

CITY'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

MAPLEWOOD LIVING

April 2025



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Progress on Emerald Ash Borer

As part of its EAB Management Plan, the city removed 513 ash trees from public land last year, reducing hazards from dying or infested trees. Emerald Ash Borer is a small beetle that eats the inner bark of an Ash tree cutting off its food and water supply.

Since identifying nearly 2,200 ash trees for removal upon discovering EAB, Maplewood has made significant progress and is now down to about 400 ash trees that need removal.

On private property, the city offered low-interest loans to about 50 property owners to remove ash trees.

To offset tree loss, Maplewood planted 738 diverse trees in 2024, enhancing biodiversity to guard against future pest diseases and environmental challenges.

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2200 Ash trees when City discovered EAB

419 Remaining Ash trees



Visit with the Mayor & Council

We've made it even easier to visit with Mayor Marylee Abrams or any of our City Council Members, to discuss concerns or to share ideas for Maplewood.

The Mayor and Council set their own meeting calendars. You're encouraged to reach them directly through the contacts below.

If you are unable to reach them, contact Lois Knutson at (651) 249-2051 or Lois.Knutson@maplewoodmn.gov

Elected Officials

Marylee Abrams: Mayor marylee.abrams@maplewoodmn.gov	(612) 322-1620
Rebecca Cave: Councilmember rebecca.cave@maplewoodmn.gov	(651) 399-1779
Kathleen Juenemann: Councilmember kathleen.juenemann@maplewoodmn.gov	(651) 771-3670
Chonburi Lee: Councilmember chonburi.lee@maplewoodmn.gov	(651) 321-2299
Nikki Villavicencio: Councilmember nikki.villavicencio@maplewoodmn.gov	(651) 558-7662

City Manager

Michael Sable, City Manager michael.sable@maplewoodmn.gov	(651) 249-2055
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To advertise in this newsletter please contact:

Joe Sheeran joe.sheeran@maplewoodmn.gov	(651) 249-2061
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Host your event or production at the Maplewood YMCA Community Center!

Event Space Includes:

- 5,000 Sq feet of space Ample parking
- Seating for 320 people 21-Foot bay window

Theater Space is capable of hosting a variety of productions.

Scan the QR code or call the Y for more (651) 747-0922.



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Community Partner Spotlight:

Rotary Club of North St. Paul, Maplewood, Oakdale



Q: What is the Rotary Club and what do you do?

A: Joe Sullivan, President-Elect: Rotary is a global organization dedicated to service, community connections, and making a positive impact.

Q: Why should one join Rotary?

A: Rotary members are people of action, working on the environment, literacy, clean water, eradicating polio, and much more. Rotary is a place to build friendships with a community of diverse backgrounds, bound by a shared commitment to service over self.

Q: How does your club fit into the wider Maplewood fabric?

A: We support Maplewood's first responders, educators, youth, food, shelter, health and recreation providers. Rotarians foster peace, understanding, and goodwill.

If you're interested in learning more, contact:



Joe Sullivan (651) 503-1552
info@nstpmorotary.org
nstpmorotary.org



This is the first of Maplewood Living's Community Partner Spotlight, where we highlight non-profits, small business, educators or other organizations contributing to the wellbeing of our community.

Nominate an entity you think we should spotlight by emailing Joe.Sheeran@maplewoodMN.gov



“ There is no easier way to save someone's life

“ We make donating a family affair



BATTLE OF THE BADGES Blood Drive

April 22, 2025

Noon - 6 PM

Maplewood North Fire Station | 1530 County Road C. East

Here's why we donate. Join us!

To ensure a spot, please pre-register at redcrossblood.org/give, used sponsor code: **Battle**



“ My blood type is rare and hard to come by



Back Yard Fire Safety

- Keep fire small
 - Use clean, dry wood
 - 25 feet from structures
 - Near a water source
 - Supervised at all times
- Burning between 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Burning trash or yard waste is prohibited



**Learn about our
LGBTQ+ Liaison
Officer Program**

April 23, 6-7:30 p.m.
Maplewood YMCA
Community Center

Visit our webpage
maplewoodmn.gov/LGBTQ

Point of contact for
the LGBTQ+ community
to report crime

Build a relationship between
Law Enforcement and
the LGBTQ+ community

All are welcome to attend!



**Join us for our
Open House
May 3, 1:00 - 4:00 pm**

**Summerhill
OF MAPLEWOOD**
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935 Ferndale Street North

Tours Available
651-735-4111

**Come and visit our one- and two-bedroom homes, meet our friendly residents.
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Unsheltered Outreach

With warmer temperatures coming, we wanted to provide an update on our unsheltered population outreach. Our efforts and coordination with services and assistance does not stop. Maplewood keeps a pro-active approach to provide assistance and services to those in need.

Successes over the winter:

- Better collaboration with Ramsey County Support Services
- Shuttle service to St. Paul, where more suitable warming and sleeping options exist
- Team approach involving:
 - public safety
 - public works
 - parks staff
 - embedded social worker

As we approach the spring and summer, our main priorities will continue to be:

- Supporting health, safety and housing needs while maintaining a high quality of life for all residents, businesses and visitors
- Proactively identifying and monitoring a variety of locations to prevent encampments
- Connect with unsheltered in 24 hours of being notified to offer assistance with the appropriate social supports

We're also aided this spring with the newly remodeled, Ramsey County service center located at the Maplewood Mall on the first floor.

Learn more about our outreach and resources at: maplewoodmn.gov/unsheltered.

Maplewood Resident

Spring Clean Up

Saturday, May 3

8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Aldrich Arena Parking Lot
1850 White Bear Avenue



Load it right - accepted items listed in order of drop off location at the Spring Clean Up.

1. Entry Gate

- Fee Collection
- Food Shelf Donations

2. Recycle Area

- Medicine
- Reusable clothing/shoes
- Bicycles (any condition)
- Small engines
- Mattresses and box springs
- Appliances/electronics (televisions, computers, etc.)

3. Disposal Area

- Carpet/pad
- Residential trash
- Residential demolition materials
- Furniture that can't be reused
- Bulky metals
- Tires/rims

Fees per vehicle load:

Vehicle Type	Cost ¹
Car	\$25.00
SUV	\$30.00
Pick Up Truck	\$35.00
Van	\$40.00
Cargo Van	\$45.00
Moving Van (up to 10')	\$80.00
Moving Van (10' to 16')	\$105.00
Moving Van (over 16')	Not Allowed
Trailer (up to 8') ²	\$55.00
Trailer (8' to 16') ²	\$105.00
Trailer (over 16')	Not Allowed
Shredding Only	Free

¹ Cash or check to "City of Maplewood"

² Trailer fee in addition to vehicle fee (if items are in vehicle)

Shredding Express Lane: Free shredding-only express lane. Safely dispose of your confidential paper documents in secure mobile paper shredding trucks. All shredded paper is recycled into paper products such as napkins, toilet paper, and blue shop towels.

No Household Hazardous Waste at the Spring Clean Up.

Visit Ramsey County's new Environmental Center on 1700 Kent Street, Roseville: RamseyCounty.us/HHW for more information.



Food/Cash Drive for Merrick Community Services and Local Food Shelves

Top items needed:

- Cash or check to "Merrick Community Services"
- Proteins (peanut butter, tuna, etc.)
- Cooking oils and vinegars, spices, cooking sauces
- Grains (rice, noodles, etc.)

Information: Shann Finwall, Sustainability Coordinator, (651) 249-2304
maplewoodmn.gov/cleanups, shann.finwall@maplewoodmn.gov



Notice: Event Change

Maplewood is transitioning its annual 4th of July event to a September Friday Fireworks event.

Because 4th of July was rained out last year, we re-scheduled it to September, and it was a major success. The advantage is the sun sets earlier, allowing people to get home at a decent time.

Mark your calendar for the Friday Fireworks

Friday, September 19
5 – 8p.m.

Touch-a-truck ★ Food Trucks
Other games and activities



Hiring Special Event Staff

Earn \$15/hr

Looking for energetic people to help staff the following summer events. If you're interested, please contact Parks and Natural Resources: (651) 249-2111 or recreationonline@maplewoodmn.gov

- ★ **July Celebrate Summer**
Wednesday, July 16 4 – 8:30 p.m.
- ★ **August Celebrate Summer**
Wednesday, August 13 4 – 8:30 p.m.
- ★ **Friday Fireworks**
Friday, September 19 2 or 4 – 10 p.m.



Senior Preparedness Seminar

May 21

9 a.m. – noon

- Optimize 911 calls
- Learn current scam trends
- Remove the stigma of hospice

Maplewood YMCA Community Center

Contact Barb Johnson,
barb.johnson@Maplewoodmn.gov.



RevSports class sessions!

LOCATION: Edgerton Gym or Edgerton Park

Cost: \$67/Session

VISIT: maplewoodmn.gov/2068/RevSports-Classes for details on classes, times and scholarships

TO REGISTER: Maplewood.Revsports.org

REVSPTS CONTACT: Info@RevSports.org or (612) 234-7782

THURSDAYS

Session 4: May 8, 15, 22, 29

Session 5: June 5, 12, 26, July 10
Skip Jun 19 & Jul 3

Session 6: July 17, 24, 31, August 6



Baseball: Session 4, 5, 6

TotStars (Ages 2-3)

PreStars (Ages 3-5)

KinderStars (Ages 4-6)

SATURDAYS

Session 4: May 10, 17, 31, Jun 7 (*Skip May 24*)

Session 5: Jun 14, 21, 28, Jul 12 (*Skip Jul 5*)

Session 6: Jul 26, Aug 2, 9, 16



Soccer: Session 4, 5, 6

TotStars (Ages 2-3)

KinderStars (Ages 4-6)

MightyStars (Ages 6-9)

SATURDAY, MAY 10 @ 10 AM - 4 PM BIG RED BARN FOLK ART & CRAFTERS FAIR

ART & CRAFT VENDORS • FOOD TRUCKS



Parking at Maplewood Mall, Door 4, with ADA accessible shuttle to MAHS.

Questions?

Email info@MaplewoodMuseum.org or call us at (651) 748-8645.



SPRING INTO WELLBEING AT THE YMCA!

Pay \$0 enrollment and save \$50 on one-to-one wellness experiences when you join by April 30, 2025.

MAPLEWOOD YMCA

2100 White Bear Avenue, Maplewood, MN 55109
(P) 651-747-0922 (w) ymcanorth.org/maplewood

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SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE COMMUNITY EVENTS!



Earth Week Cleanup Challenge April 20 – 26

Help keep our parks and open spaces clean by participating in the “Picking up litter while walking” challenge, known as Plalking.

Take a photo of yourself or group and send it to recreationonline@maplewoodmn.gov for a chance to win a prize.

- Wear gloves
- Fill a trash bag and leave it by a park trash can

APRIL	Battle of the Badges Blood Drive
22	Noon - 6p.m. Maplewood North Fire Station See page 4 for details

APRIL	LGBTQ+ Liaison Program
23	6 – 7:30 p.m. Maplewood YMCA Community Center See page 4 for details

MAY	Spring Clean Up Day
3	8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Aldrich Arena Lot See page 5 for details

MAY	Big Red Barn Folk Arts and Crafts Fair
10	10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Maplewood Area Historical Society See page 7 for details

MAY	Civil War Days at the Farm
17 & 18	May 17 10 a.m. – 5 a.m. May 18 10 a.m. – 4 a.m. MaplewoodMuseum.org

MAY	Senior Preparedness Seminar
21	9 a.m. – noon Maplewood YMCA Community Center See page 6 for details

JUNE	Bike Rodeo and Safety Fest
7	10 a.m. – noon North Fire Station 1530 County Road C East