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# City Newsletter

February 2006 Edition

## Mayor's Message

### Opening of the New Community Center, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

The City Council and Mayor are pleased to announce the official opening date for our City's New Community Center. We would like to invite all the Mapleton residents to attend this event to be held on January 23, 2006 starting at 3:30 pm. There will be a 30 minute program with singing groups from our 2 elementary schools, the Mapleton Chorale and brief comments from our Lieutenant Governor, Gary Herbert. Following the opening ceremony tours will be conducted through the new building from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm and there will be light refreshments. At approximately 8:00 pm we will be able to enjoy a dancing display.

We are extremely pleased with the New Community Center; having been built at a very competitive price during a time of abnormal price increases for materials. The work accomplished by the contractors has far exceeded the City's expectations.

City Staff, including Police personnel, moved into the new city building on January 9<sup>th</sup>. The move was accomplished by our employees without the need to hire any additional help.

Many of our citizens have given generous cash and in kind donations. This response is greatly appreciated. This is your building which includes a new library, and Senior Citizens Center, City Office and Police and we want everyone in the Community to see it and use it.

### Payment Drop Box

Please note the existing mail drop box and city payment drop box, adjacent to the old City Hall at 35 East Maple St., will be remain in use. A second payment drop box is being installed adjacent to the front parking lot at the new City Hall premises.

### Official Opening of Dental Surgery – Craig Wright

I am pleased to report that Alison Morris, Ms. Springville/Mapleton, will be assisting me at the official opening of the new dental premises located opposite the new Community Center, adjoining Wheeler's Mortuary. The ribbon cutting will take place at noon, Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### New City Council Members

The new City Council members were sworn in along with the Mayor on January 3, 2006. I think you will find the new Council to be well qualified for their assignments and they will work very hard together to improve our City. A brief biography of each council member and myself has been included in the newsletter. We want to serve you and communicate with you through the City website at [www.mapleton.org](http://www.mapleton.org), this monthly newsletter, the open forum session held at each City Council meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm, as well as in person.

I want every citizen to know that you are welcome to call me or come in to see me about any concerns or information you need. If you are unable to come in, let me know and I will meet with you individually or as a neighborhood.

You can read a little bit about both of our new Council Members on the page 2 of this newsletter.

## City Calendar

Jan 23	3:30pm	Official opening of new Community Center – Lt. Governor Gary Herbert
Jan 23	4-8:00pm	Open House
Jan 23		Christmas Tree Pick-up
Jan 26	12:00pm	Dental Office Official Opening
Feb 1	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Feb 15	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Feb 16	7:00pm	Planning Commission meeting
Feb 20		City Offices Closed – Presidents' Day
Feb 25	2:00pm	BYU Athletics Mapleton City Day
Mar 4 & 11		C.E.R.T. Training
January & February Museum Tours call: 489-6714, 491-6676, or 489-7786		

Meetings are now held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North). 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).**

# Mayor's Message Continued

## Councilwoman Ann H. Tolley

Ann grew up in Provo Utah and has a B.A. in Political Science, M.A. in Rec. Management, and J.D. this April in Law School at BYU. She is currently a student. Ann is married to Dennis Tolley and has 6 children and 17 grandchildren. She enjoys martial arts, Chinese cooking, quilting, gardening, and outdoor recreation. Her term will expire on December 31, 2009.



## Councilman M. James Brady

James "Jim" grew up in Brea California and Provo Utah. He graduated from Provo High School in 1973, BYU in 1979, and J. Reuben Clark Law School in 1982. He works as an attorney at Bradford & Brady. Jim is married to Laurel S. Brady, and has 8 children. He enjoys the outdoors, fly fishing and family outings. His term will expire on December 31, 2007.



## Councilman Brian J. Wall

Brian grew up here in Mapleton and has a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration. He works as the Vice President – Western Region - for Copy Control Management. Brian is married to Joanne S. Wall and they have 4 children; Brennan, Brittney, Spencer and Austin. His term will also expire on December 31, 2009.



## State of the City Address From the Office of Mayor Allan

### Annual City Audit

At our December 7<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting the City Auditor, Greg Ogden, reported to the Council on his detailed analysis and review of the City's accounts as part of his comprehensive annual audit.

Special tribute was made regarding the City's healthy financial balances and the Auditor commended the City for its prudent financial management of the City's budget noting in particular that departmental expenditures had been kept within budget forecasts.

### Preparing for Growth

The City is under increasing pressure from major land owners for future residential development. Over the past few months approaches have been made for 3 further expansions to the west and south of Mapleton that collectively would generate in excess of a thousand additional homes. This is in addition to the 490 new homes now under phased construction in the Harvest Park Development. It is inescapably clear that there are only 2 options for Mapleton City, it will either grow well or grow badly, but either way the growth will take place and Mapleton's population could inevitably double over the next 5-10 years.

# **State of the City Address**

## **From the Office of Mayor Allan**

### **Continued**

In order to plan properly to insure Mapleton retains its unique identity, the City is planning ahead so that we will have the necessary roads, water, sewer and power infrastructure in order to be ready for this growth according to a structured balanced program that complies with the City's Master Plan. It is against this anticipated future growth that the City took the bold initiative to build our New Community Center of such a size that it will adequately serve the communities needs in the future.

The City now has 5.5 million gallons of water storage capacity to take care of our growth over the next few years. However, the City Council is looking at the possibility of a new culinary well on 1600 West in the vicinity of the Slant Road in order to take care of future growth west of highway 89, in addition to the Harvest Park Development. The City is also considering an additional culinary well and water storage tank on the Southeast bench area to accommodate the planned future growth in that area.

The services of Aqua Engineering have been retained to undertake a feasibility study relating to a proposal for the City to construct a self contained sewer treatment plant in Mapleton. Although in the preliminary planning stages, it is anticipating that this \$8 million dollar cost could be financed with impact fees to be contributed by 3 potential large scale developers. The City Council would relinquish its 23% equity with the Spanish Fork Treatment Plant that would no longer be needed and this would generate approximately \$2 million dollars as the City's contribution to the proposed new separate sewer treatment plant. By this arrangement, it would be possible for the City to build and finance its own separate waste water treatment plant system without any further cost to the City's resources and would give us full control of our own system.

#### **Pressurized Secondary Water System**

Growth of the Secondary Water Pressurized System is currently being planned for implementation. As soon as the Central Utah Project constructs the major pipeline from Diamond Fork to the mouth of Spanish Fork Canyon, the CUP will install a pressurized 48 in. pipeline around the Mapleton Canal. Then the City would be in a position to begin to extend the pressurized system throughout the whole of the City. This project would help greatly to conserve our precious culinary water resources and, equally important, we would achieve significant savings on our monthly water bills.

#### **Public Safety**

Our Public Safety Departments continue to function extremely efficiently and are professionally managed providing excellent levels of cost effective services throughout our community. Through the leadership of Stephanie Olsen over the Ambulance Service and Josh Diamond over the Fire Department, under the leadership of Police Chief Dean Pettersson, thousands of tax dollars have been saved without any reduction in services.

The citizens committee charged with the responsibility for advising the City Council on future service provision for Fire and Ambulance coverage is developing proposals for the construction of a new Fire/Ambulance station to replace the existing inadequate facilities. The City anticipates being in a position to begin a new building towards the end of 2006.

#### **Recreation**

With the continuing collaboration and excellent cooperation between the City and Nebo School District Representatives, agreements have been secured for the joint community use of the outdoor athletics facilities and indoor gymnasiums at the Hobble Creek Elementary School and as of August 2006, in the new Jr. High School at 1200 North 400 East.

#### **Public Works**

Our Public Works Department under the Direction of Scott Bird provides exceptional work in repairing, maintaining streets, water, sewer lines and snow removal.

#### **Volunteer Services**

I wish to place on record my profound appreciation for the work of the volunteers in our community and those that serve on our planning commission and various voluntary committees of the City and the Youth Council. Without this help it would be impossible to run this City effectively. Two years ago, the new Community Center building was a dream, and now it is a reality thanks to your donations and I would like to place on record my appreciation for the work done by the contractors, architects and generous contributions from our residents and staff. This new building provides us with a library, police department, justice court, administration office, senior citizen center and recreation center and will be a place for families to hold wedding receptions, reunions, etc. With our generous library donations we now have sufficient funds in place to immediately proceed with the expansion of the new library into the basement area and construction work on this extension is imminent.

Thank you for your support and help to make this such a great Community to live in.

Mayor Dean S. Allan

# Employees of the Year - 2005

## Mapleton City Employees of the Year

Photographed below are Brad Roundy of the Public Works Department, and Corporal Phil Bringhurst of the Police Department, who were chose by staff colleagues as 2005's Employees of the Year.

In December Mayor Allan presented both with a plaque honoring their outstanding service.

**Brad Roundy - Public Works**



**Phil Bringhurst - Police**



## Library

A big "Thank You" goes to those who donated snowflakes and snowmen to the Library Christmas Tree. The Librarians and Patrons enjoyed its cheerful beauty.

We are looking forward to the move to our new Library Facility. Although the building will be dedicated on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Bookmobile Library, Literacy Center, and the Parent Resource Center will be moving their books, materials, and furnishings at the end of February. Because of the generosity of Mapleton residents we are able to finish the basement of the new Library.

It will not be completed for occupancy until then. If all goes as planned, we will be moving from the 24<sup>th</sup> of February to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March. We are asking residents to help in the move by calling the Bookmobile Library at 489-4833 to volunteer. We need people to box books, load them onto trucks, and place them on the new shelves. We will also need some furniture moved. Please help us get into our new and wonderful facility.

We have also purchased new materials and books for the Library and for the Parent Resource Center. Approximately 600 books that belong to Mapleton City have been computerized and given check-out cards and pockets so that Mapleton Residents can take them home.

Again we wish to thank all those who donated money and in-kind contributions to make the new Library possible. Mapleton is a wonderful city because of caring citizens who give generously and volunteer their time.

## Public Works

### Christmas Tree Pick-up

Allied Waste will be picking up Christmas Trees on Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006. Please make sure all decorations are removed.

# C.E.R.T Volunteers Needed

## C.E.R.T. Training

Mapleton City is looking for more volunteers to join the Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.). Training will be on Saturday, March 4, 2006, from 8:00am to 9:00pm, and on Saturday, March 11, 2006, from 8:00am to 12:00pm in Elk Ridge. Both Saturday sessions are required to complete the training.

The cost is \$35 and includes all books, materials and equipment. This is a great way to get involved in the community and to help serve them in event of a disaster. For more information contact the C.E.R.T. Director, Don Little, at 489-4208.

## Ambulance



### Volunteers Needed

Mapleton Ambulance is in need of volunteers during the weekdays. If you enjoy helping people in need or would like to help out in the community this is a perfect opportunity. Please come in to the city office and fill out an application. Your training will be paid for with a signed commitment to run with the ambulance for 2 years and work a minimum of 8 shifts a month. This is a very rewarding job knowing that you are helping people. Not only will your training be paid for, but you will be compensated for your on call time as well as ambulance calls. If you have questions please call 369-8441.

## Shade Tree & Parks and Recreation Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to serve on our both our Shade Tree and Parks and Recreation Committees. If interested contact the City Offices at (801) 489-5655.

## Reading Volunteers Needed

### Mapleton Elementary

Mapleton Elementary needs Star Reading volunteers. For more information please contact Sheri Jensen or Molly Murdock at 489-2850.

## BYU Athletics Presents "Mapleton City Day"

### February 25, 2006 at 2:00pm

Bring your friends and family to the Women's Basketball game vs. TCU for Mapleton City Day at the Marriott Center on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 2:00pm. *Admission will be discounted to only \$1 per person in your party if you show this City Newsletter at the ticket office.* Please take advantage of this opportunity.

# Community Development

## Changes

With the New Year comes a new change. The Planning & Zoning Department has officially changed its name, and is now known as the Community Development Department. This change is meant to reflect all of the functions within the department. Rather than call the department what it truly was, the Planning, Zoning and Building Department, it is much easier to refer to it as "Community Development". Other cities have the Building Department separate from Planning and Zoning. Some cities combine them. The term "Community Development" is well known throughout the Country when referring to a department that includes all three of the major responsibilities. In our case we changed the name so that people would know that the department is "all encompassing".

## Location

The Community Development Department is located on the southeast end of the new Community Center building, located at 125 West Community Center Way (400 West), which is just west of Central Bank. Inside the building, the Community Development Department is directly next to the Library entrance.

## Growth

Mapleton City issued a total of 157 building permits in 2005. Of those, 87 were for new home construction. We also issued four building permits for new Commercial structures. Assuming that all of the building permits issued for new home construction resulted in a habitable dwelling by the end of the year, and by applying what the last census figures suggested were the average persons per household in Mapleton (4.02 persons per household), that would translate to a population increase of 350 persons. Using end of the year figures from 2004, we can assume that Mapleton's population is roughly 7,180.

## Special Thanks

We would like to thank Ron Wittusen for his years of service on the Planning Commission. Ron's term expired at the year end. His insight and expertise, especially in the construction trade, will be missed. Ron has been replaced by former Planning Commission member Barbra Pratt.

## Planning Commission Training

We have invited Neil Lindberg, Esq., AICP, of Lindberg & Associates, to provide the Mapleton City Planning Commission with training. Mr. Lindberg, who is both a professional attorney and planner, is the author of the Mapleton TDR Ordinance. The training will be held on Thursday, January 26, 2006. The training session will begin at 6:30 P.M. in the new City Council chambers, 125 West Community Center Way, Mapleton. The public is welcome to attend but in the interest of time, no questions or comments will be taken from the public.

# Police Department

## Animal Licensing

As some of you are aware, the Utah County Animal Shelter is no longer in operation. The new Animal Shelter is called the, South Utah Valley Animal Shelter, and is still located at 582 West 3000 North in Spanish Fork, Utah. The phone number to the Shelter is 851-4089.

Along with the changes the fees for licensing animals has gone up. The new fees are as follows, \$10.00 for one year if the animal is spay/neutered, \$20.00 for two years, and \$30.00 for three years, the third year must follow the Rabies Compendium. If the animal is not spay/neutered the cost is \$25.00 for one year, \$50.00 for two years and \$30.00 for three years. Licensing can be done at the Mapleton Police Department at 125 West Community Center Way, (400 North).

In addition, the Shelter has raised the fees considerably for the boarding of animals. Please be diligent in making sure your animals are contained, and that they are properly leashed when walking them. We will only hold animals for a very short time before taking them to the shelter. If your animal gets loose, please notify the Police Department so we can return them to you if we locate them in our city.

## Police Department Move

The Mapleton City Police Department has moved to its new location in the new City Office Building located at 125 West Community Center Way (400 North). We are located in the basement. Our phone numbers will still be the same, 911 for immediate emergencies, 489-9668 for an officer, and 491-8048 for all other matters. We look forward to serving you in your law enforcement needs.

# Youth Theater

## Recreation & Wasatch Home Educators

Mapleton Recreation and Wasatch Home Educators Network are co-sponsoring a youth theater group for children ages 10-17. Auditions will be on January 26th (Thursday) from 12:30-2:00 at Mapleton Memorial Hall, 50 East Maple Street. Rehearsals will be held every Thursday from 12:30-2:00 until the beginning of April. The cost is \$15 per child, or \$20 for each family with more than one child participating. Children should be able to commit to missing no more than two rehearsals. Performance dates have yet to be set. Please call Eileen at 491-0474 to register or for questions.

# Recreation

## Baseball/Softball Sign-ups

Baseball/Softball sign-ups will be held Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>. Watch for more details in the March Newsletter.

## RAD Registration for Women ages 12-112

A life skills and personal empowerment safety program is available for all women. Register at Mapleton City Offices now for classes in January 2006. Early registration is recommended. Classes are Friday nights from 6pm-9pm and Saturdays from 9am-12pm. The classes are limited to 15 women.

*Cost: \$40.00*

For more information, please call Stacey Child (Recreation Director) at (801) 489-7752.

## 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Boys Basketball

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade boy's basketball will begin the week of January 24<sup>th</sup>. Participants will get a phone call with the day and time.

# Utah Transit Authority

## New Express Service for South Utah County

Starting on August 22, 2005 there has been a new weekday express service for Payson, Spanish Fork and Springville to downtown Salt Lake City. Route 805 South Utah County/SLC Express.

If you have any questions about this service please contact Ken Anson, by writing to him at the address:

Utah Transit Authority  
1110 South Geneva Road  
Orem, UT 84058

Or email him directly at [kanson@uta.cog.ut.us](mailto:kanson@uta.cog.ut.us). Phone calls and questions about changes may be directed to Ken at (801) 227-8957. If not answer, please call Jarret Whicker, UTA Planner, at 227-8959.

## *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:	489-5655	Fire, Ambulance:	851-4100
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	491-8048
Recreation:	489-7752	Newsletter:	489-6138

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**The Louise Jensen  
Thompson Vernon Ray  
Bird Home**  
1183 South Main Street  
Mapleton, Utah

This house was build for the Vernon Ray Bird family about the year of 1900. It was constructed of red brick and consisted of a kitchen, parlor, and two bedrooms. The kitchen was located on the front of the house facing west, and off the kitchen was an enclosed porch with steps to the cellar. On this porch the butter was churned and the washing was done. The Kitchen was warm and friendly. It had a good coal range which was equipped with a reservoir, and while it bakes many loaves of fragrant bread for the family, it also heated water for washing clothes and the traditional bath in a tine tub. The well was conveniently located out front by the kitchen door. There was a nice barn and sheds on the farm. Mr. Bird liked horses and kept many for work and pleasure. All of the children helped on the farm, and after work and school they enjoyed riding the horses. When winter came the horses would pull the sleigh, much to the delight of the children. The Bird family was large and it is interesting to note that all then of them were born in this house. Elaine relates the story of the wonderful day when her Papa purchased the organ from the old LDS Relief Society Building and brought it home to his house. Several children rode on the wagon for this exciting event. As they road along home in the evening of warming themselves around the coal heater in the parlor and enjoying the popcorn or homemade ice cream, the children convened near the organ and marched around the room to the rhythm of the "Going To Bed March". There were many happy times spent in this house by the Bird Family.

Interviews: Elaine Parcell  
Researched by Juanita Jones and Camp Union DUP



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