

March 2017 Newsletter

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Mayor's Message

Mapleton City Emergency Preparedness

In light of the bountiful snow pack that Utah received this winter, along with the wet weather we continue to experience, Mapleton City's Emergency Preparedness team is aware of the common concern of potential flooding. In preparation for potential flooding, the city has on hand 3400 sand bags, as well as a CERT team that will be available to assist during any potential flooding crisis. In the event of flooding, the following tips are recommended by ready.gov Turn Around, Don't Drown! Avoid walking or driving through flood waters; Just 6 inches of moving water can knock you down, and 2 feet of water can sweep your vehicle away; If there is a chance of flash flooding, move immediately to higher ground. Flash floods are the #1 cause of weather-related deaths in the US; If floodwaters rise around your car but the water is not moving, abandon the car and move to higher ground. Do not leave the car and enter moving water; Avoid camping or parking along streams, rivers, and creeks during heavy rainfall. These areas can flood quickly and with little warning. Build or restock your emergency preparedness kit. Include a flashlight, batteries, cash, and first aid supplies. Disconnect electrical appliances and do not touch electrical equipment if you are wet or standing in water. You could be electrocuted. If instructed, turn off your gas and electricity at the main switch or valve. This helps prevent fires and explosions. More information regarding flooding can be found at:

<https://www.ready.gov/floods>

Citizen Alert Program

If you have not already done so, please sign up for the Springville - Mapleton "Citizen Alert" Program. The program is used "to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods." The following link can be used to sign-up and login to the system:

<https://member.everbridge.net/index/1772417038942978#/login>

July 24th Celebration

Saturday, July 22, 2017

Mark your calendars for Mapleton's annual July 24th Celebration which will take place this year on Saturday, July 22, 2017. Watch for more information in your upcoming Newsletters!

Public Safety

As the weather warms we are seeing residents getting out to walk or jog along the scenic roadways of our city. Officers are noticing people jogging all hours of the day, including the middle of the night. Some of the people we are seeing during the dark hours are dressed in all black. We would appreciate it if people would take some safety measures to make themselves more visible to motorists. Remember to have reflective clothing or lighting to both the front and back. Enjoy the warmer weather!

Utilities

Mapleton City Offers Autopay

The Autopay program makes paying your utility bill easy, convenient and saves you time and money by:

- Eliminating the need to write a check each month
- Saving postage costs
- Avoiding the need to make a special trip to the post office or the city office to pay your utility bill
- Ensuring your payments are made on time
- You can have your payment automatically withdrawn from your bank account each month

For questions regarding Autopay service, you may call 801-489-5655, or visit the Utility Billing Office. You may also set up Autopay yourself by visiting www.xpressbillpay.com. You will need your Mapleton City Utility account number.

Metered PI Base Rate

We continue to receive questions regarding Metered PI charges during the winter months when the Pressurized Irrigation system is not being used. The Metered PI base rate is \$180 per year, divided up into 12 equal payments of \$15 per month. This base rate is included in each Metered PI bill year around, although not as noticeable in the summer because customers are paying for usage as well. If you have questions regarding billing, please call the utility office at 801-489-5655 or visit www.mapleton.org and search on the Utility page for both culinary water and metered PI rates tables as well as other billing information.

Public Works

There are certain signs of spring we all welcome: tulips and daffodils, increased daylight, and birds returning from their winter vacation. Along with those happy signs, a less welcome sign may be flooding that can occur from winter snow melt and spring rains. Following are some tips to help minimize the potential flooding of homes and property.

1. Clear snow away from the perimeter of your home's foundation.
2. Clean out gutters and downspouts and ensure they are draining properly. Position or extend downspouts away from the foundation. The goal is to drain storm water at least three feet away from your homes foundation.
3. Inspect the exterior foundation and your basement walls and floors. Use epoxy to fill any foundation cracks. For more serious problems, call a professional.
4. If you haven't had your sewer inspected or your septic tank cleaned, spring is a good time to address these concerns. During periods of prolonged, heavy rainfall, clogged sewers and over-taxed septic tanks are disasters waiting to happen.
5. If you have below-grade basement windows, install window well covers that will fasten securely to your home's foundation.
6. Buy a battery-powered sump pump: Pumps are very effective at clearing water out of building basements before it reaches crisis levels. You can also rent a sump pump from a home improvement store.

Recreation

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

www.mapleton.org/parksandrecreation.html

Facebook - www.facebook.com/mapletoncityparksandrecreation

Instagram – mapletonparksandrecreation

Open Monday 9am-2pm & Tues-Thurs. 9am-5pm

125 West 400 North, Mapleton, UT 84664

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Current Registrations

- Women's Volleyball
- Baseball, Softball & T-ball
- VIP Special Needs Adaptive League Baseball
- Lacrosse (grades 3rd-9th) - Registration begins March 1st
- Gymnastics
- Sprout with Art

Ongoing Programs can be found online for YOGA, Jazzercise, Hot Hula classes and Raw Foods (2nd Sat. every month).

NEW Zumba Gold for Seniors (Beginning April 7th)

Vinyasa Flow Yoga- Mixed Levels / Harmony Restorative Yoga- All Levels / Senior Yoga- All Levels

Upcoming

Watch for upcoming Summer Programs - registration will begin soon!

Thank You

Thank you to all our Basketball coaches, commissioners, scorekeepers and referees!

Mapleton Track and Field Day

This is a **FREE** event for all 3rd-6th graders at Mapleton, Hobbie Creek, Maple Ridge and Sierra Bonita Elementary schools. Registration sheets will be coming home this month with your students. **CHECK THEIR BACKPACKS!** This registration sheet **MUST** be turned in to your child's teacher for them to participate.

Save the date Community Events

- July 24th Celebration. This event will be held on Saturday, July 22, 2017. Come help us celebrate with THE PARTY CRASHERS...yes, they are back!
- Runners – mark your calendars for the Mapleton Moonlight Half Event on September 8, 2017.
- Scarecrow Festival – October 14, 2017. Prepare your gardens now to grow your Giant Pumpkin for our new event...THE PUMPKIN GROWING CONTEST!

Used Basketball Jerseys

Donate your old jerseys to children in Samoa. We have a drop box located in the Parks and Recreation Department downstairs in the City Building.

Household Hazardous Waste

The Utah County Health Department will hold their annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 9am-3pm at the Provo Towne Centre Mall. For more information, call 801-851-7525 or www.utahcountyhealth.org/hhw.

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

Senior Citizens

Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar Clinic

Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 10:30am.

Senior Luncheon

Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 11:30am. The menu - Mexican Casserole w/chips, tomatoes, lettuce, salsa. Seniors who wish to help can bring a dessert to share. Variety adds to the enjoyment and fun. A \$3 donation is fine for those who can't bring an item. It's getting to be springtime, so a presentation will be given by Milo and Holly Barney on gardening, what to plant and when. Any suggestions for future programs are welcomed.

Mapleton Seniors Yard Sale

The Mapleton, Utah Seniors Committee is scheduling a yard sale to be held on Friday and Saturday, March 24th and 25th at the Mapleton City Office's multipurpose room at 125 West 400 North. Here's a chance to clean out your garage and basement of unwanted items that still have some utility value. Bring your donations on Friday the 24th from 9am to 6pm. The sale is on Saturday, the 25th from 8am to 2pm. Proceeds are used to fund Senior Humanitarian projects.

Senior Gym

Monday - Thursday 8am to 11am and 3pm to 5:30pm

Friday - 8:30am to 11am and 3pm to 5pm

All Mapleton city residents age 50 and over are welcome at the Gym. If you have questions, please, call Gym Manager, Peggy Burt 801-404-4687. In addition to a wonderful array of exercise equipment, our gym contains a ping pong table, 2 pool tables, and there is always a jigsaw puzzle going on to exercise your brain. Come and enjoy the fun and visit with your fellow seniors. Note: We are planning a pool tournament soon, so come in and sharpen your skills.

Senior Yoga

Yoga class Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10am.

Senior Art Painting Group

12:30pm-3:30pm on Mondays. Mapleton City provides the easels. Please bring your own supplies. Do your own thing, but help will be available if you need it. Bring a friend!

Chuck-a-Rama

Meal tickets are available at \$1.00 each. When you go to Chuck-a-Rama your ticket will be punched and when filled you get a free meal. In addition, Seniors get a 15% discount on each meal. Pick up your tickets either at the City front office or from Committee Finance Clerk, Bob Lape.

Library/Literacy Center

Come check out a new book. The Mapleton Library and Literacy Center are continuing to receive new items.

We have had several calls lately about donations. We are happy to take donated books. The books we cannot use at this time will be sold at our annual book sale in June.

Just FYI... Parents are always welcome to check out items from the literacy center. We have a K-2 leveled library, chapter and picture books, new releases, honor books and games. We are located in the basement of the city building. Storytime is every Tuesday at 10:30am.

March 2017 City Calendar

Mar 1	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Mar 9	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting
Mar 15	7:00pm	City Council Meeting
Mar 23	6:30pm	Planning Commission Meeting

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