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Mayor's Message

I'm writing this from St. George, where I am attending the Utah League of Cities and Towns Mid Year Conference. I just got back from a Q&A session conducted by a League attorney, and attended by mayors and city councils from all over the state. After listening to some of the questions and concerns of other cities, I have an even greater appreciation for our city and our staff. They do so many things right. I'm so grateful for their dedication and hard work, their skills, their eagerness to learn and improve, and willingness to go the second mile. Many of our employees, including our department heads that do not get paid overtime, stay very late and come in early in order to keep up with their workloads. We very much appreciate them.

A recurring theme of these conferences is that we as city officials are here to serve you, not ourselves. When a resident makes an application or request of us, we need to always bear in mind our job is not to say "No" but rather to say "how." Although we do not possess a magic wand, it's important to me that every time a resident has an encounter with the city it is a positive experience. If you ever have a question, suggestion, or complaint, please let us at the city offices know. I've appreciated those of you have already alerted us to misunderstandings and problems. We depend on all of you to do that. We can't solve a problem if we don't know it exists.

After this evening's session of the conference concluded, I had an opportunity to meet with some of our local high school students, who performed at the Tabernacle here in St. George as part of their spring choir concert tour. We can be proud of our youth. They were on their best behavior and do us all credit. The adult chaperones also do us all credit. Next time you think your job is hard; imagine what it takes to sit on a bus for five days with 40+ teenagers.

I am confident the city is in good hands in my short absence. Our engineering and public works staff are continuing to work hard on our proposed and ongoing infrastructure projects. Some of you have asked me about the pressurized irrigation system. We had hoped to have started construction on the pond by now, but economic times are difficult. Both the city and many of our residents are facing challenging economic circumstances. Because this project will have such a significant impact on your checkbook, we've decided to slow things down a bit for the time being. We want to be sure we have all the information and are doing the right thing before we determine if now is still the right time to undertake such a large and costly project. We will be announcing another town meeting soon to give you more information and answer your questions about this and other projects.

As mayor, one of my largest responsibilities is to make certain our laws and ordinances are being enforced. While it seems zoning ordinances are the laws we love to hate the most, our residents recognize the value of those ordinances when it comes to protecting our quality of life. In the coming weeks and months, our zoning and inspection personnel will be taking a much more aggressive approach to enforcing those laws.

City Newsletter

May 2008 Edition

If any of you suspect you may not be in total compliance with some aspect of our zoning, licensing, or regulatory ordinances, please contact us as soon as possible to find out what you need to do. If you need more time, information, guidance, or want to break a job down into manageable chunks, please ask how we can help you come in to compliance. We really are not interested in causing trouble for anyone. We want to stay on good terms with all of our residents, and realize that what is good for you is good for us. So if you believe you may have strayed outside the letter of the law, please come to us before we have to go to you.

Finally, because we suspect that most of you have other things to do on the first and third Wednesday's of the month, we are experimenting with recording our city council meetings and making them available to replay later online. We like to believe we are wildly entertaining, but we're not. Sitting through a four or five hour meeting may not be your idea of a good time, but someday there will be an agenda item that impacts you directly or that you are simply curious about. When this occurs and you are unable to attend in person, go to the Mapleton City website and click on the links to recent city council meetings. We hope many of you will find this convenient and useful.

City Calendar

May 3	7-11pm	Art Ball – Springville Art Museum
May 7	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
May 8	11:30am	Senior Citizen Potluck Luncheon
May 8	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
May 17	7am-9am	Fireman's Breakfast
May 21	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
May 22	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
May 26		City Offices Closed–Memorial Day
Tuesdays	10:30am	"Story Time" in the Library

Museum Tours are available by appointment. If interest 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, Public Notices and the Newsletter are available on the City website at www.mapleton.org.**

Recreation

***On-line registration for most programs is available online at mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html. 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 9:00am-1:00pm

Live wElle 5k & Fun Run

Last year, over 700 registrants participated in our inaugural run. Thanks to those who participated and contributed, the event was an amazing success. We are now on our way to perpetually funding two annual "Live wElle" scholarships through the Nebo Education Foundation. We invite anyone interested in supporting this cause to register for the 2008 Live wElle 5K and Kids Fun Run, which will be held on May 24, 2008, at 7:30 am at the Hunter Valley Park in Springville. To register online or download a registration form please visit our website at www.livewElle.org. Remember, Live Life...Live it wElle!

Mapleton has "SOLE" 2008!

Let's Get Movin'!!!...with Mapleton's 3rd Annual Walking Challenge – Mapleton has "Sole". Registration will begin May 1st at the Recreation Office or on-line @ mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html. The Kick off will be on Monday, May 19th, 6:00 pm at Eagle Rock Park (1300 East Eagle Drive - 600 S.). Cost \$10 each/ \$30 family of 4/ \$40 family over 4. All participants will receive a t-shirt and a fun fitness packet. Bring the enclosed registration form to the Recreation Office before May 16th.

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 dance at Mapleton's Memorial Hall (90 East Maple Street). Fee is \$5.00/session. Email us at utahvalleygroove@yahoo.com or call 801-423-2287.

VIP Adaptive T-Ball & Coach Pitch League

For any special needs children, Kindergarten thru High School) A unique baseball program for children with special needs. For more information or to register, contact Keri Beardall at 489-4904 or Stacey Child at 806-9114. You may also register at the Mapleton Recreation Office (125 West 400 North) or online at Mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html. Fee is \$15.00 (Price includes uniform, hat, pictures, and trophy).

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; Tue/Thur, 6:00 am at the Community Center. Register at the Mapleton Recreation Office or on-line at mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html. Fee is \$20.00 per month.

Summer Programs

Registration for the following Summer Programs will be May 1st – May 30th online at mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html or at the Mapleton City Recreation Office.

Summer Tennis Program

Youth Beginning & Intermediate classes are \$45.00 for 1st – 9th grade, 8 classes, 2 days a week for 4 weeks & t-shirt, Mon/Wed or Tue/Thurs. Classes start in June. Early Morning Women's Classes (7:00 am) \$45.00 (one day a week).

Recreation Continued

Summer Youth Painting Class

A painting class for youth ages 12 – 18 of all levels in oils, acrylic, or watercolor. The students are responsible for providing their own supplies. The classes will be taught by Larry Christensen, who is an experienced artist and teacher. The fee for the class is \$65/month and the class will be held on Mondays from 9:00 am – 11:00 am at the Mapleton Community Center. If you have any questions contact Larry Christensen at 785-7912. Class minimum is 5 students, and class size is limited to 20 students.

Summer Adventure Day Camp

Mapleton Recreation and the Mapleton Youth Council are teaming up to offer a summer day camp for children ages 7 – 12. The camp will be held 1 week in June from 10:00 am – 12:00 Noon. Each day will be a different theme with activities, crafts, snacks, and adventures. The fee is \$45.00, which includes a t-shirt.

Summer Arts & Crafts

Hop aboard the "Art Express" for summer Arts and Crafts classes for children! Get ready to be crafty and creative! Classes begin in June with the following options:

Grades 1-3	Mon. and Wed.	9:30 – 10:30 am
Grades 4-6	Mon. and Wed.	10:45-11:45 am

The fee is \$50.00 for eight lessons. Classes will be taught by Cynthia Stonehocker. Class size is limited, so register early.

Summer Creative Dance Workshop

A ballet and creative dance workshop for all levels, ages 4 – 12. Classes will begin Mon., July 14 – Fri., July 18, 9:30 – 10:30 am at the Mapleton City 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 \$40.00.

Summer Gymnastics Day Camp

A gymnastics day camp for children ages 5 - 10, Monday, July 14 thru Thursday, July 17, 1:00pm–3:00pm at the Mapleton Community Center. Each day will be a different theme with gymnastics and activities. The fee is \$50.00.

Soccer – Fall 2008

Fall Soccer registration will be on Wednesday, June 25th at the Mapleton Recreation Office. Watch for more details later.

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 \$15.00 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, Utah, 84663. You can also contact Stacey Child at 806-9114 or register at the Mapleton Recreation Office.

Flag Football – Fall 2008

For boys in 3rd-6th grade. If interested, please call the Recreation Office at 806-9114. League would start in the Fall.

Mapleton City Park becomes a Whole New Experience

If you have driven by the City Park, you will have noticed a lot of new things happening. The park is under renovation; there will be a new playground and new pavilions by the middle of May. Mark your calendars for a fun play date at the newly renovated City Park!

Art Student Exhibit

Open House on May 14th from 5:30pm-7:00pm

The Mapleton Community Center is hosting an art exhibit from May 12th to June 6th, which will display the work of Lana Merrell's art students. The students range from beginning to advanced.

The exhibit includes the student's best works of this year. Several of the paintings have also been entered into art competitions and shows throughout the state. Many have won high awards in their various competitions.

An Open House will be held on Wednesday, May 14th from 5:30pm-7:00pm at the Mapleton Community Center. The students will be there to show their work and answer questions. Refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome to come congratulate and celebrate with the students.

The students include: *Kirstie Adsit, Brianna Black, Blaine Blonquist, Aletia Edmonds, Kathy Gardner, Joslyn Haynie, Brooke Jenkins, Megan Larsen, Sarah Larsen, Benjamin Leishman, Jarom Leishman, Aaron Merrell, Lance Merrell, Kenneth Merrell, Tyler Merrell, Aubrey Moss, Bobbi Nelson, Brinley Nelson, Mishala Petersen, Shyrel Petersen, Landon Ramon, Thomas Shorts, Ryan Sommerfeldt, and Spencer Young.*

Recycling

Curbside Recycling

Weekly curbside recycling is provided by Merrell Recycling. Help Mapleton be a green community by recycling. The following information may help you get started. If you are interested please call (801) 491-2257.

- \$5 per month for paper pick up (all paper collected is donated to local schools or fire departments).
- \$5 per month for plastics and metals pick up.
- \$10 per month for full service of paper, plastics and metals weekly pick up.

Paper, Cardboard, etc.

There are paper recycling bins located at:

- Mapleton Elementary, in the west parking lot.
- Hobble Creek Elementary, in the northeast parking lot.
- Mapleton Jr. High, in the north parking lot.
- Fire Department, out front.
- City Offices, in the back, south of the building.

Paper that is recyclable would be newspaper, junk mail, office paper, school papers, magazines, product packaging, cereal boxes, cardboard, etc. All paper must be clean and dry. Note: Schools and volunteer fire department are paid for the recyclables. Let's support our schools and fire department.

Aluminum and Other Metals

- Western Metals (801) 373-4224, 685 South Freedom Blvd in Provo.
- MCR Recycling (801) 225-0001, 550 North Geneva Road, Orem.

Plastic Grocery Bags

- Wal-Mart (801) 489-6293, 660 South 1750 West, Springville.

Yard Waste

- South Utah Valley Solid Waste District, (801) 489-3027.

Public Works

We will be chip sealing in several areas beginning in July. The following streets are currently scheduled for chip seal:

- 1200 North from 700 East to 1700 East
- Main from Maple to 600 North
- 1600 East from 400 North to 1200 North

Sprinklers

Please check your sprinklers this spring for proper output and coverage to optimize water usage.

Senior Citizens

Pot Luck Luncheon

Seniors, please join us for a Soup and Salad Pot Luck Lunch on Thursday, May 8th at 11:30am in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Mapleton City Hall. If you can't bring soup or salad, feel free to donate a dollar or two and join us anyway. We have a very friendly group. During the lunch there will be a presentation on how to manage your prescription.

Exercise Room

The Senior Exercise Room is now on summer hours. It will be open Monday thru Friday from 8:30am-11am and 2pm-5:30pm. Saturday from 10am-noon. In order to keep it open we need additional volunteers for one and a half hour shifts. Please call Peggy Burt at 489-4363 if you are willing to volunteer or become an alternate volunteer. Pool and ping pong tables are also available.

Painting Class

Mapleton Seniors are offering a painting class for people of all levels. The classes are taught by Larry Christenson, who is an experienced artist and teacher. The cost for class is \$60 a month or \$15 per session and the class is held on Mondays from 12pm-3pm. If you are interested contact Lori Beckstrand at 489-9414. You can also stop at the Mapleton Community Center during the Monday class to get more information.



Computer/Scanning

For those interested in scanning pictures into the computer we have two flat-bed scanners available. Your pictures or slides can be saved to a CD or flash drive. Scanning assistance is available M-W-F from 10:30am-12:30pm. The two senior's computers are downstairs in the Library near the Literacy Center. Instruction on Basic Computer Skills and Navigation is still available. Call Sallie Korman at 489-8593 after 5pm 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. Marilyn will present another class on preservation of pictures and scanning them. Call Marilyn at 489-5611 if you would like to attend the class.

Tai Chi Classes

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

Green Committee

Volunteers Needed

Mapleton City's Green Committee is looking for volunteers. The Committee meets on the 1st Thursday of every month. Their objective is to promote conservation (including recycling) in the City. If you are interested in participating please email Rick Maingot at rmaingot@earthlink.net.

Heritage Tree 2008

By Orpha Dee Johnson

When considering a gift to members of your family, have you thought of giving a tree? In 1934 Mr. Holley brought two white brick trees from Salt Lake City to his wife Sarah for her Birthday. Today they grace the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Batty located at 830 North 300 West. They have survived attacks from many debilitating tree diseases, and are still relatively healthy. How beautiful they are from Spring to Fall.

If you are wondering which to give a loved one on a special occasion, consider planting a tree and keep a history of the event. The Holley's were early settlers in Mapleton. They had a large orchard which included some apple and pear trees and many peach trees. They were the parents of three daughters and four sons.



Fireman's Breakfast and Growth Award

If you want to enjoy a lovely spring morning with your neighbors and friends come to the Fireman's Breakfast on May 17th. Breakfast will begin at 7am until 9am at the City Park. The cost is \$4 per person and \$15 for the entire family. The Tree Committee has planned a short program beginning at 9am. Mapleton will receive the "Growth Award" and Tree City USA from a visitor of the State Lands and Forestry. Other events include a visit from Smokey Bear, Awards for the Tree Poster Contest "Trees are Terrific inside and out", a tree planting, and seedling trees will be given away.

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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Mapleton Literacy Center And Library Activities

Tutoring

The Literacy Center is offering tutoring to students over the summer months and invites any parent to call if help is needed for their child. If a student is not reading on grade level when school ends, help is available to give them that extra boost in reading ability. Tutors will be assigned to students after they are screened for reading level. Parents may also be tutors for their own children and visit the Center during Library hours to make use of the many excellent resources. We have books, computer programs, games, and many other materials to help increase reading skills. The hours for supervised tutoring will be 9am to 12am on Mondays through Thursdays. Parents, or even grandparents, may use the Center after being trained by the director.

We are always looking for volunteers to help our students. If you are age 16 or older and wish to help, call the number below. This is a wonderful opportunity to give community service that looks great on a college entrance application or in applying for scholarships. The tutors must give one hour of time on two days per week and must attend tutor training.

Summer Reading Program

Parents may visit the Library at the end of May to learn about the Summer Reading Program and to register their children. All students must consistently read books during the summer months to retain reading skills. Visit the Parent Resource Center to check out some fun books and other materials for learning.

Please call Elaine Carlson at 489-6584 for more information.

Now Hiring

There is a paid position available for an Assistant Director at the Mapleton Family Literacy Center. You must be interested in children, familiar with teaching and reading techniques, pass a background check, and be available from 2 to 4 mornings a week in the summer and 2 to 4 afternoons after school during the school year.

Primary Election Information

In order to vote you must be at least 18 years of age or older on or before the next election, a U.S. Citizen, or a permanent resident of Utah for at least 30 days before the election. The deadline for walk in registration for the Primary Election is Monday, May 26th, 2008.