by Dr. John Garrett every Wednesday from 8:30am-9:30am at the Mapleton Community Center.

Potluck Luncheon

There is a Senior Citizen Potluck Luncheon on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Mapleton Community Center. Contact Leah Gifford at 853-8022 for more details.

Quilting

There is a quilting group that meets on Monday's from 1pm-3pm at the Mapleton Community Center. Contact Sadie Young at 404-2534 for more details.

Exercise Room

The exercise room is open from 8:30am-11am and 3pm-5:30pm Monday thru Friday, and Saturday 10am-12pm. If you're interested in becoming a volunteer, or have any questions please call (801) 806-9128.

Trails Committee

Grants

The Trails Committee met in January to discuss possible grant applications from the State and Federal Government. The committee recommended looking into improving the trail that leads from the parking lot at the east end of 400 North to Whiting Campground, The Bonneville Shoreline trial improvements and better access points, and bike lanes in the City. These ideas were presented at the City Council Meeting February 6, 2007.

If you have any comments on the trails and bike lanes in the City please e-mail your comments to tracymapleton@comcast.net.

Raspberry Seminar

Wednesday, April 4th, 2007

Wayne McBride is going to be hosting a free seminar on how to grow, plant, and take care of raspberries in Mapleton. He will also be discussing the different varieties that are available. The seminar will be held on Wednesday, April 4th at 7:00pm at the Memorial Hall building, 90 East Maple Street. Please RSVP by calling April or Laurie at 489-6138 or email ahouser@mapleton.org no later than Wednesday, March 28th, 2007.



The Charles Leonard Whiting Home

250 North 300 West
Mapleton, Utah

Charles Leonard Whiting was born January 26, 1886 in Mapleton and was the eighth in a family of sixteen children. He married Olive Rachel Carleton on January 25, 1911 in the Salt Lake Temple. The cost of this new home was reported as being \$500.00, the money being borrowed. The original floor plan consisted of five rooms – no clothes closets and no bathroom. In short, no conveniences of any kind except a stairway leading down into a cellar used for food storage. Water was pumped from an outdoor well. However, there was a built-in cupboard for dishes and kettles, flour and sugar bins.

The two front rooms were to be used as dining room and parlor, but the parlor became a third bedroom with the two double beds, the double door opening being covered with heavy drapes for some privacy. This double doorway proved to be ideal for musical and dramatic theatrical presentations by the children to a father who delighted in being so entertained. In those days of no radio, no television, a hand-wound graphophone was used for music. A foot-treadle organ was a help at times too. Two black coal stoves were used, one being a cook stove, the other a pot-bellied heater in the dining room area.

Contact Numbers

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

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Later, after city water was available, a kitchen sink was put on the north kitchen wall. Many years later, when Charles and Olive moved home after more than five years living in Island Park, Idaho, the middle bedroom was remodeled into a bathroom and clothes closets. Another owner of the home, Susan Oliver, had her father there to improve and update the house. Reshingling the roof, changing the front door, making new kitchen cupboards, installing modern laundry facilities, opening up a hallway and closing off areas for clothes closets have been done. Other plans are also in mind to improve the house.

Charles was famous for his fruits and productive vegetable garden. He served on the City Council when City water lines were installed in Mapleton, about 1929. Also, he was Water Master for Mapleton Irrigation Company for several years. Just north of the Whiting home was Charles Whiting's Blacksmith Shop, operated from 1912 until about 1936 when Charles' health failed him for several years. He shod horses, beat plow shears, manufactured many tools and repaired all farm equipment. His shop became quite a social gathering place for farmers in Mapleton. Later, his brother-in-law, Renton Richards who was a mechanic, joined Charles in a Whiting and Richards Garage. The addition was built onto the north side of the Blacksmith Shop. Automobiles were now into use in Mapleton. Many more customers now came at noon for Olive to cook for, which she had always done; but now owners of automobiles joined the large family. The noon meal was indeed a social gathering. In this small kitchen there was always room for anyone and everyone.

The land Charles had his home and businesses on was originally a five-acre piece. He and Olive purchased it from Lelia Whiting on April 7, 1914 for \$650.00. However, this transaction was not recorded until February 19, 1917. As of November 1, 1989, all ten of Charles and Olive's children were still living. They are Leonard, Helen, Beryl, Wilma, Harley, June Beulah, Jesse, Carma and Ardith.

Information provided from the "Early Houses in Mapleton" book