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December 2013 Newsletter



Mayor's Message

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

As the Christmas Holiday Season fast approaches, I would like to extend to each and every one of you my best wishes for a joyful holiday season. Don't forget our annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony to be held in the Main City Park (corner of Main Street and Maple Street) starting at 6 pm on Friday, December 6th. The evening events kick off with the Mapleton Elementary 1st grade children singing carols, and as always you will be able to enjoy some hot chocolate and doughnuts. Everyone is invited and welcome to bring their entire family to this wonderful event. From the Mayor's Office and the entire City Staff we wish all of you a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

2013 Mapleton City Elections

Thank you to everyone who came out and voted during this year's city elections. This year showed Mapleton City with a 17% voter turnout. I would also like to thank all of the candidates who ran for office. We had some great individuals who stepped up and came forward to run for office. Thank you to the poll workers and our City Recorder, Camille Brown for executing a smooth voting experience for the Mapleton City Voters.

As citizens you re-elected Jim Lundberg and Ryan Farnworth to the City Council and myself (Brian Wall) as Mayor. Each of you are invited to the oath taking ceremony to be held on January 7, 2014 at 7pm in the City Council Chambers.

Sub-for-Santa

If you are interested in helping someone in need this holiday season there are many ways that you can help inside our own community. One way to help is to contribute a little extra money in your next utility bill. Your contribution will anonymously help a Mapleton family who might be struggling this Christmas with the payment of their utility bill. If you would like to contribute in this way, write "Donation" and a dollar amount below the "Amount Paid" box provided in your utility billing, and then add that amount to your utility payment. You may also contact our Utility Office at 801-489-5655 ext. 0.

Literacy Center

Thank You

Mapleton Family Literacy would like to express thanks for all the wonderful tutors that take the time to mentor our students this year. There are 100 hours or more logged in every month. Thank you! If you have a child that could use our services you may call Judy at 801-489-4833 for further information.

Puzzle Exchange

We are doing a Puzzle Exchange at the Library. You can bring in your puzzles (all pieces included) and take some puzzles home. Fun and Free! Any Questions call Judy at 801 882-4400.

Christmas Tree Removal

Christmas tree removal will take place curbside Monday, January 27th thru Wednesday, January 29th, 2014.

Recreation

www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html

Boys Basketball Registration

Boys Basketball Registration is going on now at our website listed above.

VIP Basketball

Registration is going on now at the website listed above for VIP Basketball

Winter Classes

Registration starts on December 1st for winter classes Karate and Gymnastics/Tumbling

Yoga

For more information on Vinyasa Flow Yoga-Mixed Levels, Harmony Restorative Yoga-All Levels and Senior Yoga-All Levels

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Come join us on December 6th at 6pm at the City Park (corner of Main and Maple Street) for the lighting of the trees. Santa, entertainment, hot chocolate and doughnuts!

Winter Wonderland Ball

Save the date for the Winter Wonderland ball on January 25th from 8pm-11pm. Anyone who is 14 years of age or older is invited to come and enjoy the night of dancing, fun and refreshments.

Public Works

Snow Removal

We are preparing for the snow storms that will be coming and would like to remind all residents to use caution during any snow storm when the plows are out. We always have several near accidents each winter due to cars turning in front of the plows, or driving too close.

As a reminder, the snow plows are designed to push the snow from the center line of the road to the edge of the road. This sometimes creates a problem with blocking driveways and mailboxes. It is the resident's responsibility to clear the snow from in front of their driveway and mailbox to ensure mail delivery.

It is also against the law to push snow into the road or otherwise deposit snow or ice onto a public right-of-way or onto sidewalks from your personal property. This can cause a potentially dangerous situation and you could be cited.

If you have any questions on snowplowing you may view the policy on the City website www.mapleton.org under the Public Works Department link.

Storm Water Permits

You can also find information on the City website under the Public Works Department link regarding Storm Water and how to protect our lakes and streams, where or how to dispose of potentially hazardous waste, as well as Land Disturbance Permits, and SWPPP Permits. For any questions you may have, contact the Public Works Department at 801-489-6253.

Community Development

Fences

Where can I build a fence and how tall can it be?

Fences, screens, walls, hedges, shrubs, or other tangible barriers may be built or grown up to 3 feet tall in the front yard (within 30' of the front property line), 3 feet tall on the side property line located between the street and the home. Fences and other tangible barriers may be up to 6 feet tall in the rear and 6 feet tall on the side property lines located behind the front of the home. If the fence or barrier is at least 50% non-sight obscuring in front of the home, it may be up to 4 feet tall. Home owners should be advised that fences cannot be constructed in such a manner that traffic visibility is impaired.

What if I have a corner lot?

Corner lots have a front yard setback requirement from each street that they front for buildings but not for fences. The "front" yard, that is the yard between the street and the front door, must comply with the 3 foot tall maximum mentioned previously for fencing located along the street and on the side yard. The second street frontage may be fenced with a 6 foot fence as long as that fence does not encroach on the sidewalk or the property line.

For more information call the Community Development Department at 801-489-6138.

Rocky Mountain Power

Rocky Mountain Power recently completed some maintenance work along the east bench of the city, and has now begun maintenance work on the power line running north and south through the middle of the city. The work includes replacing seven power poles and other maintenance work along the line. The work is expected to be completed in early December.

Utah County

HELP WANTED: The Utah County Foster Grandparent Program is looking for seniors 55 or older, to serve as mentors, tutors, and care givers for children and youth within community organizations such as schools, hospitals, and youth centers. Once there they work with trained professionals to provide assistance, support, and knowledge to children and teens with special needs. Foster Grandparents receive a small stipend (about \$200 per month), monthly training, and in some areas, mileage reimbursement or transportation to the volunteer facility. Volunteers must be income eligible (earn less than \$1915 per month for a single person and \$3102 for a married person), be willing to serve 15 or more hours per week and have the desire to help others. This is a fun and rewarding way to serve in your community! Call the Foster Grandparent Program at 801-851-7784 for an application or questions.

Snow Removal

This is just a friendly reminder for those property owners along Main and Maple Streets to keep their sidewalks cleared of snow as it is vital for the safety of children walking to school.

Contact Numbers

Mayor:	489-5655	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	489-5655	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	806-9104	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:	806-9128
City Recorder	806-9106		

Public Safety

Prescription Drop off Box

Mapleton City has a prescription drop off box located inside the Mapleton Police Department at 305 North Main. You may drop off any prescription medications between the hours of 8:00 am to noon, and 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, and we will dispose of them free of charge. **We do not take, vitamins, syringes, liquids, inhalers or any over the counter drugs that can be thrown away.**

Public Safety

With the Holiday Season now upon us we need to be more vigilant about locking our homes and vehicles. It is the time of season when criminals are very busy earning Christmas money by stealing from anyone they can. You should always lock your car no matter where you are or what time of day it is. If you have Christmas packages in your vehicle, you should leave them locked in the trunk or place them out of site. You may also want to keep your homes locked. Criminals have been known to knock on doors during the day and night, and if no one answers, they will enter your home if it is unlocked. One of the best ways to keep our community safe is to watch out for each other, and our homes. If you see something suspicious do not hesitate to call the Mapleton Police Department at 801-489-9668 we will gladly respond to check it out. Have a great Holiday Season!

Senior Citizens

Health

The next Blood Pressure / Blood Sugar clinic will be Thursday, December 12, at 10:30am.

Luncheon

The next luncheon will be Thursday, December 12th at 11:30am. The menu will be ham and turkey. Please bring salad, rolls, dessert, whatever you like, or a donation. Entertainment will be provided by the Springville High School Orchestra conducted by Sam Tsugawa.

Senior Yoga

No Yoga will be held from November 28th through December 31st. The next Yoga class will be Thursday, January 2, at 10:00 a.m.

Senior Gym - HOURS

8:00am-11:00am and 3:00pm-5:30pm Monday thru Thursday.

8:30am-11:00am and 3:00pm-5:00pm. on Fridays.

10:00am-12:00pm on Saturdays

The gym will be closed 12/24-12/26 and 12/31-1/1/14

Mapleton Choral

Celebrate Christmas with Mapleton's choral gem, the Mapleton Chorale! The Chorale, under the direction of BYU graduate student Patrick Tatman, invites you to join them for an incredible evening of sacred Christmas music themed "And On Earth, Peace." The program will feature beloved carols by the Chorale and talented soloists, as well as lesser known Christmas settings that will stir the soul. The free concert will be held on Sunday, December 8th at 7:30pm at the Harvest Park Chapel in Mapleton, 1068 S. Highway 89. Please join us!

December 2013 City Calendar

Dec 3	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Dec 6	6:00pm	Tree Lighting Ceremony
Dec 12	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Dec 17	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Dec 24	<i>City Offices Close at 12pm – Christmas Eve</i>	
Dec 25	<i>City Offices Closed – Christmas</i>	
Jan 1	<i>City Offices Closed – New Years Day</i>	

Regularly scheduled City Meetings are held at the Community Center Building, 125 West Community Center Way (400 North).