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# City Newsletter

January 2008 Edition

## Mayor's Message

At the start of this New Year and new administration, it is humbling to contemplate the task ahead, not only for myself, but for the new and the continuing council members. Much was accomplished in 2007, and the city is in terrific shape, thanks to our dedicated staff and employees. I'm grateful to be able to step into this new role with so much capable support.

It has been a wonderful experience to meet and talk to so many of you over the past months. I love Mapleton. We are blessed to live here. Without fail, everyone I spoke with during the recent campaign expressed their deep love for our city. We have something very special here, and I'm so grateful to be a part of this beautiful city. I appreciate the support so many have expressed, and look forward to getting to know all of you better in the coming two years.

One of the most pressing needs we have as a city is to improve our commercial tax base. We've already begun pursuing several exciting possibilities in this regard, and hope to see those come to fruition in the future. In the meantime, I want to urge all of our residents to make a more concerted effort to patronize our existing local businesses. We can't hope to draw new businesses and the resulting tax revenues to our city unless we are committed to supporting those we already have. I've been impressed with the increasing variety of professional services and businesses we can enjoy here in Mapleton, and have been grateful for the convenience of having those services practically at our fingertips.

But I hadn't realized what a blessing those services can be until a family crisis helped put them in perspective. Recently, my youngest daughter had a scooter mishap which nearly resulted in the loss of her only two permanent teeth. We found ourselves on a Friday evening desperate for emergency dental care. One of our local Mapleton dentists offered to meet us at his office at 8:30 p.m. to begin her treatment then arranged to accompany us to the Springville office of a Mapleton orthodontist at 10:30 p.m. in order to complete the more specialized treatment she needed. We were very grateful for the warmth and kindness of both of these professionals as they went well out of their way to care for our daughter. What a difference it makes to receive such tenderness from our neighbors, and at the same time, to make new friends and relationships that will carry over into other aspects of our lives!

Whenever we have dealt with local businesses, we have found them to be more than accommodating. For example, due to a scheduling conflict, our teenage son once couldn't get to Mapleton's florist shop before closing time in order to pick up flowers for a formal dance that evening. He was surprised and very grateful when the owner waited patiently for him to arrive although it was well over an hour after closing time. When my daughter suddenly became responsible for a bird that was found at her college dorm and was unable to locate the owner, she was very impressed with the services extended by a local veterinarian. We have also been impressed with the work of a local cabinet maker, as well as the various contractors, repairmen, stylists, and other service people we have utilized in Mapleton over the years.

I want to encourage everyone to take the time to familiarize yourselves with the wide variety of businesses and services available in Mapleton, and seek out opportunities to patronize them. Each business that comes here and stays here benefits all of us, not only in providing needed services, but by contributing to our tax base and putting dollars into the city coffers. Let's demonstrate our loyalty to and support of our neighbors, while we increase the chances of retaining existing businesses and attracting more.

## City Calendar

Jan. 9	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Jan. 10	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Jan. 17	11:30am	Senior Citizen Potluck Luncheon
Jan. 19	7:30pm	Winter Wonderland Ball
Jan. 23	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Jan. 21		City Offices Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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 Wednesday 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](http://www.mapleton.org).**

## Winter Wonderland Ball

**Saturday, January 19, 2008 from 7:30pm-10:30pm**

Mapleton will be having its annual Winter Wonderland Ball on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm-10:30pm at the Mapleton City Center. The Moonlight Serenade Band will be playing music from the Big Band Era. This is an event for all Mapleton Citizens who like to dance or listen to great music from the 1940's and 1950's. Please wear your tux and ball gown or just Sunday best. This is free to Mapleton citizens, and is sponsored by the Mapleton Senior Citizens and the Mapleton Youth Council.



## Library

The work for the Mapleton Library continues. There are many decisions that have to be made in order to move forward. These decisions include: library policies, computer hardware and software, automated checkout systems, and selection of materials. Each of these areas requires careful study and research.

The library board continues to welcome citizens' donations of books that would be appropriate for our library. These donated books are being stored in a room at the city building. Donated books that are not selected to be a part of the library will be sold to support Friends of the Library. Thank you for your contributions as we move toward the exciting opening of the Mapleton Library!



## Calling All Veterans and Servicemen and Women

**Desert Storm/Iraq and Afghanistan**

The city intends to engrave a side of the pedestal of the recently erected Eagle Monument in the Memorial Park with the names of all Mapleton residents who either gave their lives in any of these wars or who have or are currently serving in these areas. We do not wish anyone to be missed and would like to hear from all residents who have information about these individuals so that they can be honored for posterity. It would be very much appreciated if you call or communicate with me as soon as possible by phone at (801) 489-5655 or via email at [rbradshaw@mapleton.org](mailto:rbradshaw@mapleton.org). Thank you for your assistance with this project.



## Sons of Utah Pioneers

**Roberta James to Speak**

The Maple Mountain Chapter of SUP will meet at the new church building at 1316 South Main in Mapleton at 7:00pm to hear a lecture by Roberta James on Mormon Pioneers and the growth of the Church in Southern California. Roberta James, a lifelong history buff with a particular interest in family and local history, will speak about the reopening of the California Mission and the subsequent growth of the Church during the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Her illustrated lecture will focus specifically on the growth of the Church in Oxnard, California during the decades of the 1930's and 1940's and the people who made it happen. Roberta is particularly qualified to speak on this subject because she witnessed many of the events herself and was personally acquainted with many of the participants in this history. The public is invited.

## Bookmobile

The Bookmobile is open Monday afternoons from 3:00pm-5:00pm in the parking lot of the Mapleton Community Center

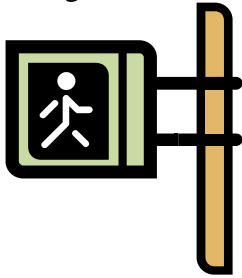
## Public Safety

### Winter Parking

Now that the snow has arrived it is important that we keep our vehicles, boats and trailers off the roadway so the snowplows can do their job. The Police Department has been giving warning for a long time now, but we will start issuing parking citations if vehicles are left on the road between the hours of 11:00pm and 6:00am. I know we all can work together to resolve this problem.

### Crosswalk Safety

For the safety of our school children and the crossing guards we want to remind everyone to be careful when traveling around the school crosswalks. It is extremely important that every driver stops for anyone in a crosswalk. We have had a problem with drivers going through crosswalks while the crossing guards are crossing kids. We have noticed that this usually happens when the driver is on a cell phone. We encourage anyone traveling through a school zone to be mindful of our children by giving your complete attention to your driving. Have a safe New Year!



## Ambulance

### Volunteers Needed

Mapleton City is in need of volunteers to run day shift on the ambulance. Information is available at the City Offices, 125 West 400 North. No prior training is necessary, although it is helpful.



## Senior Citizens

We need some volunteers to serve on the Mapleton Senior Citizens committee. We meet once a month and oversee the senior citizen's activities for Mapleton. If you are interested contact Dick Savage at 489-4180

### Christmas Service Project

Thanks to all of you who helped us honor and support our service people and their families this past holiday season.

### Computer News

For those interested in scanning pictures into the computer we have the flat-bed scanner available. Your pictures can be saved to a CD or flash drive. Scanning assistance is available M-W-F from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The two senior's computers are downstairs in the library near the Literacy Center. Call Sallie Korman for more details. 489-8593

Instruction on Basic Computer Skills and Navigation is still available. Call Sallie Korman 489-8593 after 5 PM if you are interested. A "Basic Reference" sheet which covers most of the areas of instruction is available to give you an idea of what the class covers.

### Painting Class

To find out more information on Mapleton painting classes contact Lori Beckstrand at 489-9414.

### Tai Chi Class

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

### Potluck Luncheon

The next Senior Citizen Potluck Luncheon will be on the third Thursday (only for this month) January 17th 11:30 am at the Mapleton Community Center. Contact Leah Gifford at 853-8022 for more details.

### Exercise Room

The Senior Exercise Room is open Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 11 am and 3 to 5:30 pm, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening it is open from 5:30 until 8 PM and Saturday from 10 am until noon. If you have any questions about the program please call 806-9128 (exercise room phone) when we are open. In order to keep it open we need additional volunteers for one and a half hour shifts. Please call Peggy Burt **489-4363** if you are willing to volunteer or become an alternate volunteer.

### Trips

In conjunction with Springville Senior Citizens, we have the opportunity to take a trip to St. George Tuacahn on June 18<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> 2007. \$330 will cover cost of bus, rooms, all meals (except Thursday's lunch) and two plays: Les Miserables and Sound of Music. Sign up for these trips at the Springville Senior Center.



## Recreation

### Mapleton City Recreation

For questions concerning our recreation programs, please call our office at 806-9114, located in the Mapleton Community Center at 125 West 400 North, Mapleton Recreation Office Hours: Monday - Thursday from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

### Gymnastics and Tumbling

Beginning gymnastic classes will be taught by Deana Hotchkiss. Deana has been teaching gymnastics and tumbling classes for 20 years. Classes will be held at the Mapleton Community Center (125 W 400 N). 10 sessions will be offered--January 15<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> thru March 18<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>. This is a great introduction to gymnastics or just a great opportunity to stretch, tumble, learn balance, and have fun! Classes are limited-so hurry in to register. Register now at the Mapleton Recreation Office at 125 West Community Center Way (400 North) or on-line @ [mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html](http://mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html). Fee is \$40.00.

- Parent & Tot Gymnastics & Tumbling Class (18 months – 3 years old)  
Tuesday or Thursday 9:00 - 9:45 AM  
(Parents are required to come play with their child!)
- Little Guys & Gals Gymnastics & Tumbling Class (Ages 3 - 6)  
Tuesday or Thursday 9:45am - 10:30am **or**  
10:30am - 11:15am.

### Women's Volleyball

Games start in January, and will be held on Thursday nights 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm at Mapleton Jr. High School. Sign up as a team or as an individual. All players must be out of High School and 18 years of age or older. This is a recreational league and not a competitive league.

## Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	806-9127
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	489-5655	Emergency:	911
Community Development:	489-6138	Dispatch Police,	
Building Inspection:	722-4839	Fire, Ambulance:	851-4100
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	491-8048
Recreation:	806-9114	Newsletter:	806-9109

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## Recreation Continued

Registration will be held Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-6:00 pm at the Mapleton Jr. High School Gym or on-line @ [mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html](http://mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html). Please call 806-9114 for more information. Fee is \$35.00 per player.



### Turbo Kick Boxing (TKB)

TKB was designed by both group fitness professionals and champion kick boxers. This provides the flavor of a kickboxing workout with the safety factor that relates to the general public. It is a floor routine without bag work. The class will be taught by Valerie Littleton, a certified TKB instructor who has been teaching fitness classes for over 20 years. The classes will be Mon. and Wed., 6:00 am at the Community Center. Registration begins January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Fee is \$20.00 per month.

### YOGA

Enjoy the benefits of yoga: increased strength, flexibility and muscle tone; mental focus; endurance; and reduced stress. Modified Ashtanga Yoga combined with Power Yoga classes will be taught by Valerie Littleton, a Yoga Alliance certified instructor who has been teaching fitness classes for over 20 years. The classes will be Mon. and Wed., 8:30 pm OR Tue., and Thur., 6:00 am at the Community Center (125 W 400 N). Registration begins January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Fee is \$20.00 per month.

### R.A.D. (Rape Aggression Defense) for Women

A life skills and personal empowerment safety program for women (ages 14 to 112 years) of any physical fitness level. It will be taught by nationally certified R.A.D. instructors. Each student will receive a workbook and will be entitled to the free lifetime return and practice policy nation-wide upon graduation. Register now at the Mapleton Recreation Office. Classes will be held at the Mapleton Community Center on Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28 with simulations on Tues. March 4<sup>th</sup> and Thurs. March 7<sup>th</sup>. Classes will be from 6-9pm each Thursday. Please plan to attend all the classes to qualify for the lifetime return policy. Class size will be limited to 35 participants. Fee is \$40.00 (includes the manual).

### Thank you Basketball coaches!

A Huge Thank you to all the Girls Basketball Coaches and Commissioners for another great season!