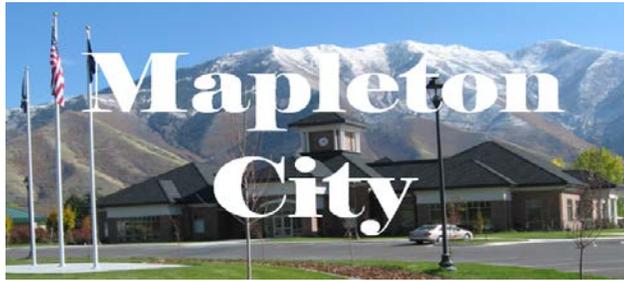


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# December 2017 Newsletter



## Mayor's Message

It has been my honor and a privilege to serve as your Mayor for the past eight years. My commitment eight years ago was to be a proactive mayor and help develop a road map looking forward to avoiding many of the pitfalls that small cities encounter as they grow. I was tired of watching cities continue to be reactive because of bad decisions made from past administrations.

It seems that politicians inevitably choose to make decisions that sound popular or are self-benefiting rather than making a tough call that is better for the city and its future. We cannot kick the can down the road for someone else to fix or address when it becomes a priority. During my administration, we have addressed some very tough issues and some were not so popular, but I can say that Mapleton is better for it. Mapleton is setup for success now because we took on these tough issues before they became serious issues.

Mapleton is in a great place right now. One of my other top priorities was to reintroduce and create new citywide events that allowed us to keep the rural town feeling and interact with each other. During my time in office, we were able to accomplish many things:

- Expand, grow and create a strong tradition at the 24<sup>th</sup> of July celebration
- Farmers Market
- Mapleton Spring Clean-up week
- Mapleton Scarecrow Festival and Free Community Halloween Pumpkin event
- Mapleton Lateral Trail System

We have also been able to provide Mapleton with;

- Outstanding talent within the Director level of your city government: City Administrator, Community Development, Public Works, Finance, Parks and Recreation and Public Safety
- Built and Equipped our New Public Safety Building
- Acquired and remodeled the Harvest Park Event Center
- Expansion of Pressurized Irrigation
- Increased Road Repair and Maintenance
- Acquired a new ambulance and firefighting equipment
- Ira Allen Park Expansion – (Future construction of 4 - Pickle ball courts and 2- Futsal courts)

I wish the new council and mayor the best. As a citizen of Mapleton, I now look to them for protection, in the decisions they make, and encourage them to be fair and equitable to all property owners and applicants.

I am grateful to live in Mapleton and I am honored to have had your trust that afforded me the privilege to have lead and guided Mapleton for a brief moment in time. I wish everyone the best successes in the future and consider all of you as my friend. God Bless you and your love ones with health and safety this year and years to come.

## 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 bill, and then add that amount to your utility payment. You may also contact our Utility Office at 801-489-5655 ext. 0.

## Public Works

### Snow Plowing

We would like to remind all residents to use caution during any snow storm when the plows are out. Each winter we have several near accidents due to cars turning in front of the plows, or driving too close. Following are a few items regarding snow plowing:

- Roads cannot be cleared effectively with vehicles parked on the sides of the streets. It is against the law to park any vehicle on the city streets overnight from November through March. You may receive a ticket if you park any vehicle on the street overnight.
- 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 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](http://www.mapleton.org) under the Public Works Department link.

## Recreation

For more information, or to register for sports or programs available in our community, visit

[www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html](http://www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html).

Don't forget to follow us on our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/mapletoncityparksandrecreation/>.

### Christmas Tree Lighting, Wreath & Christmas Festival

Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 5pm-7:30pm. Please join us for our annual celebration to kick off the holiday season! You are invited to:

- Create & donate a holiday wreath or come bid on your favorite wreaths in a silent auction to benefit Mapleton's Sub-For-Santa Program.
- Design a unique Gingerbread House to display & enter in the Festival contest.
- Take snapshots that evening & enter the Festival Snapshot Contest

*This year's community event will include:*

5pm-7:30pm Wreath Silent Auction begins – inside Memorial Hall \*Wreaths awarded at 8:00 pm

5:30pm Food trucks \* Waffle Love, Forge Pizzeria, Charlie Boy's Pit BBQ and Art City Donuts

6pm-6:20pm Tree lighting, choir sings and serenades Santa's arrival – Mapleton Park Gazebo \* hot chocolate and s'more kits (limited amount)

6:30pm-7:30pm Visits with Santa, face painting, selfie photos – inside Memorial Hall.

### Happening Now

Basketball Previews at Mapleton Junior High

- Tuesday, December 5th: Boys 5<sup>th</sup> 5:45 pm / 6<sup>th</sup> 6:45 pm
- Monday, December 11th: 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade 5:45 p.m. / 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> Grade 6:45 p.m.

Online registration still open for: Boys 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade and Girls 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Games will begin mid-January

Save the Date!

### Winter Wonderland Ball

February 10, 2018. More details to come. Anyone who is 14 years of age or older is invited to come and enjoy the night of dancing, fun and refreshments.

# Library/Literacy Center

It's that holly, jolly time again! We have a very special visitor who will be coming to the library on December 11th from 6:00-6:45pm. Please join us for our annual Story Time with Santa event. You can stop by the library or call to sign up. 801-489-4833.

Just as a reminder...we have our weekly story time on Tuesdays at 10:30am. The Bookmobile Library and Mapleton Literacy Center are continuing to receive new materials. Winter is a great time to read something new!

We want to give a big THANK YOU to Dean Phelps for his years of service in the library. He will be missed by coworkers and patrons.

## Senior Citizens

### Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar Clinic

Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 10:30am

### Senior Luncheon

Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 11:30am. The menu will include ham and turkey with dressing. Seniors who wish to contribute can bring a salad, a side or dessert to share. Variety adds to the enjoyment and fun. A \$3 donation is welcomed from those who can't bring a dish. This month, Don Blackburn will play the piano and conduct a Christmas Sing Along. His wife, D'ann, will accompany him on the accordion. Come join us for a wonderful meal, fun conversation and singing joyful Christmas music!

### Senior Gym

Monday - Thursday 8am to 11am and 3pm to 5:30pm. Friday - 8:30am to 11am and 3 to 5pm. All Mapleton city residents age 50 and up are welcome at the gym. If you have questions contact gym manager, Peggy Burt at 801-404-4687.

### Senior Yoga

Yoga class Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10am.

### Zumba Class

Fridays at 10am in Mapleton City's Multipurpose room.

### Senior Art Painting Group

Monday 12:30pm to 3:30pm. Mapleton City provides the easels. Please bring your own supplies.

### Chuck-a-Rama

Meal tickets are available at \$1.00 each. When you dine at Chuck-a-Rama your ticket is punched and, when filled, you get a free meal. In addition, card holders get a 15% discount on each meal. Pick up your tickets either at the city front office or from committee Finance Clerk, Bob Lape.

## Mapleton Chorale

### Mapleton Chorale Christmas Concert

Get in the Christmas spirit with the marvelous Mapleton Chorale! The Chorale will perform their annual gift to the community program of sacred Christmas music on Sunday, December 3rd at 7:30pm in the Harvest Park Church, 1068 South 1600 West (Highway 89). The theme of the concert is "The Marvel of this Night" and will include timeless selections that will feed the soul. The Chorale will also perform in the Assembly Hall on Temple Square at 7:30pm on Saturday, December 2nd.

## Christmas Tree Pick-Up

Republic Services will provide a dumpster from January 2nd through January 14th. The dumpster (for Christmas Trees ONLY) will be located on the southeast corner of 300 West 400 North (west of City Hall). Please enter off 300 West. In efforts to help accommodate those who like to leave their Christmas trees up longer, Republic Services will be picking up Christmas trees placed by the curb starting February 1st. All trees must be placed by the curb no later than that day to ensure removal.

## Contact Numbers

Mayor:	806-9106	Library:	489-4833
City Council:	806-9106	Public Works:	489-6253
City Administration:	806-9104	Emergency:	911
Community Development:	489-6138	Dispatch Police:	489-9421
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	Main Line/Utilities:	489-5655

# Fire Department

As the holiday season is upon us we at the Mapleton Fire Department would like to remind everyone to be safe and enjoy time with family and friends. We would like to remind everyone that if you haven't had your furnaces inspected yet this year it is a good idea to do so, also check that Chimneys and Flues are clear of debris and soot as this can lead to fires in the Flue pipe or chimney.

When removing snow please keep in mind to not bury or block the access to any Fire Hydrants, please keep them visible and do not park in front of them.

With the Christmas season upon us we would also like to remind everyone to check extension cords and strands of lights for damage and replace them as needed. Whether you hire a company to hang Christmas lights or if you prefer to hang them yourself, be sure not to overload the electrical circuits. If you are one that prefers a fresh cut Christmas tree be sure to keep it watered and to not let it dry out, as this can be a fire hazard.

### Electric Space Heater Safety

As the temperatures drop more people tend to turn to space heaters for warmth. Space heaters are a great and easy way to warm one room without having to turn the furnace up to the entire home. When using space heaters here are a few safety tips that are good to keep in mind.

1. Keep all combustible materials at least 3 feet away from the unit.
2. Be sure to not leave a space heater unattended if it is turned on.
3. Never have a space heater around flammable liquids.

Mapleton Fire Department would like to wish all residents, their families and friends that come to visit a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## Mapleton Youth City Council

### 2018 Applications

The Mapleton Youth Council applications are available now. If you are interested and would like to apply to be a member of the Mapleton Youth City Council (MYCC), you can find an application at the Mapleton City Building or online at Mapleton.org, Maple Mountain High School, and Mapleton Jr. High School offices. To be eligible you must be a Mapleton resident and currently be in the 9th, 10th, or 11th grades. The application must be returned to the Mapleton City Building on or before January 11th, 2018 by 5pm. No LATE applications will be considered. Plan on serving, learning, and having a lot of fun!

### Humanitarian Project

The Mapleton Youth City Council (MYCC) is participating in a humanitarian project directed by Lifting Hand International. Our objective is to collect items to furnish and supply a small apartment for a foreign refugee family relocating to Tempe, Arizona. Now to December 15th there will be a giving tree in the foyer of the City Building with ornaments detailing what items are needed. The consumables need to be new but all other items can be gently used. We will also be collecting supplies for hygiene kits and school kits for local families in need. There are boxes by the giving tree for the donations. Larger items can be picked up by calling 801-995-5714, 801-425-5719 or 801-361-8210. Please see our posting at [www.mapleton.org](http://www.mapleton.org) for a complete list of needed items. MYCC thanks you for your generous donations.

## History of Mapleton Books

The Mapleton Historical Committee has books for sale at the City Offices for those interested.



## December 2017 City Calendar

Dec 6	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Dec 14	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Dec 20	7:00pm	City Council Meeting

*Dec 25 & 26 City Offices Closed – Christmas*

*Jan 1, 2018 City Offices Closed – New Year's Day*

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