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Mayor's Message

City Newsletter

September 2006 Edition

Often we hear of what's wrong in our city. There will always be something that needs to be fixed, needs to be replaced, or needs to be changed. And we will certainly read about those items because that's what is usually carried in the newspapers, discussed with neighbors or brought up in meetings. Today I want to draw your attention to those many individuals, even neighbors of yours, who are solving the problems we face in our community.

Although you may not be aware, our neighbors make many decisions and commitments that affect our community for the better. I think its time to shed some light on the people in our community that are quietly but significantly making personal sacrifices to improve our community. I cannot disclose names. Some have asked to remain anonymous; others would be embarrassed to have their efforts known. But you should know that your neighbors are making our community better.

Putting the Community Interests First

Years ago I met first hand with individuals who could have cost the city hundreds of thousands of dollars when the city decided to put the sewer in. In every case when the city needed to obtain an easement to run sewer lines through a citizen's private property, the citizen gave the easement freely. At other times property owners have deeded some of their property to widen roads or install sidewalks to make the community safer. Over the years, many of our neighbors have allowed their private property to be used for our community's benefit and safety. Without their commitment to help our community, we would all be paying higher taxes, or we would make do with substandard services and less safety.

Dedicating Time and Labor

The dedication of our citizens is measured in the thousands of hours volunteered by our neighbors. Contractors in our city donate time and labor. Some donated their labor to build the new City Building, others spent hours and days excavating and earthmoving to protect and clean up after floods.

Volunteers dedicate hundreds of hours to qualify, train and serve as ambulance and fire personnel. Citizens spend hours each week to preserve our museum or to teach others to read, play ball, sew, quilt or sing. For many years our local youth and adults have worked side-by-side donating labor to benefit us all. Each year dedicated people volunteer to work hard to help us remember and celebrate the 24th of July. This year, even a fireworks show was donated for our benefit. Our youth gave up some of their vacation time this summer to bring free movies and programs to our children. Our neighbors dedicate hours to provide us with musical, entertainment and sports programs. Young men and women worked hard outside in the rain to beautify the city center. Not unlike a group of neighbors who gather to help clear a field or lay sod, in our city there is a strong sense of commitment to our community, where many are willing to help.

In this limited space, I have only scratched the surface of those who have gone out of their way to improve our community. Many have donated significant amounts of money or books to provide a library, conference tables and chairs, electronic supplies and computer services. To all who help when help is needed I say thank you. Although talk is cheap, those who work to "get it done" are invaluable.

City Calendar

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| Sept 4 | | City Offices Closed – Labor Day |
| Sept 6 | 6:00pm | Walking Challenge Award Night |
| Sept 6 | 7:00pm | City Council Meeting |
| Sept 16 | 8am-9pm | C.E.R.T. Training – Elk Ridge |
| Sept 20 | 7:00pm | City Council Meeting |
| Sept 21 | 7:00pm | Planning Commission Meeting |
| Sept 23 | 8am-12pm | C.E.R.T. Training – Elk Ridge |
| 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). 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.**

Public Safety

Safety Concerns

School has now commenced and with the recent opening of the new Mapleton Jr. High School opening, there has been increased traffic on 1200 North and Main Street. We ask that you slow down and watch for children in the area that will be walking or riding their bicycles to school. We will have officers to help with traffic control around the Jr. High School and the other two schools. Lets all continue to make Mapleton a safe place to live.

Library

Thank You

The Friends of the Mapleton Library would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Summer Reading Program. With the help of many volunteers and donations, more than 130 children successfully completed the program. This year's donations came from David Nemelka, McDonald's, Wendy's, Sonic, and Clyde Co. Building Supplies.

A special thanks goes to Kristin Holmes for coordinating this summer's program. Finally, thank you to all the children who came and participated. We hope you keep reading.

Mapleton Chorale

Ready for the 2006-07 Season

The new season will begin with an opening fall social to be held Thursday, August 31, at 6:30pm at the home of Hal and Dianna Black, 355 West 2000 North, Mapleton for all current and new Chorale members with their spouse/guest.

Our first rehearsal will be held Thursday, September 7th promptly at 7:45pm at the Mapleton City Building. Women please arrive by 6:30pm for placements. We have several urgent openings for tenor or bass voices in chorale this year. Anyone interested or who knows of anyone that might be interested in joining our awesome chorale and enjoying a "delicious" experience this year please contact Suzie Judd at 489-0180, email: suzanne.judd@intermountainmail.org or Beth Jepson at 489-5858, email: bethjepson@msn.com.

We are thrilled and excited to begin a new season and look forward to seeing you all join us!

Senior Citizen Committee Volunteers Needed

We are looking for people to serve on the Senior Citizen's Committee. We will be meeting the end of August to plan activities, classes and events that will be held at our new Mapleton City Center. If interested please contact Councilwoman Ann Tolley.

Heritage Trees

By Orpha Dee Johnson

On April 29, 1983 Mapleton launched an ambitious urban forestry project by sponsoring the largest Arbor Day Program reported in the State of Utah. These meetings marked the beginning of our on-going tree planting and care in the city. Descendents of early Union Bench Pioneers were honored that day, and two silver maple trees were designated as "Heritage Trees". They were planted as part of a grove around the first meeting house, and still remain standing today on the east side of the building. Sometimes in the hot summer outdoor meetings were held under these trees. Six trees were planted on North Main Street to honor early pioneers who helped clear the land and establish Union Bench, known today as Mapleton. They are Steven C. Perry, Philo Dibble, Olive Amanda Fulmer, William Mendenhall, Richard Bird, and Edwin Whiting. The following poem was composed for the celebration by Elaine Bird Parcel and her daughter Joan Ashton, who lives in Mapleton today. We will be informing our citizens about more "Heritage Trees" in future issues of our Mapleton Newsletter.

"Heritage Trees"

*"Seeds carried far by our pioneer fathers,
Planted in earth and left to survive;
Now grown old in the service of others
Giving comfort and shade all through their lives.
Who can count the hours of children content here?
Who tumbled and teased under blue skies and grey.
Who can know the enjoyment of folks as they gathered?
Under these lofty green branches to talk or to pray.
Our lives each may end; as they must soon enough;
But these sturdy; tall trees in their calm; caring ways
Will remain to remind us of old cherished days"*

C.E.R.T. Training

Mapleton City is looking for volunteers to join the Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.). Training will be on Saturday, September 16, 2006 from 8:00am to 9:00pm, and Saturday, September 23, 2006 from 8:00am to 12:00pm in Elk Ridge. Both Saturday sessions are required to complete the training. This is an accelerated class. The cost is \$35 and includes all books, materials and equipment. This is a great way to get involved in the community and to help serve the community in the even of a disaster. For more information contact C.E.R.T. Director, Don Little at 489-4208.

Recreation

Youth Soccer

Soccer games will begin September 5th. The season will run through October 15th. If your youth has not been contacted by a coach, please call Stacey Child at 489-7752.

VIP Special Needs Adaptive Soccer Program

Join us for our 2nd year of adaptive soccer. Our first year was a great success. We play on smaller fields with buddies and everybody has a great time! Games will begin in September. The cost will be only \$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 or contact Stacey Child at 489-7752 or register at the Mapleton City Offices located at 125 West 400 North.

Attention Mapleton Has "Sole"

Participants make sure you record all your miles by August 31st. The Walking Challenge Final Mile & Award Night has been changed and will be held Monday, September 11th at 6:00 PM - Please meet at Eagle Rock Park

Fall Drawing Class

If you have an interest in art or just can't stop drawing or doodling, then this class is for you! Receive instruction, helpful tips and develop new techniques to improve your drawings. We will explore several drawing techniques such as thumbnail sketches, gesture drawings, contour drawings, & a graph drawing. Classes will be taught by Cynthia Stonehocker at Mapleton Elementary.

Ages 8 – 12 Instruction will begin October 4 Wednesdays 3:45 - 4:45 Cost: \$40.00

REGISTER for class at The Mapleton City Offices (located at 125 West 400 North)

Girls 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

Leagues & Registration Fees:

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| 1 st 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 & a \$ 10.00 Late Sign-up Fee will be charged after October 10th, 2006

UNIFORMS:

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

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| Reversible Jersey's | \$ 15.00 |
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Community Development

General Plan – Information about Update

The Planning Commission will take public comment on the General Plan during their October 12, 2006 meeting. The Planning Commission may recommend approval of the General Plan, with or without changes, to the City Council at this meeting. They may also continue the item for further discussion. The public is welcome to attend this meeting. Additional Planning Commission meeting dates may be added for further review of the General Plan.

A copy of the General Plan text and accompanied maps will be available electronically seven days prior to the October 12, 2006 meeting. For more information on the General Plan please contact the Planning Director at (801) 806-9107 or via e-mail at mevans@mapleton.org.

Water Shares

The Mapleton City Community Development Department tries to keep an updated list of those who are interested in selling water shares. The list becomes available for those interested in purchasing water. We will only list water shares that can be transferred and used in Mapleton, such as Mapleton irrigation, Hobble Creek and East Bench water. If you wish to be included on the list, please contact the Community Development Department Secretary, April Houser, at (801) 489-6138 or via e-mail at ahouser@mapleton.org.

We're here for you Monday-Friday

The Community Development Department is pleased to announce the hiring of an additional secretary to work on Friday's. The additional help will ensure that anyone calling, or coming into the Community Development Department on Friday, will have our services available to them. Currently we employ one part time secretary (April Houser), and one part time Assistant Planner (Tracy Padgett).

Public Works

The Public Works has a direct phone line at 806-9188 to better serve the needs of the residents. The secretary is able to contact public works in case of emergencies during the day or take a message to be contacted about a need or concern. The hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Mapleton Public Works is dispatched for after hour emergencies (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 of snow melt, sudden settlement or hole in the asphalt roadway), through Utah County dispatch. Please call 851-4100, if you need to contact Public Works, outside their regular hours. Please state your name, address, phone number and what type of emergency this is, to the relay 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.

For Lease

Commercial/Retail Bldg. - Lease on Main Street

The former Police Department premises adjacent to Central Bank on Main Street are available for lease for 18 months. These premises are ideally located for various types of retail, office or commercial uses.

If you are interested in leasing these facilities please contact the City Administrator for further information at 489-5655 ext. 106. Closing date for expressions of interest is Friday, September 15, 2006.

Contact Numbers

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| 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 Lewis M.
and Lizzie
Gillilan Home**
2010 East 400 North
Mapleton, Utah

This home was constructed from approximately in 1890-1900. Mr. Lewis Perry freighted brick from Provo for the outside walls of the house. It had three rooms on the ground floor, three rooms upstairs, and a basement. The house was heated with a kitchen stove. It had lath and plaster on the inside walls. Later Max Roundy, put paneling on them. Mr. Gillilan also constructed a barn and lean-to and raised jersey cows. He sold forty acres to his daughter - then hard times came along and he lost the eighty acres that were left. There was an abundant crop of cherries that year and some lawyers bought the place and made a big profit. They turned around and sold it again. About 1937 Max Roundy's father and mother, Ammon Lorenzo and Elizabeth Roundy, fell in love with the place and wanted to buy it. A son, who was working away from home at the time, furnished a down-payment of \$400 and the family bought the place for \$6,000. Mr. Roundy named the place "A.L. Roundy & Sons". When Max was a child growing up in the home with his mother and dad and family, there was no heat upstairs; so his mom gave him a flatiron to warm his bed. The stove was near the door in the kitchen. In 1957 Max bought the place from his mother for \$10,000. A coal furnace was installed in the house some years ago. The renters felt that it wasn't heating adequately and so Max had a gas furnace put in. To this day the house is in use.

Information provided from the "Early Houses in Mapleton" book



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