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City Newsletter

October 2006 Edition

Mayor's Message

This past month has brought new changes, and challenges to our community. We have several issues that concern our citizens. In just the past 30 days, the current City Council and Mayor discovered that a citizen wants to breed and sell snakes and mice that another citizen wants to operate a commercial dairy in the mouth of Mapleton Canyon, and that developer's first requesting annexation into our City withdrew their annexation petitions. We were informed that one of our neighboring cities wished to terminate a long standing agreement with Mapleton controlling annexation, and we just discovered that a citizen filed a lawsuit against all the City Council members regarding the City's zoning on his property. It has been a very busy month, so far. In addition to these concerns, the City's Planning and Zoning Director resigned and the City is currently looking for qualified applicants to interview for his replacement.

To get us through these difficult times, our City's staff has stepped up to the challenge. Employees are working longer and harder than before. Some are filling in for others who are not available, working extra hours, and learning new tasks quickly. Our City Council members have left their families, children's activities, and work in order to hold special council meetings on Friday evenings and even early Saturday mornings as needed to address the challenges as they have been developing. None have complained. When I apologized to one employee for giving him so much work to do over the weekend, he responded, "That's what I do." I appreciate that our City staff is committed to dealing with each issue, and doing what is necessary to get the job done.

With this as background, imagine my pleasure when a young man, ten years old, asked to speak with me for a few minutes. He was concerned, and he wanted the Mayor to help him. He walked with me to my office and after a few nervous minutes he gave me his suggestions on how the City's parks could be improved. I think the part I appreciated the most was his courage to come forward with his suggestion. He didn't complain, he didn't demean others, he didn't demand action, he didn't threaten a lawsuit, and he wasn't trying to intimidate. He saw a problem, and in a very mature way, he presented a suggestion for the City to consider. And we will. In a time of chaos it is refreshing to hear suggestions instead of demands.

Library

Book Sale to be Held at the Library

Used books will be sold at the Library from October 2nd through October 13th. The hours are 10 am to 8 pm on Monday through Thursday (until 6 pm on Friday) and 10 am to 2 pm on Saturdays. This sale is in support of the Mapleton Friends of the Library and the funds are used for the Mapleton Summer Reading Program and Children's Story Hour. Stop by and look for some great book bargains.

Mapleton Literacy Center and Parent Resource Center

Tutoring continues at the Library and our students are increasing their reading skills. Tutoring takes place in the mornings before school and after school is out. We would love to increase the use of the Literacy Center and invite parents who do home schooling to visit and see what is available to help their students. Parents can be trained to use the facility and take advantage of our effective computer programs for reading. We also offer screening to help parents know the level of their child's reading ability. Just call for an appointment. We have some grandparents who are now trained and are working with their grandchildren at the Center. We will also provide tutors for children or adults who need reading instruction and welcome any citizens who wish to volunteer as a tutor. Please call Elaine at 489-6584 or Debbie at 480-3959 for an appointment for any of these You may also call and leave a message at the Center at 806-9127 (extension 127). Parents are also invited to visit the Parent Resource Center and check out items to be used at home.

City Calendar

Oct 3	7:00pm	City Council Meeting			
Oct 5	4pm-7pm	Sr. Citizen Open House			
Oct 9		City Offices Closed – Columbus Day			
Oct 17	7:00pm	City Council Meeting			
Oct 19	7:00pm	Planning Commission Meeting			
Museum Tours call:					

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

Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North). City Council Meetings will now be 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.

Fire Department

The Fire Department has a new fire engine that was put into service on September 12, 2006. The new engine is a 2006 Rosenbauer FireStar Commercial Pumper. The engine is equipped with a 300 horse power Mercedes diesel engine, 1000 gallon water tank, 1250GPM Darley pump and many other options. This new engine will increase the level of protection the Fire Department can provide to the citizens of Mapleton. This new engine will replace a 1979 Rescue Truck and the 1980 Pumper Engine which have been sold to the Goshen Fire Department. The Mapleton Fire Department would like to thank all of those involved in purchasing this new engine.

October 8th – 14th is Fire Prevention Week. The focus this year is on Kitchen Fires. One-fifth of all home fires start in the kitchen. Safety hints to reduce the chance of kitchen fires are 1) never cook oils on high heat, 2) do not wear loose clothing while cooking, 3) keep all handles towards the middle of the stove, 4) keep the stove top clear of flammable items, and 5) keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen and Never leave a hot stove unattended.

Mapleton Chorale

Mapleton Chorale, under the direction of Cory Mendenhall, is start its 2006-2007 season with the a fall concert, to be held on Thursday, October 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mapleton City Building (125 W. 400 No.). This will be a benefit concert, admission free but all donations accepted, to assist the Tim and Geri Krehbiel family of Mapleton whose daughter, Jessica, was involved in a serious car accident on Aug. 23, 2006 and remains in the hospital. (More information available at www.prayforjessica.com). We invite everyone to attend this evening of delightful music and to donate generously in support of this family in our community! Donations can also be made to the "Jessica Krehbiel Fund" at Central Bank in Mapleton.

Public Works

Debris/Coverage

Please help keep the curb and gutters free of grass, leaves and debris this fall. This will help keep our City looking clean and our storm drains from being clogged with debris. Please keep your water meter lid and other utilities from being covered with grass or other landscaping. This will provide for faster service in taking utility readings and provide quicker location and access if the need arises for repairs or emergencies. Please check your sprinklers for proper coverage and reduce that amount of time in use. With cooler temperatures less water is needed and will help save water and money.

Pressurized Irrigation

Pressurized Irrigation will remain on throughout the month of October unless temperatures consistently drop below freezing. It will be shut off November 1st.

Public Works Notification

From time to time we receive calls for water leaks or other public works related emergencies. To report water leaking in the street or between the water meter and the street, a sewer problem when connected to the city sewer system, damaged stop sign, severe street flooding during or after a heavy rain, sudden settlement or hole in the asphalt roadway, please call 806-9188, if the emergency is during working hours (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.) or 851-4100 after 4:00 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. on week days and any time on weekends. For any police, fire or ambulance emergency call 911. Mapleton Public Works emergencies are dispatched through Utah County Dispatch. The dispatcher will need to know your name, address, phone number and the type of emergency, as this is relayed to the person on call. The public works has at least one person on call for after hour emergencies during week days and as least two people anytime on weekends to cover the needs of the residents. They will assess the problem and if necessary, repair the problem immediately.

Water Meter

The water meter has a very sensitive wire attachment to the transponder. If you need your water turned on or off or your meter checked, you should contact the city and have a Public Works Department employee come out to do this.

Recreation

Art Express

Hop aboard the Art Express and join in the fun, drawing people and landscapes, perspective and pandas! Art lessons are for children ages 8-12 years. You'll learn how to draw and paint a composition from a rough sketch to finished project in 10 lessons. Classes will be Tuesdays 3:45-4:45 p.m. October 3-December 12 (excluding Halloween). Located in room 17 at Mapleton Elementary School.

- Taught by Cynthia Stonehocker.
- Registration Fee for this class is \$ 50.00 for all 10 Lessons.
- Please register at Mapleton City Offices (125 West 400 North), Monday - Friday 9:00AM -5:00 PM.
- Class size is limited so register today!!

Girl's Basketball Registration

Wednesday, September 27th & Thursday, September 28th 5:30 - 7:00 at the Ira Allan Sports Park Concession Stand (located at 2000 South 800 West, Mapleton). Games will be held November - December

<u>Leagues & Registration Fees:</u>

- 1st Grade & 2nd Grade Instructional/Skills \$25.00
- 3rd & 4th Grade \$ 25.00
- 5th & 6th Grade \$ 25.00
- A \$ 5.00 Late Sign-up Fee will be charged after September 30th, 2006 and a \$ 10.00 Late Signup Fee will be charged after October 10th, 2006

Uniforms:

We will be using the same uniforms as last year. You will <u>not</u> need to purchase a uniform if you already have one.

- Reversible Jersey's \$15.00
- Boys Basketball Registration will be held in November, watch for details!

Mapleton Has "Sole" Walking Program

The program was a great success. We had several members of our community hitting the sidewalks and streets this summer for our fitness challenge! With collectively over 8000 recorded miles walked, Mapleton citizens definitely got into the spirit of the program. The individual winners were: Lola Alvey with 703.58 miles (winner of \$ 100.00 gift certificate to MVP sports) and Carol Day with 654.8 (winner of \$75.00 gift to MVP Sports). The Groneman family with a combined total of 2,686.3 miles (winners of \$100.00 gift certificate to MVP sports) and The Prawitt family with 1,378.6 miles (winners of a sports bag full of equipment). A huge thank you to Melyn & Melanie Cuthbert who spent countless hours organizing, collecting donations, and running the program. They have given the community a huge contribution. Keep in shape and watch for next spring to begin our 2nd annual walking program and fitness challenge!

A Sr. Citizens Open House will be held on Thursday, October 5th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the City Center. Come see the new Sr. Citizen's exercise room and find out about classes, health clinics and travel opportunities for Mapleton senior citizens. Anyone 50 or older is welcome to participate in classes - but volunteers to help with programs or teach the classes can be any age. There will be entertainment, refreshments and surveys to fill out.

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Phone		Email				
		I have an interest in participating in this	I could possibly teach or help with this	Write down more information or name specific topics or classes		
Fitness	Fitness center (general workout) Fitness classes					
Health	Diet Senior health					
Arts	concerns Drawing, painting Ceramics Crafts					
Music	Singing Instrument					
Travel	Day trips Overnight and longer trips					
Recreation	Pool Cards					
Cooking classes	Other games					
Education	Computer skills Writing personal history Writing for publication					
Other Ideas	publication					
l d probably b	oe willing to help with	: Recreation cor	nmittee	Fine arts committee		
		Health commit		Keeping records		

Return this survey to the Mapleton City Offices, or bring it to the Sr. Citizens program Open House on Thursday, October 5th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the City Center

Thank You Mapleton Citizens

The Krehbiel family would like to express a heart felt thank you to all those we know, and even the ones we don't know personally, who have donated their time, efforts, prayers and good deeds to our family in behalf of our daughter Jessica. Your kindness and words of hope and faith have given us much strength. Words cannot describe how grateful we are to live in a community with such caring friends and neighbors. Thank you from the Krehbiel's at www.prayforjessica.com.

Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	806-9188
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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The Edwin T. Thome and Frank Robertson Home

1604 East 400 North Mapleton, Utah

Mr. Thome built this home then sold the property to Frank Robertson on March 25, 1937. This house was a beautiful two-story structure made of the red brick that was very popular in Mapleton at this period of time. The gabled ends and decorative trim added much appeal to the appearance of the house. The main floor of the house consisted of a living room, kitchen, dining room and one bedroom. In the living room there was a very beautiful marble fireplace. The floor was covered with a very plush carpet of bright bold colors. This room opened out onto a large covered porch on the west side of the house. From the dining room, stairs led to the upper level of the house. The upper floor of the house consisted of four bedrooms and a bathroom which featured an elegant bathtub that stood on four legs - very grand for this era of time. An outside door on this level opened onto a balcony that faced the west. There was also a partial basement under the house. On the north side of the house by the road, was a water tap. The water came right from Maple Canyon which was just a short distance away. There was a well out in back that supplied water to a trough for the animals. About 1934 Lawrence and Leah Wilson lived with and worked for Mr. Thome. Kelly Robertson, purchased the property and added a back porch. Kelly and his wife, Janet, lived there for some time before selling it and moving away.

Information provided from the "Early Houses in Mapleton" book



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