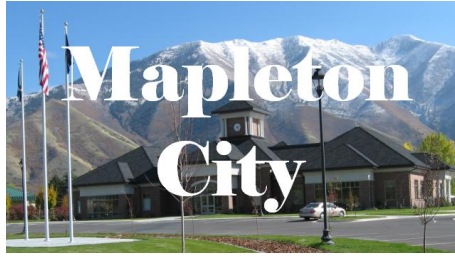


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# October 2012 Newsletter



## Mayor's Message

### Why Should I Vote?

The importance of voting cannot be understated. U.S. Citizens are asked to vote with more frequency than in other countries. The entire structure of our government is based on citizens voting for representation. Most people wonder whether or not their vote will make a difference. The answer to that is "Yes, your vote is very important." Many local elections are decided by just a handful of votes. We have also come to know that national elections can be determined by what seems like a small number of votes.

With this being a Presidential Election year, the election is run through the Utah County Elections Office. There are many ways that you can stay informed and stay active with this process. For more information about this process, read all about it on the Utah County web page (<http://www.utahcountyonline.org/Dept/ClerkAud/Elections/index.asp>). Please keep in mind that this year Utah County has added an additional voting precinct which is MA05, this precinct will include the residents south of Maple Street and east of Main Street to 3050 South. You can check the County web page to identify which precinct you are located in. The County web page also gives you information on registering to vote and provides you with a sample ballot to become familiar with the process. The County web page will also link you to each of the four political party websites (Utah County Republican Party, Utah County Democratic Party, Utah Constitution Party, and the Utah Libertarian Party).

There are many issues to consider when casting your vote. Choose your leaders wisely. Politicians make laws protecting and restricting freedoms. The politicians we elect today decide how much we pay in taxes and how that money is spent. Chief executives appoint judges and justices. A president you elect today may appoint a justice who decides American Social Policy for generations to come. Our leaders also decide policy on issues like national security, civil liberties and the environment. If you care about these issues, you must vote.

I encourage each of you to vote, familiarize yourself with the process, know the issues, and study out the platforms of the candidates. Above all, be prepared to listen and be open-minded to each of the issues.

## Public Works

### Asphalt Overlay

The Public Works Department has just completed an asphalt overlay on Maple Street. This summer, with a limited budget, work was completed at four separate locations within the City to widen the shoulder of the roads and improve pedestrian safety. We hope you enjoy these improvements to the roads that have been made this year.

### Debris

As the leaves start to fall, we are asking residents to keep leaves and yard debris out of the gutters, ditches, and roadways. This will lessen the chance of plugging up the storm drains and causing flooding when we start getting winter storms. It is also the time of year to start thinking about the pressurized irrigation being shut off for the season. Weather permitting it will remain on through the end of October.

Questions on streets, water, sewer, or pressurized irrigation should be directed to the Public Works/Engineering Department at 801-489-6253.

## Public Safety

### Winter Parking

With winter just around the corner it is time to remove all boats, trailers, and vehicles parked on the side of the roadway. During the months of November through March it is illegal to leave your vehicle parked on the street between the hours of 11pm-6am. In addition, you cannot leave your vehicle parked during any months on the street for more than 48 hours without moving it. The City's street sweeper will be coming through the neighborhoods to clean out the gutters before winter. Also, the snow plow trucks will need to have the vehicles off the street so they can plow the roads effectively and not damage any vehicles.



## Recreation

A great big THANK YOU to our Soccer and Flag Football coaches and commissioners for all that you do for the children in our community! We couldn't do it without you.

- Girls Volleyball season begins October 4<sup>th</sup>
- Girls Basketball coaches preview October 16<sup>th</sup>
- Boys Basketball Registration, Grades 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> will start November 1<sup>st</sup> online.
- Wrestling Registration is going on now, please visit [www.trackwrestling.com](http://www.trackwrestling.com)
- There will be an exciting new yoga class starting in October. Harmony Restorative Yoga will soothe your soul in this restorative class on Saturdays at 9am. For more details please visit the Parks and Recreation link below.
- There is still space available in our Dance Classes. Register at the City Recreation Office.

For more information concerning our Recreation programs, or to register online, please visit our website at [www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html](http://www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html).



## Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	489-5655	Emergency:	911
Community Development:	489-6138	Dispatch Police,	
Building Inspection:	489-6138	Fire, Ambulance:	489-9421
Court:	489-7445	Non-emergency:	489-9668
Recreation:	806-9114	Newsletter:	806-9109
Recreation Hotline:	367-5069	Senior Citizens:	489-0106

## Senior Citizens

### Health

At 10:30am on Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar Clinic held in the Mapleton City Center's Multi-Purpose Room.

### Luncheon

The Senior Luncheon Social will be held on Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30am at the same location as the Health Clinic. Soup will be the main dish that is provided. Please bring a salad, a dessert or donate \$2 if you plan on joining us.

We are going to have Independent Insurance Agent Linwood Carter come talk to us about Medicare advantages and Medicare changes affecting the seniors. It should be very informative so join us if you can.

### Gym

The gym will be closed on Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup> for Columbus Day.

### Senior Yoga Class

There is a Senior Yoga Class every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10am-11am in the Mapleton City Center Multi-Purpose Room. The cost is \$10/month or \$2 per class.

## Senior Companion Program

### Attention Seniors

Do you need help getting to the grocery store? Do you need transportation to doctor appointments? The Utah County Senior Companion Program can help. We have volunteers who can help run those essential errands or just come and visit for a while. The Utah County Senior Companion Program has been providing this FREE service for 23 years. Call if you have questions or would like to sign up at 801-851-7767.

### Help Wanted

The Utah County Senior Companion Program is looking for seniors (55+) who would like to serve other seniors in their community. Volunteers will receive a small stipend (about \$200 per month), reimbursement for mileage, and paid training once a month. Volunteers must be income eligible, be willing to serve 15+ hours per week and have the desire to help others. Call the Utah County Senior Companion Program at 801-851-7767 for an application or questions.

## October 2012 City Calendar

Oct. 8		City Offices Closed-Columbus Day
Oct 16	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Oct 18	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Regularly scheduled City Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North).		