

CITY'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

MAPLEWOOD LIVING

July 2021



City appoints new Public Safety Director Honors retired Director, a forerunner in police-community relations

Over a 33-year career, Chief Scott Nadeau, has built a legacy for strong police-community relations, problem-solving among officers, transparency and trust.

While serving only four years at the helm of Maplewood's Public Safety Department, he's left a legacy that includes increasing the number of non-traditional officers by 125%, implementing a multi-layered community engagement program, working to make rental housing safer and more livable, creating a Multicultural Advisory Committee (MAC) and helping establish a Mental Health Outreach Team with firefighter/paramedics and an embedded social worker.

"It has been an amazing career, and my Maplewood years have been some of the most productive," said retiring Public Safety Director Scott Nadeau. "Here, I've had the opportunity to work among a well-trained, highly professional group of police officers and firefighter/paramedics who have put building community relations first.

After a thorough interview process that included members of the Multicultural Advisory Committee (MAC), law enforcement leaders from neighboring communities, city council members, the business community, civilian staff and city administrators, Maplewood is proud to announce our next Public Safety Director will be Lt. Brian Bierdeman, as of July 1st.

Lt. Bierdeman has served the Maplewood Police Department nearly 20 years, leading such initiatives as mental health outreach, community engagement, officer recruitment, training and the Street Crimes Unit. He currently oversees the Patrol Division.

He was instrumental in developing and now leads the City's Multicultural Advisory Committee (MAC), which provides critical community voices to the department's strategic planning, use of force, training policy, and hiring.



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Major investments in new buildings and businesses fuel economic expansion

By Marylee Abrams, Mayor



Summer is here and you have probably noticed a lot of new building projects happening in Maplewood. It is encouraging to see all of the new developments. Here are a few you might notice:

St. John's hospital is adding 21,000 SF in a vertical expansion in order to provide cardio-cath capabilities.

Our new north fire station at 1530 County Rd. C will break ground this summer, replacing the old, outdated fire station at that site.



A new elementary school is being built at 2410 Holloway, replacing the existing Maplewood middle school. It will serve 800 K-5 school children.

John Glenn middle school is receiving a significant make-over including new classrooms, music rooms, a secure entry, new larger pool and locker rooms, and a renovated cafeteria.

Weaver elementary is updating classrooms and adding a new secure entry.

Raising Canes will be joining the other fast food options near the Maplewood Mall on the NW corner of White Bear Avenue and Woodlyn. The former jewelry store was torn down and the new chicken restaurant option will open in September, 2021.



White Bear Meadery, offering honey wine, will open at the former Hillcrest Animal Clinic site just off Highway 61 near County Rd. D.



Hy-Vee just opened June 8 at the old Rainbow site on White Bear Avenue. The more than 5 million dollar project is now completed bringing a new grocery store, liquor store, and gas station/ convenience store to Maplewood.

Elim Care has broken ground at 1534 County Rd. C, and will offer 141 units of independent, assisted, memory care, and skilled nursing senior housing options.

Additionally, there are 7 other housing developments in the pipeline that will bring an additional 800 units, providing a variety of new housing options over the next three years.

Stay tuned for other developments coming our way. If you want to learn more about building projects in Maplewood, please check our city website: maplewoodmn.gov/1417/Transforming-Maplewood



We want to hear from you....

Maplewood is in the process of reviewing its amendments about the Mississippi River Corridor Critical Area (MRCCA), a 72-mile span running from Ramsey to Hastings. It includes Maplewood's southwest corner and Fish Creek.

Since 1973 the state has had zoning rules in place to protect the natural resources in the corridor. The City is currently reviewing the state's latest rules and wants your input.

To learn more, visit maplewoodmn.gov/MRCCA or contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner, at (651) 249-2304 or shann.finwall@maplewoodmn.gov.

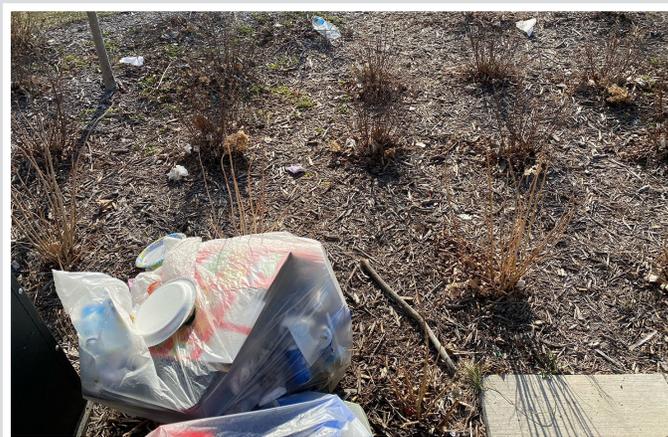


We can be better stewards when enjoying Maplewood's parks.

This is the sight our maintenance staff has been encountering at many Maplewood parks. It's not a one-time thing. Crews are dealing with this on a weekly basis.

The City invests to ensure trash and recycling receptacles are widely available in our recreation areas. We're asking everyone do their part to help keep our parks beautiful, useable and enjoyable for all.

Just as a reminder, when it comes to activities in the picnic and gazebo areas, please follow the guidelines to make sure the art and signage for your event leaves no permanent marks.



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**YMCA of the North
ymcanorth.org/getsummer**

“Get Summer” will provide a safe, fun environment for teens to obtain FREE memberships to their local YMCA facilities and have opportunities to participate in fun activities lead by team members.

Teens will have access to 21 YMCA of the North and Rochester locations to enjoy basketball, swimming pools, splash decks, fitness centers, group exercise classes, free Wi-Fi and more!

**Registration Begins June 21 .
To register, visit your Y location or join online at
ymcanorth.org/getsummer**

*Free membership is available from June 21 - September 30, 2021 for teens entering grades 9-12 who have not had a YMCA membership within the past 60 days. Limit 150-200 memberships available per Y location depending upon location capacity.

New bus service between St. Paul, Maplewood & Woodbury!

metrotransit.org/route-323

Coming Summer 2021

Expanded service to connect more of the east metro

Route 323 is an upcoming suburban local route providing service between Sun Ray Shopping Center in St. Paul and Woodbury Village Shopping Center in Woodbury with improved access to jobs, services, housing, and retail. This route will operate along McKnight Road, Londin Lane, and Valley Creek Road.

Route 323 will replace existing Route 63 service that operates every 20-30 minutes east of Sun Ray Transit Center along McKnight Road to Lower Afton Road/Londin Lane.

Route 323 will operate as a demonstration to evaluate the demand for all-day service to Woodbury.

Route 323 Service Highlights Include:

- Trips every 30-60 minutes between 6 a.m. and 11 p.m. daily
- 20-minute end-to-end travel time
- Timed connections with Route 63 at Sun Ray Transit Center
- Route 63 service is being upgraded to High Frequency Network standards. Learn more information about Route 63 at metrotransit.org/better-bus-routes.



Learn More

metrotransit.org/route-323



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5pm - 9pm



Register your party online by July 28th maplewoodmn.gov/NN0signup

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Johnny Appleseed Day



Hosted by the Maplewood Area Historical Society
At the Bruentrup Heritage Farm

Sunday, August 29, 2021
11:00am - 4:00pm

Experience an old-fashioned day of fun at the Farm!

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City Hall reopens July 6th

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We will continue following all CDC and MN Department of Health guidelines. If you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask into our buildings.

