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Mayor's Message

These are tough times, and the nation's economy is struggling. But in spite of any silly rumors that you may have heard to the contrary, the city's finances are sound. We are not behind on any payments, we are not facing foreclosure, our checks are not bouncing. It's always amusing to hear the rumors and speculation, but rest assured, our circumstances are not at all dire. We're practicing careful management and our department heads and employees are pinching every penny, stretching every dollar, and allowing us as a city to weather the storm.

Still, we are facing some tough choices in the coming weeks and months. The city council is considering changes to our water rate schedule to help us return to a break-even state, and preparing to adopt an austere new budget for the coming fiscal year. We are also preparing for a "Truth in Taxation" hearing in August and, like almost every city in the state, reluctantly anticipate it may be necessary to temporarily raise taxes to get us through the coming year.

But don't forget that on the bright side, we're looking forward to our garbage toter experiment in August that might help us avoid a significant rate increase. And we've had a few nibbles as we cast about trying to entice some retail businesses to locate here. Best of all, I was told today by a Realty Association official there are positive signs on the home construction front, and there may be some light at the end of that tunnel. So stay tuned.

As we prepared a new budget for the upcoming fiscal year, our department heads were asked to cut their proposed spending, and then cut it again. And, after those cuts, I asked for an additional 10% across the board cut. We'll be voting to adopt that new budget soon. Please know that there will be nothing extravagant in the budget we will adopt for the coming year. We are continuing to look for ways to save, and appreciate those of you who have contacted us with suggestions. We will consider every suggestion carefully and implement any that turn out to be do-able.

The new water rates are being carefully calculated to not only encourage conservation, but also to as much as possible protect our struggling seniors and those on fixed incomes. I've asked that a new tier be built into the rate schedule that can cushion the impact to those households with only one or two members, who use the least water. This will give most of our seniors at least some measure of control over how much they will pay for their water. Although this tier is designed with small households in mind, anyone can take advantage of it, and we encourage everyone to begin at once to conserve this precious resource and minimize the amount they will pay. Regrettably, we anticipate we will need to adjust water rates again next year to help pay for the pressurized irrigation system we can not avoid installing. But we hope that beginning now to conserve will make next years adjustment easier to adapt to.

For many years, it has been the city's intention to found its own library. Those who are new to the community may not realize the library currently housed in our Community Center is not operated by the city. It is actually the Utah County Bookmobile collection, and we've been very fortunate to have it housed here for the past fifteen or more years. During that time, many of our residents have devoted countless hours working toward creating our own library. Thousands of books and other materials have been donated to us and are currently in storage for safekeeping. It has been tentatively anticipated for some time that the coming fiscal year would be the right time for the city to begin committing the funds to get our library up and running, so that we could soon become eligible for grants and other funding from sources outside the city. The city council will have to determine over the next few weeks if we should go ahead with this project.

City Newsletter

July 2008 Edition

A city library that we control would be a tremendous asset and would provide incalculable benefits. It's been shown we can predict our future prison population based on current literacy levels. Besides improving literacy and providing hours of enjoyment, our own library would serve as the heart of our city. It would become a gathering place, a venue for cultural and educational events, and the stuff of which many happy memories are made. I am sure most of you recall, as I do, visiting your community library as a child and delighting in what seemed a never-ending supply of books that you took home and read under the covers with a flashlight long after you were supposed to be sleeping. We all want our children to develop a similar love for books and for learning. But times are tough. Whether to fund the library now or not will be a hard decision for the city council to make. It would be helpful for them and for me to know how you as taxpayers feel about taking on this commitment at this time, or choosing to postpone it for a year or even indefinitely. If you'd like to share your thoughts on this, please email me at mayor@mapleton.org and I will forward your comments to the city council. We will consider your wishes very carefully.

We will be having a special Public Meeting on July 9th at which time we will be discussing the Library, water fees, and a number of other issues. It will be a good opportunity to ask questions and voice opinions. Please mark your calendars and plan to be there.

With that, I hope you are all enjoying the summer and happily anticipating the upcoming holiday, particularly July 24th. We hope you'll join us for the parade and festivities at the park, and later for the evening events and fireworks!

City Calendar

July 2	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
July 4		City Offices Closed
July 10	11:30am	Senior Citizen Potluck Luncheon
July 10	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
July 14	9:00am	Trails Sub-Committee Meeting
July 16	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
July 17	6:00pm	Transportation Committee Meeting
July 24		City Offices Closed
Tuesdays	10:30am	"Story Time" in the Library

Museum Tours are available by appointment. If interested please call 489-6714 or 491-6676.

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 call 489-5655. **Agendas, Minutes, and Public Notices for all Meetings are available on the City's website at www.mapleton.org.**

Recreation

On-line registration for most programs is available at mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html. For questions concerning our recreation programs please call our office at (801) 806-9114, located in the Mapleton Community Center at 125 West 400 North, Mapleton. Recreation Office Hours are Monday-Thursday from 9am-1pm.

Baseball/Softball – A Huge Success!

A huge thank you to all coaches commissioners, and umpires for your time and passion for the game. We have had an amazing season because of your willingness and commitment to the youth of our community. We had over 80 teams and 180 volunteers. What a season!!!

Get Caught in the Park!

Get caught recreating with your family in any of our city parks, and you might be surprised! Mapleton City Parks & Recreation has just started a new program to encourage families to come out to the parks and play. Mapleton City employees will keep an eye out and give small prizes when a family gets “caught” playing together in a park!

Mapleton has “SOLE” 2008

It’s not too late to participate! We are still accepting registrations at the Recreation Office or online. Cost is \$10 each/\$30 for a family of 4/\$40 for a family over 4. All participants will receive a t-shirt and a fun fitness packet.

Soccer – Fall 2008

Fall soccer registration was on Wednesday, June 25th. Late registration is being accepted online or at the Recreation Office. Team sizes are limited, so register as soon as possible. A \$10 late registration fee will be added.

- Pre-K – 1st Grade \$25.00
- 2nd Grade – 5th Grade \$30.00
- **NEW** 6th-7th Grade \$30.00

We will be using the same uniforms as last year, which will be available for purchase, shirts - \$13, shorts \$10 and socks \$3.

NEW – Flag Football – Fall 2008

Flag Football registration for 3rd-6th grade was on Wednesday, June 25th. Late registration is being accepted online or at the Recreation Office. Fee is \$50 for 3rd-6th grades. A \$10 late registration fee will be added. Team sizes are limited, so register as soon as possible. Games will be scheduled so participants can play both soccer and flag football.

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 or Adabelle Carson, Yoga Alliance certified instructors. The classes will be Monday and Wednesday at 8:30pm or Tuesday and Thursday at 6am at the Community Center. Register at the Recreation Office or online. The fee is \$20 per month (classes may be combined for a multiple-class discount – call the Recreation Office for details).

Summer Programs

You can register for all our Summer Recreation Programs online at mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html or at the Recreation Office, 125 West 400 North in Mapleton.

Summer Yoga Kids

Yoga will help your children relax and is great for those who would like some balance in a non-competitive setting. We are offering yoga classes for children ages 4-13 on Wednesdays and Fridays at the Memorial Hall (90 East Maple Street), July 2nd-30th. The fee is \$35.

Recreation Continued

Summer Tennis Program

Youth beginning and intermediate classes are \$45 for 1st-9th graders. There will be 8 classes, 2 days a week for 4 weeks and t-shirt. The hours are Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday from 8am or 8:45am.

Summer Gymnastics Day Camp

A gymnastics day camp for children ages 5-10, Monday, July 14th thru Thursday, July 17th from 1pm-3pm at the Community Center. Each day will be a different theme with gymnastics and activities. The fee is \$50.

Summer Creative Dance Workshop

A ballet and creative dance workshop for all levels, ages 4-12. Classes will begin Monday, July 14th-July 18th from 9:30am-10:30am at the Community Center. Dancers will perform at Mapleton’s 24th of July Celebration. The workshop will be taught by Mary Jill Wall, Royal Academy of Dance instructor. Experienced and beginning dancers are welcome. Fee is \$40.

VIP Adaptive Soccer 2008 – It’s a Kick!

(For any special needs children, kindergarten thru high school) Join us for our 4th year of adaptive soccer. We play on smaller fields with buddies and everybody has a great time! Games will begin in September. The cost is \$15, which includes a soccer uniform (shirt & socks). For more information, or to register, contact Keri Beardall at 489-4904 or send registration forms to 1822 South 300 East, Springville, UT 84663 or register online or at the Recreation Office.

Youth Ballroom Dancing

Attention all teens!!! Come learn to dance. Ballroom dancing is the new cool. You will learn polka, cha-cha, waltz, swing, night club two step, fox trot, salsa and country dancing. Meet youth from all over Utah Valley! Classes will be taught by BYU ballroom dancers at Mapleton’s Memorial hall (90 East Maple Street). The fee is \$5 per session. Email us at utahvalleygroove@yahoo.com or call (801) 423-2287.

Park Picnic Tables for Sale

Mapleton City has a supply of well-built picnic tables that were used in the City Park. These tables are now available for \$25 each. If interested please come into the City Offices to pay. You will be responsible for picking up the table at the City Park. The tables will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Visit mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html for more information about all our programs.

Shade Tree Committee

Mapleton is recognized again as one of 55 Utah Cities qualifying for 13 years as “Tree City USA”. The standard for becoming a Tree City is:

1. A current City Tree Ordinance.
2. An active Tree Committee.
3. Expenditure of \$2 per citizen for the all encompassing Tree Program.
4. Hold an Arbor Day Ceremony.

We are fortunate to have Harvest Park participate with plantings and care of trees along the streets of their new Housing Development. Their interest in Tree City is truly appreciated.

If you wish to get involved with the Urban Forestry Program please let us know by calling the City Offices at 489-5655.

LOOK FOR THE TREE CITY FLAG IN THE 24TH OF JULY PARADE!

Summer Concerts in the Park

Concerts in the Park are held every Saturday in July and August at 7pm in Memorial Park (corner of Maple and Main Street – if the weather is bad, the concert will be held in Memorial Hall, next to the park). Below is a schedule of the concerts:

- July 5** – Sweet Sounds of Brass – Bring your popcorn and soda for a classic good old summertime concert.
- July 12** – Skyline Barbershop – close harmonies and familiar melodies combine for an evening of fun and nostalgia.
- July 19** – Midlife Crisis – Rock n Roll the way Elvis meant it to be played – with a splash of the Beatles.
- July 26** – No concert – instead a concert will be held on Thursday, the 24th of July, as part of our City Celebration.
- August 2** – Moonlight Serenades – Grab your sweetie and spend an evening under the stars with music from the Big Band era.
- August 9** – Blue Grass – Foot stompin’ music from America’s roots – back by popular demand.
- August 16** – Cool Jazz – Talented musicians creating mellow sounds for a sweet evening of jazz.
- August 23** – Trombones, Etc. – Take the brass section from a Big Band, add a soft summer night = pure entertainment.
- August 30** – Midlife Crisis – Music of the Beach Boys, Elvis and the Beatles, all in one fabulous concert!

All concerts are free of charge so come out and enjoy an evening listening to some great local bands.

Utility Bills

A small percentage of residents may notice a larger than normal charge for water this month. Some of our new meters have had a software glitch causing them to under read the water usage. Now that the problem has been corrected, the usage on the meter is correct and the charge is the actual water usage. We regret this inconvenience, please accept our sincere apologies. If you need to arrange a payment schedule to catch up, please call the office at (801) 489-5655.

Utah County Fair is Moving

Building for the Future on the Foundation of the Past

The Utah County Fair will be open at the Spanish Fork Fair Grounds August 13th and close August 16th. The Utah County Fair Committee is pleased with the amenities offered at the Spanish Fork Fairgrounds, and plans to produce a fair to remember. There is plenty of parking and things to do and see every day at the County Fair. The Utah County Fair officially opens at 4pm on August 13th, and the excitement will continue until the final fireworks show August 16th.

The entire family will find entertainment and fun. A traditional county fair, Utah County’s offers Open Class and 4-H exhibits, equine events, stock judging, a back hoe rodeo, demolition derby, traditional carnival, children’s interactive exhibit, antique machinery, food booths, Ranch Rodeo, and entertainment tent.

Mapleton Chorale

From Suzanne Judd – Mapleton Chorale President

A sincere thank you to the wonderful residents of Mapleton who supported the Mapleton Chorale at our Christmas and spring concerts this past season and particularly our performance at Temple Square on Saturday, June 7. What a wonderful opportunity to showcase the talent in our community. The audience was both awestruck during the performance and enthusiastic as they gave a spontaneous, well-deserved standing ovation. Bravo to the Chorale for their hard work in presenting a fantastic, entirely memorized concert! The Chorale also gives a sincere thank you to the city for allowing us to rehearse record and perform in the Community Center. We appreciate it!

Senior Citizens

July is a busy month for most people, but hopefully there will still be time to visit and enjoy your senior recreation area.

Exercise Room

The exercise room is open through the summer at the following times

- Mornings
 - Monday thru Friday from 8:30am-11am
 - Saturday 10am-12pm
- Afternoons
 - Monday thru Friday 3pm-5:30pm
 - Tuesday and Thursday 2pm-5:30pm

There is now some seating available for you to sit a while after exercising, and catch your breath, or just sit and chat a while. If you would like to volunteer in the exercise room, contact Peggy Burt at 489-4363.

Pot Luck Lunch

Pot Luck is the 2nd Thursday each month (July 10th). Bring your dish and a friend too, and enjoy good food and conversation in the Multi-Purpose Room. If you are unable to bring a pot luck dish, come anyway! You will still be very welcome. Before the pot luck lunch there will be a foot clinic.

Computers

Assistance with all levels of computer learning is available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am-11am. Call Sallie Korman at 489-8953. An introduction to basic computer skills is offered by appointment by calling Diana Stafford at 489-0106.

Painting

Painting class continues through the summer each Monday from 12:30pm-4pm. Call Lori Beckstrand at 489-9414 for information.

Tai Chi

Drs. John and Janet Garret offer Tai Chi classes from 8:30am-9:30am each Wednesday.

Provo Senior Games

The Provo Senior games are from August 22nd-August 28th. Registration for this event begins on June 16th and Seniors 50 and older are invited to participate. The registration process is easy. Call (801) 852-6600 for information or visit www.provofoundation.org, download the forms and mail to the address provided at the website.

Springville Senior Citizens

Mapleton seniors are still welcome to participate in the Springville Senior activities. To eat at the Springville Center it is necessary to make a reservation but it is not necessary to be a member. However, to take part in trips a membership is required. Membership cards run from August to August and cost \$10.

Trails Sub-Committee

Mapleton Canyon

On Saturday, May 31st, the Forest Service and local volunteers held a “Trail’s Day” providing trail maintenance and starting the first phase on expanding the Lower Left Hand Trail Parking Lot, located at approximately 400 North 3400 East. A big thanks goes to Tom Carter, Condie Construction, for donating his time and equipment to grade and enlarge the existing parking lot. The next “Trail’s Day” will be held on Saturday, June 28th from 8am-12pm. Volunteers will be needed. If you’re interested in donating to the Trail’s Grant, donations can be made at Central Bank (801) 489-5640 in care of the Mapleton Trail’s Sub-Committee.

Canal Parkway Trail

The Central Utah Water Conservatory District has finished piping the canal. Currently the canal area continues to be private, not allowing for public use. At a future date the Trail’s Sub-Committee will be working on getting a public trail through this area.

“Living the Legacy”

“Living the Legacy” is the theme for the traditional Pioneer Day Celebration in Mapleton. Chair person for the celebration is Brent Crane. You can also visit www.mapleton24thjuly.com for any other information concerning events in the Mapleton celebration. Come join the fun and “Live the Legacy”! Below is a schedule of events for Mapleton’s 24th of July Celebration:

Wake up Call at 6am

Fun Run

6am registration, Central Bank (385 N. Main in Mapleton). \$10 (includes t-shirt) 5k. Youth one mile race \$7 (including t-shirt). Early registration ends July 10. For more information contact Jessica Scott at 636-1245, or www.mapleton24thjuly.com. Youth race begins at 7am and the 5k race begins at 7:30am.

Patriotic Program & Flag Raising Ceremony

6:30am-7am at the City Park

Breakfast

7am-9am serving pancakes, eggs, ham and drinks. \$2 per child and \$3 per adult.

Arts, Crafts and Hobbies

7am-9am setup. No commercial entries. Sallie Korman 489-8593 for info. 10am-2pm exhibits open for viewing at Memorial Hall.

Parade

8am-9am line-up at Jr. High 1200 N. 400 E. 9am parade starts. Family and group floats, approved vehicles, walking & dancing groups, bands etc. No commercial entries. For info contact Clint Benson 489-1958, Kyle Roycastle 489-7353, or Lee Palmer 489-9302. You can also visit the website www.mapleton24thjuly.com.

Recognition

11am Grand Marshals, Nino and Arlene Antonino introduced, and 5k winners announced.

Entertainment

10am-2pm entertainment at the Gazebo

Food

10am-2pm

Games

10am-2pm. Dunk tank and carnival games with prizes.

Heritage Museum

10am-2pm

Pioneer Days Softball Tournament

A fun co-ed softball tournament will be held in conjunction with Mapleton’s celebration on July 23-24. For information on teams visit www.mapleton24thjuly.com. You can also call Jessica Scott at 636-1245.

Tickets

Tickets for food and activities will be available at the booth in the park.

For more information visit www.mapleton24thjuly.com.

24th of July Grand Marshals



Nino and Arlene Antonino have been selected as the Grand Marshals of the annual Mapleton 24th of July parade. Their story together began some sixty nine years ago when they actually met as a result of the Mapleton July 24th celebration. Arlene, who was 12, built and decorated a wagon for the parade and Nino who was then 13 pulled it for her!

Nino and Arlene have both been great examples of service to the community and to family. They were married on April 30th, 1947 and are the proud parents of 6 children, Vicky Lee, Gary Lynn, Paul, Cynthia, Brent and Judy. They have 21 grandchildren and 25 (almost) great-grandchildren! Their home at 745 East 1200 North was built in 1894 and was once a social center where dances and parties were held in Mapleton. Nino’s father bought the home in 1929 and it has been in their family ever since.

Nino was born in Rolab, located in Carbon County. His dad emigrated from Italy and worked in a coal mine there. They later moved to Mapleton and Nino attended Springville High where he enjoyed playing Football until he was injured. He quit school in the 10th grade in order to work on the 39 acre family farm where they grew and sold peaches. He served in the military during WWII from 1944-1946 as a part of the Signal Corp in the Pacific. When Nino was first married he worked at Smart’s Feed in Springville and then as a Hot Plant operator at Thorn’s Construction, where he worked for 20 years. He then worked at Givens and Reed building power plants and later at Morris and Knudson where he retired some 21 years ago. But retirement hasn’t meant sitting still for Nino. Perhaps you have had flowers delivered to your door by a friendly smiling face who delivered flowers for many years for Steiner’s Flower shop in Springville! If you ask Nino what his hobbies are he might say hunting, fishing, & golfing. But I think you would have to include the service he has loved for over 18 years of coaching Little League.

Arlene grew up in Springville as a Snell but later as a Whiting. She went to Jr. High and had classes with Nino. They enjoyed roller skating together and attended Springville High. Arlene enjoyed being a full time mom and raising her 6 children in Mapleton. She worked at JC Penney in Provo as an operator for 5 years and also 5 years at H&R block. In 1979 she served as the PTA President for Mapleton School. During that time she spent many hours canvassing the town for support and was very instrumental in keeping Mapleton School from closing. Both she and Nino were active charter members in the JC’s where they have done a lot of civic work putting up street signs, developing Little league parks, building the fire station, and the open fire place in the park. They have also been active in the LDS church, Arlene has served in various callings. She was secretary in the YWMIA, Sunday school secretary; she taught in the Primary and the Sunday school and was also! Cub Scout Leader. Nino who was born Catholic, was baptized after all his children were born, by his son Gary in 1971 and has served as Scout Master, Explorer and Cub Scout leader and now works in the Temple every Friday.

It is an honor to recognize the Antonino’s as the Grand Marshals of the Mapleton City 24th of July celebration and for their many years of dedication and service to our community!

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
Recreation Hotline:	367-5069	Senior Citizens:	489-0106

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