



Maplewood Monthly

January 2010 City Newsletter

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• Martin Zellar

January 30, 7:30PM
at Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre

• Bridal Expo

February 6,
12:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center



• Camping & Outdoors Expo

February 27, 10:00AM - 4:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center
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2009 Highlights and What's To Come For 2010

By Jim Antonen, City Manager and Staff

HAPPY NEW YEAR! As we start the New Year, I wish to recap in brief some of the past year's activities by department and provide a glimpse of what's in store for 2010. But first, I wish to commend our Staff on providing excellent service to the citizens of Maplewood. All too often it is easier to criticize public servants for mistakes rather than praise them for doing their job 24/7.

Maplewood is blessed with a strong and competent work force doing their duty in providing services in a difficult and changing environment. Having been a City Manager for 30 plus years, I believe I have gained an insight into the proper administration of local government. Clearly, we have faced some tough times, for example, the unallotment of market value homestead credit and the deep economic recession. Through all of this and other factors, your city staff has endeavored to maintain the level of service the citizens of Maplewood have enjoyed over the years. Sure, mistakes have been made, for them I apologize. I pledge to you that we will try harder to be more responsive and proactive in 2010. The reports that follow have been edited to fit within the newsletter and by no means provide a complete report of the departments' activities.

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City of Maplewood Elected Officials

Will Rossbach: Mayor Elect 651.779.0220
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Frequently Called Numbers

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General Information 651.249.2000
 Deputy Registrar and Passport Hours:
 Monday - Friday: 8:00AM - 4:30PM
 Saturday: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Maplewood Community Center

Registration 651.249.2230
 Customer Service 651.249.2230
 Admissions 651.249.2210
 Theater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
 Group Information 651.249.2203
 Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
 Fitness 651.249.2207

Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2124

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

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Maplewood Meeting Schedule

City Council: Monday, January 11 & 25 at 7:00PM

City Council Workshop: Thursday, January 14 at 5:00PM

Citizen Forum: Saturday, January 2 at 10:00AM

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, January 12 & 26 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Tuesday, January 19 at 5:00PM

Historical Preservation Committee: Thursday, January 21 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, January 13 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, January 5 & 19 at 7:00PM

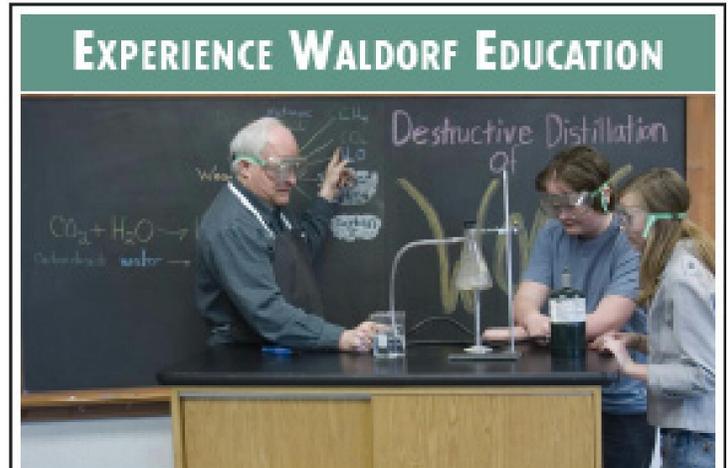
All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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There are 2 open positions on the Planning Commission, 1 open position on the Environmental & Natural Resources Commission and 1 open position on the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. Information on both of these commissions, as well as Maplewood's other commissions and boards, can be found on our city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. Please refer to this site for meeting times.

The City Council appoints residents who volunteer to serve on City commissions and boards. If you are interested in applying for the Planning Commission, the Housing & Redevelopment Authority or the Environmental & Natural Resources Commission, you can download the Boards and Commissions Application on the city website or pick up an application at the City Hall front desk. The deadline for applications is January 20, 2010. Completed applications can be mailed to: Maplewood City Hall, City Manager's Office, 1830 County Road B E., Maplewood, MN 55109 or they can be dropped off at the City Hall front desk. If you have questions, please call 651.249.2000.

Prepare...Because You Care RED CROSS BABYSITTING COURSE

What you need to know and what every parent wants in a safe and responsible babysitter. The Maplewood Community Center offers an important Red Cross Babysitting Training course designed for ages 11+. This ever-popular class teaches valuable concepts and problem solving skills. Complete the course in just one day and begin babysitting the next. Class will take place on Saturday, February 13 from 9:00AM - 3:30PM. Cost is \$60.00 and includes a Red Cross manual with CD.

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CITIZEN SERVICES

2009 has been a busy and rewarding year in all aspects throughout the numerous divisions within the department. With limited space to share, the overall theme that stands out is despite the downturn in the current economy the service driven divisions continue to thrive. The Department facilitates approximately 90,000 transactions between business licenses, motor vehicle, driver's licenses, DNR and passports. And, we had a record turnout for a local election when 27% of registered voters showed up at the polls in November.

In Recreation Programming our K-2 youth program continues to flourish with our partnership with Northeast Soccer Association and Floor Hockey numbers have doubled over the past year due to restructuring and having a quality lead instructor running the program.

The Community Center averages about 22,000+ customers per month where members enjoy the 75 group fitness classes per week and a wide variety of free open gym sports for members and visitors including table tennis, pickle ball, badminton, basketball, floor hockey and indoor horseshoes. In 2009 we have had over 830 banquet room bookings, including weddings, business conferences and numerous special events.

In our state of the art 276 seat theater we host Ashland Productions who had successful performances in their production of Annie and Seussical. In 2009, Ashland partnered with seven schools providing a theater program for elementary students and had over 500 children participate.

Finally our efforts in Marketing and Advertising are to be credited with keeping City events, process and procedures, and offerings readily available to citizens in Maplewood and our surrounding communities. In addition, we have partnered with many businesses offering them advertising opportunities in city publications and partnering with us as hosts for numerous special events.

Our largest outreach to the community at large is our annual Taste of Maplewood & Friends event which approximately 4,000 people attended. Please join us for the 2010 Taste of Maplewood & Friends event which will be held on August 6 & 7, 2010!

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND PARKS 2030 Comprehensive Plan

In December, the Metropolitan Council completed its review of the Maplewood's draft 2030 Comprehensive Plan and found it to be in compliance with Metropolitan Council's regional system plans. Once adopted, the city will undergo necessary amendments to code to ensure consistency between the comprehensive plan and zoning code.

Economic Development

A 2010 goal is to continue the establishment of the city's new economic development initiatives. In addition to the EDA, a Business and Economic Development Commission (BEDC) has also been formed. It is expected that the EDA and BEDC will consider issues such as revolving loan funds, business expansion and retention, attracting new businesses and purchasing or selling land to stimulate development.

Parks and Recreation Goals

The 2010 department goals include: establish a City Parks Foundation; work with neighboring municipalities; create sustainable park funding opportunities; highlight parks as an essential city service; implement the 2030 Comprehensive Plan; increase diversity in recreational programming; increase participation in recreational programming; seek out funding and sponsors for park improvements and scholarships; develop master plans for two neighborhood preserves; implement recommendations for the Fish Creek Natural Area Greenway; as well as begin work on establishing a ten-year vision for park re-development.

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department has enjoyed 2009 as the first year with significant improvement in its operation since 2006.

During 2009, we got to the bottom of a previously un-reconciled bank account and identified an embarrassing apparent shortage of cash as incorrect journal entries and not a disappearance of actual cash. The 2007 and 2008 audits were characterized by large numbers of audit correcting entries. Proper bank reconciliations in 2009 will mitigate the need for audit corrections.

Finance staff has already started working with our auditors to develop a work plan that will a) complete the audit for City Council acceptance on May 10, 2010, and b) enable completion of the Capital Improvement Plan and subsequently, the 2011 Budget on a more customary schedule. 2009 has been a challenging year as we work to finish getting caught up.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2009, the Maplewood Fire Department hired seven new paid-per-call firefighters giving us a total of 68 paid-per-call firefighters and 13 full-time firefighters. We visited schools and educated over 600 students on fire prevention and met with many civic groups. To date, we also have completed 500 life-safety and construction inspections, refurbished one ambulance and served over 1200 hotdogs from the fire stations on Halloween night. Each station held their open house where over 400 people attended. We submitted a bonding request to the state of Minnesota in the amount of three million dollars to build an East Metro Regional Fire Training Facility in Maplewood that would be utilized by all Ramsey and Washington County Fire Departments and would operate under a joint powers agreement. We have six firefighters who participate in advanced technical rescue training with our neighboring departments. Also, a plan was developed by our emergency management team to prepare for a major flu outbreak. We delivered 10 patients in the last year that were taken directly to the cardiovascular lab which sped up definitive treatment to patients having acute heart attacks which in turn reduced the amount of damage done to the heart.

In 2010, we will continue to hire paid-per-call firefighters and have budgeted for two more full-time firefighter/paramedics. We will step up our efforts during the 2010 legislative session to obtain our bonding money to build the East Metro Regional Fire Training Facility. We will continue to offer public education in schools, as well as other civic organizations and also continue to train at the highest level possible in both fire and EMS to continue to provide outstanding service to our customers.

HR/LABOR RELATIONS

2009 started with the conclusion of final negotiations for the collective bargaining agreements for the City and ratification and execution of those agreements. At the same time, the Department worked with the City Council to negotiate, draft and implement the contract for the new city manager. The Department also drafted a new form for the Council's use to evaluate the City Manager's performance. In 2009, the Department also provided training to all police and fire personnel on prevention of sexual harassment in the workplace. The City was also required to seek and receive new approval of its Affirmative Action Program in 2009. The Department drafted and revised a Mandatory Leave Program pursuant to suggestions from the Labor Management Committee, and that program is currently in place and successfully operating for 2009.

For 2010, a similar Mandatory Leave Program plan has been negotiated and accepted by all but one of the City's collective bargaining groups. The Department will also facilitate the negotiation of all new labor contracts for all City collective bargaining groups in 2010 for 2011.

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IT DEPARTMENT

2009 was an exciting year for the IT Department. On the application side of things we implemented the Police in-car video system and replaced the software that manages our video surveillance system. We worked to connect to neighboring cities in order to share costs now and in the future saving the City money. We also worked hard to "green up" the City by only purchasing energy star computers and by virtualizing many of our servers.

We have many exciting projects coming up in 2010. We will offer web streaming of all of our meetings. This will allow anyone with an Internet connection to watch live or archived meetings. We'll also look to add and enhance what is available to visitors of our website. Partnering with neighboring cities to share costs and services will continue to be a high priority.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

In 2009, the Police Department lost a wealth of experience. The retirements of Lieutenant Kevin Rabbett, Sergeant Scott Steffen, Officer Steve Heinz and Officer Steve Palma collectively represent the loss of nearly 100 years of experience. We thank them for their service and look forward to the excitement new officers bring. In 2009 the Department added Officers Brian Tauszell, Officer Dan

Martin and Officer Brad Rezny. These retirements also set in motion a series of promotions within the Department. We congratulate Deputy Chief Dave Kvam, Lieutenant Dick Doblak, Lieutenant Kerry Crotty, Sergeant Mike Dugas and Sergeant Paul Thienes on their promotion to leadership roles this past year.

The Department added the technology of in-car digital video cameras to assist officers with documentation for court purposes. This technology is not new, but the purchase of this system had been delayed several years. Grant money made it possible for the Department to purchase new sidearms for each officer replacing the ten-year old weapons which would have required a significant amount of money to update. The Department also replaced the shotguns carried in each patrol car.

In 2010 we look forward to the addition of at least two new officers to fill vacancies created by retirements. The Department is moving forward with a project to expand the property and evidence room. Through Federal stimulus grants, a movable shelving system was purchased to expand our storage capacity. Although this project was started in 2009, the lengthy and tedious process of logging and moving thousands of pieces of property and evidence out and then back into the room once the project is completed, will extend into 2010. Stimulus grants also made it possible to expand the recording capabilities in the Department's interview rooms and update them to utilize digital technology. We are also exploring utilizing grant money to purchase an automated license plate reader system to help reduce the number of stolen vehicles in Maplewood and increase the number of recovered stolen vehicles.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

2009 has been a busy year for the Public Works Department and we anticipate that 2010 will continue with demands for services. In addition to normal daily operations such as snow plowing and patching the roadways, the Public Works Department has been able to deliver adequate services to satisfy the requests of

PRESS RELEASE

The Women's Expo

1/15/2010 - 1/17/2010

Maplewood Mall is excited to announce that they are the host for the **2010 Women's Expo!!!!**

This exciting event will be open to the public

1/15/2010 - 1/17/2010,

during regular mall hours.

Century Expo, Ltd., and the **Maplewood Mall** have tailored an event to meet the needs of women from all walks of life. Whether a student, bride to be, expectant mother, homemaker, career woman, or grandmother, the

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citizens. A few recent examples are: the construction of a tot lot including the installation of playground equipment, installing drainage pipe to alleviate backyard flooding for two residents, and constructing a sidewalk along a collector street. However, the department was hit hard by the early retirement program which was implemented as a cost saving measure. At the beginning of 2010 the department will be short three full-time staff which will require cross-training and sharing of employees within the department to accomplish daily operational duties. At this time, it does not appear the budget will allow for the replacement of these staff members. The department will continue its efforts at cross-training and sharing of individuals and resources to improve efficiencies along with addressing infrastructure maintenance and operational needs.

The City of Maplewood has infrastructure [roads and pipes] that are valued at over \$160 million. The Public Works staff is charged with operating and maintaining this system. The Public Works engineering staff continues to address older deteriorated streets and aging utilities within Maplewood. Each year, one neighborhood is selected to be reconstructed based on the City's pavement management program which identifies the worst streets in the City. Streets get a score from 0 to 100, with 100 being a new street with no deficiencies. However, a lower street rating indicates a bumpy street with numerous cracks, patches, and potholes. Drainage and flooding problems usually exist on these older streets also. If this sounds like your street it is likely that it will be fixed within the next 5 years. For the 135 miles of local streets in Maplewood, the City Council goal is to ensure 75% have a pavement condition rating of 70 or above. Currently the City is at 60%. The City must continue to invest in its infrastructure to meet citizens' needs and avoid increased future costs. The Public Works staff also must implement numerous improvements that reduce the impact of rain water and snow melt on our lakes, wetlands and streams to meet continually expanding environmental regulations. If you have questions about your street or utilities please contact Public Works at 651.249.2400.

SUMMARY

The City of Maplewood has overcome a lot of challenges over the past year. We faced these challenges head on with the cooperative work of our involved citizens and dedicated staff. When I started in March of 2009 I had only two goals. The first was to provide stability to the city staff. The second was to provide creditability to the citizens of Maplewood. I hope in the past nine months I have achieved those goals. Now, I wish to work with the City Council and Staff in expanding those goals and objectives for 2010 and beyond. I have an open door policy here at city hall and I invite you to visit me either by phone 651.249.2050 or in person to help me do a better job as your city manager.

Pride Of Maplewood Award

Congratulations to Lt. Mike Shortreed for being nominated for the December Pride of Maplewood Award.

Lt. Shortreed joined the Maplewood Police Department in 1996 as a Police Officer.



David Thomalla, Police Chief (right) presents award to Mike Shortreed, Police Lieutenant South District (left)

“Over the past several years, Lt. Shortreed has spent untold hours in service to the Department and the community. He has spearheaded numerous community activities, including the Special Olympics and all related events.”
 “He has directed city enforcement activity, particularly DWI enforcement through Safe & Sober, many times without compensation.”
 “His devotion to his duty can be seen by the hidden hours that he puts in to make investigations run well.”
 “Lt. Shortreed is truly an asset, and his devotion speaks volumes for his character and integrity.”

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Investing In Maplewood

By Chuck Ahl, Asst. City Manager/Public Works Director

The City of Maplewood carries a debt of just over \$75 million. That debt amount is projected to remain stable at that level through the next five years. A number of residents have asked about the debt level. Is it too high? Why do we need debt? Is the City overspending funds that it does not have? These are all reasonable questions that we will attempt to address in this brief summary.

First, let's look at what the debt covers. Unlike other government agencies on a national level, the City of Maplewood does not borrow money for operating expenses. The City keeps a cash balance available for these daily expenses and if revenues are short, like occurred in 2009, the departments are required to reduce expenditures. Debt, on the other hand, mainly covers the cost of capital improvements. In Maplewood, a very high percentage of the debt is related to local street and utility improvement projects. The City is responsible for a majority of the streets, sidewalks, trails, park equipment and sewer/drainage pipes [called infrastructure] within our City. It is the role of government to manage and care for these items. While some of the infrastructure is relatively new, others have been in place since the early 1960's. The current estimated value of this infrastructure is in excess of \$160 million. Our engineers estimate that replacing all of this infrastructure at the end of its useful life will approach \$400 million. Obviously, the Citizens of Maplewood do not want to pay all of that expense at once, which is where debt and debt management enters into the city financial plan.

Our infrastructure varies in useful life, some lasting 75-100 years, while other segments can last only 25 years. On average, for simplicity, assume that our \$400 million cost for replacement of the infrastructure has a useful life of 40 years. That translates into an annual expense for infrastructure replacement of \$400 million divided by 40 years or \$10 million per year. How do we pay for this \$10 million in annual project costs? Through a combination of assessments, city tax levy, state aid, and utility fees. The City generally charges our residents [many have been through a street reconstruction project during the past 10 years] for the street improvement and pay assessments for street and storm sewer. This usually covers about 30%, or \$3 million of the total cost. The City receives in excess of \$1 million in state aid annually through gas tax fees that must be used for infrastructure. We also have utility charges for our sanitary sewer, environmental utility and a surcharge on your water bills that provide up to \$2 million annually for this cost. With the \$3 million from assessments, plus the \$1 million in state gas tax aid, plus the \$2 million in utility fees, the City covers 60% of the \$10 million cost. The remainder is paid from the tax levy and is approximately \$4 million per year.

The City uses debt to manage this \$10 million in annual expense. First, the assessment to residents is about 30% of our debt. Instead of asking our property owners to pay the entire cost of their assessments, which typically are \$6,000 - \$9,000, the city allows property owners up to 15

years to pay that amount on their property taxes. The City uses borrows money for this benefit to our residents. It would generally not be fair to start asking residents/property owners to start paying for this infrastructure cost / assessment in advance because some residents sell their home. In a sale transaction, pending and current assessments are usually paid by the property sellers. Previous levy payments are not. This allows the seller to pass on the cost of the street improvement in the price of the home sale to the new buyer. Thus, those who then benefit from the improvement are paying their fair share through the assessment cost and the use of debt facilitates that process.

The City tries to limit the amount of debt from the utility funds, although due to our expanded streets program in the past 4 years, there has been some minimal borrowing for this amount, along with some of our state aid payments. This was determined to be effective because due to the economic conditions, the prices for construction are at 10-year low, as are the rates for borrowing. The City Council determined that an advanced program would be the most economical, but in the long term, the state aid and utility costs are not part of bonding and are a pay as you go approach.

Finally, the City's contribution of \$4 million per year from the levy of taxes is part of the debt considerations. Again, similar to a home sale, the use of debt provides for the tax payers who most benefit from the improvement are paying the cost. Most of the City's borrowing is limited to a 15-year period, which is the highest benefit time of the improvement project. The taxpayers are paying for that through their debt levy of approximately \$4 million per year. It certainly would be possible to not pay interest costs on this amount by applying the cost on a pay-as you go approach, but again, that would mean taxing someone for an improvement project that the City is planning for in the future. Once the funds are available, then the project is constructed; however, if the property owner has sold their home, they have paid, through their levy, for a project that they would never benefit from. The amount of total City debt is also tied to the \$10 million in annual costs. As noted previously, we borrow mostly on a 15-year basis. That means 15 times \$10 million or \$150 million. However, we assume that in any given year, about half of those paying assessments and half of the debt payments have been paid and thus we have 50% of \$150 million or the current \$75 million level of debt.

This is a simplified explanation of the decisions that the City Council uses in determining the debt, but provides an idea of why debt is important for our Community. This has been affirmed by our recent analysis by Moody's bond rating agencies who assigned Maplewood a bond rating that is only higher in 13% of government agencies throughout Minnesota. In addition, Moody's noted that 80% of Maplewood's debt will be paid within the next 10 years.

For more information, contact Chuck Ahl at 651.249.2050 or chuck.ahl@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Youth Programs

SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION GOING ON NOW!
www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com

See PG. 2 for the Red Cross Babysitting class!

Step It Up With MCC Youth Dance

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 26 - APRIL 27 (ADVANCED)

THURSDAYS, JANUARY 28 - APRIL 29 (BEGINNING)

Help your children find their rhythm with Maplewood Community Center's Youth Dance Program. All classes meet once a week and are designed to promote teamwork and self-esteem. The performance will be held on May 1. All classes and the final performance will take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost for all youth group dance classes is \$150.00 (\$140.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Beginning Ballet & Jazz (Ages 3-4)	5:30 - 6:15PM
Beginning Tap & Jazz (Ages 3-4)	6:15 - 7:00PM
Beginning Ballet & Jazz (Ages 5-6)	7:00 - 7:45PM
Beginning Tap & Jazz (Ages 5-6)	7:45 - 8:30PM
Advanced Tap & Jazz (Ages 3-5)	5:30 - 6:15PM
Advanced Tap & Jazz (Ages 6-8)	6:15 - 7:00PM

Production Class: The Lion King

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 26 - APRIL 27, 7:00 - 8:00PM

This exciting class is perfect for those with previous dance experience who want to expand their horizons and be part of a full-fledged dance production. Students will be given individual parts and the entire story will be told through dance. The focus will be on interactive teamwork and fun. Costumes are included.

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To register: Call 651.748.7280 (ECFE Office) or go to the district website at www.isd622.org (click on Early Childhood & Family Education Program) for the registration flyer. Cost is \$4.00/child.

Drop-In and Experience Nature

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 6:00 - 8:00PM

Join us for our "5" Drop-In and Experience Nature Classes that are offered at the Maplewood Nature Center in collaboration with (ECFE). This unique class is designed for parents and children birth to 5 years old (before kindergarten enrollment) to just "drop-in" and enjoy the indoor exhibits, sort and match with nature activities, create with nature and other materials, and explore the nature trails. Wear comfortable clothing for indoor and outdoor activities. Cost is \$3.00/child. NO registration necessary.

LET'S GET READY TO TUMBLE

Tumbling provides endless fun and many fitness benefits while enhancing coordination. Children will learn to take turns, follow directions, interact with each other and be introduced to floor mats, wedges, and low and high balance beams. Classes will take place on Friday and Saturday mornings for ages 2-6 starting on February 12 at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$36.00 or (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register today!



TOTS IN MOTION

Children walking age to 3 years of age are invited to enjoy playtime in the gym learn simple dance moves, activities and sing-a-long songs. This is a great opportunity for parents and or grandparents to spend quality time with your youngster. Classes will take place on Tuesdays at 5:15PM starting on February 16 at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$36.00 or (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register today!

Adult & 55+ Programs

Guitar Lessons (AGES 10+)

TUESDAYS, JANUARY 26 - MARCH 2

FREE DEMO TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 6:00 - 7:00PM

Dave Roby, a local musician and experienced guitar teacher offers lessons for beginners and advanced. Learn the easy way at the Maplewood Community Center! Participants are required to bring their own guitar. Cost is \$70.00 and (\$60.00 for MCC members).

Beginning: 6:00 - 6:55PM

Level 2: 7:00 - 7:55PM

Continuing (completed Level 2): 8:00 - 8:55PM

Beginning Bird Identification

TUESDAYS, 6:30 - 8:30PM (CLASSES)

SATURDAYS, 8:00 - 10:00AM (FIELD TRIPS)

AT THE MAPLEWOOD NATURE CENTER

Birding experts Bonnie Sample and Chase Davies will teach us how to observe and identify these feather-covered creatures. Study common feeder birds to learn identification techniques, then practice on other winter birds. Subsequent sessions will focus on other groups of species as birds move into our area. *Field trip locations will be determined by bird activity and weather. There will be no field trip with the last class. Students may receive a New Member membership in either the Friends of Maplewood Nature or the National Audubon Society. Cost is \$10.00 per session. Register for individual classes; or for all 6 for \$50.00. Prepay by February 12. Visit the www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc or www.saintpaulaudubon.org for more information.

*The last four classes build on the information presented in the first two.

Topic	Date	Field Trips
Feeder birds	February 16	February 20
More winter birds	March 2	March 6
Water birds	March 16	March 20
Early migrants	March 30	April 3
Early warblers	April 13	April 17
More warblers	April 27	none

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center
2100 White Bear Avenue



February 1: Blood Pressure Checks

Have your blood pressure checked courtesy of the Maplewood Fire Department.

February 8: Breakthrough Nutrition Workshop

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February 15: Benefits of Strength Training

Strength training is not just for athletes or young people. Find out what it can do for you. Included is a free orientation on the fitness equipment at the MCC.

February 22: Life Write w/ Laura Rose Paradis

This presentation encourages you to remember stories, record them, write them, or just tell them.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

CPR/AED and First Aid Classes

CPR classes are designed to inform people how to respond in emergency situations. Participants may receive Red Cross Certifications. All classes are held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$80.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members). Classes fill quickly, call 651.249.2230 to register.

Child CPR/AED with Infant CPR and First Aid

This class is designed to meet state requirements for childcare providers. Saturday, January 16, 10:00 AM - 5:00PM

Community CPR (Adult and Child CPR/AED with Infant CPR)

Saturday, February 13, 10:00 AM - 5:00PM




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MONDAYS, JANUARY 25 - MARCH 1, 11:30 - 12:30PM

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18+ Open Dodgeball League

SUNDAYS, FEBRUARY 21 - APRIL 25

GAME TIMES BETWEEN 3:00 - 8:00PM

Join other people interested in experiencing the fun of a recreational dodgeball league in a structured and exciting environment! Each team must consist of 6-10 participants containing any combination of males or females. The league will be 8 weeks long with a 4 team playoff the 9th week. League champions will receive FREE entry to the next league! Cost is \$300.00 per team. Call 651.249.2230 to register by February 11.

Table Tennis League

FEBRUARY 6 - APRIL 17

Join a Table Tennis league at the Maplewood Community Center! The MCC is offering an adult co-ed community league. A schedule of weekly pairings will be generated for the league participants. League members call and arrange a time to play each other for the week they are paired. Fee includes table usage and a package of 3-star balls. Schedules will be available for pick up with the balls beginning Monday, February 1. Registration deadline is January 29. Cost is \$45.00 and (\$30.00 for MCC members).

Join us for a Table Tennis Tourney on Sat., Feb. 6 at 11:30AM. Call 651.249.2204 for more details.



Ditch the Workout & Join the Party New monthly sessions!

TUESDAYS, JAN 5 - 26, FEB 2 - 23, *MAR 2 - 30, 5:30 - 6:30PM

THURSDAYS, JAN 7 - 28, FEB 5 - 26, MAR 4 - 25, 5:30 - 6:30PM

SATURDAYS, JAN 9 - 30, FEB 5 - 26, MAR 6 - 27, 9:30 - 10:30AM

Zumba ("Zoom-Ba") is a dance fitness sensation that incorporates music from around the world into an hour-long group class. *Cost for a 5-week session is \$40.00 (\$30.00 for MCC members). Cost for a 4-week session is \$32.00 (\$24.00 for MCC members). Cost for drop in is \$10.00 (\$8.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

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21 Auto Theft Cases	52 Theft from Vehicle Cases
50 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 64 arrests for shoplifting and 20 arrests for DWI.

Aquatic Special Events FLOTATION DAYS



JANUARY 29 & FEBRUARY 26, 5:00 - 8:00PM

Come jump, splash, float, and slide. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family!

SWIM-IN MOVIE NIGHT

SAT, JANUARY 23: "HORTON HEARS A WHO"

SAT, FEBRUARY 20: "UP!"

(Flotation fun at 5:00PM and Movie at 6:00PM)

Take the family to the Maplewood Community Center aquatic center and have a splashing good time floating on a tube and watching a great movie.

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Save The Date

- **Heart Hoppers V-Day Party**
February 14, 4:30 - 6:30PM
at the Maplewood Community Center
- **Camping & Outdoors Expo**
February 27, 10:00AM - 4:00PM
at the Maplewood Community Center
- **Extreme Green Makeover Launch Party**
March 18, 6:30 - 8:30PM
at the Maplewood Ramsey County Library
see pg. 5
- **Chulrua Concert**
March 19, 7:30PM
at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
see pg. 4
- **Step Up To The Mic "Final 15"**
March 26 & 27, 7:30PM
at Maplewood Community Center

Cure Cabin Fever At The Camping & Outdoors Expo

Saturday, February 27, 10:00AM - 4:00PM **FREE Admission!**

Cure cabin fever and get geared up for all your favorite outdoor activities with Maplewood Community Center's Camping and Outdoors Expo on Saturday, February 27, from 10:00AM to 4:00PM. This fun for all ages event will be held at the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Avenue, and will offer something for everyone! Visit with vendors and industry experts about biking, hunting, fishing, water sports, and travel. Or take in one of the demonstrations that will be happening throughout the day. Star Prairie Trout Farm will be on-hand offering tips and tricks for perfecting your trout recipe. Don't miss out on the chef's delicious samples of recipes prepared on-site as well as tastings of Star Prairie's famous trout dip mix. The Midwest Skijorer's Club will also be available to offer an introduction to this increasingly popular sport which combines cross country skiing and dog power. -Continued on page 5



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City of Maplewood Elected Officials

Will Rossbach: Mayor 651.484.5427
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Maplewood City Hall

General Information 651.249.2000
 Deputy Registrar and Passport Hours:
 Monday - Friday: 8:00AM - 4:30PM
 Saturday: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Maplewood Community Center

Registration 651.249.2230
 Customer Service 651.249.2230
 Admissions 651.249.2210
 Theater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
 Group Information 651.249.2203
 Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
 Fitness 651.249.2207

Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2124

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

Code Enforcement

Hotline 651.249.CODE (2633)
 Online: Go to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us and click on
 "Report A Violation" on the right-hand side of the home page.

Maplewood Meeting Schedule

City Council: Monday, February 8 & 22 at 7:00PM

Citizen Forum: Saturday, February 6 at 10:00AM at City Hall
 Saturday, March 6 at 10:00AM at Fire Station #4

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, February 9 & 23 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Wednesday, February 4 at 7:00PM

Historical Preservation Committee: Thursday, February 18 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, February 10 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, February 17 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, February 2 & 16, March 2 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

City Hall will be closed February 15 in observance of President's Day



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Time: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Registration: \$25 StopTheClot.org/mn or call 651-324-3169

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Congratulations to our new City Council!



Councilmembers Nephew and Llanas, Mayor Rossbach,
Councilmembers Wasiluk and Junemann

Council News

At the November 3, 2009 Municipal Election, Councilmember Will Rossbach received the highest number of votes cast for the office of Mayor and was sworn in as Mayor on January 4, 2010. Before being sworn in as Mayor, Councilmember Rossbach submitted a letter of resignation from his unexpired council seat term which would have run through December 31, 2011.

In October of 2005 the city council enacted Ordinance 866 that pertains to filling a council vacancy. The Ordinance directs that In the event there is a vacancy of a council seat, and if the unexpired term is for a period of six months or more, the council shall appoint an eligible person to serve until a special election is held to fill the unexpired term. The council passed a resolution to hold a Special Election in conjunction with the 2010 State Primary Election to fill the vacated seat.

The council has the authority to determine in what manner the temporary appointment process shall be conducted and interviewed individuals whose names were submitted for consideration by current councilmembers. The criteria set by the council was that the individuals that be considered would have to have had prior experience as councilmembers in Maplewood or in another city or as commissioners in the City of Maplewood. A second criteria was that the individual would not be interested in running in the 2010 Special Election.

Julie Wasiluk who served as a councilmember from 2000-2003 was chosen by the city council and sworn in at the January 25, 2010 council meeting.

Minnesota State Statute Chapter 471.701

Minnesota State Statute Chapter 471.701 requires that "a city or county with a population of more than 15,000 must annually notify its residents of the positions and base salaries of its three highest paid employees." For the City of Maplewood, titles and salaries are:
City Manager - \$130,000
Police Chief - \$123,406
Assistant City Manager/PW Director - \$122,941

Rent A Garden Plot

This spring Maplewood is tilling soil for a community garden at Edgerton Park (2005 Edgerton Street). If you enjoy gardening and would like to rent a garden plot (12' x 15'), don't miss this opportunity. We have 40 garden plots available this season. The city will till the garden, stake the plots, and provide a water tank. Renters agree to plant, maintain, and harvest their plots. There is a limit of one plot per household. Rental fees are \$25 for Maplewood residents and \$30 for non-residents.

To rent a garden plot, you will need to register in person at Maplewood City Hall, 1830 East County Road B. Maplewood residents can register on March 10th, 11th, or 12th from 1:00 to 4:30PM and Saturday, March 13th from 8:00AM to noon. Non-residents can register on March 18th or 19th from 1:00 to 4:30PM and Saturday, March 20th from 8:00AM to noon. You will need to pay for your garden plot by cash or check at the time of registration. A photo ID is required at time of application and the address must match the address of the applicant. For more information, see www.ci.maplewood.mn.us and click on Recreation Programs and then Community Gardens, or call 651.249.2330.

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The police department also has volunteers to assist our officers. The Maplewood Police Reserve Unit are volunteers who make themselves available 24 hours a day year round to assist our police officers. Over the last four years they have donated over 23,000 hours to the city. The police department also has Volunteers in Police Services or VIPs. Between the two groups our officers get help with such activities as traffic control, patrolling parks and residential neighborhoods, event security and in general providing additional eyes and ears in the city. The Police Department also has an Explorers Program where students 14-21 receive

training and assist at some events such as National Night out and the Ramsey County Fair.

Maplewood also has a large number of citizens who volunteer their time to assist the city council and staff in the decision processes that we use in Maplewood. The main groups are our commissions and boards. They are the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Design Review Board, Environmental and Natural Resources Commission, Historical Preservation Commission, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Police Civil Service Commission, and our new Business Economic Development Commission. The groups consist of 5-9 members and work to review issues and applications which are brought before the city. The City Council relies heavily on these groups to use their knowledge and insight to explore issues and provide recommendations to the City Council.

The Maplewood Nature Center also has many people who volunteer to help run programs and care for the Nature Center and Maplewood's open spaces. These people help to teach students the importance of conservation, and preservation along with wildlife and nature studies. They also work to control buckthorn and restore natural plant communities.

Finally there are the people who volunteer their time to assist in Maplewood's park and recreational programs. There are several organizations that partner with the city to provide sporting opportunities to both youth and adults. Without their valuable contributions Maplewood would not be able to offer these programs to nearly as many people.

Maplewood is a better place due to the help we receive from all of the volunteers that give freely of themselves simply because they want to help. We all owe them our gratitude and respect.

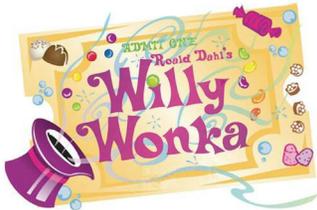
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As unique as the origin of their name are the backgrounds of the musicians themselves. The group is led by Paddy O'Brien on the button accordion. Born in the midlands of Ireland, Paddy spent his youth traveling the countryside to play with older musicians and to spend time absorbing not only their music but also the stories and legends that came with them. Today, with a musical career now spanning over forty years, Paddy has a repertoire of over 4,000 tunes and is regarded as one of the tradition's most important repositories.

He is joined on stage by fiddler Patrick Ourceau and singer and guitarist Pat Egan. Together Chulrua has over seventy years of experience performing, educating, and sharing the tradition of Irish music. The group has special plans for their intimate March performance in Maplewood. In addition to providing a healthy dose of Irish music, the artists will also talk about their instruments, share stories about the different tunes played, and tell the legends of the composers and musicians who have handed them down. Don't miss this wonderful combination of music and storytelling from one of the best presenters of traditional Irish music around.

Tickets: \$20.00/Advance \$22.00/Day Of Show

Tickets are available online at www.maplewoodarts.com.

Watch For Meetings Online



The City of Maplewood is giving you another great way to stay in touch with what's happening in your community. All City meetings that are currently broadcast on Channel 16 will now be available for you to watch via our website. Simply visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us go to "Government" and click "Watch Meetings Online". This will take you to a page where you'll be able to watch live meetings. From that same page you'll also be able to click on one

of the other meeting bodies to view video of their past meetings. Once you're watching the video be sure to take advantage of the "Agenda Items" tab on the left side of your screen. Click on any of the links and it will take you directly to that portion of the meeting. We're very excited to offer this service and encourage you to take advantage of it.

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The Extreme Green Makeover Kick-off is at the Maplewood Library on Thursday, March 18, 2010 from 6:30 - 8:30PM. This gala affair will feature speakers, hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and door prizes. Campaign rules will be announced.

Extreme GREEN educational events are open to everyone! Maplewood residents and non-residents alike who attend GREEN events are eligible for the following prizes:

- Door prizes (compost bins, rain barrels, garden tools, and gift certificates)
- \$500 gift certificate from a local nursery
- Educational topics include rain gardens, low input lawn care, design, native plantings, rain barrels, & composting.

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(Camping & Outdoors Expo Continued from cover)



Skijoring combines the fun of cross country skiing and the enjoyment of spending time with your pet. Join the Midwest Skijorers Club at the Maplewood Camping and Outdoors Expo

to learn all about this cutting edge sport. The Midwest Skijorers Club is the Premier skijor training club of the world. Their training presentations are used in all countries. Club members will be present to answer all your skijoring questions and there will be skijoring demos at 12:00PM and 3:00PM.

Before you leave don't forget to stop by the WCCO booth and meet meteorologist and outdoor enthusiast Mike Lynch. Activities will also be available for the youngest members of your camping crew. Youth will have the opportunity to make bird feeders, learn about animal track printing, participate in snowshoe races or take part in a tub cast, sponsored by Cabela's. Be sure to save time for a visit to the The Habitat. This Wolves-Woods and Wildlife Outdoor Education Center will be bringing some of their favorite animals for a visit to the Expo, including a bobcat, cougar cub and more (see photos above). Experience an up-close encounter with the animals we share the outdoors with.



Visit Fingers the Blonde Haired Raccoon



And Don't Miss Nala the Cougar Cub

To catch all this and more gather your friends and family and head down to the Maplewood Community Center for this FREE and FUN outdoor-centered event! Call 651.249.2103 for more information.

Thank you sponsors and partners





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Contestants will be competing for a grand prize package in each category (see cover page). Winners will be chosen based on a combined score from a panel of music industry professionals and audience vote. Final show judges include Grammy winning writer/producer Kevin Bowe, Fuzzy Slippers Productions Studio Rich Leone, City Pages Culture Writer Ward Rubrecht, and Radio Disney's Next Big Thing Artist Danielle Thrush.

Don't miss special guest performances each night, including Radio Disney's Next Big Thing Artist Danielle Thrush performing Friday, March 26 and Alison Scott performing live on Saturday, March 27! For just a \$20.00 application fee, take advantage of this unique opportunity to take the stage, gain audience exposure and get valuable feedback from industry experts.

Applications are due Friday, February 26, 2010. Register today by visiting www.maplewoodarts.com and step up to the mic!

Thank you Sponsors



On The Police Scanner

In December, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 2,062 calls for service. Included in this number were the following incidents:

- 8 Assault Cases
- 2 Robbery Case
- 29 Burglary Cases
- 139 Theft Cases
- 23 Auto Theft Cases
- 74 Theft from Vehicle Cases
- 37 Criminal Damage to Property Cases



In addition, Officers made 67 arrests for shoplifting, 22 arrests for DWI.

Pride Of Maplewood Award

Congratulations to Edna Spangler for being nominated for the January Pride of Maplewood Award.

Edna joined the Citizen Services Department in 1996 as an Office Specialist. She works as the receptionist at the front desk of City Hall.



Karen Guilfoile, Citizen Services Director (left) presents award to Edna Spangler, Office Specialist (right)

"Edna greets every person who walks through the City Hall

entrance with a beautiful smile and a warm greeting. She makes a wonderful first impression for Maplewood citizens and all that come through the door."

"Edna is the epitome of eagerness and graciousness."

"Her warm greeting every morning makes my day start out much better."

"Edna is always willing to help with the most tedious of projects in her down time. Nothing is too small or too big for Edna and there isn't any task that she feels is beneath her."

"Edna's support for her co-workers throughout the city is invaluable. From what I have witnessed, Edna can relate well to every employee in the city."

Congratulations to Edna Spangler for being selected as this month's Pride of Maplewood award recipient.

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Day Camp

Summer Day Camp Ages 6 - 12

MONDAY – FRIDAY, JUNE 14 – SEPTEMBER 3, 9:00AM - 4:00PM

REGISTRATION BEGINS: MONDAY, MARCH 1 FOR RETURNING CAMPERS
(WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10 FOR NEW CAMPERS)

We are proud to welcome you to our Summer Day Camps. We combine **educational activities, arts & crafts, fitness and special events** to create an exciting, quality camp experience for our participants. Our camps are held at the fun and energizing Maplewood Community Center, giving us the access to 'State of the Art' facilities including the aquatics center, theater and gymnasium. Weekly field trips, swimming, drama, Nature Center activities and sports are just a few of the things we have to offer. We pride ourselves with staff who are responsible, high-energy individuals trained to provide a fun and rewarding experience to our participants. The ratio of counselors to children is 1:10 daily and 1:8 on field trips.

Field Trips: Each week we will focus our activities around the following themes:

- Week 1 Pump It Up! Party Zone
- Week 2 Cosmic Bowling – Starz & Strikes
- Week 3 MN Twins vs Detroit Tigers (*new stadium!*)
- Week 4 Wild Mountain
- Week 5 Nickelodeon Universe®
- Week 6 Wild Woods Water Park
- Week 7 Grand Slam
- Week 8 Science Museum
- Week 9 Cascade Bay Water Park
- Week 10 ValleyFair
- Week 11 MN Zoo/Imax
- Week 12 Marcus Theater/Pizza Party

Cost: Full Time (M-F) \$150.00 per week per child
Sibling Discount: After one member of family is signed up each additional sibling fee will be \$130.00 per week, per child. Discount is available for full time campers only. A non-refundable \$30 deposit holds your spot each week (see registration packet for details).
Part Time: (3-day Minimum) \$42.00 per day, per child.

Extended hours: Available from 7:00-9:00AM and 4:00-6:00PM. AM or PM \$14.00 per week per child, both AM & PM are \$20.00 per week per child. Drop in Before & After Care for campers, is available for \$3.00/hour.

Call 651.249.2230 for more information or to register.



Special Programs Offered for Daycampers

SWIM INSTRUCTION

Day Campers can learn to swim with lower rates and classes that fit the Day Camp schedule. These convenient classes are shorter in length (six classes verses eight) and still qualify the swimmer to move to the next level. Cost is \$35.00.

Levels 1-4 (American Red Cross Courses) will be offered Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday afternoons for 2 weeks from 12:30 - 1:15PM.

KARATE

MONDAYS: 4:00-4:30PM

SESSION ONE: JUNE 21 - JULY 12

SESSION TWO: AUGUST 2 - AUGUST 23

Mr. Welsh from "The Edge Martial Arts" will teach this great karate program specifically for day campers. Cost is \$35.00 (no uniform required)

More information will be included in your registration packets.

SWIM REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW! March Mini and Spring Full Session

Maplewood Community Center offers over 500 swim lesson options. The zero-depth entry leisure pool is kept at a comfortable 87 degrees! Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. Please refer to the schedule on the following pages to find the class that is right for you. All March mini-session classes include six lessons and cost \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members). All spring full session classes include eight lessons and cost \$68.00 (\$53.00 for MCC members). Semi-private lessons are available on Saturdays at a rate of \$115.00 (\$90.00 for MCC members) per eight lessons.

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on I Want To or E-Services).
Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Pool Hours

Monthly pool and lap swim calendars are available on our website at: www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. Printed copies may also be picked up at the admissions and customer service desks. Please note that pool hours vary during sessions of swim lessons; those changes are listed in the pool and lap swim calendars.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement at a rate of \$40.00 (\$30.00 for MCC members) for one lesson, \$152.00 (\$112.00 for MCC members) for four lessons, or \$288.00 (\$208.00 for MCC members) for eight lessons. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Aquatic Special Events

FREE for members or daily admission for non-members

Flotation Days

FRIDAYS, FEBRUARY 26, MARCH 26 5:00 - 8:00PM & WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31 1:00 - 4:00PM

Come jump, splash, float, slide. We bring out the best inflatable fun the MCC has to offer. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes and everything else the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family!

Swim-In Movie Featuring: **UP!** SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 5:00PM (6:00PM MOVIE)

Enjoy a splashing good time floating on a tube and watching a masterful work of art from Pixar. Up is an exciting, hilarious, and heartfelt adventure impeccably crafted and told with wit and depth.

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March 2010 Mini Session			
Monday and Wednesday Evenings		Tuesday and Thursday Evenings	
March 8-24		March 9-25	
None		None	
Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)			
Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
6:00 PM	1512.101	6:00 PM	1512.102
6:00 PM	1513.101	6:00 PM	1513.102
Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)			
Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
5:00 PM	1501.101		
5:00 PM	1502.101	5:00 PM	1502.102
6:45 PM	1503.101	6:45 PM	1503.102
6:45 PM	1504.101	5:00 PM	1504.102
		6:45 PM	1505.102

Spring 2010 Evenings									
Mondays		Tuesdays		Wednesdays		Thursdays		Fridays	
April 5 - May 24		April 6 - May 25		April 7 - May 26		April 8 - May 27		April 9 - May 28	
None		None		None		None		None	
Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)									
Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
5:30 PM	1516.131	6:00 PM	1516.141	5:00 PM	1516.151	5:00 PM	1516.161		
5:00 PM	1518.131	5:30 PM	1518.141	5:00 PM	1518.151	7:00 PM	1518.161	4:00 PM	1518.171
7:00 PM	1518.132								
7:00 PM	1511.131	6:30 PM	1511.141	4:30 PM	1511.151	5:30 PM	1511.161	4:00 PM	1511.171
6:00 PM	1512.131	5:00 PM	1512.141	4:30 PM	1512.151	5:30 PM	1512.161	4:30 PM	1512.171
6:30 PM	1512.132	7:00 PM	1512.142	5:30 PM	1512.152	6:30 PM	1512.162		
5:30 PM	1513.131	5:00 PM	1513.141	4:30 PM	1513.151	6:00 PM	1513.161	4:30 PM	1513.171
		7:00 PM	1513.142	5:30 PM	1513.152	7:00 PM	1513.162		
5:00 PM	1514.131	5:30 PM	1514.141	4:30 PM	1514.151	5:00 PM	1514.161		
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6:00 PM	1501.131	5:00 PM	1501.141	5:00 PM	1501.151	5:00 PM	1501.161	5:00 PM	1501.171
6:00 PM	1502.131	6:00 PM	1502.141	5:00 PM	1502.151	6:00 PM	1502.161	5:00 PM	1502.171
7:00 PM	1503.131	7:00 PM	1503.141	6:00 PM	1503.151	7:00 PM	1503.161		
5:00 PM	1504.131	7:30 PM	1504.141	6:00 PM	1504.151	6:00 PM	1504.161		
7:30 PM	1505.131	6:00 PM	1505.141	6:00 PM	1505.151	7:30 PM	1505.161		
				6:00 PM	1506.151				
Personal Water Safety									

Spring 2010 Mornings/Afternoons

Saturdays		Sundays		Tuesday and Thursday Mornings Session 1		Tuesday and Thursday Mornings Session 2	
Beginning and Ending Date	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
March 27-May 22 April 3	1516.111	10:30 AM	1516.111	9:00 AM	1516.181	9:00 AM	1516.181
March 28-May 23 April 4	1518.111	9:00 AM	1518.111			10:30 AM	1518.181
Parent/Child Tot Swim	1511.111	10:00 AM	1511.121	12:00 PM	1511.181	9:30 AM	1511.182
	1511.112	11:30 AM	1512.121		1512.181	10:00 AM	1511.182
Preschool 1	1512.111	8:30 AM	1512.121	1:30 PM	1512.181	10:00 AM	1512.182
	1512.112	9:00 AM				9:30 AM	
	1512.113	9:30 AM					
	1512.114	10:30 AM					
	1512.115	11:00 AM					
	1512.116	11:30 AM					
Preschool 2	1513.111	8:30 AM		10:30 AM	1513.181	9:00 AM	1513.182
	1513.112	10:30 AM					
	1513.113	11:00 AM					
	1513.114	11:30 AM					
Preschool 3	1514.111	11:00 AM					
Preschool 4							
Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)							
Level 1	1501.111	9:30 AM	1502.121	12:30 PM	1503.121		
Level 2	1502.111	8:30 AM	1502.112				
	1502.112	9:30 AM	1502.113				
	1502.113	11:30 AM					
Level 3	1503.111	8:30 AM	1503.111	2:00 PM	1504.121		
	1503.112	9:30 AM					
	1503.113	10:30 AM					
	1503.114	11:30 AM					
Level 4	1504.111	8:30 AM	1504.111	11:00 AM			
	1504.112	9:30 AM	1504.112				
	1504.113	10:30 AM	1504.113				
	1504.114	11:30 AM	1504.114				
Level 5	1505.111	9:30 AM					
Level 6 Fitness	1506.111	10:30 AM					
Adult	1523.111	8:30 AM					
Semi-Private Lessons - Maximum of 3 students (All Lessons are 30 Minutes Long)							
Preschool 2 & 3	1552.111	12:00 PM					
Level 1 & 2	1541.111	12:00 PM					
Level 3 & 4	1543.111	12:00 PM					

Youth Programs

Watch For Summer Sports

Visit the website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us in late February to see the exciting list of upcoming summer programs for grades K-12

Learn To Ski/Snowboard At Afton Alps

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 9:00AM - 2:30PM

(District 622 K-12 has no school)

Enjoy a day of fun and fresh air away from the classrooms at Afton Alps Ski Area. Our professional instructors will introduce 5th through 8th graders to the basic techniques of skiing and snowboarding. Our goal is to provide them with the confidence and control to safely ride and glide their way down the slopes. If a participant has already been through this program we will take them to the next level or they may "test out" of the lesson and head straight for the ski lift! Registration deadline is Monday, February 23. Cost is \$35.00 which includes supervision, transportation, ski lesson, and lift ticket! The van will leave from the MCC at 8:30AM and return at 3:00PM. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Floor Hockey

SATURDAYS, MARCH 27 - APRIL 24, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Grades K - 5 will learn the basic skills of floor hockey. This fun exciting league promotes cooperation and the value of sportsmanship. Participants will play every position during the season. For more information, call 651.249.2121. This clinic will be held at Edgerton Community Gym. The registration deadline is March 12 and the cost is \$35.00.

Build A Bat House

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 2:00 - 4:00PM

Maplewood Nature Center

A single little brown bat can eat up to 5,000 insects in one night. No wonder people want to put up bat houses in their yards! Join us to build a Bat house at the Nature Center. Bat house kits are made from recycled wood products. *Program given by Elipis Enterprises; an organization focusing on youth employment training and small business education.* Best for grades 3 and up. Cost is \$15.00/bat house. Call 651.249.2170 to pre-register by March 10.

Preschool Gymboree

THURSDAYS, NOW - MARCH, 10:00 - 11:30AM

Experiencing cabin fever? Children ages 1-5 are invited to the Maplewood Community Center gymnasium to play! We will provide the balls, mats, music, toys and games - you bring the fun. Preschool Gymboree is *not* a structured program and children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Cost is \$4.00 per child, per day (\$3.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 4:30 - 6:30PM

at the Maplewood Community Center

Kid's Meal Included! \$9 (\$7 for MCC members)

Kids love parties and Valentine's Day is another great reason to celebrate. Reserve your child's spot at Maplewood's Little Heart Hoppers Valentine's Day Party where they will take part in arts & crafts, play games and make their own special Valentine's meal complete with treats! Parents... This is your opportunity to enjoy quality time together without having to search for a babysitter. Space is Limited! Call 651.249.2230 to make your reservations. Parents do not need to stay for the party but children must be at least 3 years of age and out of diapers.

New! After School Excitement At Edgerton

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 3:20 - 5:30PM

This program is an alternative drop-in after school program for youth grades 3 to 6. Participants can play basketball, floor hockey, and volleyball in the gym or test each other's skill at cards and board games. Cost is \$3.00 per person per day. Snacks are available for purchase. Participants must sign in and out each day and provide us with a completed emergency card. Call 651.249.2125 for additional information.

Young Rembrandts (Ages 6-12 years)

THURSDAYS, FEBRUARY 11 - MARCH 18, 6:30-7:30PM

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 13 - MARCH 20, 10:00-11:00AM

At Young Rembrandts, we teach drawing, the fundamental skill of all visual arts. We believe that drawing is a skill that can – and should – be learned by all children. While Young Rembrandts' classes are structured and educational, children learn best when they are entertained and engaged. Young Rembrandts combines the best of both worlds – foundational art skills in a fun, nurturing environment – that gives your child the academic advantage. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$60.00 per session. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Adult Programs

CPR/AED and First Aid Classes

These classes are designed to inform people how to respond in emergency and life-threatening situations. After successful completion of the course participants will receive Red Cross Certifications. All classes are held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$80.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

COMMUNITY CPR

(Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

10:00AM - 5:00PM

CHILD CPR/AED & INFANT CPR WITH FIRST AID

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

10:00AM - 5:00PM

ATTENTION CHILDCARE PROVIDERS!

Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR with First Aid is designed to meet state CPR and First Aid requirements.

Adult Softball

Maplewood Recreation offers both summer and fall softball leagues. Leagues are available for men's, women's, and co-rec teams. Summer league information is available now and registration will begin in mid February. Visit our website or call 651.249.2121 for more information.

Adult Dance 16+

SUNDAYS, NOW - MARCH 28

SOCIAL BALLROOM & LATIN SAMPLER 7:00 - 8:00PM

LINE DANCE 8:00 - 9:00PM

Ballroom and Latin Sampler Class: Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, Salsa, Swing, Rumba
This Sampler Class will cover many styles and tempos of music, for many dancing occasions. Find out how beneficial dancing can be for your social, mental, and physical health and how much fun it can be!

Line Dance: Learn the line dances you can use at weddings, on your next Florida vacation, and at country dances in this fun, aerobic dance class! No partner required. Line dances taught include the ever-popular Electric Slide, Tush Push, Cowboy Cha-Cha, The Samba Line Dance, and more!

Cost for couples is \$110.00 (\$85.00 for MCC Members) and for individuals is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC Members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

18+ Open Dodgeball League

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 21 - APRIL 25

Each team will consist of 6-10 participants containing any combination of males or females. The leagues are 8 weeks long with a 4 team playoff the 9th week. League champions will receive FREE entry to the Spring league. Rate is \$300 per team. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Nature Center Programs

Nature Photo Tips (Session 1)

Co-sponsored by Friends of Maplewood Nature

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 8:30 - 11:00AM

Join photographer Ellen Wold for tips and tricks for taking better nature photos. Bring your own camera and tripod for a photography session along nature center trails. Learn about local photography clubs, discover Maplewood's other 13 natural areas! Class will take place at the Nature Center, 2659 East 7th Street. Call 651.249.2170 to pre-register by March 18. Cost is \$10.00/person. Free to current Friend's members. Make checks out to 'Friends of Maplewood Nature'.

Coming in May...Nature Photography Class Session 2

Family Programs

Maplewood Nature Center Family Events!

Preschool/Family Live Animal Show

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 10:00 – 11:00AM (FREE!)

Meet the nature center's resident hognose snake, toad and salamander. Watch the salamander slurp up an earthworm treat. Call 651.249.2170 to pre-register by February 18.

Family Snowshoe Hike (Adults & children 6+)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2:00 – 3:30PM

Learn about snowshoes, lace on a pair, and walk through our Winter Wonderland. Instruction provided. Hot drinks follow, bring your own mug. *Note: if snow is scarce, we will go on a winter hike instead to look for animal tracks and signs. Wear sturdy winter boots. Cost is \$5.00 per person and pre-payment is required by February 25.

Preschool Maple Sap Into Syrup

(Children 3-8 with an adult)

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1:00 – 2:30PM

Carry the sap from roots to buds on our "maple tree". Tap a real tree, taste the sap and sweet syrup. Learn to identify maples, and have an opportunity to purchase taps and bags for tapping your own tree! Cost is \$4.00 per child and pre-payment is required by March 9.

Volunteer Citizen Monitoring Programs

Learn about natural science on your own schedule! Your observations and records helps us know where nature needs a helping hand. Maplewood Nature Center offers several ways adults, families, and youth groups (best for children 10+) can participate. From frogs to bluebirds, choose the program that suits your interest. Call the nature center for information on these opportunities, to reserve your spot or to apply.

All events listed here take place at the Maplewood Nature Center and Neighborhood Preserves (2659 East 7th Street).

Call 651.249.2170 to register!

Maple Sugar Bush Family Trip

Sponsored by Friends of Maplewood Nature center

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1:00 – 4:00PM

Tour the facilities of S&S sugar bush to see how maple syrup is made. See the sugar maples, the buckets and tubing. Taste the sap and syrup, and watch the sap boiling in the evaporator. Learn about the history of the woods and purchase your own syrup! All ages are welcome. Meet at S & S Sugar Bush, Ellsworth, WI. Maps will be e-mailed to you upon registration. Cost is \$15.00 per adult or \$25.00 per family (includes a bottle of syrup). Send check by March 23, to the Friends of Maplewood Nature Center.

Preschool/Family Spring To Your Senses Puppet Show (All Ages)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 10:00 – 11:00AM

Laugh along with our wild animal puppets as they act out their Spring Happenings. Hike with a naturalist to look for the real wild animals. Cost is \$2.00 per child and pre-payment is required by March 30.

Woodduck Inventory (FREE!)

SATURDAY MARCH 6, 10:00 – NOON

Start the monitoring season with a simple wood duck nest inventory, by helping the naturalist check the nest boxes at the nature center. Learn how to properly place boxes in your neighborhood. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Storytimes at your Library!
Maplewood, 3025 Southlawn Drive

Mondays
10:30am
ages 2-5

Wednesdays
9:45am
ages 6-23 months

Fridays
10:30am
ages 2-5

Start your child's day with stories, songs and fingerplays.
Visit www.rclreads.org for details.

Welcome New Corporate Member **HealthEast!**

All HealthEast employees who purchase an annual membership by June 30 will receive **25% off with \$0 initial fee. Save up to \$243!**
*based on a family non-resident rate

Not a HealthEast employee? Call (651) 249-2230 to find out how your company can qualify.

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Get Movin!



Zumba & Zumba Toning Now Offered Monthly

Visit www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com for dates and times. Drop in rates available. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

New! Mat Pilates

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 8:00 - 8:45PM

Now offered FREE for Maplewood Community Center members and pass card members!

What is Pilates?

Pilates dramatically transforms the way your body looks, feels and performs. It builds strength without excess bulk, creating a sleek, toned body with slender thighs and a flat abdomen. It teaches body awareness, good posture and easy, graceful movement. Pilates improves flexibility, agility and economy of motion. It can even help alleviate back pain. Professional dancers have known the benefits of Pilates for decades. Top athletes use it for strength, flexibility, and injury prevention. Hollywood celebrities and supermodels use it to maintain beautiful physiques.



About The Instructor

Todd Trepanier is a certified Group Fitness instructor and has worked in the fitness industry for 25 years. His Group Fitness formats include Aqua Fitness, Step Aerobics, Strength, Spinning, Yoga, and Peak Pilates. He is also holds a Personal Training certification from AFAA and has been training clients for the past six years. His

energetic style motivates clients of all ages to work hard and have fun!

His Motto

"Fitness is a lifelong staple that we need to practice and embrace every single day."



Fitness Specialist Hours & Orientations

A certified Personal Trainer is available to assist you in the use of the Strength & Cardio equipment at the Maplewood Community Center. Take advantage of this great service- FREE for Maplewood Community Center members! Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Mondays	10:00 - 11:00AM	Orientations 11:00AM & 12:00PM
Wednesdays	5:00 - 6:00PM	Orientations 6:00PM & 7:00PM
Saturdays	10:00 - 11:00AM	Orientations 11:00AM & 12:00PM

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New! Indoor Family Walk Time

It's that time of year when Minnesotans start longing for spring. We miss being able to enjoy a warm walk outdoors with the family. Although some Minnesotans like to wear their winter parkas and brave the ice and bone-chilling temperatures some of us would prefer to get our exercise indoors.

The Maplewood Community Center is here to help! Starting February 6th you can now enjoy a walk with your family indoors in the comfortable climate of the gymnasium every Saturday from 4:00 - 5:00PM. Even better- this is FREE for members and a small daily admission fee for non-members.

So pack up your wagons, strollers, baby carriers or walking sticks and enjoy getting out of the house each Saturday as you walk the gym together. Invite your neighbors who you haven't seen all winter and catch up!

The walking track on level three is also available for anyone 12 years of age and older. For more information, call 651.249.2230. See you there!

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Save The Date

- **Extreme Green Makeover Launch Party**
March 18, 6:30 - 8:30PM
at the Maplewood Ramsey County Library
see inside insert!
- **Chulrua Concert**
March 19, 7:30PM
at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
see ad pg. 7
- **Step Up To The Mic "Final 15"**
March 26 & 27, 7:00PM
at Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
- **Windy Daughter Dance**
April 23, 6:30 - 8:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center
see pg. 7
- **Spring Clean Up**
April 24, 8:00AM - 1:00PM
at Aldrich Arena



Easter Eggstravaganza

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 10:00AM (Egg hunt 11:00AM)

at Edgerton Community Gym, 1929 Edgerton Street

Experience the best egg hunt around! The City of Maplewood is teaming up with IHOP Restaurant to offer a pancake bar that comes complete with chocolate chips, cherries, whip cream, syrup, sprinkles and of course pancakes. After you enjoy a delicious breakfast, visit the famous Easter Bunny and hunt for colorful eggs on the grounds outside at Edgerton Gym. Children will be divided into two age groups and will be hunting for wrapped candy and plastic eggs, some which may be redeemed for great prizes (including IHOP gift certificates!) Bags of goodies will be available for children under 2 years of age. Don't forget your camera! Register today by calling 651.249.2230 and join the fun. Cost is \$5.00 per child.



Will You Be The Lucky Winner Of A \$15,000 Extreme Green Yard Makeover?

The City of Maplewood is launching "Extreme Green Makeover: Transforming Yards for a Sustainable Maplewood". The goal of this campaign is to raise awareness and increase the use of sustainable landscaping practices in our community. A series of workshops, demonstrations, wildflower walks, and family events will teach residents how to create landscapes that benefit both people and the environment. One lucky Maplewood resident will win a \$15,000 "green" yard makeover!

The Extreme Green Makeover brings "green" solutions to common yard problems. The kick-off event will showcase beautiful home landscapes that demonstrate our five goals for "green" landscaping. The first goal is to create aesthetically pleasing landscapes that meet the needs of residents and the environment. You are sure to see something that inspires and excites you!

Don't miss the fun! Join us for the Kick-Off Event, **Thursday, March 18, 6:30PM, at the Maplewood Library.**

This FREE affair will feature speakers, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes, and the Extreme GREEN Makeover rules will be announced. Residents interested in applying for the \$15,000 green yard makeover can pick up an application at any of the Extreme Green Makeover events.

See the complete Extreme Green Makeover details inside and register today. For more information:
www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen
 651.249.2170 – information on registration, classes, and events
 651.249.2181 – information on applying for the green makeover



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Registration 651.249.2230
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Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

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Hotline 651.249.CODE (2633)
 Online: Go to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us and click on "Report A Violation" on the right-hand side of the home page.

Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Monday, March 1 & April 5 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, March 8 & 22 at 7:00PM

Citizen Forum: Saturday, March 6 at 10:00AM at Fire Station 4

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, March 9 & 23 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Wednesday, March 15 at 7:00PM

Historical Preservation Committee: Thursday, March 18 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, March 10 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, March 17 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, March 2 & 16, April 6 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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It's A Sign Of The Times: Maplewood Adopts New Sign Ordinance

By Shann Finwall, AICP, Environmental Planner



Signs are an integral component of a city's complex built environment and are needed to communicate information to both the public and private sectors. Sign ordinances are written to protect the public health, safety, and welfare and to give guidelines to businesses for visibility and promotion.

Maplewood's sign regulations were drafted in 1972 with only minor revisions made since that time. Based on the need for a comprehensive update to this ordinance, the Community Design Review Board spent years reviewing, researching, and updating the city's sign regulations. The end result was a recommendation to the City Council to adopt a new sign ordinance that established a comprehensive and impartial system of sign regulations and addressed the needs for effective visual communication with the needs for a safe, well-maintained, and attractive community. The City Council adopted the new sign ordinance on January 25, 2010.

A summary of changes found in the sign ordinance include new regulations for some forms of temporary signs including on-site portable signs, opinion signs, political signs, and off-site real estate directional and open house signs. The sign ordinance DOES NOT change regulations pertaining to temporary window and banner signs, which will continue to be regulated based on the previous sign ordinance until the city's new Business and Economic Development Commission reviews those regulations further.

For permanent signs, one of the largest changes found in the sign ordinance is the way sign size allowance is calculated. Wall signs in most zoning districts will be calculated based on the gross square footage of the principal structure on the property, as opposed to the gross square footage of the wall on which the sign is attached. Freestanding signs in most zoning districts will be calculated on the type of street frontage on which the sign is located, rather than the size of the lot on which it is installed.

For more information, visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/signs or contact Shann Finwall, AICP, Environmental Planner, at 249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Wondering What To Do With Your Old Cell Phone? PDA? ipod? Ink Jet Cartridges?

The Recycling Association of Minnesota has supplied collection boxes to the City of Maplewood for the collection of empty Inkjet cartridges, cell phones, PDA's, iPods and MP3 players.



Collection boxes are located at City Hall at 1830 County Road B East and at the Public Works building at 1902 County Road B East. Regular weekday hours are 8:00AM to 4:30PM at both locations. City Hall is also open on Saturday from 8:00AM to noon.

Laptop computers are not accepted at these locations. But, you can call 1.888.656.4104 to get a free postage paid recycling kit. For more information, visit www.recycleminnesota.org.

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Rethink Your Yard Bags

Spring is right around the corner. If your spring routine includes using plastic bags for collecting your yard waste, be advised that as of January 1, 2010, state law requires residents in the Twin Cities area who bag their yard waste for curbside pick-up to use compostable bags.

Using compostable plastic bags or brown paper bags rather than traditional plastic bags will greatly reduce the amount of plastic being sent to local composting facilities. The new law will reduce compost processing costs and increase the quality of the finished material because the compost producers won't have to screen plastic out of the final product.

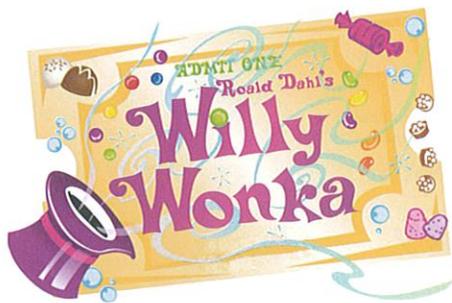
When purchasing compostable plastic bags, make sure they are marked "compostable." Bags marked "biodegradable" or "degradable" do not meet the state law. Most home improvement, grocery, and hardware stores carry compostable plastic bags. If you don't see them at your local store, ask an employee; many store owners are just learning of this requirement.

For information, contact your waste hauler or visit RethinkRecycling.com.



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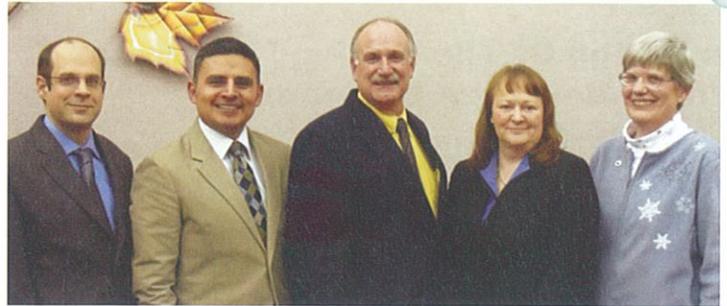
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By Councilmember James Llanas

The first few weeks in my role as a member of the Maplewood City Council have been both rewarding and humbling. If I was fortunate enough to receive your vote in the last election, I am grateful and sincerely thankful. If I was not your first choice, I hope over time to earn your respect. I am appreciative for the opportunity to help our staff continue to build Maplewood into a community we can all be proud of.

In our first few meetings, we made budgetary and capital improvement decisions that will impact many families. When we vote on agenda items, my primary concern is and always will be, how my vote impacts individual citizens and the community as a whole. The decision making ability you have entrusted in me is not taken lightly. Making the right decisions versus making the politically popular ones is something you can always count on in me.

The city council held a goal setting retreat with city staff to set a course for our city's immediate and long term priorities. We closely examined the budget, business development and the quality of life in Maplewood. I am proud of the work from our highly qualified city staff that is the heart of our high functioning city. I will work with the city manager to ensure the needs of citizens are being heard and that we remain focused on our agreed upon priorities.

In the weeks to come we will continue to focus on the city budget, restructuring the Parks and Recreation Department, Business and Economic Development and discussion will be held regarding re-instating the Human Relations Commission (HRC). The HRC would provide a process for our city's diverse needs to be highlighted and addressed. Overall the commission would focus on equitable relations to empower citizens and institutions encouraging cooperation and promoting an informed and inclusive diverse community. Stay tuned to future council meetings for news regarding the HRC commission and how you can get involved.

I have learned a great deal in my short time on the council and expect my education to continue at a fast rate. I welcome your input and questions and encourage you to contact me with concerns and thoughts.

Outstanding Maplewood Police Officers Going Above And Beyond

On January 16, 2010, Lt. Mike Shortreed and retired Officer Steve Heinz of the Maplewood Police Department were honored at the Special Olympics of Minnesota 24th Annual Distinguished Service Awards. Mike and Steve were presented awards recognizing them as Outstanding Law Enforcement Torch Run Volunteers. The awards banquet was held at the Hilton Hotel in Bloomington. FOX9 meteorologist Ian Leonard was the Master of Ceremonies for the event. 13 Different awards were presented that evening including those presented for outstanding athletes, coaches and volunteers.



Retired Officer Steve Heinz, Police Chief David Thomalla and Lt. Mike Shortreed

Shortreed and Retired Officer Heinz have been active in fundraising for Special Olympics Minnesota for many years. In addition to their participation in the Law Enforcement Torch Run, they have coordinated the Department's annual golf tournament which raises over \$17,000 each year. They both have participated in the Cop-on-Top program, spending as much as 60 hours camped on the roof of Rainbow Foods. Both were found most recently volunteering at the Polar Plunge on White Bear Lake and Steve will be a "Plunge participant" at the Maple Grove event. Other Department events in which they have participated included the Tip-a-Cop event at Maplewood Buffalo Wild Wings.



DSA Winners

Mike and Steve have attended the International Law Enforcement Torch Run Conference for Special Olympics the past few years, traveling to different parts of the country to do so. Lt. Shortreed even used his personal vacation time to travel to Oklahoma City in 2007 to attend the conference.

Lt. Shortreed and Retired Officer Heinz are truly devoted to Special Olympics and we are proud of their dedication and commitment.

40 Years of Service

Jerry Meyer is the longest serving employee for the City of Maplewood. Jerry started with the City in February of 1970 and recently retired in February of 2010. Jerry worked in the City's street maintenance division and began plowing Maplewood streets just 13 years after the City was officially incorporated.



Jerry began employment with the Village when City Hall was located in the Gladstone neighborhood where the Clarence Street Fire Station now sits. The building had limited heating and there was only room for four trucks and a motor grader. The building floor was half concrete and half dirt. All other equipment was kept outside in the elements. At that time, seven people were in the maintenance department as the City had much less developed roadway and maintenance responsibilities.

Jerry recalls starting with the use of fixed main plows and then transitioning to the first 2-way and winged plows in 1980, ten years after his start with the City. During that time Ramsey County staff plowed all of the streets south of Upper Afton Road.

Jerry was an outstanding employee and always had a positive attitude. He set an example through his actions and always had an attitude of "not what the City could do for him, but rather what could he do for the benefit of the City and its Citizens."

On The Police Scanner

In January, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 1,763 calls for service. Included in this number were the following incidents:

- 11 Assault Cases
- 1 Robbery Case
- 16 Burglary Cases
- 80 Theft Cases
- 17 Auto Theft Cases
- 22 Theft from Vehicle Cases
- 16 Criminal Damage to Property Cases



In addition, Officers made 67 arrests for shoplifting, 22 arrests for DWI.

The audition application deadline has now been extended through Monday, March 8!

Who Has What It Takes? You Decide.

Who has what it takes to be the next Minnesota music star? You decide with **Step Up To The Mic**, Maplewood's first ever vocal talent competition that puts the audience in the driver's seat! **Step Up To The Mic**, sponsored by Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre and Ashland Productions, invite contestants of all ages to step into the spotlight and audition for their chance to take the stage. Dozens of applicants have answered the call and will perform an a cappella piece before a panel of judges at auditions held on March 13 and 14. Our judges will select the best of the best to move on to compete in the Final 15! Scheduled for Friday, March 26 (youth contestants – ages 15 and under) and on Saturday, March 27 (adult contestants – ages 16 and over) at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre, the Final 15 will serve as the last test for contestants competing to win one of two grand prizes – each valued at over \$4,500! Youth will be singing for a chance to win a Disney vacation for two while adults are hoping to win a studio recording package.

Contestants will have the opportunity to perform the song of their choice before a panel of industry experts and a live audience. Following the performances of all contestants, audience members will have a chance to vote for their favorite artist. The final score will be determined from a combination of judge's score and audience vote.

Meet The Judges!

Both of the Final 15 shows will be judged by an elite panel of industry professionals. Meet the judges:

Kevin Bowe – Adult Judge



Kevin Bowe is a singer, songwriter, and producer whose songs have sold over 12 million units. Kevin's latest studio projects include developing artists like Joanne Shaw Taylor (UK soul rocker) and Caroline Smith (indie pop singer/songwriter). He is also scoring for television, writing frequently in Nashville and producing several regional Midwestern bands.

Kevin Werner Hohlstein – Youth/Adult Judge



Kevin began his music career at the UW–Eau Claire. While there, he worked with American Entertainment productions as a featured singer, performed in productions at Fanny Hill Dinner Theater and was involved with the Eau Claire Children's Theater.

Most recently Kevin has directed for New Breath Productions, wrote and directed for Minnesota PerformDance, served as music director for Eight Ball productions and as choreographer for many companies across the Twin Cities and western Wisconsin. Kevin also teaches out of his home studio, Barefoot Vocal Studio as a private vocal teacher and coach.

Rich Leone – Youth/Adult Judge



Owner of FS Productions/Fuzzy Slippers Studio, Rich has recorded many local and national projects. Most recently FS recorded tracks for gospel/R&B artist Ann Nesby (grandmother of American Idol finalist Paris Bennett) which were nominated for a 2010 Grammy. Rich, an accomplished pianist/producer himself, has professional level experience in many areas of the music industry, including songwriting, recording, radio promotion, publishing, touring and record distribution.

Ward Rubrecht – Adult Judge



Ward Rubrecht is a culture writer and website jack-of-all-trades at City Pages. He covers spoken word, slam poetry, and outlaw country music in between frantic bouts of deadline-itis. In his free time, you'd likely find him biking around the Chain of Lakes, catching a rockabilly show at Lee's, or chilling at home with a good book.

Danielle Thrush – Youth Judge



Danielle's devotion to music began in the churches, choirs, musicals, and talent shows of her youth. However, in June, 2008 at the age of 18 the now all-grown-up singer produced her first EP, "Long Way Down." Backed up by a talented band, "Long Way Down" received critical acclaim in the Minneapolis music scene and led to invitations to play at venues throughout the Twin Cities as well as airplay on Twin Cities indie station, 89.3 The Current. Danielle followed up with her EP titled "Hello" in early 2009 which was featured with her on Radio Disney's "Next Big Thing" competition in which she was found in a national search and selected to be a featured artist on Radio Disney.

In addition to hearing the latest and greatest up and coming artists, each show will also feature a special guest performer. Danielle Thrush, winner of Disney's Next Big Thing competition will perform on Friday, March 26. See Alison Scott – one of the strongest new voices to come out of the Minneapolis music scene - perform live on Saturday, March 27. Don't miss your opportunity to shape the Minnesota music scene! Reserve your ticket for the Final 15 – and your opportunity to vote – at www.maplewoodarts.com.

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Maplewood Swears In New Firefighters



Steve Lukin, Timothy Linder, Zach Hill, Kenneth Powers, Jonathan Jones, Jake Capistrant, Ken Nielsen, Robert Wyse, Erik Kubat, Nick Hendrickson & Mayor Will Rossbach

At the first meeting in February the council swore in six new paid per call firefighters/EMTs and three new full time firefighter paramedics. All of them have successfully completed their firefighter and medical training and are eager to hit the streets. The Maplewood Fire Department is proud of their accomplishments and welcome them to the department.

East Metro Regional Fire Training Facility

East Metro Regional Fire Training Facility has taken one more major step in making the facility a reality. Last fall a bill was introduced into the house and senate for the bonding of \$3,000,000 in the 2010 bonding bill for the purpose of building the regional training facility. We need to thank Senator Chuck Wiger and House Representative Leon Lillie who sponsors the bills as well as the support from all of the Senators and House Representatives of Washington and Ramsey Counties.

Fire Chief Jeff Anderson of Oakdale and Fire Chief Steve Lukin from Maplewood have been spending time presenting their case for the need for this type of a facility to the different legislative committees. As of last week, both the house and the senate have included the \$3,000,000 in their bonding requests which will go to the governor. The East Metro Regional Fire Training Facility will meet the training needs of local fire departments, police and emergency management agencies and other training organizations.

A combined total of 24 departments with more than 1,400 firefighters (both paid-per-call and full-time) provide services to a combined population of 716,158 in Ramsey and Washington Counties. Our firefighters need to maintain multi-disciplined training in: defensive tactics; live burn training; live fire arms training; hazardous materials and spill response; search and rescue; confined space exercises and specialized training. Century College president Lawrence Litecky supports a training partnership with the regional facility in using the training facility as part of their Public Safety curriculum which includes Fire, Police and EMS programs. This project will put people back to work with an estimated 48 construction related jobs being created.

Pride Of Maplewood Award

Congratulations to Connie Kelsey for being nominated for the February Pride of Maplewood Award.

Connie joined the City in 1982. She is the payroll coordinator for the Finance Department, and prepares payroll for all of the City's employees.

"If you think recent changes in your paycheck are a bit confusing, you can appreciate the challenges Connie faces. Add in all the year-end reports and you know how busy she has been." "Connie has a mountain of work in January and February, and through it all her sense of humor and her patience is remarkable." "Connie does her job with an extraordinary level of personal and professional pride. She is conscience in her work and cooperative with all employees that have questions." "Connie daily shows her commitment to her work and the City of Maplewood employees. She is patient and diligent." "Connie is an asset to the Finance Department and to the City of Maplewood and its employees." Thank you, Connie for all the hours of service.



Bob Mittet, Finance Director (right) presents award to Connie Kelsey, Payroll Coordinator (left)

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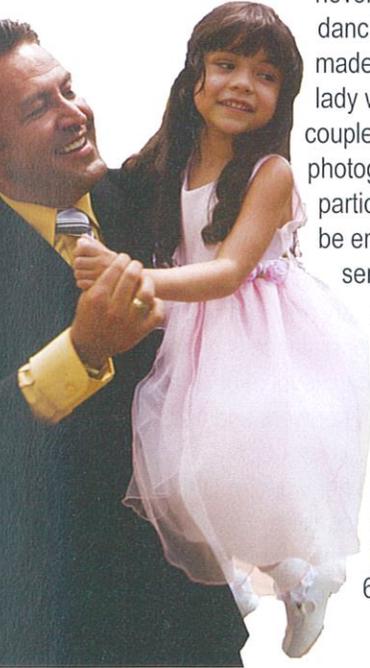
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Daddy Daughter Dance

FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 6:30 - 8:00PM

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Invitation To Residents

I-494/I-694 Construction Open House



Residents are invited to an open house from 5:00PM to 8:00PM on Tuesday, March 30 at Woodbury City Hall, located at 8301 Valley Creek Road, Woodbury, Minn 55125. The open house will provide residents with an opportunity to discuss the 2010 construction project on I-494/I-694 in Woodbury, Oakdale, and Maplewood between south of Lake Road and south of Highway 36. There will be no formal presentation; however project layouts

showing planned construction and traffic impacts will be displayed. Mn/DOT staff will be available to answer questions and for one-on-one discussions.

Project information: A new concrete driving surface will be constructed on I-494 and I-694 from south of Lake Road in Woodbury/Maplewood to south of Hwy 36 in Oakdale. To reduce project costs, speed construction and provide a long-term new pavement, a 10" concrete overlay will be placed over the old roadway. The process is called an unbonded concrete overlay. This new concrete pavement section is expected to last 30-40 years. The pavement along I-494/694 in the I-94 interchange area will be overlaid with asphalt. Shoulders along I-494 and I-694 will also be repaved. Additional lighting will be provided along I-494 and I-694 between Valley Creek Road and 10th Street. Median barriers will be provided to reduce the probability of cross median crashes. Guardrail, signing, drainage and other roadway items will also be upgraded. Several new ponds will be constructed adjacent to I-494 and I-694. Residents are encouraged to visit the project Website located at: <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/i494and694/> and click on the Constant Contact application to receive e-mail updates for selected projects. The I-494/I-694 project Website and email updates will be the primary methods of communication during the project.

If you have questions or concerns but are unable to attend the open house please contact Mary McFarland Brooks at mary.mcfarland@state.mn.us or Marc Briebe at marc.briebe@state.mn.us

Visit: www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/i494and694/ for more information on the I-494/I-694 open house invitation to residents.



Chulrua

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Youth Programs

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MCC Youth Soccer Clinic

THURSDAYS, MARCH 18 - APRIL 22

K-1st Grade: 5:30 - 6:30PM

2nd - 3rd Grade: 6:30 - 7:30PM

4th - 5th Grade: 7:30 - 8:30 PM

Fine tune your soccer skills in this fun and exciting clinic. The co-ed MCC youth soccer clinic is designed for novice players. Participants will receive a cool clinic shirt. The clinic will be held in the Maplewood Community Center Gym. The cost is \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC Members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Young Rembrandts (Ages 6-12 years)

THURSDAYS, MARCH 25 - APRIL 29, 6:30-7:30PM

SATURDAYS, MARCH 27 - MAY 8, 10:00-11:00AM

At Young Rembrandts, we teach drawing, the fundamental skill of all visual arts. We believe that drawing is a skill that can – and should – be learned by all children. While Young Rembrandts' classes are structured and educational, children learn best when they are entertained and engaged. Young Rembrandts combines the best of both worlds – foundational art skills in a fun, nurturing environment – that gives your child the academic advantage. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$60.00 per session. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Music Together Spring Session

1. WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 31 - JUNE 2 (free demo March 17, 9:30AM)

9:30-10:15AM OR 10:30-11:15AM

2. SATURDAYS, APRIL 3 - JUNE 5 (free demo March 20, 9:30AM)

9:30-10:15AM OR 10:30-11:15AM

3. SUNDAYS, MARCH 28 - JUNE 6 (free demo March 121, 4:30PM)

4:30PM

You'll move, dance, sing, play rhythm instruments and receive CDs and songbooks of the session's song collection so the fun and learning can continue at home. Music Together is for children from birth to age 6 and their accompanying adults. Class is held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$160.00 for the first child and \$90.00 for each additional child. For more information visit www.MusicTogetherClasses.com or to register call 651.439.4219. Ask about our FREE Demo Days!

Karate at the MCC

Little Dragons (ages 4-6): MONDAYS, 5:15 - 5:45PM

Beginner (ages 7+): MONDAYS, 5:45 - 6:15PM

Adv. Beginner (gold belt and higher): MONDAYS, 6:15 - 7:00PM

The Maplewood Community Center and The Edge Martial Arts, based in Stillwater, offer a great karate program for kids and adults. Cost is \$60.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members). Register for 3 months and receive \$5.00 OFF EACH MONTH! Call 651.249.2230 to register.



MON., TUES., & WED., MARCH 1 - APRIL 28, 9:30 - 11:00AM

If your little ones between the ages of 3 - 6 love crafts, swimming, sports, music, and fun, then the MCC Kids Club is for you! The Kids Club meets in the MCC Activity Room. Your child will make new friends, learn new skills, and most importantly, have a great time! Sign up for one day or the whole week. Cost is \$7.00/day (\$5.00 for MCC members) or \$18.00/week (\$12.00 for MCC members). Pre-registration is required at least one week in advance of the class. Note: Parents do not need to stay at the MCC during our program but all participants must be potty-trained. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

School's Out!

March 29, March 30 - Cosmic Bowling, March 31, April 1 - Pump It Up, April 2

Are you looking for a great way to spend those non-school days? We have the answer for you! Send children ages 6 - 12 to the Maplewood Community Center! From 9:00AM - 4:00PM kids are invited for action packed days full of sports, swimming, crafts and more. AND check out our great field trips! Bring your tennis shoes, swimsuit, and towel and we'll bring the fun! Cost is \$35.00 per child for field trip days and \$25.00 per child for all other days. Register for 5 or more days and each day (including field trips!) is just \$25.00. Before and after childcare is also available for \$5.00 per child from 7:00AM - 5:30PM. Please register by March 15.

Red Cross Babysitting Class

SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 9:00AM - 3:30PM

A certified Red Cross Instructor will teach this hands-on course dealing with the challenges and rewards of caring for younger children. Students will learn and put into practice valuable concepts and problem solving skills and upon course completion will be Red Cross certified babysitters. Class is appropriate for participants ages 11 and up and will meet in the MCC Activity Room. Cost is \$60.00 and includes a \$10.00 Red Cross Kit. Students should bring a bag lunch or money for the MCC Concessions Counter. Class size is limited. Call 651.249.2230 to register early!



Youth & Adult Programs

Golf Lessons (16+) **Prep For The Golf Season**

TUESDAYS, MARCH 9 - APRIL 6

BEGINNER/NOVICE: 6:45 - 7:30PM

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCE: 7:45 - 8:30PM

Golf is a game of a lifetime, enjoyed by juniors and seniors and all in between. If you are an avid golfer or new to the sport, this series of 5 lessons is for you! You will learn all aspects of golf improvement with special emphasis on improving your fitness with golf-specific testing and drills. Cost is \$105.00 (\$95.00 for MCC members).

Guitar Lessons (10+)

TUESDAYS, MARCH 30 - MAY 4 (Free demo March 23, 6-7PM)

BEGINNING- 6:00 - 6:55PM

LEVEL 2- 7:00 - 7:55PM

CONTINUING (COMPLETED LEVEL 2)- 8:00 - 8:55PM

Dave Roby, a local musician is offering beginning, level 2 and continuing guitar lessons for those who want to learn to play guitar the easy way. Participants are required to bring their own guitar. Class takes place at the Maplewood Community Center and the cost is \$70.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Drama Class With Claudia Haas!

TUESDAYS, APRIL 13 - MAY 18

GRADES 1-3: ACTING ADVENTURES 6:00 - 7:00PM

Come join the fun in creating characters and plots through acting games and storytelling. What story is in a painting? In a piece of music? We will explore all. Come dressed comfortably (closed-toe shoes) so we can move, play and act up a storm. An informal presentation will be held for families during the second half of the last class.

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center
2100 White Bear Ave.



March 8: Natural Cancer Support

Vibrant Life Center will provide information on natural methods to regain your health.

March 15: Life Write w/LauraRose Paradis

This presentation encourages you to remember stories, record them, or just tell them.

March 22: Sleep Apnea

Learn about Sleep Apnea. Presented by Synergy Home Care.

March 29: Benefits of Personal Training for Seniors

Age is just a number. Learn what a personal trainer can do for your health and exercise routine. Attend this seminar and receive a coupon for a FREE FITNESS ASSESSMENT!

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

GRADES 4-6: CHARACTER MANIA 7:00 - 8:00PM

We will explore how to create a character through improvisation, drama games and simple script works. Through movement, words, and character quirks, we will create our own stories from known works - putting our own twist on them. Come dressed comfortably (closed-toe shoes) so we can explore how to build a character from the toes on up. An informal presentation will be held during the second half of the last class.

Cost is \$80.00 (\$75.00 for MCC members). Register- 651.249.2230



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T'ai Chi Ch'uan (16+)

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 31 - JUNE 2, 7:30 - 8:30PM

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T'ai Chi Ch'uan, practiced in China for 2500 years, uses slow relaxed movements to develop strength while eliminating tension. While doing so you will strengthen your arms and legs, improve balance and flexibility, reduce stress and help increase energy levels. A growing body of research also suggests that practicing T'ai Chi Ch'uan has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life! Come experience the benefits for yourself! Cost is \$65.00. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

New! Boot Camp

THURSDAYS, MARCH 25 - APRIL 29, 6:00 - 7:00PM

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MEMBERSHIP RATES

MONTHLY			3-MONTH			ANNUAL		
	Rate	Resident	<i>NO INITIAL FEE!</i>	Rate	Resident		Rate	Resident
Youth/Senior	\$27	\$25	Youth/Senior	\$110	\$104	Youth/Senior	\$312	\$288
Senior HH	\$41	\$38	Senior HH	\$144	\$135	Senior HH	\$408	\$372
Adult	\$45	\$35	Adult	\$167	\$134	Adult	\$540	\$408
Couple/Dual	\$56	\$50	Couple/Dual	\$192	\$165	Couple/Dual	\$600	\$492
Family/HH	\$60	\$55	Family/HH	\$200	\$185	Family/HH	\$672	\$612

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A one time non-refundable \$75 initial fee is payable upon joining and will only be reassessed if a membership lapses more than 30 days.

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	Rate	Resident
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Adult	\$9	\$7
Family*	\$20	\$16

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	3 Months	Annual
Individual	\$75	Individual \$300
Family	\$120	Family \$480

*Daily admission family consists of father, mother, sons, daughters, foster children, and foreign exchange students. No more than two adults 18 years of age or older.

All rates are subject to change and sales tax will be assessed.

Call 651.249.2230 today for your personal tour and learn how you can take advantage of the 2006 membership rates! Get paid to work out. Ask us how.

Senior Bosu & Balance Training

TUESDAYS, MARCH 23 - APRIL 27, 8:15 - 9:00AM

Using new stability ball training techniques on the BOSU ball will add fresh elements that will challenge your balance, endurance, and core strength while burning calories!

Improve your motor skills, strength, balance, and stability using the BOSU Balance Trainer. Cost is \$30.00 (Only \$5.00 per session for members and non-members.) Call 651.249.2230 or register the easy way-online!

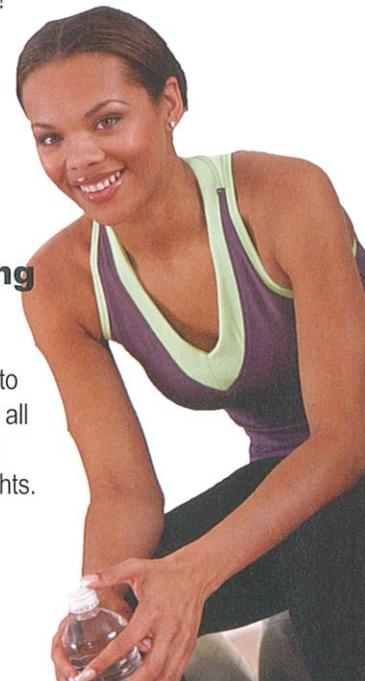
Senior Strength Training

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

MARCH 8 - 31, 11:30AM - 12:30PM

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Kid's Stuff Sale FRIDAY, MAY 7, 4:30 - 7:30PM



Maplewood Recreation is back with their popular Kid's Stuff Sale located at the Maplewood Community Center! Take advantage of this opportunity to buy/sell quality children's items, shoes, toys, books, movies, large and small equipment, strollers, bicycles, maternity

clothing and lots more at a terrific price! All items/clothing for sale will be for children ages 0 to 13 years. To reserve space for selling, call customer service at 651.249.2230. Cost is \$20.00 per space and includes two 7' x 3' tables and chairs. There are only 18 spaces available and reservations are given out on a first come, first serve

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Maplewood Monthly

April 2010 City Newsletter

Save The Date

- **A Rain Garden For Your Yard Extreme Green Makeover Series**
Now - May 6, various times
www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen

- **Daddy Daughter Dance**
April 23, 6:30 - 8:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center
Call 651.249.2230 to register.
(see back page)

- **Kid's Stuff Sale**
May 7, 4:30 - 7:30PM
at Maplewood Community Center

- **Alison Scott & Brian Leighton**
May 7, 7:30PM
at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre

Spring Clean-Up Day

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 8:00AM - 1:00PM
in the Aldrich Arena Parking Lot, 1850 White Bear Ave.

Maplewood residents, with proof of residency, will be able to dispose of appliances, tires, construction debris, mattresses, furniture, car parts, scrap metal, other assorted junk, and all electronic equipment such as televisions, computers, monitors and cell phones. No brush or tree waste will be accepted.

In conjunction with Maplewood's Spring Clean-up day, Ramsey County will be collecting free of charge household hazardous waste including oil, antifreeze, paint and other hazardous waste items. Combining these two services will offer residents the opportunity to participate in both events without making additional trips for disposal. Ramsey County will also be collecting hazardous waste at Aldrich Arena on Friday, April 23 from 10:00AM to 6:00PM.



NEW FOR 2010- REUSE COLLECTION

A non-profit organization called BRIDGING will be on site to collect reusable furniture and housewares which will be distributed free of charge to families in need. Over 5,000 families receive an entire house full of furniture from BRIDGING each year. For information on what items are acceptable for reuse, please visit www.bridging.org. Remember, Reduce, Recycle and Reuse.

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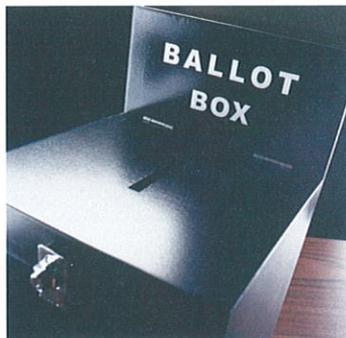
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Primary Election August 10, 2010



On March 3, 2010 Governor Pawlenty signed an elections bill moving the State Primary Election to August 10th of any given year.

The Governor indicated that the most compelling reason to change the primary date was to ensure that military personnel could exercise their right to vote. A second reason was to comply with a new federal law that requires states to give overseas voters more time to cast absentee ballots.

When Councilmember Will Rossbach was elected to the

office of Mayor last fall, his councilmember seat was vacated which does not expire until December 31, 2011. To fill the remainder of the term the city will be conducting a Special Election in conjunction with the State Primary Election.

The filing period to be on the August 10, 2010 ballot for the councilmember seat will run from May 18, 2010 to June 1, 2010.

For additional information, contact Karen Guilfoile at karen.guilfoile@ci.maplewood.mn.us or at 651.249.2002.

We Want Your Feedback On Maplewood Parks & Recreation!



The survey is available on the home page of the city website, in print at City Hall, the Maplewood Library, and the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2023 with questions. More details to come in the May issue of Maplewood Monthly.

City of Maplewood Elected Officials

Will Rossbach: Mayor 651.484.5427
 Kathleen Juenemann: Councilmember 651.771.3670
 James Llanas: Councilmember 651.488.2745
 John Nephew: Councilmember 651.776.5963
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Frequently Called Numbers

Maplewood City Hall

General Information 651.249.2000
 Deputy Registrar and Passport Hours:
 Monday - Friday: 8:00AM - 4:30PM
 Saturday: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Maplewood Community Center

Registration 651.249.2230
 Customer Service 651.249.2230
 Admissions 651.249.2210
 Theater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
 Group Information 651.249.2203
 Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
 Fitness 651.249.2207

Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2124

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

Code Enforcement

Hotline 651.249.CODE (2633)
 Online: Go to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us and click on "Report A Violation" on the right-hand side of the home page.

Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Monday, April 5 & May 3 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, April 12 & 26 at 7:00PM
 City Council Workshop: April 5, 5:15PM

Citizen Forum: Saturday, April 3 & May 1 at 10:00AM (both at City Hall)

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, April 13 & 27 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Monday, April 19 at 7:00PM

Historical Preservation Committee: Thursday, April 15 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, April 14 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, April 21 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, April 6 & 20 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

*Meetings are also streamed live on the City's website.



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From Pumpkins to Polynomials



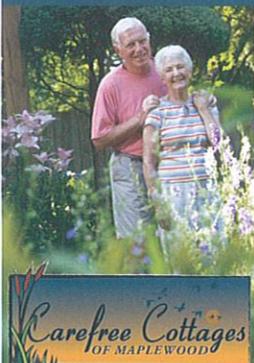
Pick a pumpkin. Throw a discus. Play violin. Explore dynamic relationships in quadratic equations. And with each school day, become more inspired, more curious, and more eager to learn. Learning for Life. Experience Waldorf.

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All ages welcome

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Online auction: Now - April 13, 10pm!
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Temporary Portable Signs

By Shann Finwall, AICP, Environmental Planner

Does your business use temporary portable signs to advertise? If so, you should be aware of the city's new sign regulations which were adopted by the city council in January 2010.

Temporary portable signs are signs which are not permanently attached to the ground or a structure and are designed to display a commercial message for a specific time. These signs are not counted toward a businesses' permanent sign allowance, but are limited in time of display and may require a permit. Please review the following to ensure your business is following the city's new temporary portable sign regulations:



Temporary portable signs which are 12 square feet in area or under:

- No permit required.
- Allowed for up to 30 days total per sign.
- Single-tenant property - limited to 1 temporary sign 12 square feet in area or under at any given time.
- For multi-tenant property – limited to 1 temporary sign 12 square feet in area or under, with a maximum of 3 temporary portable signs 12 square feet in area or under at any given time.

Temporary portable signs which are over 12 square feet in area:

- Permit required (\$42 fee), unless used for civic, religious, or other non-profit organization's one-time or annual fundraising event.
- Allowed for up to 30 days per year, per business (60 days for new businesses).
- Limit of 1 temporary portable sign over 12 square feet in area allowed per property, regardless of single or multi-tenant property.
- Contractors who lease or install temporary portable signs must obtain a yearly license with the city (\$130 fee).

The City of Maplewood regulates temporary portable signs in order to provide a balanced system of temporary signage throughout the city, facilitate communication, promote public safety, minimize visual clutter and enhance property values and business opportunities. Please help the city achieve these goals by following the city's temporary portable sign regulations. For more information visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/signs or contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner, at 651.249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.

Kare 11's Bobbie And Belinda Visit The Maplewood Nature Center



Belinda Jensen and Bobby Jensen from KARE 11 news interviewed nature center staff about the Extreme Green Makeover and the associated series of classes. The clips were aired in March on the GROW with KARE program on Friday evening and Saturday morning. For more information on the Extreme Green Makeover project, visit the website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen.

Savor The Flavor

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Friday, June 11
6 - 10 PM

**At The Maplewood
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(Spring Clean-up -continued from cover)

Bicycles will be collected by Re-Cycle, a used bicycle shop in Minneapolis. Re-Cycle will be collecting bicycles in ANY CONDITION. Many of the bicycles will be restored and returned to the road for re-use. Others will be stripped for parts. A re-used bicycle saves approximately 175 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions by reducing the need to produce a new bicycle. For more information, visit re-cycle.com.

In conjunction with this event, Maplewood will also be sponsoring a food drive for the Second Harvest Food Bank. Containers will be set up to collect food items. Tuna, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned soups and vegetables, infant items, dried foods and cash are needed. Call 651.249.2400 for more information.

COLLECTION FEES (CASH OR CHECK ONLY)

TYPE OF LOAD		E-WASTE	
Cars without a trailer	\$15	Televisions	\$10
Cars with a trailer	\$20	Computer/Monitor	\$15
Pickup Trucks	\$20	Printers	\$5
Large loads	\$50 plus	DVD/VCR	\$10

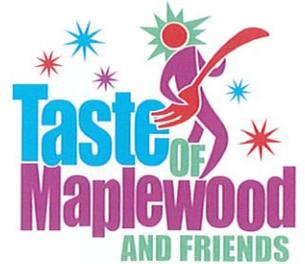
INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

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Don't Miss This Year's Event As It Expands To An Exciting Two Days

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6 (4-10PM)
SATURDAY, AUGUST 7 (10AM-10PM)

Taste of Maplewood & Friends—a community celebration of food, music and fun—has outgrown its time and site! This year's festival will be held in the 24-acre Goodrich Park, and promises to be better than ever! There will be something for everyone: carnival games and rides, Radio Disney Party Patrol, the Splatter Sisters and



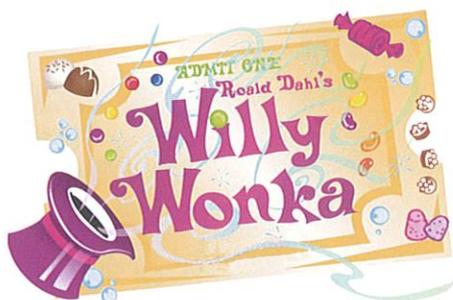
Blazin' Challenge

Walton's Petting Zoo for the kids; live music by Rhino, Leo Hawkins Band, Martin Zellar and the Hardways, and GB Leighton for the adults. Don't miss "Step Up To The Mic" youth and adult category winners as they perform on stage; hot air balloon rides, and "Heal the Soul," a high heel shoe race fundraiser to bring awareness to domestic violence. Of course, participants will enjoy a variety of food booths, adult beverages provided by Maplewood/Oakdale Lions, an arts & crafts marketplace and much more. To learn how to be a food or marketplace vendor, call 651.249.2124. To learn about sponsorship opportunities, call 651.249.2021.



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On The Police Scanner

In February, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 1,619 calls for service. Included in this number were the following incidents:

- 24 Assault Cases
- 3 Robbery Case
- 13 Burglary Cases
- 89 Theft Cases
- 9 Auto Theft Cases
- 35 Theft from Vehicle Cases
- 23 Criminal Damage to Property Cases



In addition, Officers made 41 arrests for shoplifting, 16 arrests for DWI.



Together We Can Make Maplewood A More Sustainable Place To Live.

Adopt A Park For Clean Up SATURDAY, APRIL 17

Get together with your neighbors or friends. Help pick up trash at the park you use the most. Call 651.249.2170 to reserve trash bags and plastic gloves by April 16. Pick up your kit at the nature center on Friday, April 16 from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. Maplewood Nature Center is located one block north of Minnehaha off of Century Ave.

Plant Trees: Education, Sale and Rebate Opportunities!

The city will be offering a rebate program for planting deciduous shade trees that are native to Minnesota. To learn how to apply for a rebate, and to see the list of eligible tree species, visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us, click on Nature Center, and Plant Trees! Friends of the Parks, a non-profit organization, is offering their annual tree sale. The deadline to purchase is April 17. Autumn Blaze Maple and Bicolor White Oak are just two options. See other shrubs and trees on their website at www.FriendsoftheParks.org. To learn more about trees, join us at the nature center for a

Tree-Mendous Celebration (Free for all ages!) SATURDAY, MAY 1, 2:00 - 4:00PM

Pick up your application for the **Extreme Green Makeover** at this event! Win Door prizes!

Lots of information will be available on tree disease, and tree care. There will be pruning, tree planting, and arbor building demonstrations. Two to three-foot oak and maple tree seedlings will be available. Test your tree knowledge on the wheel of nature, ride on the tree bucket. Go on the tree quest to find the tree treasure chest. Enjoy spring treats from trees.

5 Easy Ways To Reduce Your Lawn Impact On Lakes

Turn over a new leaf this spring and try incorporating these habits when you care for your lawn:

1. Use a mulching mower and let those grass clippings nurture your lawn.
 2. Let your lawn grow a little higher – this stimulates deeper root growth that helps absorb rainwater.
 3. Direct your mower toward your yard when mowing to keep the clippings off of the street and out of the storm drain.
 4. Install a rainbarrel! Rainbarrels help slow down stormwater run-off, and the water can be saved and used in drier times.
- Install a compost bin! Compost from food and grass clippings are healthier for the environment than chemical fertilizers.

Attend this fantastic lawn care class to learn more!

Reduce Your Lawn Impacts (for Adults)

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 6:30 - 8:00PM

AT THE MAPLEWOOD NATURE CENTER

Pick up your application for the **Extreme Green Makeover** at this event! Win Door prizes!

Focus on ways to maintain lawn with minimum use of fertilizers and chemicals and learn about replacing normal turf with some no-mow options from Lawn Care Specialist Bob Mugaas. Bob has been researching lawns for many years and can answer your lawn questions. Cost is \$5.00 per household, pre-pay by April 3. Register online at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen

FREE Rain Barrel Installations For Lucky Residents

Nominate your yard for a free rain barrel installation! You must be a Maplewood resident, and be willing to host a one-time demonstration event in your yard. A videographer will tape the installation. Submit your Rain Barrel Installation application online by April 22: www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen.

Rain Barrel /Compost Bin Truckload Sale

The City of Maplewood is partnering with four other cities to provide rain barrels (\$55) and compost bins (\$45) at a very good price. There will be an opportunity to purchase compost turners and kitchen scrap buckets. This is a one day sale taking place on **Saturday, May 1 from 9:00AM – 3:00PM** at Roseville Central Park entrance, 2555 Dale Street, Roseville, MN. Visit the city website for more information.

Extreme Green Landscaping Workshop SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 10:00AM - 2:00PM

At the Maplewood Nature Center, 2659 7th St. E.

Extreme Green Makeover QUALIFYING EVENT

This is the primo event for planning your GREEN Yard! Come to one session, come to all. First 10 registrants receive a Goody Bag. Register on-line www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc. Cost is \$10.00 for 1-2 adults per household.

Designing for Sustainable Yards - Jim Calkins

Learn to apply five key design elements to implement landscape plantings for year-round interest. Find out how to analyze your site for sun and shade.

Native Wildflower Gardens - Shelley Larson, Hayland Woods Nursery

Find out how to transform that tough, shady plot into a woodland garden. Shelley's favorite native fern and wildflower picks for shade will be highlighted.

Sunny Gardens for Birds & Butterflies – Jan Hayman, Naturalist at MNC

Learn about essential plants and features to attract butterflies and birds to your sunny garden.

Pride Of Maplewood Award

Congratulations to Ryan Dunn, Maplewood Community Center Aquatics and Customer Service.

Ryan is the Head Lifeguard and a Manager on Duty. He joined the City of Maplewood in August of 2001.

"He works hard every day to ensure that the pool area is well maintained."



Ron Horwath, Aquatic Program Manager (right) presents award to Ryan Dunn, Lifeguard & MOD (left)

"Ryan's top priority is always public safety, and he has the experience and know-how to recognize dangerous situations before they happen"

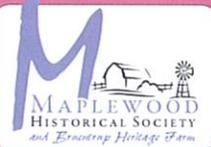
"He has made two very notable active drowning victim saves recently and both patrons took the time to let management know how much they appreciate his diligence".

Thank you, Ryan, for your outstanding work for the Maplewood Community Center and the citizens of Maplewood.

Community Garden Plots For Rent

There are community garden plots at Edgerton Park available for rental this season. The cost is \$25.00 for residents and \$30.00 for non-resident for a 12'x15' plot. The garden opens April 15, 2010. If you would like to rent a plot, call Oakley at the Maplewood Nature Center, 651.249.2173.





Spring Tea

At Bruentrup Heritage Farm
2170 County Road D

Theme: Indian Lore

May 8, 11:30 & 2:30 PM

\$25 (adults)
\$15 (students & youth 15 or younger)

Call 651-776-7183 to reserve your spot.

www.maplewoodhistoricalsociety.org



2010 Camp Fair At Maplewood Mall April 10-11, 2010

**Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

Speak one-on-one with camp providers. Enjoy FREE activities for kids on stage and off! Pick up a camp expo passport at the Maplewood Mall Guest Service Booth. Fill up the camp expo passport and return to Guest Services for an automatic prize and a chance to enter to win a grand prize, compliments of the mall! Participants will also find exclusive discounts to select mall retailers, great entertainment, enter to wins, and activities scheduled mall-wide.









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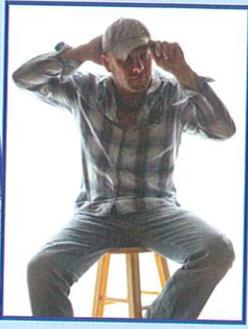


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Summer Swim Lesson Registration Going On Now

The Maplewood Community Center offers over 500 Red Cross Swim Lessons for all ages. The zero-depth entry leisure pool is kept at a comfortable 87 degrees which creates a warm environment for your family's swim lessons. Don't delay, register today! Find out for yourself why participants come back again and again for these affordable lessons taught by certified experienced instructors.

Three easy ways to register:

1. In-person at the MCC Customer Service Desk (9AM-7PM on Monday, 9AM-5PM Tuesday - Friday, and 9AM-12PM on Saturday)

2. By Phone at 651.249.2230 (Same hours list above)

3. Online at maplewoodcommunitycenter.com

If you are registering for our programs online for the first time you will need to pre-register for your online account.

Course Descriptions may be found at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com and click on aquatics.

Swim Lesson Fees

Regular Group Lessons (8 Lessons)
Rate \$68.00 (MCC Members \$53.00)

Semi-Private Lessons (8 Lessons)
Rate \$115.00 (MCC Members \$90.00)

Private swim lessons are a great opportunity for people who would like one on one instruction. To schedule a private lesson, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.

Exciting Pool Events!

FREE for MCC members and the cost of daily admission for non-members.

Flotation Days

Come jump, splash, float, and slide. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family!

Flotation Friday

5:00 - 8:00PM
April 30, May 28, & June 25

Wacky Flotation Wednesday

1:00 - 4:00PM
June 30

Don't miss them!



Summer 2010 Evening Swim Lessons									
Summer Session 1					Summer Session 2				
Monday and Wednesday		Tuesday and Thursday		Monday and Wednesday		Tuesday and Thursday		Monday and Thursday	
June 21 - July 21		June 22 - July 22		July 26 - August 18		July 27 - August 19			
July 5 & 7		July 6 & 8							
Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)									
Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
6:30 PM	1516.281	5:00 PM	1518.291	6:30 PM	1511.282	5:30 PM	1513.282	5:30 PM	1516.291
4:30 PM	1518.281	5:30 PM	1511.291	5:30 PM	1512.283	6:00 PM	1513.282	5:00 PM	1518.292
5:30 PM	1511.281	4:30 PM	1512.291	6:00 PM	1512.284	7:00 PM	1514.291	6:30 PM	1511.292
5:00 PM	1512.281	6:00 PM	1513.291	7:00 PM	1514.291	6:00 PM	1513.292	7:00 PM	1512.293
7:00 PM	1512.282	5:30 PM	1514.291			4:30 PM	1514.292		
6:00 PM	1513.281								
Preschool 4									
Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)									
Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
5:30 PM	1501.281	6:30 PM	1501.291	5:30 PM	1501.282	5:30 PM	1501.292	5:30 PM	1501.292
6:30 PM	1502.281	4:30 PM	1502.291	4:30 PM	1502.282	7:30 PM	1502.292	7:30 PM	1502.292
4:30 PM	1503.281	7:30 PM	1503.291	6:30 AM	1503.282	4:30 PM	1503.292	4:30 PM	1503.292
7:30 PM	1504.281	6:30 PM	1504.291	7:30 PM	1504.282	7:30 PM	1504.292	7:30 PM	1504.292
Level 5		7:30 PM	1505.291	7:30 PM	1505.281	6:30 PM	1505.292	6:30 PM	1505.292
Level 6	Personal Water Safety	7:30 PM	1506.281						

Summer 2010 Weekend Swim Lessons

Beginning and Ending Date	Saturdays	Sundays
No. Classes Held Date(s)	June 19-August 14 July 3	June 20-August 15 July 4

Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)

	Time	Activity #	Activity #
Parent/Child	10:00 AM	1516.261	
Tot Swim	9:00 AM	1518.261	
	11:30 AM	1518.262	
Preschool 1	11:00 AM	1511.261	1511.271
	8:30 AM	1512.261	1512.271
Preschool 2	10:30 AM	1512.262	
	12:00 PM	1512.263	
Preschool 3	9:30 AM	1513.261	
	12:00 PM	1513.262	
Preschool 4	11:30 AM	1514.261	

Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)

	Time	Activity #	Activity #
Level 1	9:30 AM	1501.261	1501.271
Level 2	9:30 AM	1502.261	1502.271
	11:30 AM	1502.262	
Level 3	8:30 AM	1503.261	
	10:30 AM	1503.262	
Level 4	8:30 AM	1504.261	
	9:30 AM	1504.262	
	10:30 AM	1504.263	
Level 5	10:30 AM	1505.261	
Level 6 Personal Water Safety	11:30 AM	1506.261	
Adult	8:30 AM	1523.261	

Summer 2010 Beach Swim Lessons

Beginning and Ending Date	Bellaire Beach-White Bear Lake	Mahtomedi Beach-White Bear Lake
Special notes	Monday-Thursday July 12-22	Monday-Thursday July 26-August 5
	If classes are canceled due to bad weather make-up lessons are held on Friday.	

Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)

	Time	Activity #	Activity #
Preschool 1	12:45 PM	1611.211	1711.201
Preschool 2	11:00 AM	1612.211	1712.201
Preschool 3			1713.201
Level 1			1701.201
Level 2	11:45 AM	1602.221	1702.201
Level 3	10:00 AM	1603.221	1703.201

Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)

Summer 2010 Weekday Swim Lessons

	Mondays-Thursdays Session 1 June 21-July 1 None	Mondays-Thursdays Session 2 July 13-23 None	Mondays-Thursdays Session 3 July 26-August 5 None	Mondays-Thursdays Session 4 August 9-19 None	Mondays-Thursdays Session 5 August 23-September 2 None
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Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)

	Time	Activity #								
Parent/Child Tot Swim	10:00 AM	1516.211	10:00 AM	1516.221	10:00 AM	1516.231	10:00 AM	1516.241	10:00 AM	1516.251
	11:30 AM	1518.211	11:30 AM	1518.221	11:30 AM	1518.231	11:30 AM	1518.241	11:30 AM	1518.251
	9:30 AM	1511.211	9:30 AM	1511.221	9:30 AM	1511.231	9:30 AM	1511.241	9:30 AM	1511.251
Preschool 1	8:30 AM	1512.211	8:30 AM	1512.221	8:30 AM	1512.231	8:30 AM	1512.241	8:30 AM	1512.251
	9:30 AM	1512.212	9:30 AM	1512.222	9:30 AM	1512.232	9:30 AM	1512.242	9:30 AM	1512.252
	10:30 AM	1512.213	10:30 AM	1512.223	10:30 AM	1512.233	10:30 AM	1512.243	10:30 AM	
	11:30 AM	1512.214	11:30 AM	1512.224	11:30 AM	1512.234	11:30 AM	1512.244	11:30 AM	
Preschool 2	9:00 AM	1513.211	9:00 AM	1513.221	9:00 AM	1513.231	9:00 AM	1513.241	9:00 AM	1513.251
	10:00 AM	1513.212	10:00 AM	1513.222	10:00 AM	1513.232	10:00 AM	1513.242	10:00 AM	
	11:30 AM	1513.213	11:30 AM	1513.223	11:30 AM	1513.233	11:30 AM	1513.243	11:30 AM	
Preschool 3	10:30 AM	1514.211	10:30 AM	1514.221	10:30 AM	1514.231	10:30 AM	1514.241	10:30 AM	1514.251

Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)

	Time	Activity #								
Level 1	8:30 AM	1501.211	8:30 AM	1501.221	8:30 AM	1501.231	8:30 AM	1501.241	8:30 AM	1501.251
	10:30 AM	1501.212	10:30 AM	1501.222	10:30 AM	1501.232	10:30 AM	1501.242	10:30 AM	1501.251
Level 2	8:30 AM	1502.211	8:30 AM	1502.221	8:30 AM	1502.231	8:30 AM	1502.241	8:30 AM	1502.251
	9:30 AM	1502.212	9:30 AM	1502.222	9:30 AM	1502.232	9:30 AM	1502.242	9:30 AM	
Level 3	11:00 AM	1502.213	11:00 AM	1502.223	11:00 AM	1502.233	11:00 AM	1502.243	11:00 AM	
	8:30 AM	1503.211	8:30 AM	1503.221	8:30 AM	1503.231	8:30 AM	1503.241	8:30 AM	1503.251
	9:30 AM	1503.212	9:30 AM	1503.222	9:30 AM	1503.232	9:30 AM	1503.242	9:30 AM	
	10:30 AM	1503.213	10:30 AM	1503.223	10:30 AM	1503.233	10:30 AM	1503.243	10:30 AM	
Level 4	8:30 AM	1504.211	8:30 AM	1504.221	8:30 AM	1504.231	8:30 AM	1504.241	8:30 AM	1504.251
	11:00 AM	1504.212	11:00 AM	1504.222	11:00 AM	1504.232	11:00 AM	1504.242	11:00 AM	1504.252
Level 5	9:30 AM	1505.211	9:30 AM	1505.221	9:30 AM	1505.231	9:30 AM	1505.241	9:30 AM	1505.251
	10:30 AM	1506.211							10:30 AM	1506.251
Level 6 <small>Fitness Swimmer</small>										
Level 6 <small>Personal Water Safety</small>					10:30 AM	1506.231				
Teen Swim										
Adult			10:30 AM	1523.221			10:30 AM	1521.241		

Semi-Private Lessons - Maximum of 3 students (All Lessons are 30 Minutes Long)

Preschool 2 & 3	12:00 PM	1552.211	12:00 PM	1552.221	12:00 PM	1552.231	12:00 PM	1552.241	12:00 PM	1552.251
Level 1 & 2	12:00 PM	1541.211	12:00 PM	1541.221	12:00 PM	1541.231	12:00 PM	1541.241	12:00 PM	1541.251
Level 3 & 4	12:00 PM	1543.211	12:00 PM	1543.221	12:00 PM	1543.231	12:00 PM	1543.241	12:00 PM	1543.251

Youth & Adult Programs

WATCH FOR HORSE CAMP, SKATE CAMPS, PRESCHOOL CAMPS AND MORE IN THE MAY ISSUE!

Tots In Motion

TUESDAYS, APRIL 20- MAY 25, 5:30 - 6:15PM

This class is designed for parents/grandparents and toddlers from walking age to three years old. Learn simple dance moves, activity and sing-a-long songs, and most of all, have a great time with your little ones! We will also enjoy some playtime in the gym each week at the conclusion of class. This class is held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Beginning Tumbling

(AGES 2-3) FRIDAY, APRIL 16 - MAY 21, 9:00 - 9:45AM

(AGES 4-6) FRIDAY, APRIL 16 - MAY 21, 9:45 - 10:30AM

(AGES 2-3) SATURDAY, APRIL 17 - MAY 22, 9:00 - 9:45AM

(AGES 4-6) SATURDAY, APRIL 17 - MAY 22, 9:45 - 10:30AM

These classes are designed especially for little ones to practice their coordination while learning to take turns, follow directions, interact with others and most importantly, have fun! They will be introduced to floor mats, wedges, and low and high balance beams. Cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

After School Volleyball At Edgerton Gym

MONDAYS, APRIL 19- MAY 24, 3:45 - 4:45PM

Join us on the Edgerton Gym Courts for a great hour of Bump! Set! Fun! You will practice the fundamentals of the game, learn team building skills and have a great time doing it! We will teach traditional as well as Rally Scoring methods. Cost is \$45.00 and a t-shirt is included. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Spring Maplewood Tennis

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, MAY 4 - 20

Learn tennis in a fun, fast-paced environment and show your kids that tennis is the perfect match for them! Lessons are taught by tennis pro Tom Westling at Vista Hills Park.

Little Stars (parent/child) 6:00 - 6:45PM

Big Stars (ages 7-9) 6:45 - 7:30PM

Youth Interm (ages 12 and older) 7:30 - 8:30PM

Call 651.249.2230 to register. For more information, call Tom at 651.735.8988 or visit www.tenniswithtom.com.

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center
2100 White Bear Ave.



April 5: Importance of Good Foot Care

Your feet are very important to your well being. Come and learn about good foot care from the professionals of Affordable Foot Care. A free complimentary foot care demo will be given to one lucky participant.

April 12- Nutrition Makeover: Presented by Vibrant Life Center

April 19- Blood Pressure Workshop

Keeping a close check on your Blood Pressure is important to your health. For your sake stop by and get your Blood Pressure checked courtesy of the Maplewood Care Center and The Homestead at Maplewood.

April 26- Become An Election Judge

Interested in becoming an election judge? Or are you just curious about what an election judge does? Attend this seminar for more information about this great opportunity.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Grab Bag Bingo

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH (starting April 1)

1:00 - 2:30PM

Join us for a fun, new twist on Bingo the first Thursday of each month in the Maplewood Community Center banquet room. Ten games are played and the winners choose from an assortment of grab bags. The cost is \$2.00 at the door. Coffee and treats provided. Don't miss it! Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

MatchPlay Tennis

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS, JUNE 8 - 24

Your kids have taken lessons, now they can take the next step and play tennis in a fun and friendly environment! Each class starts with a short lesson, followed by a skills challenge and supervised match play. Lessons are taught by tennis pro Tom Westling at Vista Hills Park. Cost is \$55.00 (ages 9-12) \$65.00 (ages 12-16).

Ages 9-12 6:00 - 7:00PM

Ages 12-16 7:00 - 8:30PM

Call 651.249.2230 to register. For more information, call Tom at 651.735.8988 or visit www.tenniswithtom.com.

Karate

Put Your Child Center Stage With Martial Arts

Your child will learn the skills they need to be successful in life and learning; exercise, discipline, respect, team work and problem solving to name a few. Taught by Mr. Welsh of The Edge Martial Arts at the Maplewood Community Center on Mondays. Cost is \$60.00 and (\$45.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register. **SAVE! Register for 3 Months and receive \$5 OFF each month.**

LITTLE DRAGONS (ages 4-6) 5:15-5:45PM

BEGINNER (ages 7+) 5:45-6:15PM

ADVANCED BEGINNER (Gold belt and higher) 6:15-7:00PM

Adult Dance 16+

TUESDAYS, APRIL 20 - MAY 25

SOCIAL BALLROOM SAMPLER 7:00 - 8:00PM

Social Sampler Class will cover many styles and tempos of music, for many dancing occasions. Find out how beneficial dancing can be for your social, mental, and physical health and how much fun it can be! Cost for couples is \$110.00 (\$85.00 for MCC Members) and for individuals is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC Members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

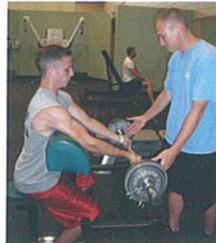
The Maplewood Community Center will be closed Sunday, April 4 for Easter.

MAY - SEPTEMBER BUILDING HOURS

Monday - Friday 5:30AM - 9:00PM

Saturday 6:00AM - 7:00PM

Sunday 9:00AM - 7:00PM



Spring Personal Training Special

\$110 4 Half Hour Sessions
\$80 4 Half Hour Sessions for MCC Members

Offer ends April 30, 2010

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Thank You For Your Years Of Dedication And Service

These City of Maplewood employees were recognized this year for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 & 35 years of service with the City.



Daddy Daughter Dance

FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 6:30 - 8:00PM

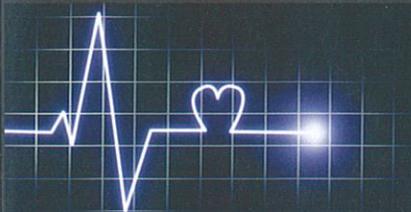
Dad, take your daughter out and enjoy great music, dancing and goodies! Each young lady will receive a corsage and each couple will receive a memory keepsake photograph of their special date. This semi-formal dance, for girls ages 5-12 years, will be held in the Maplewood Community Center banquet room. Cost is \$25.00/couple and \$7.00 each additional child (\$20.00/couple and \$5.00 each additional child for MCC members). Pre-registration is required. Call 651.249.2230 to register today!



Learn The Skill That

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CPR/AED AND FIRST AID CLASSES



FACT: 80 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed by a family member.

Fast, efficient CPR can double or triple a victim's chance of survival.



Community CPR (Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)
Saturday, April 10, 10AM - 5PM

Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR With First Aid
Saturday, May 8, 10AM - 5PM

Attention Childcare Providers! This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

CALL 651.249.2230 TO REGISTER.



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Maplewood Monthly

May 2010 City Newsletter

Save The Date

- **Kid's Stuff Sale**
May 7, 4:30 - 7:30PM
at Maplewood Community Center
- **Alison Scott & Brian Leighton**
May 7, 7:30PM
at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
- **National Trails Day**
June 5 at the Maplewood Community Center & Maplewood Nature Center
- **Suds, Sauce & Soul**
June 11, 6:00 - 10:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center
- **Extremely Green Summer Party**
June 18, 5:00 - 8:00PM
at Maplewood Nature Center

Lip Smackin' BBQ, Cold Brew & Unforgettable Soul Music

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 6:00 - 10:00PM

Savor the Flavor at the Maplewood Community Center's first ever Suds, Sauce, and Soul event! Join us on Friday, June 11 on the Maplewood Community Center Campus (located at 2100 White Bear Avenue) for an evening of food and fun at our outdoor grilling extravaganza. Feed your soul with live music from Alison Scott, tantalize your taste buds with lip smacking barbeque and wash it all down with a cold brew from the Maplewood-Oakdale Lions.

BBQ masters and grilling gurus from Maplewood and surrounding communities will be serving up taste-tempting treats. Throughout the night our expert panel of Foodie judges will be on hand to taste and test the many offerings. Ultimately they will choose a winner in each of three categories including: Best Wings, Best Ribs, and Best Sauce. Stick around until the end of the night to hear the winners announced and see if you agree! Judges will include: Greg Fox, Dakota County Hog Farmer and Minnesota Pork Board, a food expert from City Pages, and a BBQ guru from the Minnesota Barbecue Society.

With bragging rights (as well as a great prize package!) on the line, our BBQ Masters will surely pull out all the stops and serve up the best of the best! Before you leave don't forget to stop and visit some of our retail vendors offering all things grilling including BBQ related accessories and supply items such as sauces, rubs, grills, grill starters, and unique BBQ tools.

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The Gateway Trail Association will have refreshments at the "Hadley" rest stop in Oakdale and Gateway Cycle will be doing minor bike tune-ups and adjustments at no charge.

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 Customer Service 651.249.2230
 Admissions 651.249.2210
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 Group Information 651.249.2203
 Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
 Fitness 651.249.2207

Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2124

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

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Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Monday, May 3 & June 7 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, May 10 & 24 at 7:00PM
 City Council Wksp: Monday, May 3 at 5:15PM

Citizen's Forum: Saturday, May 1 at 10:00AM (City Hall)
 Saturday, June 5 at 10:00AM (Fire Station 3)

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, May 11 & 25 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Monday, May 17 at 7:00PM

Historical Preservation Committee: Thursday, May 20 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, May 12 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, May 19 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, May 4 & 18 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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Transit Link services the public where regular route transit service is not available and operates throughout Twin Cities communities. It is shared-ride service, which must be reserved before the trip – the same day or up to five business days in advance. Transit Link is for trips that can't be accomplished on regular transit routes alone, and may combine regular route and Transit Link service. If a rider must walk more than ¼ mile to a stop in the winter and more than ½ mile to a stop in the summer, the trip will qualify for Transit Link, at least for a portion of the trip. ADA-certified riders are eligible for door-to-door service and will not be required to walk to a regular route transit stop.

Trip Distance	Fare
Less than 10 miles	\$2.25 each way
Between 10 and 20 miles	\$4.50 each way
Greater than 20 miles	\$6.75 each way

Note: ADA certified riders pay a maximum of \$4.50 per direction, regardless of distance. Group discounts will also be available.

Transit Link service is curb-to-curb service, which means riders are picked up and dropped off at the curb of scheduled pickup and destination locations. Drivers will provide assistance with up to four grocery-sized bags for any rider, upon request. ADA-certified riders will receive door-to-door assistance, upon request, meaning the driver may assist them in getting from their front door to the bus and vice versa.

Transit Link service is county-based and not intended for commuters. Please call 651.602.LINK (5465) to ask about availability for your trip. Standard hours of operations for riders are weekdays from 6:00AM to 7:00PM

It should be noted that Metro Mobility is also a shared public transportation service for certified riders who are unable to use regular fixed-route buses due to a disability or health condition. Rides are provided for any purpose but riders must submit an application form to qualify. Customer service for Metro Mobility can be reached by dialing 651.602.1111. The cost for utilizing this door-to-door service ranges from \$3.00 to \$4.00 per one-way trip.

For more information, please call Metro Transit at 612.373.3333 to speak to a transit expert.

Filing Period For The Office Of City Councilmember

Primary Election August 10, 2010



The State Primary Election will be held on August 20, 2010. In conjunction with the State Primary a Special Election will be on the ballot for the office of City Councilmember to fill the remainder of the term vacated by councilmember Rossbach when he was elected to the office of mayor last fall. Unless a recount is required; the individual elected will be sworn in

on August 23, 2010. The term will expire December 31, 2011.

The filing period for the office of city councilmember for the August 10, 2010 Special Primary Election will be held from May 18, 2010 to June 1, 2010 at Maplewood City Hall. The fee to file is \$5.00.

For additional information contact Karen Guilfoile at 651.249.2002 or at karen.guilfoile@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

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By Councilmember John Nephew

A Retreat To Move Forward

On a Friday in early February, the City Council and the management team held a day-long retreat at the fire station on Clarence Street. The purpose of the retreat was threefold: to set council direction and goals for the next 2-3 years, identify short-term priorities, and build trust and better ways of working between staff and council.

We started by reviewing the city's assets and obstacles. Maplewood has a strong history, treasured parks and preserves, high quality services, dedicated staff, a robust business community, and an advantageous location within the Metro area. The city also faces obstacles such as the difficult economy, rising health care expenses, and unfunded mandates from higher levels of government.

Before the meeting, councilmembers filled out questionnaires, which produced a list of goals for discussion. We came to an agreement on what to prioritize. The following emerged as our top seven, as recorded by the retreat facilitator:

Goal Number 1 - Restore Reputation of Maplewood

Re-establish Maplewood's reputation as an attractive, viable community with good management, financial stability, sensible leadership with professional and dedicated staff.



Councilmembers Nephew and Llanas, Mayor Rossbach, Councilmembers Wasiluk and Junemann

Goal Number 2 - Good Government

Make Maplewood city government transparent and accessible; operate within an environment of efficiency and mutual respect. Take steps to restore trust and respect between the citizens, staff and elected officials.

Goal Number 3 - Parks and Recreation Department

Re-establish a Parks and Recreation Department using input from citizen surveys; revitalize leadership, establish new direction, program determination/stabilization, and possible joint venture with neighboring communities.

Goal Number 4 (tie) - Environmental Planning

Further develop processes for "going green," sustainability.

Goal Number 5 (tie) - Fiscal Responsibility

Manage the city's finances and financial planning effectively with an eye to providing stability and maximum value in the long term for our citizens.

Goal Number 6 - Infrastructure

Complete infrastructure upgrades.

Goal Number 7 - Redevelopment Plan

Create and commit to a redevelopment plan for the city through prioritizing and updating the Master Plan.

At our April 12th meeting, the Maplewood City Council formally adopted these goals by a unanimous vote.

This is a challenging time for local government. While financial assistance from the state has declined, the demand for services, from fire protection to street maintenance, certainly has not. We have to balance the need to limit the growth of property taxes, with the need to make the investments in our community that will bring greater prosperity and stability for all in the long term. Identifying these shared goals is an essential step toward better governance in our city.

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Fish Creek Wildflower Hike (All ages)

SATURDAY, MAY 8, 1:00 - 3:00PM

AT THE MAPLEWOOD NATURE CENTER

Co-sponsored by The Friends of Maplewood Nature

Discover the beauty of Maplewood's southern most Greenway where there is a rare local example of wildflowers you can grow in your yard. Learn how local citizens want to preserve the area. Hike along primitive trails and uneven terrain. Meet at Oakwood Church, 1388 Pointe Douglas Road South, in St. Paul.

Register online at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen

FREE Rain Barrel Installation Demonstration (Adults)

INSTALLATION DATES: MAY 11 OR JUNE 15, 7:00PM

Watch how Corrie Zoll of Metro Blooms installs rain barrels in homeowners' yards. Learn the techniques necessary for successful installation and get answers to your rain barrel questions. To register, call the Nature Center at 651.249.2170.

Waterfest At Lake Phalen (All ages)

SATURDAY, MAY 22, 10:00AM - 2:00PM (FREE)

Co-sponsored by The Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District

Look for the Maplewood Nature Center booth and lots of other fun displays and hands-on activities at Waterfest including: canoe rides, fishing lessons, prizes, games, kids exhibits, performances and more! Learn how to keep our waters clean for people and wildlife. Visit www.rwmwd.org for more information.

Annual Inspections of Elm, Oak & Ash

The City has hired Andy Hovland, certified arborist and licensed Tree Inspector, to survey the city's trees for Dutch elm disease, oak wilt and emerald ash borer. If you suspect you have a diseased tree, call the city's disease tree hotline at 651.249.2177. Information about these diseases is available on the city's website www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/trees. The city is required by state law to survey and control diseased trees. Maplewood requires tree removal companies to be licensed with the city. The list of contractors licensed with the city of Maplewood is on the website. Before hiring any contractor, find out if they are licensed with the city and have experience and knowledge of trees, removal and disease.

Emerald Ash Borer Workshop (Adults)

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 7:00 - 8:00PM

Certified Maplewood tree inspector and arborist Andy Hovland will answer all your questions about this invasive pest, and what steps we can take to prevent its spread. Learn to identify this insect, what signs to look for in your ash, and any prevention methods. The workshop takes place at the Maplewood Nature Center. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Plant A Tree This Year

The City of Maplewood is offering a purchase rebate to residential and commercial property owners for planting shade trees on landscaped property in Maplewood. The price of the tree will be reimbursed by the city at a 50% cost-share of up to \$100 per tree. For each household, up to 4 trees may be purchased, at a total maximum reimbursement of \$200. Please visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/trees to get all the information you need before purchasing your tree.

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Pride Of Maplewood Award

Congratulations to Susan Zwieg, Administrative Office Coordinator for the Maplewood Fire Department. Susan joined the City October 1, 1996.

"Since the day she started, she has been a leader in moving the department forward".

"Her commitment to the firefighters, residents and to her day-to-day duties put her in a class of outstanding".

"Susan has learned to take blood pressures and loves to do them for the folks who walk in. She always has a positive attitude when you are around her".

"Susan is a team player and is always looking for ways to make the department better. She is well liked by all her co-workers and delivers each and every day both internal and external outstanding customer service."

"Susan is the pride of the fire department".

Susan is now the Pride of Maplewood too. Thanks, Susan, for all you do.



Steve Lukin, Fire Chief (right) presents award to Susan Zwieg, Administrative Office Coordinator (left)

What Property Owners Living Adjacent To Wetlands Should Know

Wetlands serve beneficial environmental and economic functions. They maintain water quality by filtering pollutants and reducing flooding and erosion, provide food and habitat for wildlife, provide open space for human interaction, and are an integral part of the city's environment. Activity surrounding wetlands may degrade, pollute, or accelerate the aging of wetlands.



To protect this valuable resource, Maplewood updated its wetland ordinance in December 2009. The ordinance tries to balance the

protection of wetlands with the right of private land owners to use their land. An important part of protecting a wetland is protecting the buffer (strip of vegetation) located between developed land and a wetland. A good buffer protects a wetland, adds beauty, and provides habitat for wildlife. The city's goal is to ensure that the quality of buffers and wetlands improves over time, rather than deteriorates.

The ordinance allows for existing mowed lawns adjacent to wetlands, within a buffer, to be used to their full potential. So property owners that are currently mowing lawn up to or near the water's edge may continue to do so. However, the city encourages property owners to restore a strip of non-mowed vegetation along the water.

For buffers with existing native or naturalized vegetation, the ordinance allows small scale management of buffers, but these areas cannot be changed to lawn. A Wetland Buffer Management Worksheet and city staff approval is required for activities in buffers that may have an impact on the wetland. The worksheet is intended to help residents understand the potential for damage and make sure the plans for their project have minimized that risk.

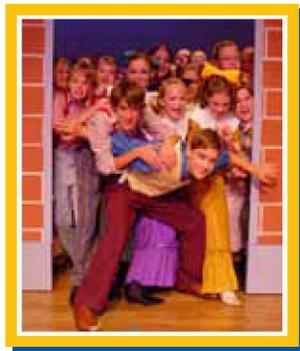
For more information on what activities are permitted or restricted in a wetland buffer, view the Resident's Guide to Wetlands located on the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/wetlands. For additional information or to have a guide mailed, faxed, or e-mailed to you, please contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner at 651.249.2304, or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us.



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Business and Economic Development Commission Look To Foster Future Opportunities

On July 27, 2009 the city council established the Business and Economic Development Commission (BEDC). This commission was created in response to the city of Maplewood's effort to direct more of its efforts into economic development and redevelopment. It has been determined in order for Maplewood to continue to grow and prosper the city will need to be an active player in economic issues. The following mission and vision statements serve to guide the BEDC as it considers issues.

"The mission of the Business and Economic Development Commission is to advise the Maplewood economic development authority on issues relating to maintaining, expanding and diversifying the economic and business opportunities in the city of Maplewood while addressing the needs of the city's residents' quality of life and its environment."

"The vision of the Business and Economic Development Commission is to promote and develop Maplewood's high quality business environment and thriving community. The commission will achieve its vision by promoting Maplewood's strategic location, educated workforce and desirable working environment. The commission is committed to the success of Maplewood's business community while improving employment opportunities for the residents of Maplewood."

The BEDC held its first meeting in March of 2010. The seven commission members were selected by the City Council and are Maplewood residents and/or businesses owners in the community. All seven members of the BEDC are deeply committed to jumpstarting this economic development effort and especially want to reach out to the business community in Maplewood to address their concerns. Creating partnerships with the Maplewood business community is essential to the success of this effort.

The BEDC meets the first Monday of every month at 7:00PM in the City Council chambers at City Hall. The general public and members of the business community are invited to attend meetings. BEDC members also want to encourage residents and business owners to contact them if they have any ideas or concerns for the city as it directs more of its resources towards economic development and redevelopment.

Contact information for all seven BEDC members can be found on the city's website – www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. The city's website also has several pages dedicated to economic development for additional information including a map displaying all commercial and industrial properties in the city either for sale or for lease. Also, feel free to contact any Maplewood city staff member with ideas or concerns. Michael Martin, a planner with the city, serves as the staff liaison for the BEDC and can be reached at 651.249.2303 or Michael.Martin@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Ramsey County Master Gardeners

Master Gardeners are trained volunteers who field thousands of questions from the public on topics ranging from sustainable lawn care and vegetable gardening to composting and proper pesticide use and the recent, serious threat from emerald ash borer. The program aims to connect University of Minnesota resources with the environmental needs and initiatives of Ramsey County. As part of this, Master Gardeners are reaching out to underserved audiences in Ramsey County, especially Hmong and Hispanic communities. For more information, call 651.704.2063 or email rcmg@umn.edu.

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We Want Your Feedback On Maplewood Parks & Recreation

The City of Maplewood strives to provide the highest quality possible in parks and recreation opportunities to our citizens and neighbors. We are always looking for ways to improve our services.

Please take a few moments to give us your feedback on how we are performing. There is a short survey available on the City's homepage under the Maplewood News section at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. Look for print versions of the survey at the Maplewood Library, the Maplewood Community Center, or at Maplewood City Hall. The survey is only available until June 1st.

If you have any questions regarding this survey, our parks, recreation and leisure programs, and natural resources offerings contact the Parks and Recreation Survey Coordinator John Held at 651.249.2023 or recreation programming at 651.249.2007.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this survey. Your input is greatly appreciated and is essential in our efforts to maintain high quality programs for Maplewood residents and the surrounding communities.

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City of Maplewood RECREATIONAL FIRE ORDINANCE

It's spring in Maplewood. That means it is time to plant flowers, ride bicycles and enjoy recreational fires in the backyard. Last year your City Council reviewed the City's Ordinance that governs recreational fires, as it had been many years since the Ordinance was looked at. In January the Council passed new language regarding those types of fires in Maplewood.

The State of Minnesota regulates what are referred to as "outdoor fires" through the State's Fire Code. Technically, all outdoor Fires are prohibited in Minnesota.

Outdoor fires, generally, are only legal if conducted pursuant to a permit. Recreational fires, on the other hand, are simply an exception to the general rule regarding outdoor fires.

A "recreational fire" is a fire that is small, manageable and above all, safe. The City's Ordinance addresses each of these points in some detail. Essentially instructing how far away from buildings you need have a fire; what you may and may not burn; and how to conduct a recreational fire with safety in mind.

Ordinance Highlights

Your fire must be:

- at least 25 feet away from any building
- enjoyed when the wind is 15 mph or less
- no bigger than 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet
- attended at all times while burning
- conducted between 2 p.m. and 11 p.m.
- extinguishable with something on-hand, e.g., a garden hose, pail of sand or certified extinguisher

If you have questions about recreational fires or about burning, please contact the Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshall, Butch Gervais at 651.249.2804.



Prepare To Stop!



Each year the city receives several requests for installing or removing stop signs. Proponents to stop sign installation typically present a relatively emotional appeal based on a recent accident or series of “near misses”. Opponents to stop signs voice their dissatisfaction with the inconvenience, noise, pollution, and determined motorists who simply ignore

or circumvent stop signs. Often a stop sign is installed at the request of neighborhood residents, only to be opposed by other residents and subsequently removed.

To help eliminate this problem, the city council has an adopted policy whereby the issues of neighborhood signs are heard once each year. The following is the city council adopted neighborhood stop-sign policy:

1. Requests from citizens require a minimum of 12 property owner signatures in order to show neighborhood support and hopefully to foster neighborhood discussion before going to the council.
2. A response will be sent by the city to the requesting party indicating that a public meeting will be held during the month of July.
3. A special article will be published in the July Maplewood Monthly providing a discussion of stop sign pros and cons, along with the list of areas to be considered.
4. Depending on the number of requests, either a special meeting or a regular council meeting will serve as the open meeting for the public discussion.

Keep in mind that this policy for one hearing per year applies only to neighborhood stop signs. Other warranted stop sign requests will still be considered on a case-by-case basis throughout the year. Please send your petition, with a minimum of 12 property owner signatures, to the public works department before May 21, 2010.

On The Police Scanner

In March, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 1,925 calls for service.

- 18 Assault Cases
- 0 Robbery Case
- 16 Burglary Cases
- 121 Theft Cases
- 9 Auto Theft Cases
- 68 Theft from Vehicle Cases
- 26 Criminal Damage to Property Cases



In addition, Officers made 79 arrests for shoplifting, 25 arrests for DWI.

Sold Out Theatre Cheers On Step Up To The Mic Finalists And Winners!



Brenna Skallet Selena Brills Kison Ellis Richardson

Congratulations to Maplewood's newest music stars – the Adult and Youth Winners of Step Up To The Mic! Over 200 youth and adults competed in the first ever vocal competition hosted by the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre and Ashland Productions. After challenging preliminary rounds which took place at the beginning of March, two winners and two runners-up were finally selected during the “Final 15” Final Show Friday, March 26 and Saturday, March 27.

Winners included Youth Winner Brenna Skallet, a 14-year-old singer from Thief River Falls, who also plays guitar, violin and piano. Her soul stirring rendition of Martina McBride's “Anyway,” won her approving comments and votes from the judges, including:

- “Beautiful voice – good control and dynamics!”
- “Sounded at ease from the start – very poised.”
- “Great overall performance.”

Selena Brills, a 10-year-old from Blaine, placed as the Youth Runner-Up with her version of a country medley that combined “Blue” and “Cowboy Sweetheart.” As reward for their outstanding performances, Brenna won a Disney vacation for two as part of her extensive prize package and Selena took home the opportunity to perform at “Sample Night Live,” in downtown St. Paul.

The Adult Winner was Kison, also known as Kimberly Swanson, a 25-year-old singer-songwriter from Warren, MN who now lives and works in Minneapolis. Her killing version of “I’ll Drown In My Own Tears” scored her the win and the following judge’s feedback:

- “Great all around performance.”
- “True soul – great, great job.”
- “Absolutely beautiful – you know your voice and it is exceptional.”

Shoreview’s Ellis Richardson, a 20-year-old Hamline University student studying Theater Arts, took the Adult Runner-Up position with his version of “Sunday Morning” by Maroon 5.

Kison won a studio recording experience as well as a prize package and Ellis Richardson was given the opportunity to perform at “Sample Night Live,” in downtown St. Paul with Youth Runner Up Selena Brills.

Both winners will be performing live at the Taste of Maplewood, August 6 & 7. Don’t miss their Maplewood debut appearances!

Proposed Ban On Coal Tar Sealants

The city adopted the surface water management plan as part of the 2030 Comprehensive Plan in January 2010. Implementation requirements of the surface water management plan call for an update to the city's stormwater ordinance to ensure all requirements of the plan are being met.

The Environmental and Natural Resources (ENR) Commission worked with staff to refine the ordinance language during two separate meetings. The ordinance is now ready to be brought forward to the city council for a public hearing and first reading on May 10, 2010 at 7:15PM at the City Council chambers.



A summary of the ordinance changes include the requirement that all new development and redevelopment projects which encompass one-half acre or more of disturbed area or 5,000 square-foot or more of new impervious surface will be evaluated based on the new stormwater requirements. For example: runoff rates shall not exceed the pre-project runoff rates for the 2-year, 10-year, and 100-year critical duration storm events; volume reduction and pollutant removal would be met through infiltration practices for runoff volumes of at least 1.0 inch over all new impervious and redevelopment impervious portions of a project; and no person shall throw, drain, discharge, into the municipal separate storm sewer system any pollutants or waters containing any pollutants other than stormwater.

Another important element of the proposed stormwater ordinance is the ban on the use of coal tar sealants. The use of both asphalt and coal tar based sealers on asphalt driveways is a common practice. However coal tar sealant products contain high concentrations of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), which are formed by the incomplete combustion of organic materials such as coal and oil. Scientific studies have demonstrated a relationship between the use of these products on stormwater runoff and certain health and environmental concerns. Asphalt based sealant is the preferred alternative.

The 2009 Legislature enacted a bill that restricts state agencies from purchasing coal tar based sealants starting July 1st, 2010. Additional technical information can be found at www.pca.state.mn.us/water/stormwater/stormwater-coaltar.html. Visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/stormwater to view the proposed ordinance. For more information, contact Michael Thompson, city engineer at 651.249.2403 or michael.thompson@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Does The City Allow Those Signs?



When the snow melts and spring is in the air, temporary signs along the roads seem to pop up out of nowhere, like sprouting tulips. Unlike tulips, however, these signs can be unattractive, cause nuisances, and can give a low impression of the community. Of particular concern are signs that advertise a product or service sold elsewhere.

In January 2010 the Maplewood City Council adopted a new sign ordinance. Included in the ordinance were additional restrictions on signs along roads. Following is a summary of the temporary signs which ARE allowed along the road:

1. Garage Sale Signs
 - Up to 3 square feet in area and 3 feet in height
 - Cannot be placed on a telephone pole or other structure along the road
 - Cannot be placed between the road and a sidewalk or trail
 - Must be placed at least 5 feet to the road pavement
 - Must be placed at least 1 foot to a sidewalk or trail
 - Must display the actual dates of the sale
 - Can be placed along the road 1 day before a sale and must be removed at least 1 day after the sale
2. Off-Site Directional and Open House Real Estate Signs
 - Up to 3 square feet in area and 3 feet in height
 - Cannot be placed on a telephone pole or other structure along the road
 - Cannot be placed between the road and a sidewalk or trail
 - Must be placed at least 5 feet to the road pavement
 - Must be placed at least 1 foot to a sidewalk or trail
 - Open house real estate signs can be placed along the road on the day of the open house only
 - Off-site directional real estate signs can be placed along the road for 30 days per real estate listing
 - Off-site directional real estate signs must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person responsible for the sign and the date the sign was installed along the road

The city regulates temporary signs in order to facilitate communication, promote public safety, minimize visual clutter, and enhance property values and business opportunities. For more information visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/signs or contact Shann Finwall at 651.249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Get Movin'

The Maplewood Community Center will be closed Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day.



The Maplewood Community Center Is Offering A Great Membership Special With New Activities For Tweens!

Looking for a healthy, fun way for your children to spend the summer? The Maplewood Community Center is offering a Staycation Special geared especially for youth 10-17. For as little as \$90 your child can have full access to the Maplewood Community Center for 90 days and take part in fun activities including swimming laps in the aquatic center, floor hockey, badminton, shooting hoops in the gym, and for ages 16-17 workout in the Strength and Cardio Center or take one of many group fitness classes. For youth ages 10-15, enjoy structured activities every Wednesday from 1:00-2:00PM including Crazy Pool Games, Wii Sports, Drumming and Dodgeball. Children under 10 are welcome to take part in the Staycation Special but must be accompanied by an adult while visiting the community center. We will end the summer with a mini triathlon for all participants. All tweens who visit the Maplewood Community Center and work out 30 of the 90 days will qualify for the Let's Move program and will receive special prizes. Don't wait, take advantage of the Staycation Special now! Offer ends May 21, 2010. Some age restrictions apply. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.



New! Boot Camp

THURSDAYS, MAY 20 - JUNE 24, 6:00 - 7:00PM

This workout has it all! With an emphasis on form and function, Boot Camp is designed to take your workout to a new level! Strength, endurance, cardio and resistance training are all rolled into one hour. Join a Certified Personal Trainer for this intense class integrating the use of the BOSU balance trainer along with dumbbells, stability balls and bands. Work at your pace while completing the challenge of drills. Cost is \$48.00 (\$36.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 or register the easy way-online! www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com

Space is Limited!

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Summer Melt Down

TRANSFORM YOUR BODY, MIND & LIFE...ONE POUND AT A TIME.

Registration Closes May 21!

- 1st Place: TREK Mountain Bike
- 2nd Place: 4 Passes to Logger Trail Golf Club in Stillwater and \$50 Manitowish Station Restaurant Gift Certificate
- 3rd Place: 3 Month MCC Membership
- 4th Place: \$75 Applebee's Gift Certificate
- 5th Place: 3 Session Personal Training Package and MCC Sweatshirt
- 6th Place: 2 Tickets to Tim Mehoney at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre

Midway prizes include Dunn Brothers Coffee Bean Gift Cards and Matrix Fitness Systems T-Shirts and workout towels.

Cost is \$240 for members and \$360 for non-members (fee includes a 3 month membership). This 12-week challenge starts June 7.

Visit www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com or call (651) 249-2230 for more details!

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Youth Programs

Summer Day Camp

MONDAY - FRIDAY, JUNE 14 - SEPTEMBER 3

9:00AM - 4:00PM (BEFORE & AFTER CARE AVAILABLE)

Maplewood Parks & Recreation still has openings in their popular day camp! This fun-filled program for children ages 6-12 offers educational activities, arts and crafts, fitness and special events to create a quality camp experience. The energetic staff who lead this camp are well trained, responsible, and excited for the campers to join them in the summer adventures. Sibling discounts are offered. Call 651.249.2230 to register or for more information.

Karate

Put Your Child Center Stage With Martial Arts

Your child will learn the skills they need to be successful in life and learning; exercise, discipline, respect, team work and problem solving to name a few. Taught by Mr. Welsh of The Edge Martial Arts at the Maplewood Community Center on Mondays. Cost is \$60.00 and (\$45.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register. **SAVE! Register for 3 Months and receive \$5 OFF each month.**

LITTLE DRAGONS (ages 4-6) 5:15-5:45PM

BEGINNER (ages 7+) 5:45-6:15PM

ADVANCED BEGINNER (Gold belt and higher) 6:15-7:00PM

Youth Basketball Clinic

THURSDAYS, MAY 20 – JUNE 24

This clinic is designed for boys and girls Kindergarten through grade 5 who want to learn the basic skills of basketball or want to be introduced to a new sport. Participants will learn the basics first: rules of the game, the different lines on a court, dribbling, passing, shooting, offensive and defensive positioning among other skills leading to game play. Basketball hoop heights will be adjusted to meet the needs of participants. Each player will receive a cool clinic shirt! Cost is \$50.00 (\$40 for MCC members). The clinic is held at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.22330 to register.

K - 1st grade 5:30 - 6:25PM

2nd - 3rd grade 6:30 - 7:25PM

4th - 5th grade 7:30 - 8:25PM

Young Rembrandts (Ages 6-12 years)

Summer Cartooning

MONDAYS, JULY 12 - AUGUST 16 10:00-11:00AM

THURSDAYS, JULY 15 - AUGUST 19, 6:30-7:30PM

Create amazing cartoons! Discover story-telling through pictures. You will build artistic skills with step-by-step instructions from an enthusiastic and talented teacher. This class will expand your knowledge in art. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$60.00 per session. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



TUESDAYS - THURSDAYS, 9:00 - 12:00PM

Make your child's first camp experience a positive one at the Maplewood Community Center! Our pre-school camp is for children wishing to go to camp, but not yet ready for a full day. Our camps feature weekly themes, cooking, nature activities, arts and crafts projects, swimming, games, free play, music, story time and more! Campers will have an opportunity to learn and play both indoors and out. All children **MUST BE POTTY TRAINED**. Cost is \$50.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members) and includes a camp t-shirt. Staff ratio is 1 staff for every 5 campers and is limited to 20 campers per session. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Silly Science: June 22 - 24

Back To Nature: July 13 - 15

Wacky Waters: July 20 - 22

Silly Science: August 10 - 12

Red Cross Babysitting Class

SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 9:00AM - 3:30PM

A certified Red Cross Instructor will teach this hands-on course dealing with the challenges and rewards of caring for younger children. Students will learn and put into practice valuable concepts and problem solving skills and upon course completion will be Red Cross certified babysitters. Class is appropriate for participants ages 11 and up and will meet in the MCC Activity Room. Cost is \$60.00 and includes a \$10.00 Red Cross Kit. Students should bring a bag lunch or money for the MCC Concessions Counter. Class size is limited. Call 651.249.2230 to register early!

SUMMER HORSE DAY CAMPS

August 10-12 and August 23-25, 9:00 - 12:00PM



This camp is geared for younger riders (ages 7-12) of all skill levels. Campers will participate in grooming, tacking, and riding each day. Campers will leave the Maplewood Community Center at 9:00AM, returning there at 12:00PM. Parents are invited to a Photo op on Friday to observe their campers in action. The 3 Day Summer Camps are held at Woodloch Stable in Hugo. Cost is \$145.00. Camps fill up fast! Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Youth Programs



3rd Lair Skate Park Camp

SESSION 1: JUNE 21 - 25, 8:15AM - 3:00PM

SESSION 2: JULY 12 - 16, 8:15AM - 3:00PM

SESSION 3: AUGUST 2 - 6, 8:15AM - 3:00PM

Try out skateboarding at one of the nation's finest indoor/outdoor skate-parks - the 3rd Lair! Ages 8 - 16 and all skill levels are welcome. The campers are taught the basics: balance, pushing, dropping in, skatepark safety and etiquette. Equipment needed for camp: skateboard, and helmet. Knee pads, elbow pads, and wrist guards are recommended. **Registration deadline is one week before camp.** Cost is \$180.00 which includes transportation from the MCC. Lunch may be purchased at the skate-park for \$4.00 or you can bring a bag lunch.

Campers will receive: a 2010 skateboard camp t-shirt, 3rd Lair photo ID card, free open skate everyday after camp, free pad and equipment rental, 10% off in the SkateShop during the week, most improved rider will receive special prize, certificates of completion for every rider, and promotional products from our sponsors.

Summer Volleyball Camp

STARTING IN AUGUST

If you want to learn about volleyball, improve your skills, or prepare for tryouts, Kokoro Volleyball will help you reach your goals. Our camps are lead by R. T. Luczak who has coached all ages from beginning players to Collegiate Division I and Professional players. All Camps will be held at Edgerton Community Gym, 1929 Edgerton Street in Maplewood. Cost is \$200.00 per camp and includes 20 hours of instruction and a camp t-shirt. For more information or to register, call 651.750.2876.

Maplewood Nature Center Family Events!



Peer Into The Pond (FREE!)

SATURDAY, MAY 29, 1:30 - 2:30PM

Children ages 5 and up with an adult can catch, identify and release snails, waterbugs and minnows from our 600 foot floating boardwalk. View them live under our TV video cam. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Happy Trails Hike (FREE!)

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 9:30 - 11:30AM

Children ages 4 and up with an adult can celebrate National Trails Day with a naturalist-led on the nature center's new trail system. Grab a Fun Pack filled with all you need to sample the fauna in woods, pond and prairie along the way. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Junior Volunteers (FREE!)

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 6:30 - 8:00PM (informational mtg)

TUESDAYS, JUNE 15 - JULY 27, 9:30 - 11:15AM

Children ages 10-14 are invited to make new friends and learn about the outdoors. Assist the naturalist with on-going trail projects and neighborhood preserves. Clear brush, pull buckthorn and plant and maintain wildflowers. Help take care of the live animals. Informational meeting: Parent and child attendance required. Call 651.249.2170 To register.

Want To See The Largest Pin Oak In The state?

You need go no farther than the nature center! The big oak tree under which so many have picnicked, has been measured and emerged as a new champion for 2010! It will be listed on the state's Big Tree Registry, and is currently on the city's Big Tree Registry – check out the Big Tree Registry under the nature center, on-line. Our new champion status will be celebrated this year at the Arbor Day event held May 1.

**2659 East Seventh Street
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www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc**

Aquatics & CPR

SUMMER SWIM REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW!

Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. All summer full session classes include eight lessons and cost \$68.00 (\$53.00 for MCC members). Semi-private lessons are available Monday - Thursday at a rate of \$115.00 (\$90.00 for MCC members).

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on I Want To or E-Services). Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Water Safety Instructor Training

MONDAY - FRIDAY, JUNE 14 - 18, 9:00AM - 6:00PM

Are you interested in being trained as a Red Cross Water Safety Instructor? We are now offering WSI training for individuals ages 16+. Cost is \$225.00.

Water Safety Aide Program

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1:00 - 6:00PM

We now offer FREE training to individuals 10 and older who have completed Red Cross Swim Level 4 and are interested in being a volunteer aide for our swim lessons program. For more information contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or at ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Lifeguarding Training (Includes Waterfront Certification)

MONDAY - FRIDAY, JUNE 21 - 25, 1:00 - 6:00PM

Lifeguard Training class is offered through the MCC to train and certify perspective candidates to be lifeguards. If you are interested in a job that provides good pay and teaches lifesaving skills, then this is the class for you! Cost is \$180.00 (\$150.00 MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



AQUATIC CENTER SPECIAL EVENTS!

Come jump, splash, float, and slide. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring the whole family. FREE for members and the cost of daily admission for non-members.

Flotation Days
May 28 & June 25
5:00 - 8:00PM

National Trails Day
Special Flotation Event
June 5, 10:00 - 1:00PM

Wacky Flotation
Wednesday
June 30, 1:00 - 4:00PM

CPR/AED and First Aid Classes

These classes are designed to inform people how to respond in emergency and life-threatening situations. After successful completion of the course participants will receive Red Cross Certifications. All classes are held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$80.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members).

COMMUNITY CPR:
(Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)
SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

CHILD CPR/AED AND INFANT CPR WITH FIRST AID:
SATURDAY, MAY 8 OR JULY 10, 10:00AM - 5:00PM



ATTENTION CHILDCARE PROVIDERS!
Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR with First Aid
is designed to meet state CPR and
First Aid requirements.

Adult & 55+ Programs

See page 4 for tree classes offered by the Maplewood Nature Center

MCC Foot Care Sessions

TUESDAYS, MAY 11, JUNE 8, JULY 13, 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Professional Foot Care in a Private Setting!

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes:

- Foot Massage
- Cutting Toenails
- Filing Corns & Calluses
- Foot Soak

Dodgeball League (18+)

Competitive League: Monday's June 21 - August 23

Recreational League: Tuesday's June 22 - Aug 24

Game Times: Between 6:00PM - 9:00PM

Join other people interested in experiencing the fun of a recreational dodgeball league in a structured and exciting environment! Each team must consist of 6-10 participants containing any combination of males or females. The league will be 8 weeks long with a 4 team playoff the 9th week. League champions will receive FREE entry to the next league. At the mandatory team manager meeting on June 15, 6:00PM schedules will be handed out, rules will be explained and questions will be answered. Registration Deadline: Friday June 11! Cost is \$300 per team.

Table Tennis Leagues & Tournaments

The Maplewood Community Center is offering adult co-ed Table Tennis Leagues and Tournaments starting mid May. Visit the website or call 651.249.2204 for more details.

Get Out On the Links With MCC's Summer Golf League

Wednesday Nights June 9 - August 11

This league will take place at Island Lake Golf & Training Center in Shoreview. This short, user friendly course features 9 holes with 8 par 3's and 1 par 4. Each week there will be a fun on-course competition where you can win "MCC dollars". At the end of the league, the value you win will be put onto a gift certificate for use at the Maplewood Community Center. Sign up as a single, couple or 3-some and we'll create the groups for you. If you have a group of 4 you can sign up together. Tee times may rotate, but it will be close to 5:00PM each week. Don't miss the Championship and Cook-out Day August 11th! Cost is \$199.00 or (\$185.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Fee includes all your green fees, prizes and end of the year cook-out. Riding carts are available and can be rented weekly for only \$4/player.

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center
2100 White Bear Ave.

May 10: Bullet Proof Your Immune System

Information on the vitamins, supplements and natural foods for "super immunity". Presented by Vibrant Life Center.

May 17: Learn To Play Guitar

Join local musician and guitar instructor Dave Roby to find out what you need to start this fun and rewarding hobby. Music is good for mental health and keeping the small motor skills sharp. Those attending receive a coupon for \$5 off beginner guitar lessons.

May 24: Senior Fitness Assessment

Maintaining adequate strength, endurance and agility is critical for older adults in order to ensure independence for years to come. This seminar is a battery of tests designed to cover the major components of fitness for older adults. Courtesy of the Maplewood Care Center and The Homestead of Maplewood.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Maplewood Mall 2010 Event Calendar

May 2	Lemonade Day
May 7-9	Mother's Appreciation Beauty Weekend
May 21-23	Family Fun & Leisure Expo
May 22	Educational Fair
June 4-6	Unique Shows Home & Better Living Show
June 18-20	Unique Shows Father's Day Gift Show
July 1	Zumiez Couch Tour
July 21	Project Style Tour
July 30 - August 1	Gingerbread Craft Show
August 26- Sept 6	State Fair Shuttle Rides - SW Parking Lot
September 3-5	Unique Shows Labor Day Gift Show
September 17-19	Fall Home Show
September 25-27	Craft Frenzy Craft Show
October 29-31	Gingerbread Craft Show
October 31	Halloween Mall Wide Trick-or-Treating
November 12-14	Unique Shows Holiday Gift Show
November TBD	Santa Photos through Christmas Eve
November 25	Thanksgiving Day - MALL CLOSED
November 26	Black Friday - Early Mall Open
November 26-28	Gingerbread Shows Craft Show
December 2-5	Gingerbread Shows Craft Show
December 10-12	Unique Shows Christmas Gift Show
December 25	Christmas Day - MALL CLOSED

-Wednesdays & Fridays - free blood pressure checks provided by Century College nursing students available during 1st & 2nd semester of classes. 8am-10am in the Food Court.

-Century College runs a parking lot shuttle service for students to park at Maplewood Mall and ride the shuttle to the college. Shuttle runs Monday thru Friday every half hour between 6:30am and 5:30pm.

Call the Shopping Line at 651-770-5020 for details.
Events are subject to change without notice.

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New Flood Plain Maps & Ordinance

In 2009 the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) conducted a flood plain study of Ramsey County. The study was conducted to update the county's flood plain maps, which were originally created in 1986. Flood plain maps are used as an assessment tool to help determine the different flooding risks in a community. Updates to these maps are necessary because of physical changes in the flood plains caused by land use, development, erosion, and natural forces.

Maplewood has assessed the new flood plain map data and found that some properties will be affected by the new maps. The city will be notifying these property owners of their new flood plain status through the mail.

In addition to updating the flood plain maps, FEMA has also made amendments to the Code of Federal Regulations (Code 44, Section

60.3) dealing with flooding. FEMA is requiring that municipalities update their flood plain ordinances to comply with the new regulations, which includes adopting the new flood plain maps.

The Maplewood Environmental and Natural Resources Commission and the Planning Commission have reviewed and recommended approval of flood plain ordinance amendments to meet the new FEMA requirements. The City Council will hold two readings of the proposed flood plain ordinance amendments on May 10 and 24, 2010, at 7:00PM.

For more information on the new flood plain maps or ordinance amendment, visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/floodplain or contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner at 651.294.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Two Great Artists, One Great Show!

Alison Scott & GB Leighton



May 7, 2010 At 7:30PM

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Maplewood Monthly

June 2010 City Newsletter



In memory of
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Maplewood Police Department

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Donations for the Sergeant Joseph Bergeron memorial fund can be sent to:

Sgt. Joe Bergeron Memorial Fund, City & County Credit Union

1661 Cope Avenue East, Maplewood, MN 55109.

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James Llanas: Councilmember 651.488.2745
John Nephew: Councilmember 651.776.5963
Julie Wasiluk: Councilmember 651.776.2633
Jim Antonen: City Manager 651.249.2050

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Frequently Called Numbers

Maplewood City Hall

General Information 651.249.2000
Deputy Registrar and Passport Hours:
Monday - Friday: 8:00AM - 4:30PM
Saturday: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Maplewood Community Center

Registration 651.249.2230
Customer Service 651.249.2230
Admissions 651.249.2210
Theater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
Group Information 651.249.2203
Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
Aquatics 651.249.2206
Child Care 651.249.2218
Fitness 651.249.2207

Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2124

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

Code Enforcement

Hotline 651.249.CODE (2633)
Online: Go to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us and click on
"Report A Violation" on the right-hand side of the home page.

Our sincere thanks for all of the food, flowers, cards, memorials, and donations from citizens, businesses, and our extended public safety family.

The overwhelming support and thoughtfulness at the loss of Sergeant Bergeron, a co-worker, friend, husband, and father has been comforting in the darkest of hours.



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Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Business & Economic Development Commission:
Monday, June 7 & July 7 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, June 14 & 28 at 7:00PM
City Council Wksp: Monday, June 7 at 5:15PM

Citizen's Forum: Saturday, June 5 at 10:00AM (Fire Station 3)
Saturday, July 10 at 10:00AM (City Hall)

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, June 22 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Wednesday, June 23 at 7:00PM

Historical Preservation Commission: Thursday, June 17 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, June 9 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, June 16 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, June 1 & 15 at 7:00PM

City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us.
Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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When we reuse, we reduce the need to manufacture new products and prevent materials from being wasted – saving energy, protecting air and water quality, preserving our environment and protecting our health.

The Free Market provides a money saving alternative to wasting – saving money on the cost of disposal and the cost of buying new items. Reusing items also reduces the need for tax supported programs to manage waste.

People who use the Free Market feel good knowing they have given useful items they no longer need to someone who can appreciate and use them. Tell a friend about Twin Cities Free Market - create connections in your community and reduce waste! Call 651.222.7678 for more information.

Funding for Twin Cities Free Market is provided in part by Ramsey County.



Note: There will be no July 4th Fireworks held at Hazelwood Park this year.

Pride of Maplewood Award

Sergent Joe Bergeron
11-25-60 to 5-1-10



Ramsey County Fair

July 14 - 18

The 97th Annual Ramsey County Fair will feature five days of fun-filled activities at the County Fairgrounds near Aldrich Arena – White Bear Ave. at Frost in Maplewood. It has been the intent of the fair planners to make this annual county fair a participation experience as well as a spectator's experience. Youth and adults can compete in all of the educational exhibits (cooking, sewing, crafts, gardening, etc.) for ribbons and cash prizes. Winners in the talent contest will enter into the Minnesota State Fair competition. There will be a variety of entertainment – daily bands, kids can be “farmer for the day”, children's petting zoo, Showboat Marionettes, fireworks, carnival rides, parade and more. Commercial exhibitors, food vendors and carnival rides round out the fair activities. For a complete list of events and times, call the county fair office at 651.770.2626 or visit the web site at ramseycountyfair.com. Before the fair opens carnival ride tickets at significantly reduced prices can now be obtained at Maplewood City Hall or at the Maplewood Community Center. The admission to the County Fair is free.

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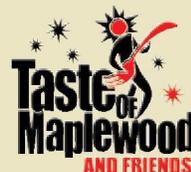
100 METER RACE DETAILS

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DEADLINE: JULY 29



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Extreme Green Makeover

Transforming Yards For A Sustainable Maplewood

June 25 Is The Deadline To Apply For The Extreme Green Makeover

This opportunity brought to you by the City of Maplewood, Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District and the Ramsey County Library. Sponsored in part by the Friends of Maplewood Nature.

Want a **GREEN** yard? It's your last chance to attend **EXTREME GREEN MAKEOVER** events to transform your yard into one that features sustainable landscaping principles. Learn to compost, observe a rainbarrel installation, and then kick-off summer the Green way. **One lucky Maplewood resident* that attends a class will win up to a \$15,000 yard makeover! Plus there will be an opportunity to win one of two \$500 gift certificates from Home Depot and Linders Garden store.** So far, there has been a lot of community interest in the Makeover classes and events. The nature center has received twenty six applications for a free installation of a rainbarrel.

We encourage everyone to apply – don't worry if you think your yard won't be right – if you are interested – please do attend a class, pick up an application and have fun with it! The winning homeowner will be able to consult with the Landscape Architect as part of the design process, and together you can make your landscaping dreams come true in a most sustainable, yet fun and artistic way! Just remember to return the filled out application to the nature center by June 25.

EXTREME GREEN MAKEOVER embraces these GREEN landscaping goals:

- **Green design** – Create aesthetically pleasing landscapes that meet the needs of residents and benefit the environment.
- **Rain water** – Put rain water to use in the yard.
- **Energy landscaping** – Reduce heating and cooling costs with plants.
- **Effective resource use** – Minimize the use of water, fertilizers, and pesticides.
- **Native plants** – Plant natives to enhance habitat for birds, butterflies and other wildlife.

*For any Maplewood resident who lives in the Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District.

Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 1



1. Rain canal directs rainwater from roof to Rain Garden.
2. Butterflyplant and boulders add color and interest.
3. Stained Concrete Rainplanter soaks up water. Large amounts of water flow to rain garden

Come visit the nature center yard to see examples of these green goals in practice. You can also visit the Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District office for additional examples.

For more information, visit the city website at ci.maplewood.mn.us/naturecenter and click on **EXTREME GREEN MAKEOVER**.

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Get Moving!

The Maplewood Community Center will be close Sunday, July 4th.

Karate

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Your child will learn the skills they need to be successful in life and learning; exercise, discipline, respect, team work and problem solving to name a few. Taught by Mr. Welsh of The Edge Martial Arts at the Maplewood Community Center on Mondays. Cost is \$60.00 and (\$45.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register. **SAVE! Register for 3 Months and receive \$5 OFF each month.**

LITTLE DRAGONS (ages 4-6) 5:15-5:45PM

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Ditch the Workout and Join the Party with Zumba at Maplewood Community Center!

Zumba ("Zoom-Ba") is a dance fitness sensation that incorporates music from around the world into an hour-long group class. You can burn up to 1,000 calories in an hour depending upon your exertion and fitness level!

TUESDAYS, June 1 - 29 & July 6 - 27, 5:30 - 6:30PM

THURSDAYS, June 3 - 24 & July 1 - 29, 5:30 - 6:30PM

SATURDAYS, June 5 - 26 & July 10 - 31, 9:30 - 10:30AM

4 Week Session: \$32.00 (\$24.00 for MCC Members)

5 Week Session: \$40.00 (\$30.00 for MCC Members)

Drop-in Session: \$10.00 (\$8.00 for MCC Members)



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Call today! (651) 249-2230
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www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com



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Youth Programs

Tots In Motion

TUESDAYS, JULY 13 - AUGUST 17, 5:30 - 6:15PM

This class is designed for parents/grandparents and toddlers from walking age to three years old. Learn simple dance moves, activity and sing-a-long songs, and most of all, have a great time with your little ones! We will also enjoy some playtime in the gym each week at the conclusion of class. This class is held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Beginning Tumbling

(AGES 2-3) FRIDAY, JULY 9 - AUGUST 13, 9:00 - 9:45AM

(AGES 4-6) FRIDAY, JULY 9 - AUGUST 13, 9:45 - 10:30AM

(AGES 2-3) SATURDAY, JULY 10 - AUGUST 14, 9:00 - 9:45AM

(AGES 4-6) SATURDAY, JULY 9 - AUGUST 14, 9:45 - 10:30AM

These classes are designed especially for little ones to practice their coordination while learning to take turns, follow directions, interact with others and most importantly, have fun! They will be introduced to floor mats, wedges, and low and high balance beams. Cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



On The Police Scanner

In April, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 2,057 calls for service.

- 21 Assault Cases
- 2 Robbery Case
- 14 Burglary Cases
- 122 Theft Cases
- 40 Auto Theft Cases
- 16 Theft from Vehicle Cases
- 50 Criminal Damage to Property Cases



In addition, Officers made 54 arrests for shoplifting, 15 arrests for DWI.



TUESDAYS - THURSDAYS, 9:00 - 12:00PM

Make your child's first camp experience a positive one at the Maplewood Community Center! Our pre-school camp is for children wishing to go to camp, but not yet ready for a full day. Our camps feature weekly themes, cooking, nature activities, arts and crafts projects, swimming, games, free play, music, story time and more! Campers will have an opportunity to learn and play both indoors and out. All children **MUST BE POTTY TRAINED**. Cost is \$50.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members) and includes a camp t-shirt. Staff ratio is 1 staff for every 5 campers and is limited to 20 campers per session. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Silly Science: June 22 - 24

Back To Nature: July 13 - 15

Wacky Waters: July 20 - 22

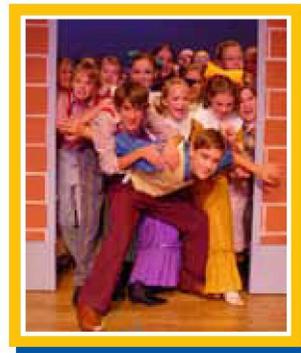
Silly Science: August 10 - 12



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Youth Programs

Music Together Spring Session

THURSDAYS, JUNE 24 - AUGUST 12 AT 6:15PM

Free Demo: Thurs., June 10, & June 17, at 6:15PM. Registration is required for the demonstration classes. Register at www.MusicTogetherClasses.com

Join us this Summer for Music Together: music and movement classes for children from birth to kindergarten and the grownups who love them.

You'll sing, dance, laugh and play rhythm instruments in this joy-filled, research-based program. You'll take home your own CDs and songbooks so the fun and learning can continue at home. Classes are mixed-age, so siblings can be together. This engaging curriculum supports children's overall development—their cognitive, social, physical, verbal AND music development. Try a free demonstration class to see if Music Together is a good fit for your family. Classes are at the Maplewood Community Center and the cost for the eight-week summer program is \$140.00 for the first registered child and \$72.00 for each additional child over 8 months. Infants born after Oct. 20, 2009, are free with a paying sibling. For more information or to register, visit www.MusicTogetherClasses.com or call 651.439.4219.

Guitar Lessons (10+)

THURSDAYS, JUNE 17 - JULY 22

BEGINNING 6:00 - 6:55PM

LEVEL 2 7:00 - 7:55PM

CONTINUING (COMPLETED LEVEL 2) 8:00 - 8:55PM

If you always wanted to learn how to play guitar, here is your chance. Learn to play chords, your favorite songs and tune your guitar with easy to follow instruction! The Beginner class is designed for those who have not played before, Level 2 is for participants who have played before or have completed the Beginner level and Continuing is for participants who have completed Level 2 and want to keep playing while receiving instruction. Participants are required to bring their own guitar. Class takes place at the Maplewood Community Center and the cost is \$70.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Flotation Days

Come jump, splash, float, and slide. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family! Free for MCC Members, Daily Admission for Non-Members. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Flotation Fridays 5:00 - 8:00PM

June 25, July 30, August 27

Wacky Flotation Wednesday 1:00 - 4:00PM

June 30, July 14, August 11

Summer Swim Lesson Registration Going On Now!



Have you and your family had the pleasure of experiencing Maplewood Community Center's quality fun swim lessons? If not, now is the time to register! Choose from **over 500 lessons including Red Cross Learn-To-Swim Levels 1-6.**

The zero-depth entry leisure pool is kept at a comfortable 87 degrees which creates a warm environment for your family's swim lessons.

To learn more or to find a class that fits your schedule visit the website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Adult Programs

SEE MORE ADULT PROGRAMS ON PAGE 14!

Adult Dance (16+)

SOCIAL BALLROOM AND LATIN SAMPLER

WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 23 - JULY 28, 7:45 - 8:45PM

Classes taught by instructors of Tropical Ballroom

Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, Salsa, Swing, Rumba

This Sampler Class will cover many styles and tempos of music, for many dancing occasions. Find out how beneficial dancing can be for your social, mental, and physical health and how much fun it can be! Cost for couples is \$110.00 (\$85.00 for MCC Members) and for individuals is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC Members). Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



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To sign up, simply visit the city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us click on E-Services and select Email Notification Sign Up, click on Community Center and Subscribe.

Dodgeball League (18+)

Competitive League: Monday's June 21 - August 23

Recreational League: Tuesday's June 22 - Aug 24

Game Times: Between 6:00PM - 9:00PM

Join other people interested in experiencing the fun of a recreational dodgeball league in a structured and exciting environment at the Maplewood Community Center! Each team must consist of 6-10 participants containing any combination of males or females. The league will be 8 weeks long with a 4 team playoff the 9th week. League champions will receive FREE entry to the next league. At the mandatory team manager meeting on June 15, 6:00PM schedules will be handed out, rules will be explained and questions will be answered. Registration Deadline: Friday June 11! Cost is \$300 per team. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

T'AI CHI CH'AUN (16+)

WEDNESDAY'S JUNE 9 - AUGUST 11, 7:30 - 8:30PM

New: MCC Member Rate \$55.00!

Join us for this fun and exciting class! Develop strength while eliminating tension. This class will help you strengthen your arms and legs, improve balance and flexibility, reduce stress and help increase energy levels. A growing body of research also suggests that practicing T'ai Chi Ch'uan has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life! Come experience the benefits for yourself! Class takes place at the Dragons Kung Fu Studio located at 2572 7th Avenue East. Cost is \$65.00. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



55+ Programs

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center
2100 White Bear Ave.

June 7: Hearing Loss Seminar

Seminar about hearing loss presented by Belltone Hearing Center.

June 14: Protect Your Brain

Natural steps to prevent brain aging and enhance creativity and thinking. Presented by Vibrant Life Center.

June 21: Stay Right Side Up

The truths and myths about falls and how to eliminate your risk for falling courtesy of the Maplewood Care Center and The Homestead of Maplewood.

June 28: Importance of Good Foot Care Your feet are very important to your well being but sometimes they get neglected. Come and learn about good foot care from the professionals of Affordable Foot Care. A free complimentary foot care service will be given to one lucky participant for demonstration.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Nordic Walking For Seniors at the Maplewood Nature Center

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 9:00 - 10:30AM

(Raindate Wednesday, June 16)

Exercise outdoors, while enjoying nature! Learn how using Nordic walking poles can help you build greater strength and confidence in your walking regimen in this workshop led by Nordic walking expert Amy Okaya, Founder of Nordic Walk for Life! (www.nordicwalkforlife.com). After an overview of Nordic walking, we'll learn basic Nordic walking technique and take a fun practice walk on Nature Center trails. Poles will be provided for the class and will also be available for purchase. Cost is \$15.00. Register online at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc, send a check or drop by with payment to Maplewood Nature Center. Pre-register by June 8. Call 651.249.2170 for more information.

Foot Care Sessions at the Maplewood Community Center

TUESDAYS, JUNE 8 & JULY 13

APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Professional Foot Care in a Private Setting!

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00 and appointments are required by calling 651.249.2230.

The 30 minute session includes:

- Foot Massage
- Cutting Toenails
- Filing Corns & Calluses
- Foot Soak

Grab Bag Bingo

JUNE 3, JULY 1, AND AUGUST 5

1:00 - 2:30PM

Join us for a fun, new twist on Bingo the first Thursday of each month in the Maplewood Community Center Banquet Room! Ten or more games are played and the winners choose from an assortment of grab bags. Cost is \$2.00 at the door. Coffee and treats are provided! Call 651.249.2230 for more information.



Happy Trails Hike

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 9:30 – 11:30AM (FREE!)

Children ages 4 and up with an adult can celebrate National Trails Day with a naturalist-led hike on the nature center's new trail system. Grab a Fun Pack filled with all you need to sample the fauna in woods, pond and prairie along the way. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Rainbarrel Installation

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 7:00PM

FREE! Watch Corrie Zoll, of Metro Blooms install a rainbarrel. Learn some installation tips. Door Prize: Free rainbarrel! This is a Free program and takes place at 1227 Farrell St. North, in Maplewood. Call 651.249.2170 to register by June 13.



Snakes Alive

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 10:00 – 11:15AM

Snakes rule! Meet a real live snake: get up close and personal. Do a snakey craft, play dead like a hog-nose snake, see our amazing fabric 8-foot snake, Hike outside to play snake bingo. FREE, Please call 651.249.2170 to register.

Fantastic Fish

SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 10:00 – 11:15AM

Children 3-8, with adult can hear a fishy story, net some minnows from the floating boardwalk, and make a fish to take home. Cost is \$4.00/child. Pre-pay by June 25.

Emerald Ash Borer Workshop (Adults)

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 7:00 – 8:00PM

Certified Maplewood tree inspector and arborist Andy Hovland will answer all your questions about this invasive pest, and what steps we can take to prevent its spread. Learn to identify this insect, what signs to look for in your ash, and any prevention methods. The workshop takes place at the Maplewood Nature Center. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

All events listed here take place at the Maplewood Nature Center and Neighborhood Preserves (2659 East 7th Street). Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Composting - Make Your Own Black Gold (Adults)

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 10:00 - 11:00AM

Co-sponsored by Friends of Maplewood Nature

Leaves, kitchen scraps, and yard waste are a valuable resource that can be transformed into rich dark soil. Compost builds your soil and will make your garden and lawn plants vibrant and vigorous! Discover all the benefits of composting and receive a step-by-step guide for creating and using indoor worm bins or outdoor compost bins. Reduce your trash bill while creating your own lawn and garden fertilizer. Enter your name to win a spinning composter donated by Friends of Maplewood Nature. You may also purchase the "Earth Machine" compost bin. Cost is \$5.00/per household, \$50.00 for compost bin and class. Register on line or send in a check to Maplewood Nature Center by June 10. Call 651.249.2170 for more information.



Extremely Green Summer Party

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 5:00 - 8:00PM

At The Maplewood Nature Center, 2659 7th St. E.

Adults and Families

Celebrate summer vacation with Extremely Green games, music, crafts and activities in the new Nature Play Area at Maplewood Nature Center. Fun door prizes!

- Roast "Not Dogs" and other treats over the campfire. Cookies and refreshments catered by Cravings
- Face painting
- Meet LEAP, the Extremely GREEN Frog.
- Explore the Children's butterfly garden, Oak Grove and Green Heron Pond.
- Crawl, climb and leap along the Play Area's rocks, tunnel, bridges and trail.
- Run rain water thru the canal to water the rain garden plants.
- Drawing for the \$500 GREEN gift certificates from Linder's and Home Depot.



Fee: \$5/family. Pre-paid registration appreciated. Register online at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen

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Wanted: Nominations For The Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District's Landscape Ecology Award Program (LEAP)

Forms and information available at WWW.RWMWD.org or contact; 651.704.2089. Nominations accepted until July 1, 2010.



Green Institute & Eureka Recycling Offer A Composting Workshop

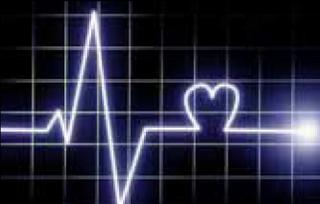
Composting is one of the best things you can do to reduce waste and have a positive impact on the environment. The Green Institute and Eureka Recycling will host a backyard composting workshop June 17 at 6:30PM at the Maplewood ReUse Center, 1727 E. Hwy. 36 in Maplewood (just west of White Bear Ave.).

The cost for the workshop is \$20.00 per person. If you attend the workshop you can also purchase a backyard compost bin at the reduced cost of \$45.00 (one bin per participant).

For more information or to RSVP, visit the Green Institute website at www.greeninstitute.org. For additional composting workshops see page 10.

Learn The Skill That Saves Lives

CPR/AED AND FIRST AID CLASSES



FACT: 80 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed by a family member.

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Community CPR (Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)
Saturday, June 12, 10AM - 5PM

Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR With First Aid
Saturday, July 10, 10AM - 5PM

Attention Childcare Providers! This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

CALL 651.249.2230 TO REGISTER.




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Maplewood Monthly

July 2010 City Newsletter

Save The Date

- **Flotation Day in the Aquatic Center**
Friday, July 30 & August 27, 5:00PM
at the Maplewood Community Center
- **National Night Out**
Tuesday, August 3
- **Taste of Maplewood & Friends**
August 6 & 7
at Lindrich Park
- **Family Movie Night**
Friday, August 20, 7:30PM
at the Bruentrup Farm

Bring Your Neighbors Together With National Night Out Tuesday, August 3rd



The "27th Annual National Night Out" (NNO), a unique crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW), has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 3, 2010. We cordially invite you and your neighborhood to be a part of our NIGHT OUT 2010 event.



Last year's National Night Out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 15,000 communities from all

50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, over 36 million people participated in National Night Out 2009.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Register Your Block Party Today (Deadline for registration is July 18)

When you register, include the following: contact name, address where the block party will be held, if you need barricades to block off the street, number of adults and children that will be attending, requests for visitors: police cars, police bikes, fire department, ambulance, and McGruff and/or police K9.

To register your block party, call the NNO hotline at 651.249.2700, email MaplewoodNightOut@ci.maplewood.mn.us or click on the National Night Out picture on the city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us.

State Primary and Maplewood City Council Special Election

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2010

The State Primary Election will be held on August 10, 2010. In conjunction with the State Primary a Special Election will be on the ballot for the office of city councilmember to fill the remainder of the term vacated by councilmember Rossbach when he was elected to the office of mayor last fall. Unless a recount is required the individual elected will be sworn in to office on August 23, 2010. The term will expire January 2, 2012.

The following individuals filed Affidavits of Candidacy and will be on the August 10, 2010 ballot:

- Rebecca Cave
- Marvin C. Koppen
- Elizabeth A. Sletten

For more information, contact Karen Guilfoile at 651.249.2002 or karen.guilfoile@ci.maplewood.mn.us.



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10 Family Programs

City of Maplewood Elected Officials

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 James Llanas: Councilmember
 John Nephew: Councilmember
 Julie Wasiluk: Councilmember
 Jim Antonen: City Manager

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 Deputy Registrar and Passport Hours:
 Monday - Friday: 8:00AM - 4:30PM
 Saturday: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

Maplewood Community Center

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 Theater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
 Group Information 651.249.2203
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 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
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Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2124

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

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Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Wednesday, July 7 & August 9 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, July 10 & 26 at 7:00PM
 City Council Wksp: Monday, July 5 at 5:15PM

Citizen's Forum: Saturday, July 3 at 10:00AM (City Hall)
 Saturday, August 7 at 10:00AM (City Hall)

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, July 27 at 6:00PM
 Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Monday, July 19 at 7:00PM
 Historical Preservation Commission: Thursday, July 15 at 7:00PM
 Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, July 14 at 7:00PM
 Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, July 21 at 7:00PM
 Planning Commission: Tuesday, July 6 & 20 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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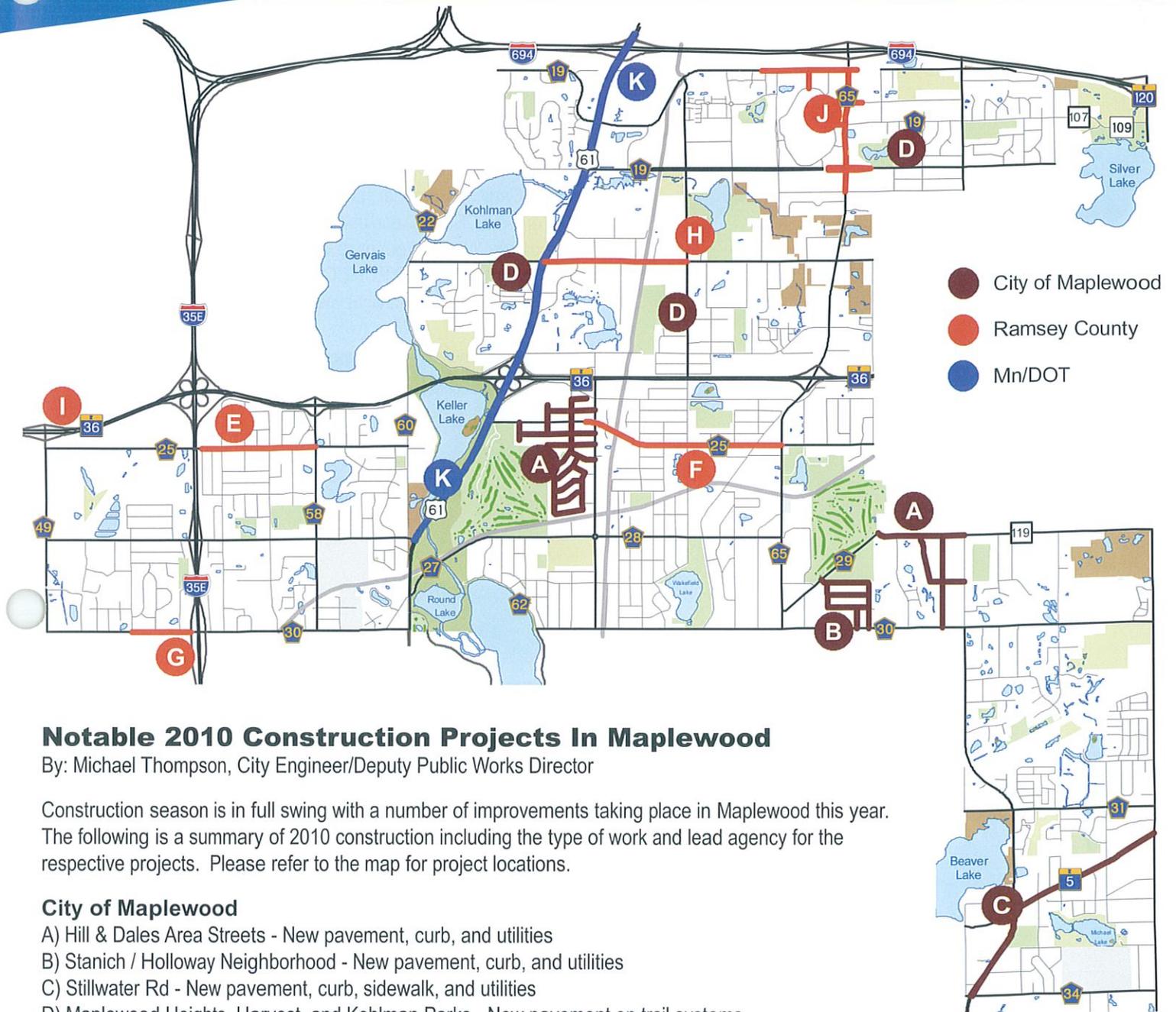
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Notable 2010 Construction Projects In Maplewood

By: Michael Thompson, City Engineer/Deputy Public Works Director

Construction season is in full swing with a number of improvements taking place in Maplewood this year. The following is a summary of 2010 construction including the type of work and lead agency for the respective projects. Please refer to the map for project locations.

City of Maplewood

- A) Hill & Dales Area Streets - New pavement, curb, and utilities
- B) Stanich / Holloway Neighborhood - New pavement, curb, and utilities
- C) Stillwater Rd - New pavement, curb, sidewalk, and utilities
- D) Maplewood Heights, Harvest, and Kohlman Parks - New pavement on trail systems

Ramsey County

- E) County Road B (I-35E to Edgerton Street) - New pavement
- F) County Rd B (Atlantic Street to White Bear Avenue) - New pavement
- G) Larpenteur Avenue (Jackson Street to I-35E) - New pavement
- H) County Rd C (TH 61 to Hazelwood Street) - New pavement
- I) Rice Street/Highway 36 Interchange - Bridge replacement and intersection improvements
- J) White Bear Avenue and County Rd D in Mall area - New concrete roadway (4 lane to 6 lane on White Bear Avenue), traffic signals, utilities, sidewalks, and aesthetic enhancements

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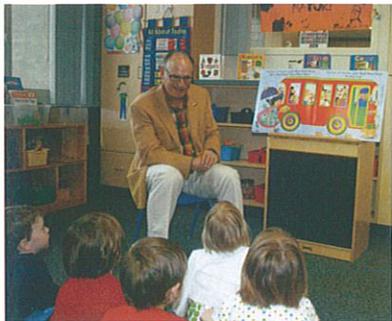
- K) Highway 61 (Roselawn Avenue in Maplewood to city of White Bear Lake) New layer of pavement

The Maplewood Public Works Department has a capital improvement plan that reflects potential infrastructure investment and construction five years into the future. Contact us at 651.249.2400 with questions about current or potential projects.

Maplewood... Working Together

I have been asked several times in the last few months if the mayor's position is a full time job. In Maplewood, it is not. If you were to do the bare minimum you would attend all council meetings and workshops. The mayor also has a couple of other duties such as being a member of the Firefighters Relief Association. Oddly enough, the mayor is also the local weed inspector, but unless it is a dandelion you are trying to identify chances are you would be better served by calling city staff. That being said, the position of mayor can be very time consuming if you wish it to be. There are a fair number of phone calls and emails from people who have concerns that range from the temperature of the water in the swimming pool to neighborhood disputes in which one neighbor is doing their best to antagonize another. There are also many groups that a mayor can choose to participate in, such as the Municipal Legislative Commission, the Regional Council of Mayors, the League of Minnesota Cities and the Ramsey County League of Local Government; to name a few. I participate in all of the aforementioned organizations. It is important that other cities and government groups see Maplewood as a city that is involved in working together with them to solve problems and as a partner in joint ventures.

About three months ago the council met to set some goals for ourselves and the City of Maplewood. The number one goal was to restore the image of Maplewood. To help carry out this goal I have been making an effort to be out in the city. There have been many requests to speak from a variety of groups. One delightful visit was



to the Mapleleaf Child Care Center, which is located on the Priory property on Larpenteur Avenue. I had the opportunity to tour the facility and to read stories to some of the older children. The D.A.R.E. graduations were also opportunities to be part of the community. I have also had

the pleasure of speaking at several of our senior housing facilities, including helping to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Maplewood Care Center. Other opportunity's to speak included events such as the dedication of Maplewood's Veterans Plaque and our honoring of Russell Anderson, a World War II veteran. These are enjoyable occasions for me and provide opportunities for residents to get to know more about the people in their government. The topics are in most cases requested by the group, ranging from learning about Big Bird to traffic projects that will be taking place in and around Maplewood this summer.

In our recent loss of Sgt. Bergeron, it was my duty to represent



Councilmembers Nephew and Llanas, Mayor Rossbach, Councilmembers Wasiluk and Junemann

Maplewood at the memorial and funeral services. This was, by far, the most difficult task I have been assigned, which I did with pride and respect. This tragic event served to highlight the major role of a mayor, which is to serve as the figurehead for their city. With the loss of one of our own, there was an outpouring of calls, letters, and emails; all directed to me from people and organizations across the state wishing to send their condolences to Maplewood. The person that they saw as the contact for their messages was the mayor. This is why I believe that it is important for the Mayor of Maplewood to do their best to be out in the community and talking to a wide variety of groups and organizations. Because, whether it should or not, it makes a difference to people that the mayor is willing to spend time talking about and listening to what they are interested in.

Only time will tell as to whether we are accomplishing our goal, but I believe that we are making headway. The League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust has shown their renewed faith in Maplewood by dropping the cost of our insurance. Many other cities and government organizations have renewed their contacts with Maplewood. The other groups I have been to see have appeared to be genuinely excited by the new course in Maplewood, and the local media for the most part has had to settle for stories of Maplewood doing the business of the city.

I plan on continuing to fill as many requests as I can to be involved and to answer inquiries, because I believe it is good for the city and helps people feel connected to their local government. If you are interested in having me participate in your event just drop me a line and we will see what we can work out.

On The Police Scanner

In May, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 2,027 calls for service.

19 Assault Cases	4 Robbery Case
22 Burglary Cases	101 Theft Cases
33 Auto Theft Cases	14 Theft from Vehicle Case
39 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 41 arrests for shoplifting and 14 arrests for DWI.



This opportunity brought to you by the City of Maplewood, Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District and the Ramsey County Library.

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Stay Tuned On August 2...

The winner of the EXTREME GREEN MAKEOVER will be announced! On May 24, Corrie Zoll from Metro Blooms (a metro area non-profit) demonstrated techniques for installing a rainbarrel. The winner of the May 24 rainbarrel installation was homeowner Nancy Langer. You can see the new rainbarrel from the corner of County Road B and Kennard. A video was taken of the installation which is now currently showing on the Government Television Network cable at these times:

Sundays at 9:30AM

Mondays at 8:30AM

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

Fridays at 3:30PM

Approximately 90 people attended the Extremely Green Summer Party! Much fun and learning was had by all. The winners of the \$500 gift certificates will be announced in the next month's Maplewood Monthly. So far well over 400 people have attended the 13 classes and events offered as part of the **Extreme Green Makeover**. Even though these EGM classes are over, there are many other classes offered at the nature center this summer, so please check out page 10 of this newsletter and the city's website for more wonderful learning opportunities!

Extreme Green Makeover embraces these GREEN landscaping goals:

- **Green design** – Create aesthetically pleasing landscapes that meet the needs of residents and benefit the environment.
- **Rain water** – Put rain water to use in the yard.
- **Energy landscaping** – Reduce heating and cooling costs with plants.
- **Effective resource use** – Minimize the use of water, fertilizers, and pesticides.
- **Native plants** – Plant natives to enhance habitat for birds, butterflies and other wildlife.

For Extreme Green updates, please see the city website at ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc Look in the sidebar for EXTREME GREEN MAKEOVER

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On Friday, June 11 the Maplewood Community Center hosted its first annual Suds, Sauce, and Soul event. Hundreds of visitors enjoyed live music from Alison Scott, a cold brew from the Maplewood/Oakdale Lions, and one of many BBQ delicacies. All of our BBQ'ers competed for bragging rights and a great prize package in one of three categories – Best Wings, Best Ribs, and Best Sauce.

Our judge's tasted their offerings and declared a victor in each category. Please join us in congratulating the following winners:

- Best Wings: Aesop's Table
- Best Ribs: Famous Daves
- Best Sauce: Buffalo Wild Wings

Congratulations to Sandi Fox of Rosemont, MN who won the Vine Park Brewery Adventure Pass. Keep your eyes peeled for information about next year's event!

Pride Of Maplewood Award



Michael Thompson, City Engineer / Deputy Public Works Director (right) presents award to Lois Knutson, Administrative Assistant (left)

Congratulations to Lois Knutson for being nominated by her co-workers as the Pride of Maplewood. Lois is the Administrative Assistant in the Public Works Department. She joined the City of Maplewood in November 2004 and was promoted to Administrative Assistant in August 2006.

"Lois is reliable and always maintains a positive attitude."

"She always takes time to thoroughly explain permitting requirements to customers."

"Lois always is willing to help co-workers with tasks."

"She is extremely valuable in coordinating agenda items, reports, and correspondence."

"Lois is an invaluable member of the department."

Thank you, Lois, for all you do for the Citizens of Maplewood and the City employees.



New Maplewood Television Series

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Sign Requests To Be Discussed At The July 12 Council Meeting



In response to the stop sign article published in the May issue of Maplewood Monthly, the Public Works Department received petitions for stop signs at two intersections prior to the May 20, 2010 deadline.

All-way stop signs have been requested at the intersection of O'Day Street and Southcrest Avenue. Currently this is an un-signed intersection. All-way stop signs

have also been requested at the intersection of Junction Avenue and Atlantic Street. Currently this intersection is signed as a 2-way stop on Atlantic Street. These two requests will be considered by the City Council at the July 12, 2010 council meeting.

A distinction should be made between stop signs for residential neighborhoods and warranted stop signs for traffic control on the rest of the street system. The placement of stop signs in the city is regulated, by and consistent with, the Minnesota Manual of

Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MnMUTCD). This manual has been adopted by city ordinance to regulate all street signage, markings, and signals.

Studies by the Institute of Transportation Engineers indicate that stop signs that do not meet the standard warrants of the MnMUTCD tend to be ignored by drivers, whereas stop signs placed where warranted are more likely to be obeyed. Other studies show that stop signs tend to increase noise in the vicinity of the intersection by adding accelerating and braking noise. Deceleration, idling, and acceleration increase air pollution and fuel consumption which have an adverse impact on air quality in the immediate vicinity.

By adopting the neighborhood stop sign policy, the City Council sought to provide a forum for citizen input and open discussion of the pros and cons of stop sign placement. The regular July 12, 2010 council meeting (7:00PM at City Hall) will provide such a forum and an opportunity to consider these two stop sign requests, which were submitted before the May 20, 2010 deadline. No other requests will be discussed at this meeting, however neighborhood requests will be brought forward again next year.

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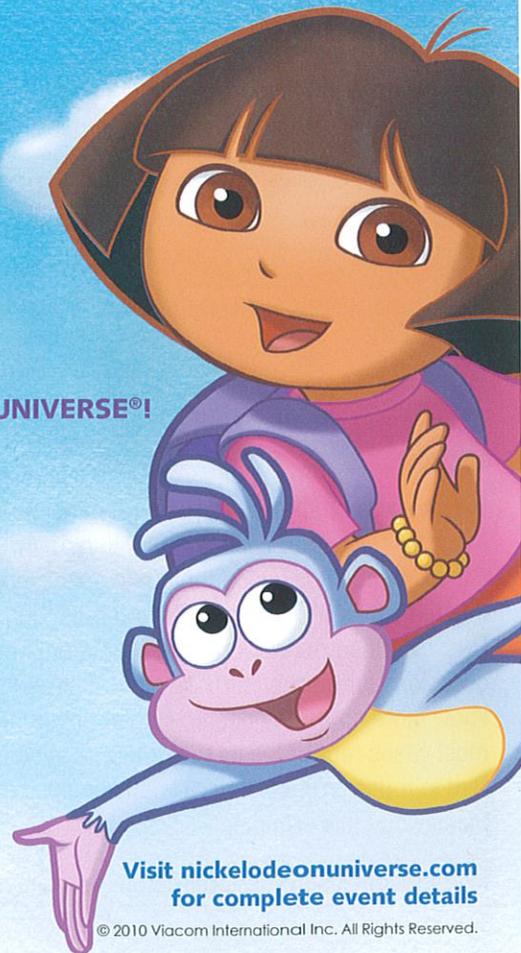
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Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. All summer full session classes include eight lessons and cost \$68.00 (\$53.00 for MCC members). Semi-private lessons are available Monday - Thursday at a rate of \$115.00 (\$90.00 for MCC members).

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on I Want To or E-Services). Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.



Water Safety Aide Program SATURDAY, August 28, 1:00 - 6:00PM

We now offer FREE training to individuals 10 and older who have completed Red Cross Swim Level 4 and are interested in being a volunteer aide for our swim lessons program. For more information contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or at ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

New! Wednesday Lap Swim Workout

WEDNESDAYS, AUGUST 4 - SEPTEMBER 22
8:00 - 8:45PM

Improve your lap swimming workout with this Swimming Instructor lead workout. We'll have you swimming laps with greater efficiency than you ever dreamed of and push your workouts to new heights. Cost is \$32.00 (\$24.00 for MCC Members). Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

AQUATIC CENTER SPECIAL EVENTS!

Come jump, splash, float, and slide. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring the whole family. FREE for members and the cost of daily admission for non-members.

Flotation Days
July 30 & August 27
5:00 - 8:00PM

Wacky Flotation
Wednesday
July 14 & August 11
1:00 - 4:00PM

CPR/AED and First Aid Classes

These classes are designed to inform people how to respond in emergency and life-threatening situations. After successful completion of the course participants will receive Red Cross Certifications. All classes are held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$80.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members).

COMMUNITY CPR:
(Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)
SATURDAY, August 14, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

CHILD CPR/AED AND INFANT CPR WITH FIRST AID:
SATURDAY, JULY 10, 10:00AM - 5:00PM



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MCC Youth Soccer Clinic

THURSDAYS, JULY 22 - AUGUST 26

K-1st Grade: 5:30 - 6:25PM

2nd - 3rd Grade: 6:30 - 7:25PM

4th - 5th Grade: 7:30 - 8:25PM

Come one, come all. Join other kids who are interested in learning this fast paced sport in a step by step, easy to follow setting. Participants will receive cool clinic shirt. The clinic will be held in the Maplewood Community Center Gym. The cost is \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Karate

Unleash Your Child's Potential With The Power Of Martial Arts

Each student receives the individual attention they deserve, ensuring success and helping them attain their highest personal potential. Taught by Mr. Welsh of The Edge Martial Arts at the Maplewood Community Center on Mondays. Cost is \$60.00 and (\$45.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register. **SAVE! Register for 3 Months and receive \$5 OFF each month.**

LITTLE DRAGONS (ages 4-6) 5:15-5:45PM

BEGINNER (ages 7+) 5:45-6:15PM

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FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

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July 5: Blood Pressure Seminar

Keeping a close check on your Blood Pressure is very important to your health. Stop by and get your Blood Pressure checked courtesy of the Maplewood Care Center and The Homestead at Maplewood.

July 12: Maximized Mind

Protect your brain so it lasts as long as your body. Presented by Vibrant Life Center

July 19: Parkinson's Information

Presented by Parkinson Specialty Care.

July 26: Senior Strength Seminar

Learn the smart way to workout in order to maintain strength, flexibility, and balance all while keeping your body as fit and trim as possible. An MCC Personal Trainer will teach and coach participants on how to properly lift weights, execute cardio movements, and build flexibility. All participants will receive a gift certificate for a complimentary group personal training session!

August 2: Importance of Good Foot Care

Your feet are very important to your well being but sometimes they get neglected. Come and learn about good foot care from the professionals of Affordable Foot Care. A free complimentary foot care service will be given to one lucky participant for demonstration.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

MCC Foot Care Sessions

TUESDAYS, JULY 13 & AUGUST 17

9:00AM - 1:00PM

Professional Foot Care in a Private Setting!

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes:

- Foot Massage
- Cutting Toenails
- Filing Corns & Calluses
- Foot Soak



Firefly Magic

Co-sponsored by Friends of Maplewood Nature

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 8:30 - 10:00PM

Fireflies are magical bugs with their own compact light. Sit around the campfire to listen to a firefly story, then take a night hike in search of them. Make your own, glow in the dark, firefly to take home. Early registration recommended. Best for families with kids 3-8 years. Cost is \$15.00/family (fee includes a membership to the Friends group). Pre-pay by July 7.

Wilderness Wisdom

SATURDAY, JULY 10, 9:30 - 11:00AM

Woodticks, mosquitoes, and berries, oh my! Children ages 4-10 with an adult and 11+ are invited to hike with the naturalist around the pond and become more woods wise in the ways of animals and plants. Learn to avoid poison ivy & itch weed. Find out which berries are safe to eat. Cost is \$4.00/child. Call 651.249.2170 to register by July 8.

Lake Phalen Wildflower Walk

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 6:30 - 8:30PM (Free!)

Meet at the Phalen Park Beach House, (Beach House, Phalen Dr & Wheelock Parkway). Tour the incredible shoreline plantings at Lake Phalen! Learn to identify some of our native wildflowers and hear the story of how this shoreline was restored. To register, call Shelly at the Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District at 651.792.7965 or email shelly@rwmwd.org.

Turtle Tales

SATURDAY, JULY 17, 10:00 - 11:00AM

Families and children ages 3 and up are invited to take a hike to look for turtles, touch and see one up close. Share your turtle stories, and discover the several kinds that live in Minnesota.

Cost is \$3.00/child. Call 651.249.2170 to register by July 15

Batty About Bats!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 7:30 - 9:30PM

Adults, families and children 6 and up can hike the trails at twilight to look for bats and listen for their clicks and chirps with our electronic echo-locator. What do bats eat? Where do bats live? Examine a bat up close and receive free bat house plans. Cost is \$3.00/person and you must call 651.249.2170 to preregister by July 19.

Live Animals

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 10:00 - 11:00AM

All ages are invited to touch and see our hognose snake, tree frog, toad, and tiger salamander. Watch some of them slurp up a treat! Learn how they live, and what you can do to ensure their survival in the wild. Call 651.249.2170 to register by July 29.

Inviting Butterflies To Your Yard

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 2:00 - 3:30PM



Learn to identify native caterpillars and butterflies commonly found in backyards. Tour the nature center gardens to get ideas of what you can do to attract butterflies to your garden. Best for adults and families with children ages 8 and older. Cost is \$3.00/person or \$5.00/family. Call

651.249.2170 to register by August 5.

Living On The Water's Edge

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 6:30 - 8:30PM (FREE!)

Joy Park- North side of Silver lake

2615 Joy Road, parking lot is west of Century Ave.

What is a buffer strip? And how does it protect the shoreline? If you live near a wetland, pond, or lake, don't miss this guide to living on the water's edge. Discover the plants and "bio-logs" used to restore the shoreline, then use nets and magnifying lenses to investigate the life in the lake. Call 651.249.2170 to register by August 5.



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Children At Play



The city of Maplewood places significant importance on the use of all of the street signs within the city.

The use of children at play signs has been generally limited to areas directly adjacent to schools, parks and playgrounds, where the number of children is typically greatest. It

is important that drivers understand they are driving next to a "special" area with the likelihood of children

being present. The city discourages the use of these signs in other areas because they lessen the significance of the signs and give a false sense of security to children. The state and most other cities in the Twin City metropolitan area do not allow for these types of signs. The reason for this is due to studies which reflect that children at play signs posted in neighborhoods do not achieve the desired safety benefits and show little or no effect on speed or accident reduction. Also, since children live in virtually every neighborhood, signs could be posted in almost every block of the city, thereby

losing their effectiveness.

To ensure proper review of children at play signs in the city's right-of-ways, the following ordinances and policy have been adopted:

- The city's sign ordinance prohibits most private signs in the right-of-way, except for garage sale and real estate signs.
- The city's sign prohibits private signs from containing words that might be construed as traffic controls such as "stop," "caution," "warning," etc.
- The city's policy on children at play signs discourages the use of these types of signs. However, the Public Works Department will review sign requests on a case-by-case basis to determine if it is warranted in the area.

For information on the city's sign code contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner at 651.249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us. For information on the city's policy on children at play signs, contact the Public Works Department at 651.249.2400.

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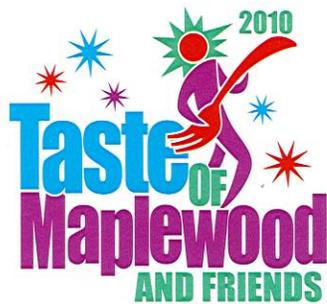
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A Phenomenal Fall Line-up At The Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre



The Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre announces five exciting performances taking the stage starting this September. Enjoy a night out at our elegant and intimate theatre and experience original entertainment!

Becky Schlegel – Friday, September 17, 7:30PM

World-class singer/songwriter, Becky Schlegel, has a gift for taking life's experiences and transforming them into songs that are both passionate and unique. Joining her onstage will be acclaimed banjo player and guitarist, Brian Fessler. Becky and Brian combine for a duo performance drawing on the influences of classic country, bluegrass, folk and Becky's own thoughtful spirit. Join Becky and Brian as they take their listeners on a musical journey, exploring new places and meeting new people in every song! Advance Tickets: \$20 Door: \$22

Billy McLaughlin – Friday, September 24, 7:30PM

Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre is proud to host this all-star guitar-night featuring longtime local guitar hero Billy McLaughlin in his first purely solo performance at the Maplewood Community Center in nearly ten years. Joining Billy will be Texas guitar phenomenon Rhett Butler who combines both Billy's style and that of guitar legend Stanley Jordan for what Billy calls "the most amazing guitar style you'll find anywhere on the planet." Don't miss Rhett's first ever Minnesota performance! Tickets: \$25

Kristy Lee – Friday, October 1 & Saturday, October 2, 7:30PM

That mighty rumble you hear coming out of Alabama is none other than Kristy Lee. Her voice like thunder, rolling in before a sweet southern rain, instantly washes the world away. Kristy Lee's unique rhythms are absolutely nourishing, clean, pure, and unapologetic. By the time she was 18, she landed her first album nationwide-This Alabama girl can pack a house! Advance Tickets: \$20 Door: \$22

Michael Johnson – Friday, October 8, 7:30PM

Michael Johnson's voice immediately identifies him as the man who sings "Bluer Than Blue," "Give Me Wings," "That's That," and other landmark songs. His music shows a diversity, depth and heart that only come from years of dedication to a labor of love. Come and enjoy the texture of Michael's voice, the meanings of his lyrics, and the music of his guitar for one night and one night only at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre. Advance Tickets: \$25 Door: \$28

Tim Mahoney – Friday, October 15, 7:30PM

Twin cities born and raised, Tim Mahoney combines his catchy pop/rock sound and bittersweet lyrics with his comfortably raspy voice. Mahoney has had songs from his most recent album, Stay/Leave, licensed for eight of this season's hottest fall shows MTV's "The Hills" and "Life of Ryan" and e!'s "Keeping Up With the Kardashians," and "Living Lohan." Don't miss Tim's Maplewood debut! Advance Tickets: \$15 Door: \$18

To purchase your tickets or to see the rest of the 2010 show line-up visit www.maplewoodarts.com or call 651.249.2230.



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 Group Information 651.249.2203
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Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2007

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

Code Enforcement

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 Online: Go to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us and click on
 "Report A Violation" on the right-hand side of the home page.

Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Monday, August 2 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, August 9 & 23 at 7:00PM
 City Council: Wksp: Monday, August 2 at 5:15PM

Citizen's Forum: Saturday, August 7 at 10:00AM (City Hall)
 Saturday, September 11 at 10:30AM (Maplewood RC Library)

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, August 24 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Monday, August 16 at 7:00PM

Heritage Preservation Commission: Thursday, August 19 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, August 11 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, August 18 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, August 3 & 17 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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The homeowner will meet with Earthworks Landscape Architects to begin the design process in August and the installation will take place in mid-September. Government Television Network has agreed to videotape the process from start to finish. They have also broadcast the rainbarrel installation and rain garden classes, so look for those on channel 16.



Edna Whitney, St. Paul resident, is the lucky winner of the Linder's \$500 gift card! Her name was drawn from a pool of all the Extreme Green Makeover class participants. Danny Richey won the \$500 gift certificate from Home Depot. Thanks very much to the sponsors of this event!

Edna Whitney, winner of the \$500 Linder's Gift Card & Ann Hutchinson, Lead Naturalist



Joanna VonBergen, 1227 Farrell Street, Maplewood, won a free rainbarrel installation offered by the nature center on June 15.



Pat Polaski, 2006 Prosperity Rd, Maplewood, winner of the Earth Machine composter at the Extremely Green Fun Event.

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Council Corner

Councilmember James Llanas

Tightening Our Belts

After being elected and joining the council in January, I committed myself to focusing on resident inclusion, council goals and priorities and putting past council differences behind us to focus on the issues at hand. I may not always agree with the mayor or the council but we have developed a working relationship that is respectful and professional. There are several ways that citizens can share thoughts and ideas with the council and I strongly encourage you to do so. We have monthly citizen forums you can attend, times during council meetings when you can address the council, or you can call/email any of us at anytime. We have unique opportunities to make Maplewood a great place to raise a family, live and do business ... we need to hear from you!

The city council has spent the last several months preparing for the 2011 city budget with a thorough examination of each and every dollar spent in the city. The national economy and state budget cuts have had a dramatic impact on cities across the State and Maplewood is no exception. Each city department has presented to the council where they made budget cuts in 2010 and where they can create even more savings next year. The act of balancing tax levies while continuing to provide services we have grown accustomed to is a challenge to say the least. We are reviewing all services that we provide to the community and asking questions; "Do we buy a new fire truck, do we repair playground equipment in our parks or do we fill in potholes rather than repair long overdue streets?" I would bet most families in Maplewood have gone through



Councilmembers Nephew and Llanas, Mayor Rossbach, Councilmembers Wasiluk and Junemann

a similar self examination on where we can "tighten our belts" and do more with less. This is exactly what the council is doing and I encourage each of you to voice your concerns and thoughts to us on issues that are most important to you and your family.

On August 26, 1920, women in the United States were given the right to vote when the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was signed. We should remember August 26 of each year as Women's Equality Day. I would encourage all of us to participate in the State Primary Election on August 10th. There is much at stake on the State and local level and your vote matters. Please visit the city website for election information at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or by calling 651.249.2002.

Lastly, a fellow suburban city was named by Money Magazine as the best place to live in the United States. In fact, Minnesota had 5 cities on the top 20 list based on factors like housing, unemployment rates, jobs and quality of life. The council is closely examining our housing stock, our business community, our trails/parks and our public safety. While I think it would be great to make the magazine's list, I take great pride in knowing we are doing all the right things to be judged positively by our citizens. I am PROUD to call Maplewood home and appreciate all that makes this a great community. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your council person and want you to know that I approach my work with humility and great honor.

-Councilmember James Llanas

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Let's Talk Trash Haulers



Do you ever sit on your front porch and ponder at all the trash hauling trucks driving down your street? Maplewood has an open trash hauling system. This system allows you to select any hauler to pick up your trash and pay for their

services, as long as they are licensed in the city. Maplewood currently has nine residential trash haulers licensed in the city. This means that on any given morning when you are out on your front porch enjoying your coffee, you might see nine different trash hauling trucks driving down your street and picking up trash.

One of the city council goals for 2010 is to continue strengthening environmental planning efforts in Maplewood. A priority associated with this goal is the review of the city's trash hauling system. The city council wants to determine the effects multiple trash haulers have on the environment, safety, and pricing and to review the feasibility of organizing the trash hauling system. In an organized trash hauling system the city would create a trash removal system with specific service standards and rate control measures. The system could limit the number of days haulers can pick up trash or limit the number of haulers.

The city currently has an organized system for our recycling, with only one recycling vendor contracted to service all residents in Maplewood.

In the city's preliminary review of organized trash hauling systems, the city has found that there are a number of long-term benefits to an organized system. Benefits include greater efficiency, competitive bidding, control or limit of annual rate increases, more rate options for a wider range of container sizes, reduction in vehicle emissions and fuel consumption, reduced noise, increased safety, longer life for our city streets, reduced litter and increased aesthetics. Additionally, it will reduce illegal dumping because all residents would participate, even those who are currently not participating in open trash removal. All of these benefits will result in lower rates, less noise and truck traffic, less environmental damage, and streets that do not need to be repaired or replaced as frequently. This means a savings for all taxpayers in the short and long term.

State law dictates the process cities must follow when initiating an organized trash hauling system. The process includes the city council adopting a resolution of intent to organize, followed by a 180-day planning and negotiation period. The city council will begin this process in September 2010. In the meantime, the city is committed to informing and educating the public on the pros and cons of an open trash hauling system versus an organized system. For more

information visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/trash or contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner at 651.249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

State Primary and Maplewood Special Election August 10, 2010

Voting Hours 7:00AM to 8:00PM

In conjunction with the State Primary Election the City of Maplewood Special Election will be held for Council Member to fill a vacancy in a term expiring January 2, 2012.

Voting will take place at the following polling places:

- Precinct 1: Maplewood Fire Station #3 (Parkside), 2001 McMenemy Road
- Precinct 2: St. Jeromes School, 380 E. Roselawn Avenue
- Precinct 3: Edgerton School, 1929 Edgerton Street
- Precinct 4: Maplewood Fire Station #2 (Gladstone), 1955 Clarence Street
- Precinct 5: Gladstone Community Center, Frost Avenue at Manton Street
- Precinct 6: Maplewood Fire Station #7 (Hazelwood), 1530 County Road C
- Precinct 7: First Evangelical Free Church, 2696 Hazelwood Street
- Precinct 8: Ramsey County Library, 3025 Southlawn Drive
- Precinct 9: Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Avenue
- Precinct 10: Maplewood City Hall, 1830 County Road B East
- Precinct 11: Maplewood Middle School, 1896 Lakewood Drive N.
- Precinct 12: Beaver Lake School, 1060 Sterling Street N.
- Precinct 13: Maplewood Fire Station #1 (E. Co. Line), 1177 N. Century
- Precinct 14: Carver School, 2680 Upper Afton Road
- Precinct 15: Lutheran Church of Peace, 47 Century Avenue South
- Precinct 16: Maplewood Fire Station #4 (E. Co. Line 2) 2501 Londin Lane

For more information about the state primary, contact Karen Guilfoile at 651.249.2002 or by visiting the city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us.

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Pride of Maplewood



Chuck Ahl, Assistant City Manager / Public Works Director (left) presents award to Larry Farr, Chief Building Engineer

Congratulations to Larry Farr, Chief Building Engineer, for being chosen as a Pride of Maplewood Award recipient. Larry joined the City of Maplewood in August, 2005, as the Chief Building Engineer.

"He has consistently displayed his dedication to keeping our City Hall campus safe, comfortable, running smoothly and clean."

"This past winter Larry was here first thing in the morning clearing the walks of snow and ice. He continually monitored the walks for fresh accumulations of both."

"He also assured the ice dams and icicles were knocked down before they became a danger to users of the facilities. I realize these are just a few small tasks in his vast job description, but they are extremely important to keep our citizens able to benefit from our services."

"There is no job too big or too small for Larry to handle in a timely manner with a smile on his face."

We all thank you, Larry for all you do for the citizens of Maplewood and your fellow employees.

Fall Clean-up Event Moving To Aldrich Arena



The Fall 2010 City-wide Clean up Event is moving from Gethsemane Lutheran Church to the Aldrich Arena parking lot at 1850 White Bear Avenue, and will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM. The move will result in a one-stop disposal opportunity for Maplewood residents since Ramsey County will be collecting Household Hazardous Waste from 8:00AM to 4:00PM.

Maplewood residents will once again be able to dispose of appliances, tires, construction debris, mattresses, furniture, car parts, scrap metal and other assorted junk, and all electronics such as TV's, computers, monitors and cell phones. Look for more information in future Maplewood Monthly articles or call 651.249.2400.



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On The Police Scanner

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14 Burglary Cases	103 Theft Cases
18 Auto Theft Cases	37 Theft from Vehicle Cases
29 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 44 arrests for shoplifting and 12 arrests for DWI.

Maplewood Community Center

Note: The pool will be closed Sept. 7-8 for routine cleaning. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Holiday Schedule

The Maplewood Community Center will be closed Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day.

Introducing Maplewood Community Center's New Fitness Coordinator



Jessica Campbell grew up in White Bear Lake and graduated from Iowa State University. After living in Australia for a year, she came back to Minnesota and graduated from the National Personal Training Institute with a vocational degree in Personal Training. She began teaching group fitness in 2003 and is now a Certified Personal Trainer with the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA), a Certified Group Fitness Instructor with the

National Exercise Trainer's Association (NETA) and a Certified Yoga Instructor with YogaFit. She has also completed the coursework for Muscle Activation Techniques (MAT Jumpstart). She is very excited to take on this role with all of its challenges, responsibilities and possibilities. "Controlling the diet and getting the willpower to exercise is hard. But not doing those things would be even harder in the long run." Please stop by the office if you have any questions or comments about Group Fitness, Personal Training, Lose 2 Win or other fitness programs, or if you just need some motivation!

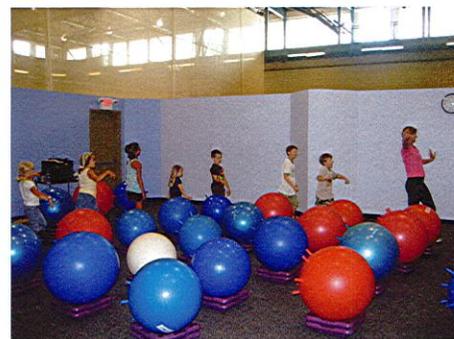
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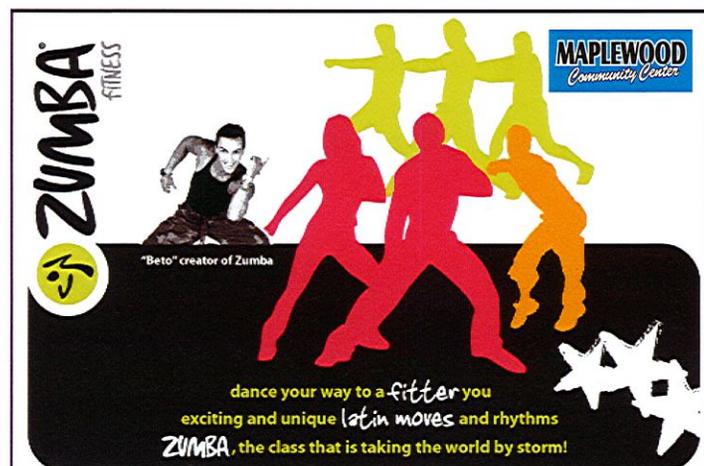
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FALL MCC SWIM REGISTRATION GOING ON NOW!

Now is the time to learn to swim. The MCC offers exceptional swim programs for all ages. Maplewood Water Safety instructors are certified by the American Red Cross and participate in regular in-service training updates. Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. Please refer to the schedule on the following pages to find the class that is right for you. All fall full session classes include eight lessons and cost \$68.00 (\$53.00 for MCC members). Semi-private lessons are available on Saturdays at a rate of \$115.00 (\$90.00 for MCC members) per eight lessons.

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on I Want To or E-Services). Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement at a rate of \$40.00 (\$30.00 for MCC members) for one lesson, \$152.00 (\$112.00 for MCC members) for four lessons, or \$288.00 (\$208.00 for MCC members) for eight lessons. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Adult Only Swim Time

Take advantage of the "Adult Only" swim times on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00PM. We've also added an adult only time on Wednesday nights from 8:00 - 8:45PM. No one under the age of 18 will be allowed in the lap pool during these times except on school release days. Adult non-members can pay the very low admission rate of \$3.00 (plus tax) on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00PM. Some exceptions may apply. Check the monthly pool schedule for specific dates and exceptions.

Snorkeling

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

8:30 - 9:30AM (AGES 6 - 11)

9:30 - 10:30AM (AGES 12 AND UP)

This training is great for those planning a warm water vacation. Whether it is a cruise, barefoot sailing to remote islands, or a popular destination such as Hawaii, Cayman Islands, or the Bahamas - the skills you acquire in this snorkeling class will enhance your enjoyment and safety in the water. Private snorkeling lessons may be arranged at the private swim lesson rate. For more information or to arrange a private lesson, contact Ron Horwath at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us

Water Safety Aide Program

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 1:00PM - 6:00PM

We now offer FREE training to individuals over the age of ten, who have completed Red Cross Level 4 and are interested in being a volunteer aide for Maplewood Community Center swim lessons. For more information contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or at ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Pool Hours

Monthly pool and lap swim calendars are available on our website at: www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. Printed copies may also be picked up at the admissions and customer service desks. Please note that pool hours vary during sessions of swim lessons; those changes are listed in the pool and lap swim calendars.



Flotation Fridays

FRIDAYS, AUGUST 27 & SEPTEMBER 24, 5:00 - 8:00PM

Come jump, splash, float, slide and meet lots of people. On Flotation Fridays we bring out the best inflatable fun the MCC has to offer. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes and everything else the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family! Cost is free to members and included in the price of daily admission for non-members.

New! FREE Family Swim Time

During the TUESDAY & THURSDAY 9:30 - 11:30AM Swim Lessons

Parents, caregivers, and siblings of students enrolled in the Tuesday and Thursday morning swim lessons will be allowed to swim in the leisure pool for FREE during lessons.

Fall 2010 Evenings

	Mondays		Tuesdays		Wednesdays		Thursdays		Fridays	
Dates Classes Held	September 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8		September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 9		Leisure Pool is closed 4:30pm-6:00pm and Lap Pool is closed 6:00-7:00pm for lessons September 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10		September 16, 23, 30, October 7, 14, 28, November 4, 11		September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15, 29, November 5, 12	
No Classes Held Date(s)							No Lessons October 21 (MEA)		No Lessons October 22 (MEA)	
Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)										
	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
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Tot Swim	5:00 PM	1518.331	5:30 PM	1518.341	5:00 PM	1518.351	7:00 PM	1518.361	4:00 PM	1518.371
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Preschool 1	7:00 PM	1511.331	6:30 PM	1511.341	4:30 PM	1511.351	5:30 PM	1511.361	4:00 PM	1511.371
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Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)										
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Level 1	6:00 PM	1501.331	5:00 PM	1501.341	5:00 PM	1501.351	5:00 PM	1501.361	5:00 PM	1501.371
Level 2	6:00 PM	1502.331	6:00 PM	1502.341	5:00 PM	1502.351	6:00 PM	1502.361	5:00 PM	1502.371
Level 3	7:00 PM	1503.331	7:00 PM	1503.341	6:00 PM	1503.351	7:00 PM	1503.361		
Level 4	5:00 PM	1504.331	7:30 PM	1504.341	6:00 PM	1504.351	6:00 PM	1504.361		
Level 5	7:30 PM	1505.331	6:00 PM	1505.341	6:00 PM	1505.351	7:30 PM	1505.361		
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Fall 2010 Mornings/Afternoons

	Saturdays		Sundays		Tuesday and Thursday Mornings Session 1		Tuesday and Thursday Mornings Session 2	
Dates Classes Held	September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 30, November 6, 13		September 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 31, November 7, 14		September 21, 23, 28, 30; October 5, 7, 12, 14,		October 19, 21, 26, 28, November 2, 4, 9, 11	
No Classes Held Date(s)	No Lessons October 23 (MEA)		No Lessons October 24 (MEA)		None		None	
Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)								
	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
Parent/Child Tot Swim	10:30 AM	1516.311			9:30 AM	1516.381	9:30 AM	1518.381
	9:00 AM	1518.311						
Preschool 1	9:00 AM	1511.311			10:00 AM	1511.381	10:00 AM	1511.382
	10:00 AM	1511.312						
	11:30 AM	1511.313						
Preschool 2	8:30 AM	1512.311	12:00 PM	1512.321	10:30 AM	1512.381	10:30 AM	1512.382
	9:30 AM	1512.312						
	10:30 AM	1512.313						
	11:00 AM	1512.314						
Preschool 3	11:30 AM	1512.315						
	8:30 AM	1513.311			11:00 AM	1513.381	11:00 AM	1513.382
	10:30 AM	1513.312						
Preschool 4	11:00 AM	1513.313						
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Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)								
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Level 1	9:30 AM	1501.311						
	10:30 AM	1501.312						
Level 2	8:30 AM	1502.311	10:00 AM	1502.321				
	9:30 AM	1502.312						
	11:30 AM	1502.313						
Level 3	8:30 AM	1503.311	11:00 AM	1503.321				
	9:30 AM	1503.312						
	10:30 AM	1503.313						
	11:30 AM	1503.314						
Level 4	8:30 AM	1504.311	12:30 PM	1504.321				
	9:30 AM	1504.312						
	11:30 AM	1504.313						
Level 5	9:30 AM	1505.311						
Level 6	10:30 AM	1506.311						
Personal Water Safety								
Adult	8:30 AM	1523.311						
Semi-Private Lessons - Maximum of 3 students (All Lessons are 30 Minutes Long)								
Preschool 2 & 3	12:00 PM	1552.311						
Level 1 & 2	12:00 PM	1541.311						

Preschool Programs

Beginning Tumbling

SESSION ONE: FRIDAYS, SEPTEMBER 17 - OCTOBER 29
9:00 - 9:45AM (AGES 2 - 3) OR 9:45 - 10:30AM (AGES 4 - 6)
SESSION TWO: SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 18 - OCTOBER 30
9:00 - 9:45AM (AGES 2 - 3) OR 9:45 - 10:30AM (AGES 4 - 6)
These classes are designed especially for little ones to practice their coordination while learning to take turns, follow directions, interact with others and most importantly, have fun! They will be introduced to floor mats, wedges, and low and high balance beams. All classes will meet in the MCC Motion Zone and cost \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Registration deadline is one week before classes begins. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



MONDAYS - WEDNESDAYS, 9:30 - 11:00AM
SEPTEMBER 20

Calling all pre-schoolers 3-5 years of age! Our Kids Club is the place to be! Our program features weekly themes and many activities including cooking, gym games, arts and crafts, swimming, free play, music, story time and more! All children MUST BE POTTY TRAINED. The cost is \$18.00 per week (\$12.00 for MCC members) or \$7.00 per day (\$5.00 for MCC members). Space is limited and registration is strongly suggested for each week. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Tots In Motion

TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 14 - OCTOBER 19, 5:15 - 6:00PM
This class is designed for parents or grandparents and toddlers from walking age - 3 years old. Learn simple dance moves, activity and sing-a-long songs, and most of all, have a great time with your little ones! Cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Class will meet in the Activity Room at the Maplewood Community Center.

Gym and Swim

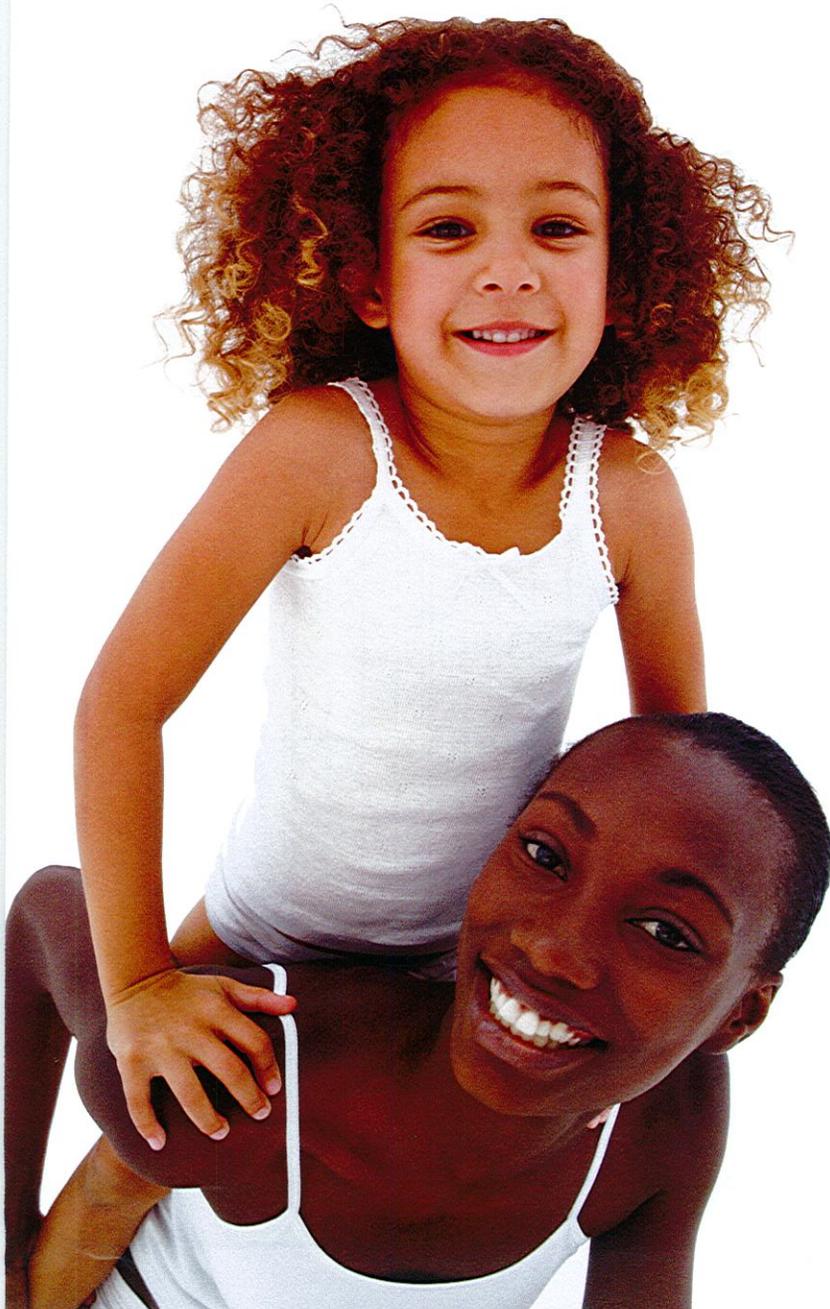
MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 27 - NOVEMBER 1
5:30 - 6:30PM

Give your energetic preschooler (ages 3 - 6) the opportunity to burn off some energy with gym and swim! Fun gym games and plenty of splashing in the pool is bound to make for a fun and fabulous day. Cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Please have your child dressed with a swimsuit under their clothes. Your child must be picked up from the pool area within 15 minutes of the conclusion of class.

Music Together

1. MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 20 - NOVEMBER 29
9:30-10:15AM OR 10:30-11:15AM
2. WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 1
6:00-6:45PM

You'll move, dance, sing, play rhythm instruments and receive CDs and songbooks of the session's song collection so the fun and learning can continue at home. Music Together is for children from birth to age 6 and their accompanying adults. Class is held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$160.00 for the first child and \$90.00 for each additional child. For more information visit www.MusicTogetherClasses.com or to register call 651.439.4219. Ask about the FREE demo days!



Youth Programs

Red Cross Babysitting Class

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 9:00AM - 3:30PM



A certified Red Cross Instructor will teach this hands-on course dealing with the challenges and rewards of caring for younger

children. Students will learn and put into practice valuable concepts and problem solving skills and upon course completion will be Red Cross certified babysitters. Class is appropriate for participants ages 11 and up and will meet in the Maplewood Community Center Activity Room. Cost is \$60.00 and includes a \$10.00 Red Cross Kit. Students should bring a bag lunch or money for the MCC Concessions Counter. Class size is limited! Call 651.249.2230 and register early.

Safe On My Own

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 6:30 - 7:30PM

The American Red Cross has teamed up with us to offer this terrific safety seminar for boys and girls in grades 3-5. This one-hour program deals with the issues and concerns of parents and children when a child is left home alone. Tips and advice are offered to make it the best and safest experience possible. Some things that will be covered will be safety messages on answering the telephone and door. Where to keep keys and emergency information and what they need to know when calling 911. First aid information covers the topics of injury prevention, choking, bleeding and burns. Participants receive a first aid activity book. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$16.00 (\$13.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



**It's Party Time
At The Gyms!**

Carver & Edgerton

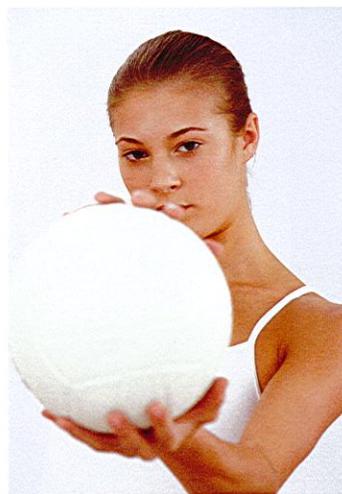
2 Exciting Packages

**2-Hour Rental, Balls, Hoops,
& Parachute included in both.**

**Giant Inflatable, Paper Products &
Additional Gym Rental also available.**

(651) 249.2135

Youth Volleyball



Volleyball - can you dig it? Join youth in grades 3 - 8 to form teams from Maplewood, Woodbury, Little Canada, Oakdale and Stillwater for fun, yet competitive league play. Games are played on Saturday mornings and afternoons with one practice during the week at various locations. The season will conclude with an all day tournament at Carver and Edgerton Community Gyms. This is a recreational league -- the emphasis is on good

sportsmanship and fun. League will run September 18 through November 6. Cost is \$54.00. Registration deadline is September 10. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Maplewood Movie Night At The Farm - Monsters Inc.

FREE FOR ALL AGES! - FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

Enjoy the endearing story of Monsters Inc. at the original Bruentrup Farm! Bring the whole family to play games, purchase refreshments, cozy up to the toasty bonfire and share a laugh with new friends.

Don't miss this great event! Bring a chair, blanket, and bug spray.

Pre-Show Activities: 7:30PM
Movie: 8:30PM



SAVE THE DATE!

Next movie in the park - UP!
Saturday, September 17
at Wakefield Park

Bruentrup Farm • 2170 E. County Road D
Additional Parking at Kindercare (2036 E. County Road D)

Youth Programs

Carver Community Gym

2680 Upper Afton Road in Maplewood

This gymnasium facility offers four courts and is available for rental for basketball, volleyball and tournaments. We also offer Birthday Party options and special events. Call 651.249.2135 for rates.

Carver Gym Jammers

MONDAY - FRIDAY 3:45 - 5:30PM

This alternative after school program is for grades K through 5. We provide structured games and activities both inside and outside with the major focus on fun. Cost is \$5.00/day per student. Reservations are required. Call 651.249.2135 to register your child.

Edgerton Community Gym

1929 Edgerton Street in Maplewood

This gymnasium facility is available for rentals, special events, tournaments and youth Birthday Parties. Rental information is available on the website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or by calling 651.249.2124.



Youth Fall Soccer – K-9th Grade



The Maplewood Recreation Department's Youth Fall Soccer Program is designed to provide youth of all skill levels with an opportunity to participate in organized recreational soccer.

All participants will have an equal opportunity to play. Girls and boys will play in separate leagues, except for the co-rec ages 4-8 league. Please register for the grade attending during the 2010-2011 school year. The soccer season is scheduled to run from September to late October. For K – 2nd grade we will continue to follow our training format. For 3rd and 4th grade this will be a ten game season. For all other ages it will be an eight game season with a two game guarantee end of the year tournament. Co-rec leagues cost \$57.00 and all other leagues cost \$62.00. Visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Young Rembrandts

Elementary Class "Amazing Drawings"

SESSION ONE: 6:30 - 7:30PM

THURSDAYS, SEPT. 30 - NOV. 11

SESSION TWO: 10:00 - 11:00AM

SATURDAYS, SEPT. 25 - NOV. 6

Create amazing drawings! Discover drawing techniques like perspective and how to use warm and cool colors to deliver cool artistic affects. You will build artistic skills with step-by-step instructions from an enthusiastic and talented teacher. This class will expand your knowledge in art. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$60.00 per session.

Fall South Maplewood Tennis

SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 11 - OCTOBER 16

Learn tennis in a fun, fast-paced environment and show your kids that tennis is the perfect match for them! Lessons are taught by tennis pro Tom Westling at Vista Hills Park. Cost is \$45.00.

Little Stars (parent/child) 9:00 - 9:45AM

Big Stars (ages 7-9) 9:45 - 10:30AM

Youth Beginning (ages 10-12) 10:30 - 11:30AM

Call 651.249.2230 to register. For more information, call Tom at 651.735.8988 or visit www.tenniswithtom.com.

Youth Programs

Guitar Lessons (10+)

THURSDAYS, AUGUST 26 - SEPTEMBER 30

Beginning Guitar (6:00 - 6:55PM)

Level 2 (7:00 - 7:55PM)

Level 3 (completed level 2) (8:00 - 8:55PM)

FREE DEMO NIGHT, THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 6:00PM

If you always wanted to learn how to play guitar, here is your chance. Learn to play chords, your favorite songs and tune your guitar with easy to follow instruction! The Beginner class is designed for those who have not played before, Level 2 is for participants who have played before or have completed the Beginner level and Level 3 is for participants who have completed Level 2. Participants are required to bring their own guitar. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Unleash Your Child's Potential With The Power Of Martial Arts!

The Maplewood Community Center and the The Edge Martial Arts, based in Stillwater, Minnesota offer a great karate program for kids and adults of all ages. Cost is \$60.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members).

REGISTER FOR 3 MONTHS AND RECEIVE \$5.00 OFF EACH MONTH! For more information, visit www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com.

Lil' Dragons Program

MONDAYS, 5:15 - 5:45PM - AGES 4 TO 6

Beginner

MONDAYS, 5:45 - 6:15PM - AGES 7+

Advanced Beginner

MONDAYS, 6:15 - 7:00PM - Gold Belt or Higher

Mayer Arts Dance

TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 14 - OCTOBER 28

Wish Upon A Ballet (Ages 3-6)

THURSDAYS 10:00 - 10:45AM OR TUESDAYS 5:30 - 6:15PM

Wish upon a Ballet is a dance program for children that incorporates popular children's stories as well as ballet stories to create a dance class that is more than ballet steps. Using musical instruments, parachutes and scarves we will create a complete fairy tale experience while we skip, leap, jump and spin. This way an introduction to the movements and vocabulary of ballet are taught in a fun and creative manner. Children will learn an appreciation of dance and music while developing strength and flexibility. Parents, family and friends will be invited to observe a special performance at the end of each session. Come join the fun! Girls and boys will need ballet shoes. Girls should wear a leotard and tights. Boys should wear comfortable clothes they can move around in.

Pre Ballet and Tap (Ages 3-4) TUESDAYS 6:15 - 7:15PM

This class includes the Wish Upon a Ballet curriculum with the added fun of tap! An introduction to the movements and vocabulary of these disciplines are taught with the help of musical instruments, parachutes and scarves. Students will develop poise, strength and flexibility. Ballet and tap shoes are required.

Ballet and Tap (Ages 5-7) TUESDAYS 7:00 - 8:00PM

We can't stop the beat! Young dancers will float and leap in ballet and then jump and jive to fun songs while learning about tap. An introduction to the movements and vocabulary of these disciplines are taught with the help of musical instruments, parachutes and scarves. Students will develop poise, strength and flexibility. Ballet and tap shoes are required.

Hip Hop and Tap (Ages 5-7) THURSDAYS 5:30 - 6:30PM

Growing dancers will experience the upbeat and energetic style of hip hop as well as the exciting rhythms of tap. Proper terms for dance steps will be taught as well as body awareness to improve posture, strength and flexibility. Students will gain poise and confidence as they leap and spin! Ballet and tap shoes are required.

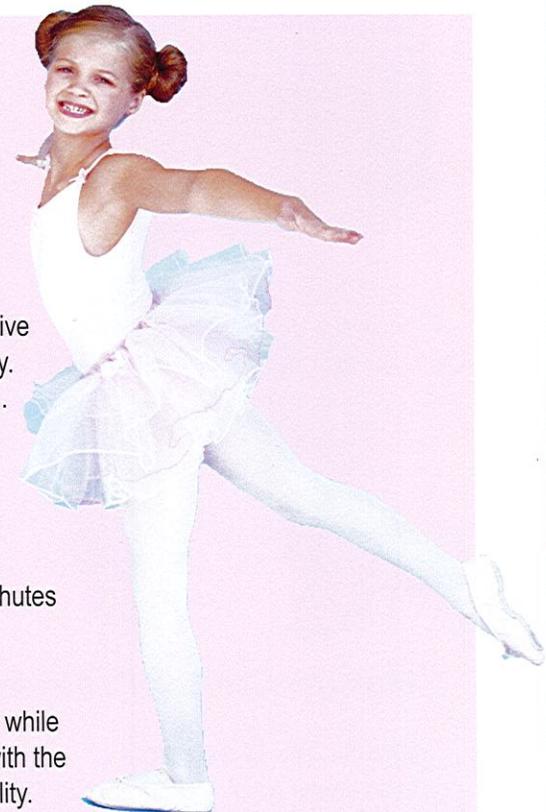
Hip Hop (Ages 8-12) THURSDAYS 6:30 - 7:30PM

Get into the Groove! Students will learn jazz and hip hop steps to fun and upbeat music. Come learn to leap, turn and shine. This class is not only fun but will improve posture, strength and flexibility in a positive and self-esteem building atmosphere. Ballet or jazz shoes are required.

Tap Ages (8-12) THURSDAYS 7:30 - 8:30PM

Come learn the exciting rhythms of tap! Students will be amazed how fun this classic American dance form can be! This class is not only fun but will build strength, self-esteem and musicality. Tap shoes are required.

Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Adult Programs



Adult Dance (16+)

BALLROOM SAMPLER: WALTZ, SWING, CHA CHA

TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 7 - OCTOBER 12, 7:00 - 8:00PM

at the Maplewood Community Center

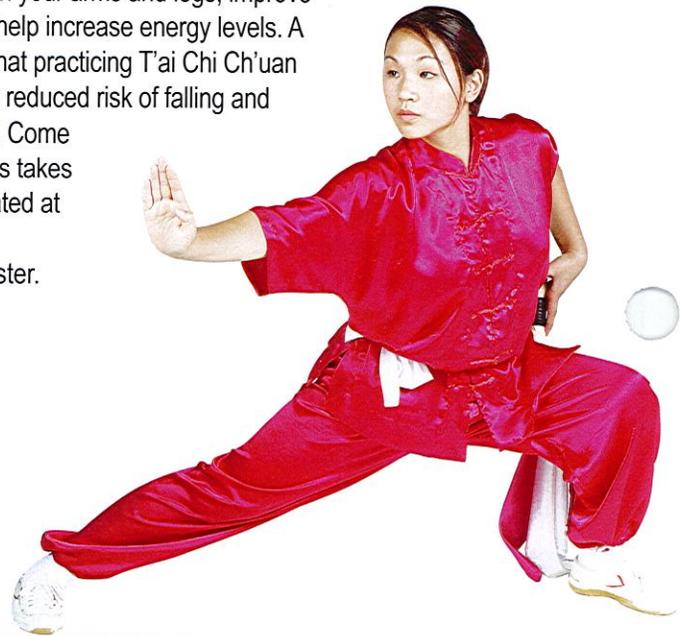
Social Sampler Class will cover many styles and tempos of music, for many dancing occasions. Find out how beneficial dancing can be for your social, mental, and physical health and how much fun it can be! In this session, the instructor will help you get comfortable on the dance floor as you learn the basic steps of the most popular dances. Cost for couples is \$110.00 (\$85.00 for MCC members) and cost for individuals is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC Members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

T'ai Chi Ch'aun (16+)

WEDNESDAY'S AUGUST 18 - OCTOBER 20, 7:30 - 8:30PM

New: MCC Member Rate \$55.00!

Join us for this fun and exciting class! Develop strength while eliminating tension. This class will help you strengthen your arms and legs, improve balance and flexibility, reduce stress and help increase energy levels. A growing body of research also suggests that practicing T'ai Chi Ch'aun has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life! Come experience the benefits for yourself! Class takes place at the Dragons Kung Fu Studio located at 2572 7th Avenue East. Cost is \$65.00 for non-members. Call 651.249.2230 to register.



Nature Center Programs For Adults & Families

How To Compost

Fall Leaves Are A Resource, Not Waste!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 7:00 - 8:00PM

at the Maplewood Nature Center

Learn 3 ways to put leaves to work in your garden! Discover all the benefits of composting and how to produce your own lawn and garden fertilizer. Everybody's doing it – you can, too!! You may purchase the "Earth Machine" compost bin! Together we CAN make a difference. Cost is \$5.00 for the class, \$50.00 includes cost of earth machine compost bin and class. Register online at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc or send check to Maplewood Nature Center by August 24. Call 651.249.2170 for more information.

Mushroom Identification & Ecology

THURSDAYS, SEPT. 16, 23, 30, OCT. 14, 6:30 - 8:30PM

FIELD SESSIONS: SATURDAYS, SEPT. 18 & 25, 9:00AM - 1:00PM

at the Maplewood Nature Center

Join Anna Gerenday, mushroom specialist and member and past president of the Minnesota Mycology society, as she leads you into the mysterious world of fungi. This in depth introductory course will teach you to identify mushrooms, explore mushroom biology and learn the important role of mushrooms in the environment. There will be two Saturday field expeditions and 4 classroom sessions. Location is at the nature center, while field trips may take place at the Maplewood Preserves – to be announced in class. Cost is \$45.00. Call 651.249.2170, register online or send in a check to Maplewood Nature Center by Sept 9.

55+ Programs

Lunch Bunch

SEE DATES BELOW

Looking for great food and even better company? Join the Lunch Bunch and come with us as we explore local hot spots and St. Paul eateries. The Lunch Bunch meets **September 16, October 21, November 18, from 11:30AM to 1:30PM.** Transportation is provided and we will depart from and return to Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$4.00 per trip or \$3.00 if you sign up for three or more dates. Please note that this fee covers only transportation and does not include the cost of the meal. Entrees will typically cost between \$6.00 - \$15.00 (plus tax and gratuity).

The destinations will be determined by our participants! Plus - what's your great food find? Let us know and we'll add it to our "Must Visit!" list.

Space is very limited - reserve your spot today. Reservations are taken on a first come, first serve basis. Please let Customer Service know of any special dietary needs at the time of registration.

Seniors! Check out page 7 for BOSU and Senior Strength Training. Both great programs for improving balance and flexibility.

MCC Senior Foot Care Sessions TUESDAYS, AUGUST 17 & SEPTEMBER 14 9:00AM - 1:00PM

Professional Foot Care in a Private Setting!
The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes:

- Foot Massage
- Cutting Toenails
- Filing Corns & Calluses
- Foot Soak



Maplewood Community Center: 651-249-2230

Senior Health And Wellness Expo

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 10:00AM - 2:00PM

The Maplewood Community Center will be celebrating vitality and healthy senior lifestyles at the Senior Health and Wellness Expo in the banquet room. Seniors and their adult children are invited to explore wellness through a variety of vendor demonstrations, informative exhibits, health and fitness screening and more! Come enjoy refreshments and enter to win some great door prizes. **FREE for all attendees.**

Want a booth at the Senior Health and Wellness Expo?
Call 651.249.2204.

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Ave.

August 2: Importance Of Good Foot Care



Your feet are very important to your well being but sometimes they get neglected. Come and learn about good foot care from the professionals of Affordable Foot Care. A free complimentary foot care service will be given to one lucky participant for demonstration.

August 9: Maximize Oxygen

12 minutes of muscle strengthening once per week to burn fat.
Presented by Vibrant Life Center

August 16: Revive Civility In Our Community

Join etiquette instructor Julie Frantz in an effort to discuss everyday etiquette and ways you can help revive this lost art. This class will help you deal with rude behavior when you encounter it and also share basic rules to teach your kids/ and or grandkids. We will review: Dining skills, Introductions, Telephone etiquette. Refreshments served!

August 23: Nutritional Chat

Presented by The Homestead at Maplewood

August 30: How To Benefit From T'ai Chi Ch'uan

T'ai Chi Ch'uan exercise classes. SENIORS! A growing body of research suggests that practicing T'ai Chi Ch'uan has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life!

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com

Racquet Sports & CPR

New! Racquetball Challenge Ladders

Racquetball challenge ladders will be held on the first Saturday of each month from 7:00 - 10:00AM. The cost of the challenge ladder is \$4.00+ tax per participant. Free for MCC members! These ladders are designed for experienced to expert players.



RACQUETBALL AND WALLYBALL

Challenge yourself with one of these enjoyable sports. To reserve a court, call 651.249.2210.

Racquetball Fees

Non-Member	Member
Daily Admission	FREE

Wallyball Fees (Per court/per hour/per group)

Non-Member	Member
\$14.00 (plus tax)	\$11.00 (plus tax)

RACQUETBALL LEAGUES

SEPTEMBER 25 - DECEMBER 10

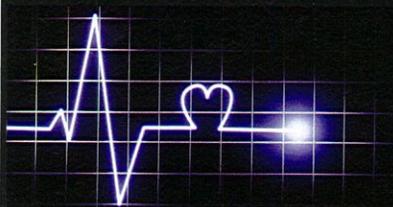
Racquetball leagues are now being formed at the MCC. These are adult co-ed recreational leagues at B+ and B- levels. The coordinator will generate a schedule of players and numbers for weekly matches. Opponents call each other to schedule matches and court times during the week they are scheduled to play each other. Cost is \$44.00 (\$14.00 MCC members). Registration deadline: September 17 (no exceptions) Schedules can be picked up beginning September 22 at 5:00PM. Any schedules not picked up will be mailed out.

Co-Rec Leagues

- Level B+ (Very Competitive)
- Level B- (Competitive)

Learn The Skill That Saves Lives

CPR/AED AND FIRST AID CLASSES



FACT: 80 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed by a family member.

Fast, efficient CPR can double or triple a victim's chance of survival.



Community CPR (Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)
Saturday, August 14, 10AM - 5PM

Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR With First Aid
Saturday, September 11, 10AM - 5PM

Attention Childcare Providers! This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

CALL 651.249.2230 TO REGISTER.



Help A Worthy Cause + A Great Food In A Fun Atmosphere = Winning Combination!

Join Maplewood Mall & Chili's Restaurant to support a great cause! This July & August, Chili's Restaurant in Maplewood will donate 10% of qualifying purchases to Simon Youth Foundation! To participate, simply pick up a voucher at Maplewood Mall Simon Guest Services, bring in this voucher or request one from your Chili's server. As you order turn your voucher into your server & Chili's will take care of the rest!

Simon Youth Foundation is a non-profit organization that aims to foster & improve educational opportunities, career development, and life skills that transform the lives of at-risk youths through focused programs & initiatives with public school and post-secondary education partners.



Pepper Profit Program

Bring this voucher when you visit (Dine In or To Go) the Chili's location identified below and 10% of your purchase (excluding taxes) will benefit:

SIMON YOUTH FOUNDATION

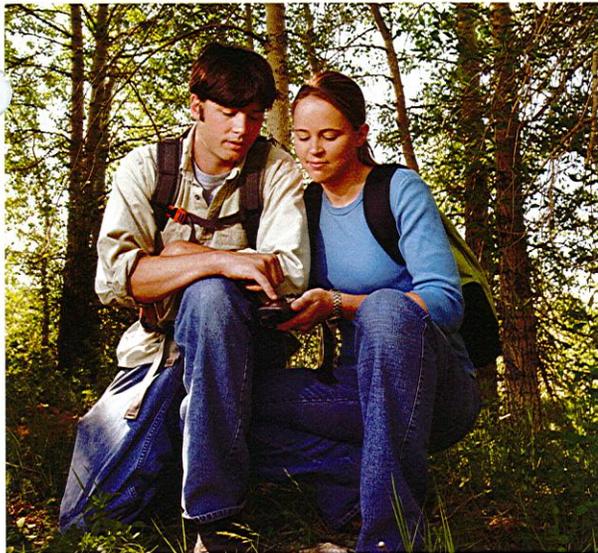
Group Charity

JULY & AUGUST

Event Exp. Date
One coupon per person, per visit at participating Chili's restaurant only. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Offer ends per expiration date above.

1800 Beam Ave, Maplewood 651-773-9501
Chili's Location Telephone
#9999900000321

Family Programs



NEW!

GeoCaching

If you want an exciting new hobby that allows you to combine your love of technology with nature and exploration, geocaching is for you!

Geocaching is a world-wide scavenger hunt using GPS technology. Geocaching is great for people of all ages and abilities. There are caches hidden all over the world in cities and forests and everything in between. The most recent statistics indicate that there are "1,084,870 active caches and an estimated 3-4 million geocachers worldwide."

YOUR MISSION IS TO

1. Hunt down the site of each cache in the parks.
 2. Collect a sticker from each cache for your passport book.
- Once your passport is full, bring it to either the Maplewood Nature Center (2659 East 7th Street) or the Parks and Recreation Counter at Maplewood City Hall (1830 East County Road B) to claim your prize! Passport books are available at both locations starting August 21. Call 651.249. 2170 or 651.249.2125 for more information.

To help you get started, Geocache expert Therese Sonnek will teach a brief session on the ABC's of Geocaching; full of great advice and tips to ensure caching success!

The session will be held at the Maplewood Nature Center on Saturday, August 21, from 10:00 – 11:00AM. Contact the Nature Center at 651.249.2170 for more information.

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Nature Center Programs For Families

Super Spiders

(Ages 4-10 with an adult or 11+)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 10:00 - 11:30AM

Spiders are nature's bug – zappers! Meet live Spiders and learn about webs and spider silk. Make a spider snack. Put together a spider identification book to take home. Hike to look for orb, funnel, jumping and crab spiders. Wear shoes suitable for hiking. Cost is \$4.00/child. Call 651.249.2170 to register by August 12.



Wild Animals Puppet Show (Ages 2+)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 10:00 - 11:15AM

Laugh and sing along with our wild animals puppets as they teach us about their habitat. Go on a self-guided nature bingo hike afterwards! Cost is \$4.00/family. Call 651.249.2170 to register by August 15.

Natural Play Area Celebration (All ages)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1:00 - 3:00PM

Help celebrate the completion of the Natural Play area adjoining the Maplewood Nature Center's building. This area was developed for preschoolers and early grade school age children. The play equipment encourages children to use their sense of touch, smell, hearing and sight when exploring. Come and meet the creators of the natural play area--two Girl Scouts working on their Gold Award. Laura Chandler and Sarah Mittelstadt would love to have your children try out the new natural play area. **FREE!!!!**

Magnificent Monarches (Ages 3-10 with an adult)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Visit the butterfly garden and prairie to look for Monarch Butterflies. Learn how to safely catch and tag one to help researchers keep track of butterfly populations and migration routes. Make your own crafty butterfly; enjoy a snack. Cost is \$4.00/child. Call 651.249.2170 to register by August 26.



Feed The Animals

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 10:00 - 11:00AM

- Touch and see our hognose snake, tree frog, toad, and tiger salamander.
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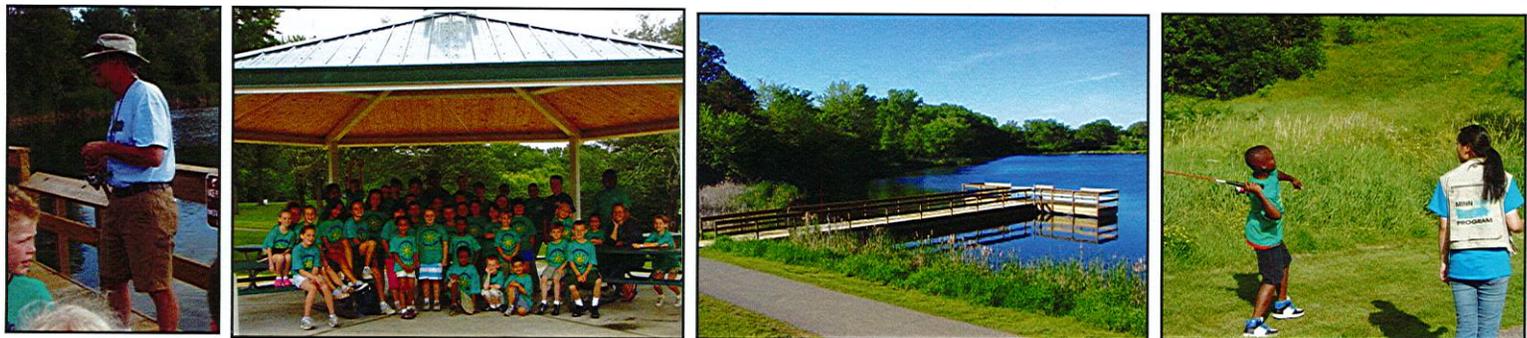
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Maplewood Gets A New Fishing Pier And Picnic Shelter

The dedication ceremony for the new fishing pier and picnic shelter was held at Wakefield Park, (1590 Frost Avenue) on July 13th. The purpose of this event was to thank the DNR and the Darkhouse & Angling Association for their generous donations and support of the fishing pier and to officially open the new picnic shelter to the public. MinnAqua, a division of the DNR, started the evening out with Naturalist Zoa leading a Learn to Fish program for kids. Mayor Rossbach kicked off the event by presenting the Darkhouse & Angling Association with a plaque of recognition and doing the ceremonial "first cast" off of the new pier. The event concluded with cake and root beer floats under the new picnic shelter. A special thank you goes out to members of the DNR, Darkhouse & Angling Association, City Council and our Maplewood Day Camp families for helping us celebrate these great new additions to Wakefield Park. For more information, or to reserve the picnic shelter call 651.249.2007.



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Save The Date

- **Family Movie Night**
Friday, September 17, 6:30PM
at Wakefield Park
Friday, September 24, 6:30PM
at Casey Lake Park (see pg. 9)
- **College Fair**
Thursday, September 30, 5:00PM
at the Maplewood Community Center
- **MCC Visitor Open House**
Sunday, October 10, 10:00AM
- **Fall Clean-Up**
Saturday, October 16, 8:00AM
at Aldrich Arena

And The Winners Are...



Maplewood City Council and staff are pleased to announce the winners of the 2010 Extreme GREEN Makeover! Michael and Michele Tibodeau will receive a yard makeover valued at up to \$15,000. Once completed, their front yard will demonstrate GREEN landscaping features such as raingardens to infiltrate rainwater runoff, native plantings for wildlife, and reducing the amount of lawn by planting gardens or shrub plantings. Earthworks, Inc. will design and install the improvements starting in mid-September. The Tibodeau's attended many of the Extreme GREEN Makeover classes and events.

Thirty-one Maplewood residents applied to win the yard makeover. The judges reviewed all applications, visited 14 sites, interviewed 4 homeowners, and selected the Tibodeau's. Criteria for selection was based on understanding of and commitment to the GREEN Goals, attendance at GREEN Makeover classes, site visibility, site's suitability as a demonstration site for the GREEN goals, and the potential before and after impact.

View the Tibodeau's entertaining home video at: www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen.

Extreme GREEN Makeover partners include the City of Maplewood, Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, and Ramsey County Library. The Friends of Maplewood Nature and many other sponsors have donated cash, products, and prizes, which made the program possible. Thank you to Kare11 and GTN who taped and aired segments about Extreme GREEN Makeover on television and cable.



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Spend Less Without Having To Lift A Finger Call The Home Energy Squad

Twin City residents this year are taking advantage of a new program that is a simple yet exciting concept that helps everyone save on energy costs. The Home Energy Squad, new in 2010, arrives at your door equipped with materials that when installed can add up to significant savings on energy bills all year long.



This unique and affordable program is for utility customers who are interested in spending less on electricity and natural gas while not having to lift a finger. Within two hours, the Home Energy Squad experts will identify savings opportunities in your home, and they'll install everything that you choose from a list of materials. It's that simple, and your savings begin immediately – in fact, your energy savings in the first year should more than pay for the cost of your Home Energy Squad visit.

How much does the program cost? For as little as \$50.00, your home will be equipped with the tools that will help to cut electricity and natural gas usage. The best part is you pay only for the materials, which often times are less than retail cost, and the Home Energy Squad labor is free.

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City of Maplewood Elected Officials

Will Rossbach: Mayor 651.484.5427
 Kathleen Juenemann: Councilmember 651.771.3670
 James Llanas: Councilmember 651.488.2745
 John Nephew: Councilmember 651.776.5963
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General Information 651.249.2000
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 Saturday: 8:00AM - 12:00PM

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Registration 651.249.2230
 Customer Service 651.249.2230
 Admissions 651.249.2210
 Theater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
 Group Information 651.249.2203
 Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
 Fitness 651.249.2207

Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2007

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

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Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Thursday, September 9 at 7:00PM

City Council: Monday, September 13 & 27 at 7:00PM

City Council Wksp: Tuesday, September 7 at 5:15PM

Citizen's Forum: Saturday, September 11 at 10:30AM
 (hosted by John Nephew at the Ramsey County Library)

Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, September 28 at 6:00PM

Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Monday, September 20 at 7:00PM

Heritage Preservation Commission: Thursday, September 16 at 7:00PM

Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, September 8 at 7:00PM

Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, September 15 at 7:00PM

Planning Commission: Tuesday, September 7 & 21 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

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Buckthorn May Be Lurking In Your Yard

Buckthorn is an aggressive, invasive European shrub that is taking over our native woodlands. Maplewood encourages residents to remove it from their properties. Unlike native shrubs, it retains its green leaves late into the fall, long after other leaves have turned color or fallen. This is the easiest way to identify buckthorn for removal.

Buckthorn prevents the growth of native species such as oaks, ferns and wildflowers. Uncontrolled buckthorn growth may lead to the loss of our native woodlands.

This year, you can nominate your Maplewood neighborhood for free curbside pick-up of buckthorn only. This service will be available to neighborhoods with three or more registered households. To register:

- Contact your neighbors about joining the buckthorn removal program! Make sure to get permission from your neighbors first!
- Send your contact information (names, daytime phone, email and address) and that of at least 2 other interested households in your neighborhood to: Maplewood Nature Center, 2659 7th St. East, Maplewood, MN 55119, or, email this information to Carole Gernes at carole.gernes@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

A naturalist will confirm the presence and quantity of buckthorn in your neighborhood and contact you with instructions.

Buckthorn Herbicide Coupon



Join the City's effort to remove buckthorn from Maplewood. To help with this important community environmental issue, these businesses are offering Maplewood residents a discount on buckthorn herbicide products. Bring your buckthorn brochure to make sure that you buy effective chemical concentrations! For more information, call the Buckthorn Hotline at 651.249.2188.

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Fall Clean-Up Event Moving To Aldrich Arena

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 8:00AM TO 1:00PM

The Fall 2010 City-wide Clean up event is moving from Gethsemane Lutheran Church to the Aldrich Arena parking lot at 1850 White Bear Avenue, and will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2010 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM. The move will result in a one-stop disposal opportunity for Maplewood residents since Ramsey County will be collecting Household Hazardous Waste from 8:00AM to 4:00PM.

We will have a new partner at the event this year- Project for Pride in Living. This organization recycles unusable mattresses, box springs, sleeper sofas, futons and water beds. So, keep these items out of your trash by bringing them to the Fall event. Please note that BRIDGING will still be at the event collecting reusable mattresses, box springs, furniture and other household items that will be redistributed to families in need.

Maplewood residents will once again be able to dispose of appliances, tires, construction debris, mattresses, furniture, car parts, scrap metal and other assorted junk, and all electronics such as TV's, computers, monitors and cell phones. Call 651.249.2400 for more information and a fee schedule.



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A Recap Of City Council Actions And Policy Directives

2011 Budget Process

This year we got an early start on the budget process for 2011. Across many meetings in late spring and summer, the City Council held workshops to hear the budget proposals and priorities from each department head. Our challenge is to maintain vital city services in the face of lost funding from the State of Minnesota, without an excessive increase to property taxes or fees. We've set a target of no more than a 5% increase to our property tax levy next year. We are looking closely at every department to identify expenses that can be cut or deferred.

Capital Improvement Plan

We approved the 2011-2015 Capital Improvement Plan at our July 26th meeting. This document provides long-term guidance for major expenditures on things like roads, buildings, and equipment. After several years of increased capital spending, this plan continues the direction we've taken since I joined the council: to stabilize and ultimately reduce the city's debt, in order to increase our city's financial flexibility in the future.

The 2009 Financial Report and Audit

Speaking of debt, I'm pleased to note that our latest Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) showed that the city's long-term debt was reduced by 3.7% in 2009. The CAFR was presented to the City Council on July 26th, along with a "clean opinion" from the independent auditors who review our books each year.

The Shores at Lake Phalen

On August 9th, the City Council reviewed and approved plans for the Shores at Lake Phalen, a senior housing development that will be built on the former site of the Saint Paul Tourist Cabins at the corner of Frost and Lake Shore Drive. Tax Increment Financing from the project will fund street, sewer and stormwater improvements, and provide \$400,000 for improvements to the Gladstone Savanna. This

facility will offer assisted living and memory care, and is expected to employ 75 people when completed.

Fund for Legal Expenses

Also on August 9th, the council approved creation of a special fund to set aside money for legal defense costs in the lawsuits from Wipers Recycling. This firm and its owner, who are challenging the City's efforts to enforce fire and building safety codes on its property (where a fire occurred in early 2008), have started four legal actions related to its disputes with City of Maplewood and other parties, and most recently have requested a judge to add the City and its officials to a fifth suit. Nearly \$450,000 has already been spent on Maplewood's legal expenses over the past two years, and about \$163,000 of this amount is not covered by our insurance. Since we don't pay until the litigation is concluded, we want to start setting aside money each year. The funds are transferred from the annual budget for legal claims and judgements – which has a funds available right now, due to an overall decline in lawsuits against the city.

On TV and Online

As always, you can find city council meetings and workshops broadcast on cable channel 16. You can also view live and archived meetings (starting at the beginning of 2010) on the city website at <http://www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/index.aspx?nid=673>. Online meetings are linked to an agenda for that meeting, so you can click and go directly to the specific part of a meeting that interests you.

- Councilmember John Nephew



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28 Burglary Cases	91 Theft Cases
14 Auto Theft Cases	29 Theft from Vehicle Cases
42 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 68 arrests for shoplifting and 21 arrests for DWI.

Pride Of Maplewood Award



Karen Guilfoile, Citizen Services Director (left) presents award to Kris Weaver, Lead Licensing Specialist (right)

Congratulations to Kris Weaver for being nominated for the Pride of Maplewood by her co-workers. Kris joined the Citizen Services Department in March, 2000 as a clerk/typist. She is the Lead Licensing Specialist in our Motor Vehicle Services Department.

"Kris demonstrates superb knowledge and leadership traits to all of her co-workers. No matter how busy, Kris always takes time to address our questions or concerns with a smile."

"Kris is constantly asked to switch gears dozens of times per day, and is often doing many things at once, without complaint. There has never been a question or issue that she cannot resolve."

"Even while out of the office, Kris takes calls from the department to help problem solve."

"She genuinely cares for the Department and quality of service provided to the community."

Thank you, Kris, for your dedication, knowledge and kindness to all the people who come to the Maplewood DMV and the employees of the City of Maplewood.

Charitable Gambling

The City of Maplewood is now accepting applications for the use of the 2011 proceeds of the City's 10% Charitable Gambling Tax.

In order to qualify an organization must be a non-profit corporation with an IRS 501(c) (3) designation serving the citizens of Maplewood. The first priority will be given to funding City of Maplewood organizations and second priority to organizations from outside the city proposing to meet the needs of Maplewood residents. In general, requests from organized athletic groups are not funded.

The City Council awarded a total of \$25,000 in Charitable Gambling Tax Funds in 2010. Funds went to the following groups: Friends of Maplewood Nature, Maplewood Community Center, Heritage Theater Company, the Ramsey County Fair, Maplewood Police Explorers, Maplewood Police Reserves, Maplewood Area Historical Society, the American Red Cross, Ashland Productions, Maplewood Scholarship Fund, Maplewood Firefighters Flower Fund, Poj Koob Yawm Ntxwy, St. Paul Composite Squadron Civilian Air Patrol, Walker at Hazel Ridge and the Dispute Resolution Center.

The funds are awarded by a vote of the Maplewood City Council. Applications are available on the city website www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or by calling Sarah Burlingame at 651.249.2051.

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Independent Audit Gives City Clean Opinion

On Monday, July 26, 2010, the Maplewood City Council received a report from an independent audit firm regarding their audit of the financial statements of the City's governmental and business-type activities. This annual audit is a requirement of Minnesota statutes and was presented by David Mol, CPA and Andrew Hering, CPA of HLB Tautges, Redpath, Ltd. The audit is a review of the City's financial activities as reported in a summary of the financial status of the City called the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report or CAFR. The CAFR, which is the responsibility of the City's management to issue, contains a summary of all financial activities and balances within various funds relating to all activities conducted by the City for the year ending December 31, 2009. A copy of the CAFR is available on the City's webpage.

The audit firm's conclusion was that the City's financial statements receive a "Clean Opinion" on the status. They issued three reports [copies of those reports are available on the website] to inform the Council of their findings. The first report issued is called The Report on Compliance with Minnesota statutes. The auditor reported one finding of possible violations where a member of the Council during 2009 reported that a possible violation of the open meeting law occurred because a

copy of the budget document was supposed to be available for inspection within the chambers during the 2009 budget hearing. The City Manager acknowledged that this occurred because someone within the audience had taken the copy that was provided.

The second report is called The Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Within this report, the auditor indicates their opinion on any deficiencies in operations where an internal procedure or lack of procedure may not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. There were five findings as follows:

- There were a large number of financial statement corrections and general ledger reconciliations necessary during the audit process. There were no disagreements between management and the audit firm on these corrections; however, the high number caused a delay in the preparation of the audit and CAFR. This was a finding from 2008 as well. City Management has indicated that a reorganization of the finance staff management in May 2010 will restore review and reconciliation procedures so this finding does not re-occur in 2010.

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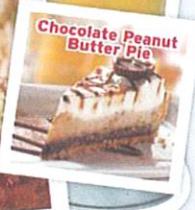
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- Bank reconciliations should be reconciled on a timely basis. This was similar to a finding from 2008. Again, City Management has indicated that the reorganization in May 2010 has changed these procedures and the auditor reported to the Council that these procedures are now in place.
- The approval of journal entries was not consistently documented by Finance management. Various individuals are responsible for making journal entries as part of the update to the general ledger. During 2009, review procedures were not always being followed. The May 2010 reorganization requires that the Finance Manager must approve all journal entries.
- The City requested assistance from the audit firm to assist with the preparation of the CAFR. This is allowed by statute and is a standard practice in similarly sized organizations; however, the auditor must disclose this finding to the Council. City Management and the Council discussed the issue of balancing between having additional staff for financial statement preparation versus relying on the auditor to assist with the procedures. In recent years, the City had as many as nine full-time equivalent staff members within our Finance Department, while now only six are employed. This requires that the auditor assist with the final financial statement preparation. The City will remain aware of this situation and will complete a disclosure checklist to ensure propriety and completeness of disclosures.
- A City department hired a non-prevailing wage contractor to save money on a project that was supported by a federal grant that required the prevailing wage. That \$10,000 grant was disallowed for that project and was re-programmed to another Maplewood project. City Management has provided city-wide training since this incident for all supervisory personnel and all grant contracts are now reviewed by senior management.

The final report is called Communication with Those Charged with Governance. The audit firm made a number of findings to the Council:

- The planned scope of the audit was increased and the timing for completion of the audit was delayed due to the high number of audit adjustments.
- There were no new accounting policies adopted in 2009.
- The financial statement includes estimates for allowances for uncollectable receivables, OPED [which is the impact of retirees on health care costs] and depreciation.
- The audit was difficult to perform and reduced their efficiency due to the high number of adjustments to the trial balance.
- The auditor noted 19 audit adjustments and 3 immaterial items uncorrected.



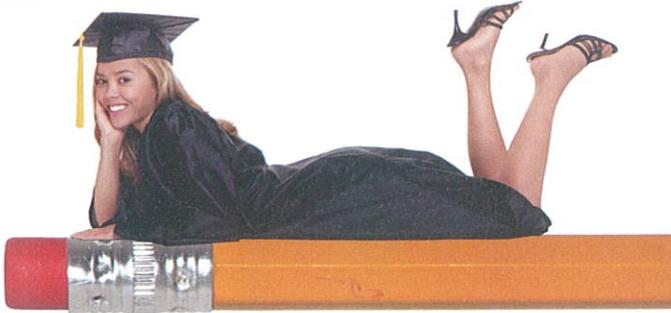
- There were no disagreements with management on the audit.
- Five suggestions regarding closing funds, adjustments to project funds with deficits, a deficit in a 2004 bond fund and a shorter depreciation for streets were made.

In conclusion, the auditor reported to the Council that none of their findings were considered severe and there were no disagreements with City Management on the findings. Thus, based upon their review of the documents and operations, they have issued the "Clean Opinion" on the financial statements. After the Auditor's report, the Council received a summary of the financial status of the City from Assistant City Manager, Chuck Ahl. The summary is from information contained in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that was reviewed by the independent auditor.

The City of Maplewood's assets exceed liabilities by \$123,735,248. This indicates a financially-sound organization in that a vast majority of the assets [such as streets and sewer pipes] are paid for and not leveraged. Of this amount, \$9,947,611 is available to meet the on-going obligations according to the policies of the Council. An indication that the City has begun to reduce obligations and use reserves to pay for operations during the difficult economic times is that the assets of the City decreased in 2009 by \$790,177.

At the conclusion of 2009, the City had \$21,290,782 in working capital available in all governmental funds. Of this total, \$6,465,790 is designated for working capital in the General Fund that accounts for most general municipal services, including Police Services, Fire Services, Parks, Administration and Street maintenance operations. The General Fund reserve was down by 3.6% from 2008, again indicating that the City used reserves in 2009 to fund operations. The reserve in the General Fund is necessary because expenses must be paid during the first half of each year prior to receiving the largest payment to the General Fund, which are property taxes collected by Ramsey County. Property taxes are received by the City in July and December of each year, so the fund balance is used for cash flow. The overall long-term liabilities of the City decreased in 2009 by \$2,809,815 which indicates the City is meeting the Council's goal of reducing overall debt.

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Jump Start Your Future At The Maplewood Community Center College Fair

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 5:00 - 8:00PM

High School students and their families are invited to the FREE College Fair that takes place annually at the Maplewood Community Center. When making an important decision that involves your academic future you need all the information that you can get! College representatives from more than 20 schools will be available to help you explore your higher education options quickly and efficiently. Learn about course offerings, admission requirements, and general college life. Collect brochures and applications for both admission and financial aid from most of the schools at the fair.

If you are unsure on how to finance your education, be sure to stop by at 6:15PM when Client First Network will present, "How To Pay For College Without Going Broke." Client First works with parents and students, who want to maximize financial aid eligibility, showing them how to pay for college in most efficient way and improve their net worth while protecting their assets!

Schools attending include: Concordia University, Globe University, Hennepin Technical College, Institution of Production and Recording, Inver Hills Community College, Lawrence University, Minneapolis Media Institute, North Central University, Northern State University, University of MN – Crookston, University of MN – Morris, University of MN – Rochester, University of MN – Twin Cities, University of North Dakota, Winona State University, and many more. Don't miss this great opportunity to jump start your future!

Call 651.249.2103 for more information.

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The revenue to the General Fund from 2008 to 2009 decreased by 2.7%. The biggest decreases were intergovernmental revenues which decreased by \$484,510 and income from investment of City reserves, which decreased by \$203,083. In response to the decrease in revenue, the staff expenses decreased from 2008 to 2009 by 3.5%.

The Debt Service Fund accounts for the overall debt of the City. The fund balance increased by \$31,149 from 2008 to 2009, even though a payment of \$10,105,000 in principal on the City's debt was made in 2009. The balance within the fund is \$12,700,227. The City's outstanding bonds at the end of 2009 were \$72,617,297, which decreased from 2008 by \$2,735,000 which is consistent with the Council goal to reduce overall City debt. The Public Improvement Projects Fund, which works in coordination with the Debt Service Fund, decreased in balance from 2008 to 2009 by \$3,900,879 because a couple of projects were started in 2009, but not bonded for until 2010.

Finally, the business activities portion of the City operations includes the Maplewood Community Center Fund, the Ambulance Service Fund, the Environmental Utility Fund, the Recycling Fund, the Street Light Utility Fund and the Sanitary Sewer Fund. The Maplewood Community Center Fund and Ambulance Service Fund had deficit balances of its unrestricted net assets that exceeded \$600,000 that the City Council acknowledge a need to address with the 2011 Budget, while the remaining funds all showed positive reserves and operational balances.

Further information on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the City Audit can be found on the City's webpage. Comments or questions should be directed to Chuck.Ahl@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

An advertisement for a performance by Kristy Lee. It features a photograph of her playing an acoustic guitar and singing into a microphone. The text on the right side of the ad reads: "Kristy Lee", "Friday & Saturday, October 1 & 2", "Reserve your seat at www.maplewoodarts.com!". At the bottom, it says "2100 White Bear Ave. • 651.249.2230". There is also a small logo for "Maplewood Theatre" in the bottom left corner of the ad.

Home Energy Squad - continued from cover page

Labor is covered through the program offered jointly by Xcel Energy and CenterPoint Energy. The two utilities work closely with the Neighborhood Energy Connection in St. Paul and the Center for Energy and Environment in Minneapolis to offer this service to customers.

Even for the do-it-yourself crowd, this program is a convenience and a savings. "Many people may know how to install most of these items, but we've found that finding the right equipment and knowing exactly what to purchase is a daunting experience for homeowners," said Jean Hammer, Xcel Energy product portfolio manager. The idea for traveling squads arose as a next logical step beyond having a home energy audit. Audits identify energy-saving ideas, yet some customers are too overwhelmed to complete all of the improvements or they lack the resources to accomplish the task.

The program offers two affordable packages that include items such as compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) for all areas and fixtures in your home, low-flow showerheads, programmable thermostats, door weather stripping, and more.

Customers have been thrilled with their Home Energy Squad experience. These energy experts work closely with customers to ensure they are satisfied with each product prior to leaving the home. "Customer feedback is overwhelmingly positive so far," Hammer said. "They like getting expert advice on saving energy and money, while at the same time making their own decisions about which measures to implement. The ease of having someone in the home who can both consult and install, all in less than two hours, is a favorite feature of the program."

More than 2,000 area homeowners already have taken advantage of the Home Energy Squad program, and since its launch in January, the program has saved enough energy to power more than 250 homes for a year. The Home Energy Squad program aims to achieve enough energy savings in 2010 to equal the energy used to power approximately 900 homes for one year.

The Basic Service costs \$50.00 and customers choose two out of these three: 10 spiral CFLs, a programmable thermostat or weather-stripping for one door. Extras in that package include a low-flow showerhead, kitchen and bathroom faucet aerators, a refrigerator thermometer and an evaluation of the customer's water-heater temperature.

The Premium Service package for \$80.00 provides all the items in the Basic Service package, plus a choice of two additional items,

including:

- Four decorative CFLs.
- Water-heater insulation.
- 10 more spiral CFLs.
- Or weather-stripping of a second door.

Customers can also purchase most of these and several other items on an à la carte basis, as well.

To qualify for the program, participants must be Xcel Energy electric customers and natural gas customers of either Xcel Energy or Center Point Energy. To schedule a visit with the Home Energy Squad, eligible customers can call 866.222.4595 or sign up online at HomeEnergySquad.net.



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Special Events

Square Dance At The Bruentrup Barn

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 6:30 - 9:00PM

DEMONSTRATIONS & INSTRUCTION AT 6:30

2170 East County Road D in Maplewood

Distinguished Caller: Dan Sahlstrom

Enjoy Ar-Dale Square Dance Club dancing and Pie & Ice Cream Fundraiser for Maplewood Area Historical Society.

Admission cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids 12 & younger
Call Carolyn at 651.748.9009 or visit

www.maplewoodhistoricalsociety.org for more information.

Date Night

SEPTEMBER 17, OCTOBER 22, NOVEMBER 19, DECEMBER 17
5:30 - 10:00PM

Parents- bring the kids to the Maplewood Community Center while you enjoy an evening out! We'll provide a pizza dinner, go swimming, bounce in the Jump Castle, play games, make arts and crafts, and watch a movie. Make sure they bring their swimsuits and a towel! Drop children off at 5:30PM and pick them up no later than 10:00PM. Children must be between 1-10 years old. Kids ages 1-5 will play in the Jump Castle/childcare room while kids ages 6-10 go swimming. Cost is \$27.00/child or \$22.00/child for families with multiple children attending. (MCC members- \$22.00/child or \$17.00/child for families with multiple children attending. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

FREE! Movies Nights In The Park

Presented by: Maplewood Parks & Recreation with City of North St. Paul
Concessions sold at both shows. Bring blankets and bug spray.

Wakefield Park: UP! 1590 Frost Avenue, Maplewood
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 (FREE!)

Movie: 7:30PM (Pre-Show Games: 6:30PM)

By tying thousands of balloons to his home, 78-year-old Carl Fredricksen sets out to fulfill his lifelong dream to see the wilds of South America. Right after lifting off, however, he learns he isn't alone on his journey, since Russell, a wilderness explorer 70 years his junior, has inadvertently become a stowaway on the trip. Watch the adventure that ensues in this fun for all ages film!



Casey Lake Park: Wall-E 2100 17th Avenue E, North St. Paul
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 (FREE!)

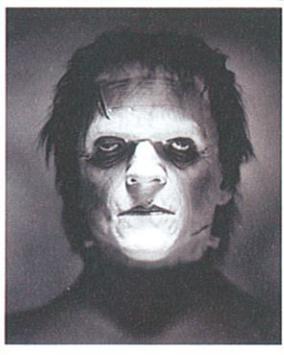
Movie: 7:30PM (Pre-Show Games: 6:30PM)

In a distant, but not so unrealistic future, a small waste collecting robot, Wall-E, inadvertently embarks on a space journey that will ultimately decide the fate of mankind.



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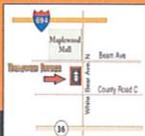
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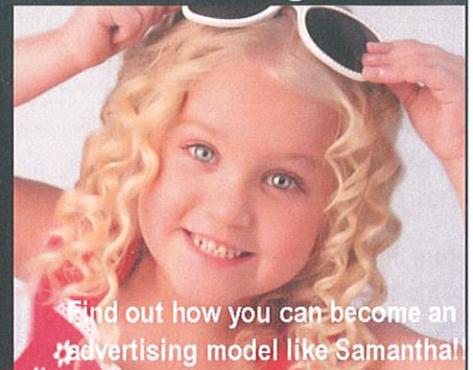
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Sunday, September 19

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Youth Programs

Music Together

MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER 20 - NOVEMBER 29

9:30 - 10:15AM OR 10:30 - 11:15AM

WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 22 - DECEMBER 1

6:00 - 6:45PM

You'll move, dance, sing, play rhythm instruments and receive CDs and songbooks of the session's song collection so the fun and learning can continue at home. Music Together is for children from birth to age 6 and their accompanying adults. Class is held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$160.00 for the first child and \$90.00 for each additional child. For more information visit www.MusicTogetherClasses.com or to register call 651.439.4219. FREE Demo classes Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 6:00PM, Monday, Sept. 13 at 9:30AM and 10:30AM and Wednesday, Sept. 15 at 6:00PM.

Everyday Etiquette

WEDNESDAYS, OCTOBER 6 - 27, 6:00 - 7:00PM

Have a polite child in time for the holidays! Training will include dining etiquette, conversations, party manners, and meeting and greeting others. A light snack is provided. Best for ages 8-12. Cost is \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members). Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Cardio Hip Hop 101 (Ages 13+)

WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 22 - OCTOBER 27, 7:00 - 8:00PM

What better way to get your workout in than with great music and dancing! In this program you will learn a variety of short dances to hip hop's newest music as well as some great old classics. This program will give you a high energy hour of cardio dance! Not a dancer? No problem! The steps are easy to learn and you need no prior experience to enjoy this great program. Cost is \$48.00 or (\$30.00 for MCC members). Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Youth Basketball Clinic

THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 16 - OCTOBER 21

This MCC clinic is designed for boys and girls who want to learn the basic skills of basketball or want to be introduced to a new sport. Participants will learn the basics: rules of the game, the different lines on a court, dribbling, passing, shooting, offensive and defensive positioning among other skills, leading to game play. Basketball hoop heights will be adjusted to meet the needs of participants. Each player will receive a cool clinic shirt! Cost is \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Grade 3

5:30 - 6:25PM

Grade 4

6:30 - 7:25PM

Grade 5

7:30 - 8:25PM

Intro To Basketball

SATURDAYS, OCTOBER 9 - NOVEMBER 13

Introduce your youngster to the basic skills of basketball in a relaxed, fun and supportive atmosphere. They will learn shooting, passing, dribbling, defense and team play. Basketballs and baskets will be adjusted to meet the needs of each age group. All participants will receive a t-shirt and mini basketball. Space is limited, so register early! For more information, call 651.249.2121. Cost is \$50.00 and the class will be held at the Edgerton Community Gym (1929 Edgerton St). Call 651.249.2230 to register by September 29 (limited space).

Grade K

9:00 - 10:00AM

Grade 1

10:15AM - 1:15PM

Grade 2

11:30AM - 12:30PM

MCC Youth Softball Clinic

TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 14 - OCTOBER 19

In this clinic your ball players will learn the basic fundamentals of throwing, catching, fielding infield and outfield, ground balls, pop flies and hitting. Step by step instruction and fun games will help each student learn technique the easy way while keeping it fun. Each player will receive a cool clinic shirt! Cost is \$50.00 or (\$40 for MCC members).

K-2nd

5:30 - 6:25PM

3rd-5th

6:30 - 7:25PM

6th-8th

7:30 - 8:25PM

New! HomeSchool Open Gym

Attention Homeschool Families! Join us at the Maplewood Community Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 - 2:00 PM for our special "Homeschool Open Gym" time. Activities include volleyball, basketball, floor hockey, soccer and more. Enjoy the open gym time in September for the introductory rate of ONLY \$2/person! Open gym time begins September 7. Call 651.249.2204 for more information.



Adult & Active Adult 55+ Programs

Table Tennis League

SEPTEMBER 18 - NOVEMBER 26

Join a Table Tennis league at the Maplewood Community Center! The MCC is offering an adult co-ed community league. A schedule of weekly pairings will be generated for the league participants. League members call and arrange a time to play each other for the week they are paired. Fee includes table usage and a FREE package of 3-star balls. Cost is \$45.00 (or \$30.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register by September 10.

Line Dance (Ages 16+)

WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 22 - OCTOBER 27

7:45 - 8:45PM

Get ready to strut your stuff with Maplewood Community Center's Line Dance class! Enjoy the great combination of physical activity, social interaction, and mental stimulation while participating in this fun and relaxing activity. No partner required. Dances taught include the ever-popular Electric Slide, Tush Push, Cowboy Cha-Cha, The Samba Line dance and more! Cost for couples is \$110.00 (\$85.00 for MCC members) and for individuals is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Dodgeball League (Ages 16+)

RECREATIONAL LEAGUE: SUNDAY'S OCT. 17 - DEC. 12

COMPETITIVE LEAGUE: MONDAY'S OCT. 18 - DEC. 13

Mandatory Team Manager Meeting: October 11, 6:00PM

Each team will consist of 6-10 participants containing any combination of males or females. The leagues are 8 weeks long with a 4 team playoff the 9th week. Games are played between 5:00 - 9:00PM. League champions will receive FREE entry to the next league. Rate is \$300 per team. Call 651.249.2230 to register by Thursday, October 7.

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Ave.

September 13: Hearing Loss Seminar

Hearing Loss Seminar presented by Belltone Hearing Ctr.

September 20: Importance Of Good Foot Care

Your feet are very important to your well being but sometimes they get neglected. Come and learn about good foot care from the professionals of Affordable Foot Care. A free complimentary foot care service will be given to one lucky participant for demonstration.

September 27: Senior Fitness Assessment

Maintaining adequate strength, endurance and agility is critical for older adults. This seminar is a battery of tests designed to cover the components of fitness for older adults. Courtesy of the Maplewood Care Center and The Homestead of Maplewood.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Senior Foot Care Sessions

TUES, SEPT. 14 & WED, SEPT. 29

9:00AM - 1:00PM

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes:

- Foot Massage
- Cutting Toenails
- Filing Corns & Calluses
- Foot Soak

Grab Bag Bingo

SEPTEMBER 2, OCTOBER 7, NOVEMBER 4, DECEMBER 2

The First Thursday Of Each Month, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Join us for a fun, new twist on Bingo the first Thursday of each month in the Maplewood Community Center Banquet Room! Ten or more games are played and the winners choose from an assortment of grab bags. Costs is \$2.00 at the door. Coffee and treats are provided!

Nature Center Programs 2659 East 7th Street (Call 651.249.2170 to register)

Demo: How To Remove Buckthorn

SATURAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2:00 - 3:15PM

Adults, older scout groups, teens (FREE!)

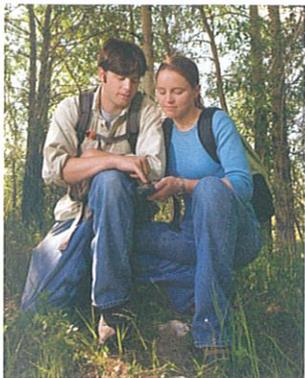
Learn to differentiate these invasive shrubs from similar beneficial native shrubs in our area. We will discuss tools, herbicides and disposal options. Demo will be held at the Nature Center. Dress for the weather. Call 651.249.2170 to register by September 14.

Nature In Your Neighborhood

Nominate your neighborhood for a site visit with a naturalist on Saturday, October 9! Recruit 5 neighbors and their families to identify nature sights on your block or in a nearby park or neighborhood preserve. From birds and animals to trees, this is your opportunity to get your nature questions answered on the spot. Download an application at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc, or call 651.249.2170 to request an application by September 30th.

Family Programs

New! Geocaching



If you want an exciting new hobby that allows you to combine your love of technology with nature and exploration, geocaching is for you!

Geocaching is a world-wide scavenger hunt using GPS technology. Geocaching is great for people of all ages and abilities. There are caches hidden all over the world in cities and

forests and everything in between. The most recent statistics indicate that there are "1,084,870 active caches and an estimated 3-4 million geocachers worldwide."

YOUR MISSION IS TO

1. Hunt down the site of each cache in the parks.
 2. Collect a sticker from each cache for your passport book.
- Once your passport is full, bring it to either the Maplewood Nature Center (2659 East 7th Street) or the Parks and Recreation Counter at Maplewood City Hall (1830 East County Road B) to claim your prize! Passport books are now available at both locations. Call 651.249. 2170 or 651.249.2125 for more information.

WE HAVE HIDDEN A CACHE IN 25 OF MAPLEWOOD'S PARKS AND NATURE CENTER!!!

Martial Arts For The Whole Family

The Maplewood Community Center and the The Edge Martial Arts, based in Stillwater, Minnesota offer a great karate program for kids and adults of all ages. Cost is \$60.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members). **REGISTER FOR 3 MONTHS AND RECEIVE \$5.00 OFF EACH MONTH!** For more information, visit www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com.

Lil' Dragons Program
MONDAYS, 5:15 - 5:45PM - AGES 4 TO 6

Beginner
MONDAYS, 5:45 - 6:15PM - AGES 7+

Advanced Beginner
MONDAYS, 6:15 - 7:00PM - Gold Belt or Higher

Wonder-Fall Puppet Show

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 10:00AM

Help the wild animal puppets celebrate the fall season! Laugh and sing along. Bingo Hikes provided for optional self-guiding nature walks after the puppet show. Cost is \$3.00/child accompanied by an adult. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Exploring Nature & Taking Care Of The Earth

SATURDAYS, OCTOBER 16, NOVEMBER 20, DECEMBER 11, 10:00 - 11:30AM

Make nature discoveries together and meet new friends! Get close & personal with a live animal each session from salamanders to snakes and even a real sled dog. Enjoy guided nature activities & crafts, circle-time songs with an Early Childhood teacher, & explore the outdoors with the naturalist. Adults will receive resources for further nature discovery & earth-friendly activities to share with their children. Best for children ages 0 to 5 years with parents and grandparents. In collaboration with the Early Childhood Family Education Program (ECFE) in ISD 622, North St. Paul, Maplewood, Oakdale Schools. Class takes place at Maplewood Nature Center, 2659 7th St. East and the cost is \$12.00 per semester. Visit www.isd622.org or call 651.748.7280 to register.

Vista Hills Park Community Buckthorn Pull (Free!)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:30AM - noon (adults & kids 11+ for pulling)

12:30 - 2:00PM (adults only for herbiciding)

Groups welcome! We'll pull buckthorn in the morning (kids 11+) and cut and herbicide in the afternoon (adults only) at Vista Hills Park (meet at the north border of woods). Training and refreshments provided. Wear long sleeved shirts and long pants, plus sturdy shoes. Bring boots, eye protection and rubber gloves to herbicide. Call 651.249.2170 to register by September 29.

Trees & Leaves Story Hour At The Library (Free!)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 10:30AM

Come to the Ramsey County Library (3025 Southlawn Sr.) for story hour and a guest appearance by wild animal puppets from the Maplewood Nature Center that are NUTS about trees! Sing along and learn about the trees in your neighborhood from the naturalist. This is a drop-in program and no registration is necessary.

Circuit Express

TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS AT 11:40AM

Do Something BETTER With Your Lunch Break! Circuit combines intervals of cardiovascular training with muscle conditioning. This class is designed to work each major muscle group and improve endurance and overall fitness by giving you an efficient and effective total body workout.

NEW! Zumba Gold



SATURDAYS, SEPTEMBER 4 - 25 & OCTOBER 2 - 30, 1:00PM

Zumba Toning is an innovative muscle training program that uses lightweight toning sticks or hand weights to power up your Zumba® workout. Cost is \$32.00 (\$24.00 for MCC members).

Zumba Gold



WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 1 - 29 & OCTOBER 6 - 27, 9:30AM

Zumba Gold is a Latin dance program designed for the active older adult, the true beginner, or people who are not used to exercising. Cost is \$24.00 (\$16.00 for MCC members).

Make It HOTT! HIGH OCTANE TRAINING & TONING

MONDAYS & THURSDAYS 10:30AM

SEPTEMBER 20 - OCTOBER 28

Kick your workout into high gear with HOTT!-A high intensity, athletic training that will help you **burn calories, overcome plateaus, and take your body to the next level.** Join Certified Personal Trainer LaDonna Holmberg for this concentrated, Boot-Camp based program which will have you **feeling and looking better than you thought possible.** Class takes place at the Maplewood Community Center in the Motion Zone. Call 651.249.2230 to register. Cost is \$120.00 (\$100 for MCC members.)



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PARTNER CHALLENGE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

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LOSE2WIN Prizes (one for each partner)

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- 2nd Place:** \$100 Cub Foods Gift Card
- 3rd Place:** 3 Month MCC Membership
- 4th Place:** \$100 Off A 2011 Lose2Win Program
- 5th Place:** \$50 MCC Programs Gift Certificate
- 6th Place:** 2 Tickets to Red Path (Dec. 10) at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre

Midway prizes include workout towels and two \$50 Cub Foods gift cards

\$144/pp for MCC members \$224/pp for non-members (fee includes a 2-month MCC membership) Full payment is due at time of registration.

Registration includes: FREE Challenge T-shirt, Discounted Fees On Select Programs
www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com (651) 249-2230

Senior Wellness Programs

Senior BOSU

TUESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 7 - 28 11:45AM

Challenge your balance, endurance, and core strength using the BOSU. Join Certified Fitness Professional Rose Schreier one day per week for this fun, stress-free program. Cost is \$30.00 for both members and non-members.

Senior Strength

MONDAYS & THURSDAYS, SEPTEMBER 2 - 30, 11:45AM

Find the strength you knew you had all along in this exciting program utilizing bands, bars, dumbbells and other great accessories to improve posture, strength, and endurance. Join Certified Personal Trainer Sheila Heinrich for this fun class two times per week. Cost is \$50.00 for both members and non-members. No class Sept. 6.



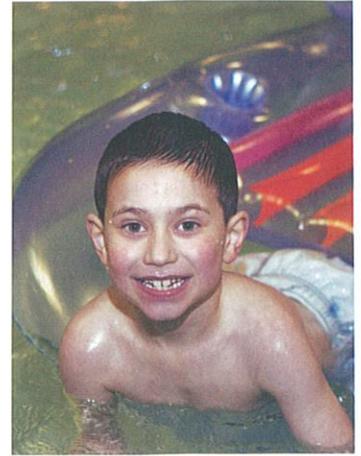
Aquatics & CPR

FALL SWIM REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW!

Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com. All fall full session classes include eight lessons and cost \$68.00 (\$53.00 for MCC members). Semi-private lessons are available Saturdays at a rate of \$115.00 (\$90.00 for MCC members).

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on I Want To or E-Services). Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.



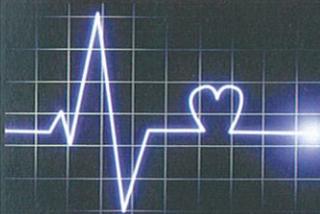
Flotation Friday Event SEPTEMBER 24, 5:00 - 8:00PM

Come jump, splash, float, and slide. The Inflatable Magic Island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available in the pool for everyone to enjoy. Bring the whole family. FREE for members and the cost of daily admission for non-members.

Learn The Skill That

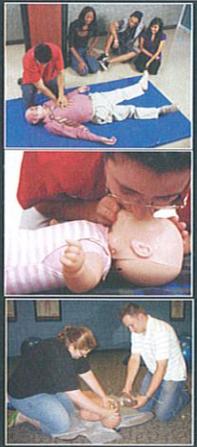
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CPR/AED AND FIRST AID CLASSES



FACT: 80 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed by a family member.

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Community CPR (Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)
Saturday, October 9, 10AM - 5PM

Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR With First Aid

Saturday, September 11 or November 13, 10AM - 5PM

Attention Childcare Providers!

This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

CALL 651.249.2230 TO REGISTER.



OCT - APRIL Building Hours

Monday-Friday 5:30AM - 10:00PM

Saturday 6:00AM - 9:00PM

Sunday 9:00AM - 9:00PM

SAVE THE DATE: MCC Visitor Open House

OCTOBER 10, 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Great Membership Specials! Watch for details online and in the October issue of Maplewood Monthly.

We invite you to take a guided tour of the Maplewood Community Center with one of our friendly staff members. To arrange a time, call 651.249.2230. Tours are generally given on Monday from 4:00 - 5:00PM and on Saturday from 12:00 - 12:30PM. Feel free to tour the facility at any time on your own. Stop by the admissions desk to receive a self-guided tour brochure.

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Human Rights Commission

Established: Now accepting applications

On July 26, 2010, the Maplewood City Council passed ordinance number 907, establishing the Human Rights Commission. The mission of the Maplewood Human Rights Commission is to aid and advocate for equal opportunities for all citizens of Maplewood in: housing, employment, public accommodations, services and education, in addition to continuously working to improve human rights within the community.

The commission will consist of seven (7) members, which will be appointed by the City Council. The City Manager's Office is now accepting applications from interested Maplewood citizens who would like to serve on the commission. Applications can be picked up at the City Hall front desk or downloaded on the city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. Completed applications should be submitted to the City Manager's Office at 1830 County Road B E, in Maplewood. The submission deadline is October 1, 2010.

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October 2010 City Newsletter

Save The Date

- **Extreme Green Makeover Unveiling**
Saturday, October 9, 1:00PM (see pg 5)
- **MCC Visitor Open House**
Sunday, October 10, 10:00AM (see pg 14)
- **Fall Clean-Up**
Saturday, October 16, 8:00AM
at Aldrich Arena (see pg 2)
- **Local Expo**
Sunday, October 17, 1:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center
- **Spooky Splash**
Saturday, October 30, 5:00PM
at Maplewood Community Center

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SPOOKY SPLASH! A Spectacular Low-Scare Adventure For The Whole Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30, 5:00 - 8:00PM

Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Avenue

Families looking for a spooky, splashin' good time need look no further than the Maplewood Community Center, home of the city's annual Halloween celebration, "Spooky Splash." This event is unlike any other combining all of the fun the Community Center has to offer! The aquatic center is transformed into a "spooky environment" with only underwater lights and dimmed overhead lights providing illumination. Those looking for a drier Halloween experience can stop by the gym to participate in the costume contest, bob in the spooky pond, hop in the bounce castle or take part in the coloring contest.

The Community Center concession stand will also be open for those looking to grab a quick bite. Enjoy delicious snacks such as pizza, hot dogs, warm pretzels, nachos and more! This event is free for MCC members and the cost of daily admission for non-members.

Extend The Fun!

Join us for a Spooktacular Spooky Splash Pre-Party. Don't miss the The "Spooky, Not Scary" Halloween Magic Show & pizza party starting at 3:30PM! Enjoy an entertaining program featuring a Halloween theme surrounded by humor, magic, monsters, music, and tons of audience participation. Meet a talking scull named Seymour, see a mummy wrapping, and witness a vanishing Frankenstein!
Cost: \$15/Parent & Child \$7/Each Additional Child*
Call 651.249.2230 to register.

*Price includes pizza dinner, magic show, and face painting.



State General Election

Tuesday, November 2, 2010

County and Judicial Nonpartisan General Election
Independent School District 622
(North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale)

To see a sample ballot and to find your polling place see the city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or by visiting www.co.ramsey.mn.us or by calling 651.249.2002.

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Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Special Meeting: Monday, October 4 at 7:00PM
 Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Wednesday, October 6 at 7:00PM
 City Council: Monday, October 11 & 25 at 7:00PM
 Citizen's Forum: Saturday, October 2 & November 6 at 10:00AM (City Hall)
 Community Design Review Board: Tuesday, October 26 at 6:00PM
 Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Monday, October 18 at 7:00PM
 Heritage Preservation Commission: Thursday, October 21 at 7:00PM
 Housing & Redevelopment Authority: Wednesday, October 13 at 7:00PM
 Park & Recreation Commission: Wednesday, October 20 at 7:00PM
 Planning Commission: Tuesday, October 5 & 19 at 7:00PM

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Fall Clean-up Event

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 8:00AM TO 1:00PM

Aldrich Arena, 1850 White Bear Avenue



Maplewood residents, with proof of residency, will be able to dispose of appliances, tires, construction debris, mattresses, furniture, car parts, scrap metal, other assorted junk, and all electronic equipment such as televisions, computers, monitors and phones. **NO BRUSH OR TREE WASTE WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Household Hazardous Waste- No Charge

In conjunction with Maplewood's Fall Clean-up day, Ramsey County will be collecting household hazardous waste including oil, anti-freeze, paint, fluorescent and compact fluorescent bulbs, and other hazardous waste items. For more information, visit www.co.ramsey.mn.us/ph/hw/index.htm or call 651.633.EASY (3279).

Furniture Collection For Bridging- No Charge

A non-profit organization called BRIDGING will be on site to collect REUSABLE furniture and house wares which will be redistributed free of charge to families in need. BRIDGING accepts mattresses and box springs in good condition only, quality used furniture and cookware. BRIDGING asks that all donations be free of rips, stains, pet hair and be in good working condition. For more information, visit www.bridging.org.

New For 2010- Project for Pride In Living- No Charge

Project for Pride In Living is a non-profit organization that recycles mattresses, box springs, sleeper sofas, futons and water beds that are NOT REUSABLE, and would not be taken by BRIDGING. So, keep these items out of your trash by bringing them to our fall event. For more information, visit www.pplindustries.org.

Recycle That Bicycle- No Charge

Bicycles in ANY CONDITION will be collected once again by Re-Cycle, a used bicycle shop. Many of the bicycles will be

restored and returned to the road for reuse. For more information, visit www.re-cycle.com.

Food Drive For Second Harvest Heartland Foodbank

In conjunction with this event, Maplewood will be sponsoring a food drive for the Second Harvest Heartland Food Bank. Tuna, peanut butter, canned soups and vegetables, infant items, dried foods and cash are needed. For more information, visit www.2harvest.org.

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Save The Date

- **Swim-In Movie Nights**
November 20 & December 11
5:00PM
at the Community Center
- **Sleeping Beauty**
November 19 - 21
Fri 7:30PM Sat & Sun 2:00PM
at the Community Center
- **Sounds of Simon**
Friday, December 3, 7:30PM
at Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
- **Santa's Workshop**
Friday, December 10, 6:00 - 8:30PM
at the Community Center
- **Shop Til' You Drop & Breakfast With Santa**
Saturday, December 11 -see pg 7 for times
at the Community Center



Sounds Of The Season At The Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre

The Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre announces four exciting performances taking place beginning this December. Enjoy a night out at our elegant and intimate theatre and experience original entertainment!

Wondering what to buy your family and friends for Christmas this year? One of the greatest Christmas gifts you could buy are tickets to an event that you could both enjoy together at a later date. Show tickets are also something that they can look forward to. Visit the Maplewood Community Center and pick up your gift certificates before they're gone.

Starting Friday, December 3 the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre is proud to announce... - continued on page 6

Notice - Change of Hours!

Beginning November 8, 2010 the City of Maplewood Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) which is located in the Citizen Services Department at city hall will have extended hours on Monday's from 8:00AM to 6:00PM. After November 6, 2010 the City of Maplewood DMV will no longer be open on Saturday mornings.

The Citizen Services Department, in addition to having a Motor Vehicle Department also serves as a Federal Passport Processing Facility. Due to recent restrictions put in place by the Department of State, since we are a Passport Processing Facility, beginning November 8, 2010, we will no longer be processing first-time driver's licenses or first-time identification cards. All other services including driver's license and MN identification card renewals, change of address, etc will still be offered.

For additional information regarding passports, visit the city website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or by calling 651.249.2005. To find locations to apply for a first-time driver's license or first-time identification card visit www.dps.state.mn.us/dvs/index.html.



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Party In Pink

Thanks to all who made the Party In Pink Zumbathon for Susan G. Komen for the Cure a huge success! The Master Instructors held the event at the Maplewood Community Center and together we raised \$1760! If you missed it, you can check it out at www.youtube.com/watch?v=trw_v6AoK7Y.

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 Saturday, December 4 at 10:00AM (Fire Station #4)
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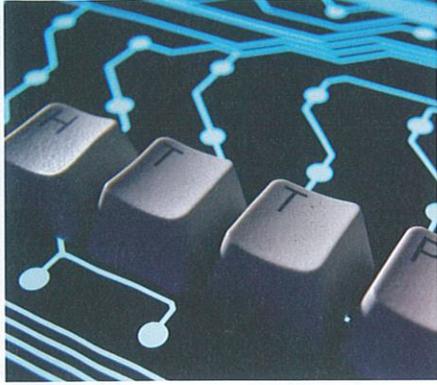
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Technology is a growing part of our everyday life, both personally and professionally. The City's use of technology has grown substantially in the last 10 years and to support this growth we have our Information Technology (IT) department.

The IT department originally began out of necessity to support and maintain the systems and applications that the City uses internally along with the connectivity to these resources from our remote sites. This continues to be the area where the majority of our resources are allocated. The IT department is responsible for assisting City employees on everything from our security system to our phones along with everything that our employees do on their computers. With over 300 users at 13 different sites all using a variety of applications the 3 members of our IT department are in high demand.

Another role of our IT department is the creation and dissemination of maps. These maps are used internally for planning and management and also externally in conveying vital information to our citizens. If you've seen a City zoning or park map you've seen the work of our GIS Analyst.

Along those same lines, we continue to strive to offer more and more services and resources online. We understand that there is an expectation from our citizens regarding technology and accessibility. With the click of a mouse you now have a wealth of information at your fingertips. Searching City Council minutes back to 1956 and watching any of this year's commission meetings are just a couple of examples of resources that are available to you via our website. And we continue to add more. Keep an eye open in the near future for information on how you'll be able to browse, save and print a number of our different City maps right from your computer.

We firmly believe that technology not only allows us to do more with less but also allows us greater transparency as a public entity. The IT department assists our employees in not only reaching but exceeding those goals.

Pride Of Maplewood Award



Steve Love, Assistant City Engineer (left) presents award to Jason Kreger, Engineering Technician (right)

Congratulations to Jason Kreger, Engineering Technician at our Public Works Department for being nominated by his co-workers for the Pride of Maplewood Award. Jason joined the City in May 2007.

"Jason has repeatedly demonstrated his commitment to

providing a high level of service to residents on street reconstruction projects."

"He meets with the residents to discuss questions, concerns or solve any issues they may have."

"Jason is a very positive influence on those around him."

"He always maintains a positive attitude about current projects."

"Jason is dedicated to ensuring the interests of Maplewood and its residents are protected on city projects."

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By Mayor Will Rossbach

On October 2nd the city council held a special meeting to listen to residents concerns about consolidating trash hauling in Maplewood. This meeting was intended to allow citizens an opportunity to express their concerns with the idea. Prior to this meeting the council had not held any discussions on the topic except to consider whether or not it was a conversation worth holding. Due to the fact that we had not held any discussions on what form organized collection might take in Maplewood the council did not attempt to answer any questions that night. Any responses would have been conjecture by the council members and could have led to the public being misinformed.

The overall idea is simple. By using the buying power of all the homes in Maplewood, set up a contract with haulers to achieve the best price. The discussion that tends to go along with the conversation however, is more complex. The usual topics include damage to roads by multiple trucks on the same route, safety concerns both about trucks moving too fast and trucks moving too slow, and the environmental impact of multiple trucks vs. one or two, and the extent of government involvement.

About 160 to 180 people came to the meeting and many emails and phone calls were received by most of the council members. The vast majority of the people voiced concerns about freedom of choice (government is too involved in our lives), cost (anytime government gets involved it costs more), and their personal beliefs that road damage and the environmental impacts are not issues worth considering. Only a few spoke in favor of the idea.

The problem as I see it is that the council and the public have not looked at any information on which to base a solid decision. This is why we held the special meeting. We wanted make sure we understood what problems and concerns the public would want answered if we choose to take deeper look.

The public all received a letter with a pre-stamped return card from a lobbying group whose job it is to speak on behalf of the trash haulers. The haulers as a group are certainly not in favor of organized collection and the information in their mailing presented facts as they see them. They are good at their job because they have fought this fight many times in the past. They know the hot buttons to push as witnessed by the fact that the public comments tended to exactly mirror the points presented in their flier. Some of the council members have individually looked at information, mostly a 2009 study done by the MPCA, but there has not been any effort to gather enough information to determine if it is actually possible to put a program together that has enough merit to implement.



Councilmembers Nephew and Koppen, Mayor Rossbach, Councilmembers Llanas and Juenemann

It is my opinion that any program that would be considered would have to

- lower the cost of collection
- provide an expanded list of services
- provide a greater range of trash volume choices
- be flexible enough to handle special service needs, and
- address the number of trucks that travel the streets during the collection process

If the program could not address at least these items it would not be worth pursuing. In addition any program would have to have minimum government involvement, limited to creating the program, and monitoring the contract.

Finally, any program would have to be designed for Maplewood. There is no set way that organized hauling has to be done. Although many programs end up with one hauler for the city it does not need to be that way. We have people who have good alternative trash disposal options as well as people that require a higher level of service than the general public. Their needs would have to be addressed. In short, if an organized collection program does not have clear advantages for the residents of Maplewood it should not be considered.

- Mayor Will Rossbach

On The Police Scanner

In September, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 2,179 calls for service.

18 Assault Cases	3 Robbery Case
24 Burglary Cases	106 Theft Cases
10 Auto Theft Cases	50 Theft from Vehicle Cases
22 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 55 arrests for shoplifting and 12 arrests for DWI.

Winter Road Maintenance Makes Change For 2010



In past years the City's de-icing materials have been a mixture of salt and sand; containing between 20%-50% salt. Salt has de-icing ability at certain temperatures while sand offers only traction. This year road crews will have

the ability of using three different types of de-icing materials depending on road surface temperature and weather forecasts. The three materials are road salt, treated road salt, and sand. Maintenance staff members have been looking into these changes over the past few years in an effort to find a balance between public safety and environmental sensitivities for our lakes and wetlands.

In preparation for the change, maintenance staff members have made modifications to the fleet of ten plow trucks. The existing salt/ sand controllers have been updated allowing them to be programmed to output a pre-determined poundage of material per lane mile. The

exact mixture and amounts can be modified based on the specific type of weather event. The controllers allow Public Works to conserve use of materials while also providing an accurate record of materials used per event. In addition to becoming more efficient by reducing materials through technology, staff training is crucial in order to ensure proper calibration and use. The maintenance staff recently attended training courses through the Department of Transportation, University of Minnesota, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), and Watershed; and recently completed the MPCA Certification Test.

These changes to our winter road procedures are being made to help increase public safety on our roadways and to lessen the impact our maintenance operations have on the environment. We look forward to the winter season and please remember to drive carefully. Feel free to contact the Public Works Department at 651.249.2400 with any questions or feedback.

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Recycling Update



The City of Maplewood has partnered with Eureka Recycling since 2006 in an effort to prevent the needless waste of our discards through reuse, recycling, composting and waste reduction. Because Eureka's five year contract is scheduled to expire at the end of 2010, a Request for Proposal for a new three year recycling contract was developed. The city received six proposals from the following contractors: Allied Waste, Eureka Recycling, Highland Sanitation and Recycling Inc., Tennis Sanitation, LLC, Veolia Environmental Services, and Waste Management.

After review by the Environmental and Natural Resources (ENR) Commission, the top three proposers in rank order were recommended to the city council: Eureka Recycling, Tennis Sanitation, LLC and Veolia Environmental Services. The city council discussed the proposals at the September 27, 2010 council meeting and subsequently recommended that staff negotiate a contract with Tennis Sanitation, LLC. If negotiations are successful, the major change for our residents will be a change in the recycling method from dual sort to single sort recycling using the city's existing recycling bins. The need to sort paper and cardboard separately from rigids (plastic, aluminum and tin cans) will not be necessary under the single sort method. We will, however, continue to use the red recycling bins for curbside recycling (not carts),

while multi-family buildings will continue to use carts and/or dumpsters. Weekly recycling pick up on your trash day will also remain unchanged.

Information on potential recycling changes will be updated on the city's website and in the December issue of Maplewood Monthly. In the mean time, if you have any questions, call 651.249.2406.



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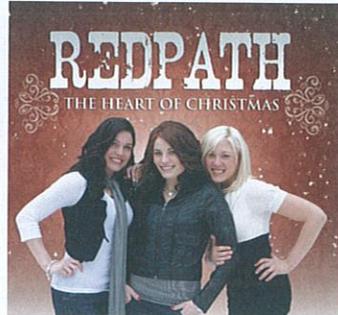
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Scenic 2011 Calendar Of Maplewood Now On Sale!



"Egrets in Flight"Grand Prize winner James Holmes of Oakdale won \$125 for his photos of wildlife taken at the nature center last spring.

The 2011 Maplewood Nature Calendars are available for purchase for \$10.00 each. The Friends of Maplewood Nature have created a scenic calendar of local nature photos taken on Maplewood's Neighborhood Preserves as a fundraiser for Nature Center programs. The photos were selected from the Friends' second annual photo contest judged on artistic composition as well as seasonal appropriateness resulting in some gorgeous photographs from the depths of winter to the heights of summer. The order forms can be found at the Maplewood Nature Center, or on the website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/nc



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Sounds of Simon – Friday, December 3, 7:30PM

The Sound of Simon, a play on the song “The Sound of Silence”, features a fabulous tribute to the music of Simon and Garfunkel. Listen to all their hits from days gone by like: The Sound of Silence, Scarborough Fair, Bridge Over Troubled Waters, Mrs. Robinson, Cecelia, The 59th Street Bridge Song (feelin’ groovy) and many more. Advance Tickets: \$18.00 At The Door: \$20.00

Redpath: “The Heart Of Christmas” CD Release Concert – Friday, December 10, 7:30PM

This trio of sisters from Minnesota, delivers their pop/country sound with elegance and class in this stellar performance! Influenced by the sounds of The Eagles, Shania Twain, and Allison Krauss, Redpath hopes to tell stories of everyday lives in their music; ones with heartbreak, hope, humor, and beauty. Lauren writes from her own experiences and those of close friends: “I want the songs to be about authentic, everyday experiences that people can relate to.” Don’t miss this special holiday concert and the release of the girls’ first seasonal CD, “The Heart Of Christmas.” **CD BONUS: All ticket holders will receive a complimentary copy of “The Heart Of Christmas.”**

Advance Tickets: \$20.00 At The Door: \$22.00

Keri Noble – Friday, January 8 & Saturday, January 9, 7:30PM

Inspired by Joni Mitchell, but with a voice and a style all her own Keri Noble invokes an intense mix of pop, soul, and R&B. Don’t miss the release of her newest album, Flying Solo. “I got the idea to do a solo piano and voice record after touring for the past three years, primarily solo. It’s just been me and my keyboard up on stages all across the country. I’m comfortable that way - it’s how I write songs, it’s how I began in the music business years ago...just me and my keyboard. Throughout my musical career, I’ve fallen in love with playing in a band, having other people on stage with me, and feeling that fullness. But I never like to stray too far from what comes the most naturally to me...stripping it all down to the basics,” says Keri Noble.

Hear this powerful singer/songwriter live in concert at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre.

Advance Tickets: \$25.00 At The Door: \$30.00

Tonic Sol-fa – Friday, January 14 & Saturday, January 15, 7:30PM

Although they are simply four voices and a tambourine, Tonic Sol-fa has spent the past decade on the road carving their niche as the nation’s top vocal group. In that time, this quartet has been named one of the top five “must see” groups in America, has been awarded numerous original song and album awards in pop, gospel and holiday genres, appeared on NBC’s Today Show and in the pages of Newsweek magazine. Outings with Jay Leno, Shawn Colvin, Lonestar and Garrison Keillor have propelled album sales to more than 1,000,000 copies and have earned the group thousands of intensely loyal fans. Improvisational and passionate music combined with cutting-edge stage presence is the benchmark by which critics and fans agree: nobody does it like Tonic Sol-fa.

Advance Tickets: \$22.00 At The Door: \$25.00

To purchase your tickets or to see the rest of the 2010-2011 show line-up visit www.maplewoodarts.com or call 651.249.2230.

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Special Events

New! Santa's Workshop Party

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 6:00 - 8:30PM

AT THE MAPLEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

Children ages 3 and up are invited to join Santa and his little helpers for a fun-filled evening. Activities include: Santa's visit, games, music, a delicious holiday snack, create a Bakers Square pie, movies, arts and crafts, and holiday stories. Bring an unwrapped gift for **TOYS FOR TOTS** and receive a special prize!

Parents do not need to stay but children must be potty trained. Cost is \$7.00 (\$6.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

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Letters For Santa

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 6:00 - 7:00PM

AT THE MAPLEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

Calling all boys and girls ages 2+! Bring your wish lists and join us for our Letters For Santa event. Our elves will have everything that you need to write and decorate the perfect letter to Santa. Enjoy holiday stories and delicious treats while you create. We'll send your letter to the North Pole and guarantee that Santa will write back. Parents are welcome to stay. Space is limited, so be sure to register early! Cost is \$3.00 per child. Call 651.249.2230 to register by December 7.

Two Great Holiday Events -

One Fun-Filled Day!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11

This season, get into the holiday spirit with these fun events happening at the Maplewood Community Center (2100 White Bear Avenue, Maplewood)

Breakfast With Santa: 9:30 – 11:30AM

Have you been naughty or nice this year? Who better to ask than Santa Claus? Mr. Claus is coming to town on Saturday, December 11 to share a meal with you! Stop by our bagel buffet for a light breakfast before having your picture taken with Santa Claus himself by our professional photographer. Tell Santa everything on your Christmas list. Enjoy complimentary face painting and make a fun photo frame craft with Santa's helpers. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited – make your reservations today!

\$9.00/Guest Registration fee includes bagel breakfast, 1- 4x6 photo, picture frame craft, & face painting. Pre-registration required by Monday, December 6.

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Shop 'Til You Drop Holiday Craft & Gift Expo:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 9:00AM – 2:00PM

FREE ADMISSION!

Visit the Maplewood Community on Saturday, December 11 from 9:00AM – 2:00PM for the Shop 'Til You Drop Holiday Craft & Gift Expo. Whether you are shopping for a new and unusual treasure or looking to making a dent in your holiday gift list, this event offer something for everyone! Artisans, crafters, local businesses and in-home business consultants will be available for convenient, one-stop shopping. Find something unique and one of a kind for everyone on your list.

Attention Crafters: Limited vendor space still available! For more information or to register today contact Christie Penn at christine.penn@ci.maplewood.mn.us or call 651.249.2103.

Quilting & Sewing Bee

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 10:00AM - 2:00PM

AT THE BRUENTRUP HERITAGE FARM

Quilters and anyone into needlework (including crocheting and stitching) are welcome to attend. This event is FREE and fun, for all ages and skill levels. Coffee and tea available. Space is limited. Register early by calling Carolyn Peterson at 651.718.0000



SWIM REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW!

November - December Lessons

Learning to swim is not just a fun recreational activity, but a perfect way to acquire a skill that will last a lifetime. You will be delighted by Maplewood Community Center's easy registration, wide variety of class options, and flexible schedules. Pair that with warm pool water, friendly & qualified Red Cross instructors and swimming success is inevitable. Your swimming goals can be reached by enrolling in seasonal sessions designed to accommodate any busy schedule.

Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com, click on Aquatics and Seasonal Lesson Schedule to the right under Quick Links. All Nov.-Dec. classes include six lessons and cost \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members).

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on Recreation Programs). If you are registering for our programs online for the first time you will need to register for your online account before registering for your class! Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement at a rate of \$40.00 (\$30.00 for MCC members) for one lesson, \$152.00 (\$112.00 for MCC members) for four lessons, or \$288.00 (\$208.00 for MCC members) for eight lessons. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Aquatic Special Events

FREE for MCC Members • Daily Admission for Non-Members

Swim-In Movie Nights

Floations Fun starts at 5:00PM • Movie starts at 6:00PM

Have a splashing good time floating on a tube and watching a movie!

Saturday, November 20 - Meet The Robinsons

Saturday, December 11 - Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer & Frosty the Snowman

Flotation Days- Come jump, splash, float, and slide! The inflatable magic island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family.

Friday, November 26 & December 17, 5:00 - 8:00PM

Wednesday, December 29, 1:00 - 4:00PM



November/December 2010 Session (6 Lessons)

	Monday and Wednesday Evenings		Tuesday and Thursday Evenings	
Beginning and Ending Date	November 29 - December 15		November 30 - December 16	
Preschool Swimming Classes (All Classes are 30 Minutes Long)				
	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
Preschool 2	6:00 PM	1512.401	6:00 PM	1512.402
Preschool 3	6:00 PM	1513.401	6:00 PM	1513.402
Red Cross Levels 1-6 and Adult Lessons (All Classes are 45 Minutes Long)				
	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
Level 1	5:00 PM	1501.401		
Level 2	5:00 PM	1502.401	5:00 PM	1502.402
Level 3	6:45 PM	1503.401	6:45 PM	1503.402
Level 4	6:45 PM	1504.401	5:00 PM	1504.402
Level 5			6:45 PM	1505.402

Youth Programs

Watch for the new recreation brochure coming in February!

Karate

Unleash Your Child's Potential with the Power of Martial Arts! Each student receives the individual attention they deserve, ensuring success and helping them attain their highest personal potential. Taught by Mr. Welsh of The Edge Martial Arts. Cost is \$60.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members). **REGISTER FOR 3 MONTHS AND RECEIVE \$5.00 OFF EACH MONTH!** For more information, visit www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com.

Lil' Dragons Program

MONDAYS, 5:15 - 5:45PM - AGES 4 TO 6

Beginner

MONDAYS, 5:45 - 6:15PM - AGES 7+

Advanced Beginner

MONDAYS, 6:15 - 7:00PM - Gold Belt or Higher

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Ready For Winter Puppet Show

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1:30PM Family Program

A scurrying squirrel, stripey skunk, slithering snake and other wild animal puppets will entertain and inform you as they get ready for winter. Also includes a self-guided bingo hike and an opportunity to enjoy our nature center's natural play area. Cost is \$3.00/child accompanied by an adult. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Family Christmas Bird Count

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Use binoculars at the birdfeeders and on the trail and learn common winter birds. Contribute to Audubon's Christmas bird count: your observations provide information that will be used for real scientific research! Cost is \$2.00/person. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Nature Night Hike

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 7:00 - 8:30PM

- Hike the trails by moonlight and starlight.
 - Learn about nocturnal animals and discover Orion and other constellations.
 - Make a simple glow in the dark starfinder and afterwards come back to the nature center to sip hot chocolate.
- Best for Families with children ages 7 and up, and small youth groups. Cost is \$4.00/person. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Preschool Gymboree

THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 11, DECEMBER 9 & JANUARY 13
10:00 - 11:30AM

Preschool Gymboree is designed for children ages 1-5 with energy to burn. Join us in the Maplewood Community Center gym for a roly-poly good time! We provide the balls, mats, toys, and games - you bring the fun! Because this is not a structured program, children must be accompanied by an adult at all times and any outside equipment brought along must be approved by the gym monitor. Jump castle is included in the admission fee! Cost is \$3.00 per child, per day for members and \$4.00 per child, per day for non-members.

MCC Youth Softball Clinic

TUESDAYS, NOVEMBER 16 - DECEMBER 21

In this clinic your ball players will learn the basic fundamentals of throwing, catching, fielding infield and outfield, ground balls, pop flies and hitting. Step by step instruction and fun games will help each student learn technique the easy way while keeping it fun. Each player will receive a cool clinic shirt! Cost is \$50.00 or (\$40 for MCC members).

K-2nd	3rd-5th	6th-8th
5:30 - 6:25PM	6:30 - 7:25PM	7:30 - 8:25PM

Mayer Arts Dance Classes

TUESDAYS JANUARY 18 - MAY 3 (no classes Feb 22 & Mar 15)
THURSDAYS JANUARY 20 - MAY 5 (no classes Feb 24 & Mar 17)
(SEE TIMES BELOW)

Mayer Arts is an exciting dance program that operates out of various communities all over the Twin Cities Metro Area. All classes and the final performance will take place at the Maplewood Community Center. The dress rehearsal will take place on May 6 and the recital on May 7. Cost for dance classes is \$135.00 for the one-hour classes, \$120.00 for the 45-minute classes, and \$80.00 for the 30-minute classes. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Wish Upon A Ballet Ages 3-6	\$120	Thurs. 10:00 - 10:45AM
		Tues. 5:30 - 6:15PM
Pre-Ballet & Tap	Ages 3-4 \$120	Tues. 6:15 - 7:15PM
Ballet & Tap	Ages 5-7 \$135	Tues. 7:00 - 8:00PM
Hip Hop & Tap	Ages 5-7 \$135	Thurs. 5:30 - 6:30PM
Hip Hop	Ages 8-12 \$135	Thurs. 6:30 - 7:30PM
Tap	Ages 8-12 \$80	Thurs. 7:30 - 8:00PM

Adult / 55+ Programs

Watch for the new recreation brochure coming in February!

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Ave.

November 8: Importance of Good Foot Care

Your feet are very important to your well being but sometimes they get neglected. A free complimentary foot care service will be given to one lucky participant for demonstration.

November 15: How to prevent falls:

Courtesy of Homestead of Maplewood

November 29: Downsizing Your Paper

Handling your personal paper and mail, how to process & how long to store paper and getting off of junk mail lists.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Senior Foot Care Sessions

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 & 30

9:00AM - 1:00PM

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes: Foot Massage, Cutting Toenails Filing Corns, & Calluses and Foot Soak

Cardio Hip Hop 101

TUESDAYS, NOVEMBER 9 - DECEMBER 14, 7:30 - 8:30PM

What better way to get your workout in than with great music and dancing! In this program you will learn a variety of short dances to hip hop's newest music as well as some great old classics. This program will give you a high energy hour of cardio dance! The steps are easy to learn and you need no prior experience to enjoy this great program. Cost is \$48.00 or (\$30.00 for MCC members). Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

CPR / AED And First Aid Classes

Cost is \$80 (\$60 for MCC members)

Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR

Saturday, December 11, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR with First Aid

Saturday, November 13, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Attention Child Care Providers! This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Adult Dance (Ages 16+)

SUNDAYS, NOVEMBER 7 - DECEMBER 12

7:45 - 8:45PM

Get ready to strut your stuff with Maplewood Community Center's dance class!

Cost for couples is \$110.00 (\$85.00 for MCC members) and for individuals is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Ballroom Dances for the Holidays: 6:45 - 7:45PM

Waltz, Swing, Rumba- Get ready to show off for the holidays with this ballroom dance program.

Dances for your Winter Vacation: 7:45 - 8:45PM

Salsa, Cha-Cha, Meringue- Going on vacation in the winter? Learn great winter get-away latin dances.

Holiday Grab Bag Bingo

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4 & DECEMBER 2, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Join us for a fun, new twist on Bingo the first Thursday of each month in the Maplewood Community Center Banquet Room! Ten or more games are played and the winners choose from an assortment of holiday grab bags. Costs is \$2.00 at the door. Coffee and treats are provided!



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Don't let holiday weight gain be the gift you received, but never asked for. Let Maplewood Community Center fitness professionals help you minimize weight gain during this festive season. All participants will be required to weigh in at the Maplewood Community Center on November 18 and again on January 6. Everyone will have their names entered into a drawing for GREAT PRIZES, no matter their results.

Lose weight and you could win:

Annual Adult membership, 3 month massage membership, \$75 Steichen's Gift Card, or a 10 Visit Passcard

Maintained your weight and you could win:

\$100 Cub Foods gift card, 3 month adult membership, \$75 Steichen's Gift Card, or a 10 Visit Passcard

Gained weight you could win:

A Gift Certificate for one of the following: Winter 2011 Lose2Win,

3 months of Zumba, 4 Day Passes, or the Boot Camp Program

Weigh in times are between 6:00AM-10:00AM OR 4:00PM- 8:00PM on November 18 and January 6. Participants must complete both weigh-ins to be eligible for prizes.

This challenge will include two optional 60-minute fitness challenges that will incorporate boot camp, interval, strength, and cardio group training at 1:00PM on November 20 and December 18. Participants are also invited to attend two optional wellness seminars: Minimize the Time You Spend Maximizing Your Workout and 10 Tips For Avoiding Holiday Weight Gain at 2:00PM on November 20 and December 18.

Cost: \$25.00 (\$15.00 MCC Members) Ages 18+
Hurry! Registration is only open through November 12, 2010.

Register today by calling 651.249.2230 or online at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com.

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Public Safety/Police

As of this writing, we still mourn the loss of Sgt. Joe Bergeron (murdered in the line of duty May 1, 2010), grateful for his 26 years of outstanding service and gift of self to this community, his sensitivity to people and dedication to what is right. We offer our sympathy and support to his family and to his law enforcement family. At this same time, our neighbors in North St. Paul honor the memory of Officer Richard Crittenden, killed in the line of duty one year ago (September 7, 2009). Officer Julie Olson, Maplewood P.D., displayed superb professionalism, judgment and courage that day, by providing protection for the family, other residents of the building and other back-up law enforcement. These two significant and terrible losses remind us how fortunate we are every day, to have men and women devoted to public safety, upholding the law, protecting and assisting us. Our dedicated police officers patrol our streets and answer our calls, day after day, ready to "protect and serve", taking on great personal risk and sacrifice. At the least, we owe them our gratitude, appreciation and respect.

Thank you Sgt. Bergeron, Officer Olson and Maplewood P.D. for your enduring dedicated service!

Going Green

Maplewood is actively "going green" in a variety of ways. ENRC – We have a seven member Environmental and Natural Resources Commission who focus on local issues concerning protection of the environment and natural resources. In the recent past they have studied and guided the adoption of our Wetland Protection Ordinance, the RFP for a new recycling contract and studied and assessed our policies on stormwater management, turf management, etc.

Nature Center and Extreme Green Makeover – Our Nature Center offers a center with permanent and revolving exhibits of native animals, plants and habitats, staff naturalists to provide you with information and a wide variety of valuable classes for all ages, and wonderful outdoor trails, wetlands, woodlands where you can



Councilmembers Nephew and Koppen, Mayor Rossbach, Councilmembers Llanas and Juenemann

learn, "communicate with nature" or just enjoy a relaxing hike.

From March thru June, 2010, the Nature Center, with assistance from the Ramsey-Washington Watershed District and Ramsey County Library, sponsored the Extreme Green Makeover. They offered a series of 13 classes (raingardens, native plants, low-impact landscaping, etc.) and sponsored a contest for residents seeking to create a new environmentally friendly, low maintenance landscape. Congratulations to the fortunate winners of the \$15,000 "Extreme Green Makeover", the Tibodeau's on Ariel St.

"Green Team" – The "Green Team" is a staff initiated committee formed with the goal to ensure that city operations follow a green path. Representatives from each major department meet to brainstorm issues, discuss initiatives for environmentally sound practices and operations and communicate these plans back to their departments. Thus far they have started an inventory of current city practices to assess "how green" we are now, and, with the assistance of Environmental Planner, Shann Finwall, are developing and environmental purchasing policy.

Think green – live green – work green!

- Councilmember Kathleen Juenemann



Michael Johnson

Friday, October 8

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On The Police Scanner

In August, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 2,179 calls for service.

30 Assault Cases	2 Robbery Case
41 Burglary Cases	126 Theft Cases
20 Auto Theft Cases	58 Theft from Vehicle Case
22 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 58 arrests for shoplifting and 18 arrests for DWI.

Pride Of Maplewood Award



Lt. Kerry Crotty, Operations Supervisor (left) presents award to Tom Kalka, Community Service Officer (right)

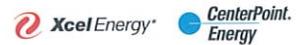
Congratulations to Tom Kalka for being nominated for the Pride of Maplewood by his co-workers. Tom is a Community Service Officer with the Police Department. He joined the department in May, 2005.

"When Tom is asked to help out he always responds in a very positive and friendly manner."
 "He goes out of his way to help new parents learn how to install baby and toddler car seats and how to properly use them."
 "Tom is always respectful of others feelings and opinions. He takes the time to listen and respects what is told to him. He makes you feel at ease so it is easy to confide and relate your concerns to him."
 "He wears many hats as a Community Service Officer and gives 100% to each task asked of him".
 "Tom will fill in where and when needed and jump in and assist even if it is "not his job".
 He represents the concept of "community and service" as a Community Service Officer."

Improve Your Home's Energy Efficiency TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 6:30 - 7:30PM AT THE MAPLEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER 2100 White Bear Avenue

Do you want to improve your home's energy efficiency but don't know where to start? Join us for a FREE Energy Efficiency Workshop, where energy experts from the Metro Clean Energy Resource Team (Metro CERTS) and Xcel Energy will discuss tips on how to save energy in your home.

During the event make sure to enter in a drawing to win a FREE Home Energy Squad service (\$200 value!). Home Energy Squad experts come to your home to identify energy saving opportunities, and they'll install everything that you choose from a list of materials. It's that simple, and your energy savings begin immediately.
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“Move That Bus!”

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Come see and celebrate the newly completed **Extreme GREEN Yard Makeover** on Saturday, October 9, 1:00 - 2:30PM at the winners' home located at 2211 Ariel Street in Maplewood. Join us for the ribbon cutting ceremony, and tours of the



The winning Maplewood yard selected for EXTREME GREEN MAKEOVER project

rain water flow system from roof to raingardens. Cake and beverage provided. Perhaps YOU will be the winner of the Extreme GREEN 'Cakeover' prize - yes, you read that right! Come one, come all, drop by, rain or shine. For more information call the Maplewood Nature Center at 651.249.2170.



City Accepting Applications

The City of Maplewood is now accepting applications to fill vacancies on city commissions and boards. These vacancies are created by resignations and current terms expiring at the end of the year. The City Council interviews candidates and appoints individuals to commissions and boards.

The City is currently accepting applications for the following commissions and boards: 3 seats on the Planning Commission; 3 seats on the Business and Economic Development Commission; 1 seat on the Police Civil Service Commission. More information on these commissions can be found on the city website www.ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Completed applications should be submitted to the City Manager's Office at 1830 County Road B E, Maplewood, MN 55109. Applications can be picked up at the City Hall front desk or online. The application deadline is November 3, 2010.

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Learn more about emerald ash borer and provide input as the city develops its EAB plan. Join us for education and discussion sessions at City Hall: Oct. 20, 7:00PM & Nov. 15, 7:00PM



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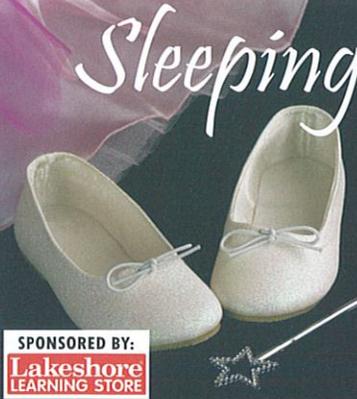
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Temporary Banner and Window Signs

Many businesses depend on banner or window signs to advertise specials or events. It is a quick and inexpensive way to get your message across. But these types of signs can also have an adverse impact on the aesthetics of a community. The Maplewood City Council revised the city's temporary banner and window sign ordinance in August to ensure that both the needs of the



businesses are met while protecting the character of the community. Following is a summary of the amendments:

Banner Signs (A temporary sign that is made of flexible material, contains a message, and is not inflatable.):

- Previous Banner Sign Regulations: No sign permit required. One banner per property was allowed for up to 30 days per banner. The size of banners was limited to 120 square feet in area or 20 percent of the gross wall area on which it was attached, whichever was greater.
- New Banner Sign Regulations: No sign permit required. One banner per property or tenant (multiple-tenant properties) for up to 60 days per banner. Banners must be attached to a building or other permanent structure. Size of banner is based on zoning districts:
 - Commercial Zoning Districts (BC, BC-M, M-1, and M-2): The size of banners is limited to 64 square feet in area.
 - Neighborhood Retail/Office (LBC, CO, NC) and Residential (R-1, R-1R, R-S, R-E, R-2, R-3): The size of banners is limited to 32 square feet in area.

Window Signs (A sign painted on a window or placed inside the building to be viewed through a window by the public):

• Previous Window Sign Regulations: No sign permit required. The size of window signs was limited to 75 percent window coverage for up to 30 days per sign.

• New Window Sign Regulations: No sign permit required. The size of window signs is limited to 30 percent window coverage with no time limits.

Exemptions: It is difficult to write regulations which meet all circumstances. For this reason, the City Council wanted to ensure an easy mechanism for businesses to vary from the new regulations if circumstances warranted. The new regulations allow for short-term (up to 3 months) and long-term (greater than 3 months) exemptions to the temporary banner and window sign ordinance. These exemptions would allow a business owner to vary from the required size, number, placement, or display duration for these types of signs.

The City of Maplewood regulates temporary banner and window signs in order to provide a balanced system of temporary signage throughout the city, facilitate communication, promote public safety, minimize visual clutter and enhance property values and business opportunities. Please help the city achieve these goals by following the city's temporary banner and window sign regulations. For more information visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/signs or contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner, at 651.249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.

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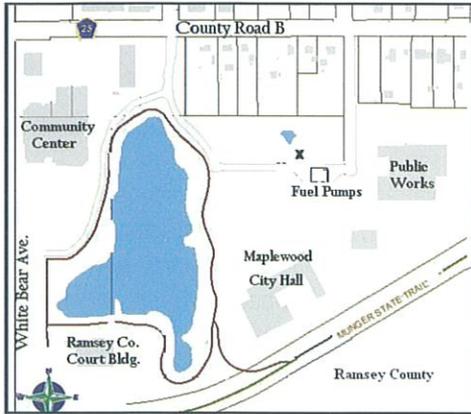
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1. Maplewood City Hall Campus, 1830 East County Road B
2. Londin Lane Fire Station: Place your buckthorn between the signs on the west side of the parking lot. Do not block fire station traffic. Do not drive off the paved parking area.

After these dates, bring your buckthorn to one of the four Ramsey County Compost Sites that accept brush. Note: not all compost sites accept brush! All roots must be removed. Bring proof of residency. Site maps and hours are available online at www.co.ramsey.mn.us/ph/rt/collection_sites.htm. For more information, call 651.266.1155.



Thank You And Congratulations

At the September 13, 2010 council meeting the City Council presented Julie Wasiluk with a clock thanking her for her service as councilperson until the Special Election was held on August 10, 2010. Also, congratulations to newly elected Council Member Marvin Koppen!

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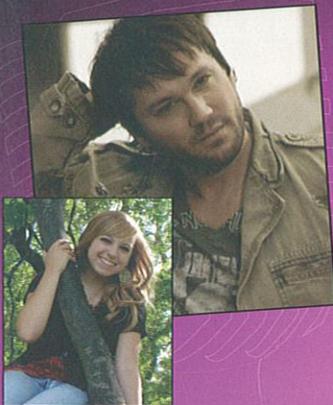
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Doing Your Part

A year or two back I was visiting a friend. We were catching up on our lives and the changes that had occurred. One of the significant changes in her life was that her son had joined the military. She was happy that he was at home having just returned from his training that had prepared him to go to Iraq. She was concerned just as you would expect a mother to be. As we talked her son came home from the errand he was on and she asked him to step into the room so



Beyond the Yellow Ribbon

that we could be introduced. A young man stepped into the room; he was in uniform and looked every bit a soldier. Although he was 19 through my older eyes he looked younger. The thought passed through mind that we were sending our children to die for us. After a short introduction he turned and left the room. As I turned back to I did not realize that tears had welled up in my eyes and one rolled down my cheek. I felt somewhat embarrassed until I saw that she also had tears in her eyes. We both took a minute to regain our composure and then I took my leave but to this day carry the picture of that moment with me.

That incident and others have often left me with a desire to find a way to help our soldiers in the military. I never served, and I am certainly beyond that now. I have been involved in sending some care packages and letters to the troops and I try as Mayor to recognize their efforts on an ongoing basis. Although anything we can do to help is good, I have recently learned of an on going effort which was started right here in Minnesota. It is the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon program. This program is based with the National Guard but is applied to all service members and their families.

Their mission statement on their web page (www.btyr.org) says: Beyond the Yellow Ribbon is a comprehensive program that creates awareness for the purpose of connecting Service members and their families with community support, training, services and resources.

Maplewood is making an effort to make ourselves a "Yellow Ribbon Community". This is not some new government program or an effort to use tax dollars to help others, we just happen to have some people who are interested in helping and Maplewood has the ability to aid in the formation of a group. The one thing we need is you. This is a people driven, volunteer oriented program. This program works not only to help the service member but their family

here at home. It does not need your money, but it does need some of you time and energy. It really does not matter what talents you have, any service which people may need in every day life could be helpful. Mowing the grass, baby sitting, home repairs, tax help, you name it.

In October we will hold our second meeting to discuss how we can help and to try to start to organize our effort. If you are interested please call Maplewood City Hall at 651.249.2000 and let us know.

To date the response to this effort has been limited. It seems to me that we have not been asked to do anything to support our military in these current efforts overseas and we have families who are sending their sons and daughters or fathers and wives into harms way. We should all be willing to give some time to help them and their families left behind. So whether you are a business, a group, a church, or an individual please consider coming to help. Together we can make a difference.

-Mayor, Will Rossbach

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Special Events

Holiday Craft Fun!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 6:15 - 7:15PM

Celebrate Halloween! Children ages 4-8 are invited to the Maplewood Community Center to create a fun and easy spooky craft, guaranteed to put you in a festive mood. We'll have fun music playing and a delicious snack prepared so grab your paint shirt and come join us for a great time! Cost is \$7.00 and pre-registration is required one week prior to class date. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Halloween Hoedown

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 6:00 - 9:00PM

Join the Maplewood Historical Society at the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Avenue for a family-fun evening of music by Kidsdance, dancing, art projects, games and contests, fish pond, pumpkin painting, silent auction, food, and DMC cards. Admission includes 4 tickets for activities or food and is \$3.00 for children and \$5.00 for adults. Don't forget to wear your costume! 651.748.9009



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Youth Programs

MCC Youth Soccer Clinic

THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 4 - DECEMBER 16 (no class Nov. 25)
(SEE TIMES BELOW)

Fine tune your soccer skills in this fun and exciting clinic. This co-ed MCC Youth Soccer clinic is designed for novice players. Participants will receive a cool clinic shirt. Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

K-1st 5:30 - 6:25PM

2nd-3rd 6:30 - 7:25PM

4th-5th 7:30 - 8:25PM

Schools Out

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20- PINZ BOWLING / PIZZA LUNCH

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21 (no field trip)

Are you looking for a great way to spend those non-school days? We have the answer for you! Send children ages 5 - 12 to the Maplewood Community Center! From 9:00AM - 4:00PM kids are invited for action packed days full of sports, swimming, crafts and more. AND check out our great field trips! Bring your tennis shoes, swimsuit, and towel and we'll bring the fun! Call 651.249.2230 to register. Cost is \$25.00 per child or \$35.00 per child on field trip days.

Guitar Lessons (Ages 10+)

THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 4 - DECEMBER 16

FREE DEMO NIGHT THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 5:30 - 6:30PM

(SEE TIMES BELOW)

If you always wanted to learn how to play guitar, here is your chance. Learn to play chords, your favorite songs and tune your guitar with easy to follow instruction! The Beginner class is designed for those who have not played before, Level 2 is for participants who have played before or have completed the Beginner level and Level 3 is for participants who have completed Level 2. Participants are required to bring their own guitar. Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$70.00 (\$60.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Beginning 5:30 - 6:25PM

Level 2 6:30 - 7:25PM

Level 3 7:30 - 8:25PM

Tots In Motion

TUESDAYS, NOVEMBER 19 - DECEMBER 21, 5:15 - 6:00PM

This class is designed for parents/grandparents and toddlers from walking age to three years old. Learn simple dance moves, activity and sing-a-long songs, and most of all, have a great time with your little ones! We will also enjoy some playtime in the gym each week at the conclusion of class. Class takes place in the Maplewood Community Center activity room. Cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Beginning Tumbling

S1: FRIDAYS, NOVEMBER 5 - DECEMBER 17

9:00 - 9:45AM (AGES 2 - 3) OR 9:45 - 10:30AM (AGES 4 - 6)

S2: SATURDAYS, NOVEMBER 6 - DECEMBER 18

9:00 - 9:45AM (AGES 2 - 3) OR 9:45 - 10:30AM (AGES 4 - 6)

These classes are designed especially for little ones to practice their coordination while learning to take turns, follow directions, interact with others and most importantly, have fun! They will be introduced to floor mats, wedges, and low and high balance beams. All classes will meet in the MCC Motion Zone and cost \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Registration deadline is one week before classes begins. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Mayer Arts Dance Classes

TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS, NOVEMBER 2 - DECEMBER 16

(SEE TIMES BELOW)

Mayer Arts is a program that operates out of various communities all over the Twin Cities Metro Area. Started in New York City in 2001, we work with schools, churches and community centers to provide dance and theater classes for children and adults of all ages. Our mission is to provide professional training for students in a positive, fun and creative atmosphere. All classes and the final performance will take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost for dance classes is \$60.00 for the one-hour classes (\$54.00 for the 45-minute classes). Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Wish Upon A Ballet (ages 3-6)	Thurs. 10:00 - 10:45AM
	Tues. 5:30 - 6:15PM
Pre-Ballet & Tap (ages 3-4)	Tues. 6:15 - 7:15PM
Ballet & Tap (ages 5-7)	Tues. 7:00 - 8:00PM
Hip Hop & Tap (ages 5-7)	Thurs. 5:30 - 6:30PM
Hip Hop (ages 8-12)	Thurs. 6:30 - 7:30PM
Tap (ages 8-12)	Thurs. 7:30 - 8:30PM

Youth Programs

Safe On My Own

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 6:30 - 7:30PM

The American Red Cross has teamed up with us to offer this terrific safety seminar for boys and girls in grades 3-5. This one-hour program deals with the issues and concerns of parents and children when a child is left home alone. Tips and advice are offered to make it the best and safest experience possible. Some things that will be covered will be safety messages on answering the telephone and door. Where to keep keys and emergency information and what they need to know when calling 911. First aid information covers the topics of injury prevention, choking, bleeding and burns. Participants receive a first aid activity book. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$16.00 (\$13.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Red Cross Babysitting Class

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 9:00AM - 3:30PM

A certified Red Cross Instructor will teach this hands-on course dealing with the challenges and rewards of caring for younger children. Students will learn and put into practice valuable concepts and problem solving skills and upon course completion will be Red Cross certified babysitters. Class is appropriate for participants ages 11 and up and will meet in the Maplewood Community Center Activity Room. Cost is \$60.00 and includes a \$10.00 Red Cross Kit. Students should bring a bag lunch or money for the MCC Concessions Counter. Class size is limited! Call 651.249.2230 and register early.



MONDAYS - WEDNESDAYS, 9:30 - 11:00AM

Calling all pre-schoolers 3-5 years of age! Our Kids Club is the place to be! Our program features weekly themes and many activities including cooking, gym games, arts and crafts, swimming, free play, music, story time and more! All children **MUST BE POTTY TRAINED**. The cost is \$18.00 per week (\$12.00 for MCC members) or \$7.00 per day (\$5.00 for MCC members). Space is limited and registration is strongly suggested for each week. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Social Skills For Teens

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 9:00AM - 12:00PM

Knowing how to act and what to say in various social situations helps put the finishing polish on students who are bright and talented. The instruction will cover dining etiquette, dating, cell phone manners and conversation skills. A light snack is provided. Best for ages 13-18. Cost is \$40.00 or (\$30.00 for MCC members). Classes take place at the Maplewood Community Center. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Youth Basketball

SATURDAYS, DECEMBER - MARCH

This recreational program is for girls and boys grades 3-8 (as of the 2010- 2011 school year) and is designed to provide all participants with an opportunity to have fun, learn basic basketball skills and learn how to play as a team. Boys and girls will play in separate leagues according to their grade level. The 3/4 grade division will play their games with 9-foot baskets to provide a positive and rewarding experience for the participant. The 5/6 and 7/8 grade divisions will use regulation 10-foot baskets. Games are played on Saturday mornings and afternoons beginning in early December and concluding in March. Teams will begin practice in mid-November at various school locations. Cost is \$109.00. Call 651.249.2230 to register by October 29.



Adult / 55+ & Family Programs

FREE Senior Well Being Seminars

MONDAYS, 10:30 - 11:30AM

At the Maplewood Community Center, 2100 White Bear Ave.

October 4: Flu Shot Clinic Courtesy of Walgreens

October 11: Benefits of Personal Training

Age is just a number; learn what a personal trainer can do for your health and exercise routine. Attend this seminar and receive a coupon for a FREE 1HR GROUP TRAINING SESSION ON WED, OCTOBER 13 AT 10:30AM!

October 18: Healthy Aging

This program highlights the difficulty today's seniors face in a world of health care designed to treat disease as opposed to creating health. Courtesy of Spinal Wellness Center.

October 25: Blood Pressure Checks

Courtesy of Homestead of Maplewood

Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Senior Foot Care Sessions

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12 & 26

9:00AM - 1:00PM

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes: Foot Massage, Cutting Toenails Filing Corns, & Calluses and Foot Soak

T'ai Chi Ch'uan Mini Session (16+)

WEDNESDAY'S OCTOBER 27 - DECEMBER 15

7:30 - 8:30PM (8 WEEKS)

T'ai Chi Ch'uan exercises use slow relaxed movements to develop strength while eliminating tension. This will strengthen arms and legs, improve balance and flexibility, reduce stress and help increase energy levels. A growing body of research also suggests that practicing T'ai Chi Ch'uan has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life! Class takes place at the Dragons Kung Fu Studio located at 2572 7th Avenue East. Cost is \$52.00 (\$40 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Community CPR

(Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)

Saturday, October 9, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Attention Child Care Providers! This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR with First Aid

Saturday, November 13, 10:00AM - 5:00PM

Cost is \$80 (\$60 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Family Programs At Maplewood Nature Center

2659 East 7th Street, Maplewood

Ready For Winter Puppet Show

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1:30PM

A scurrying squirrel, striped skunk, slithering snake and other wild animal puppets will entertain and inform you as they get ready for winter. Cost is \$3.00/child accompanied by an adult. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Exploring Nature & Taking Care Of The Earth

SATURDAYS, OCTOBER 16, NOVEMBER 20, DECEMBER 11

10:00 - 11:30AM

Get close & personal with a live animal each session from salamanders to snakes and even a real sled dog. Enjoy guided nature activities & crafts, circle-time songs with an Early Childhood teacher, & explore the outdoors with the naturalist. Adults will receive resources for further nature discovery & earth-friendly activities to share with their children. Best for children ages 0 to 5 years with parents and grandparents. In collaboration with the Early Childhood Family Education Program (ECFE) in ISD 622, North St. Paul, Maplewood, Oakdale Schools. Class takes place at Maplewood Nature Center, 2659 7th St. East and the cost is \$12.00 per semester. Visit www.isd622.org or call 651.748.7280 to register.

Adult Fall & Winter Botany (Free!)

S1: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 9:00AM - NOON

S2: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 10:00AM - NOON

Join botanist Scott Milburn for some in-depth identification and study of our fall and winter hardy native plants. We'll be studying wide assortment of woody and herbaceous species likely to find at the nature center. Dress for the outdoors! Call 651.249.2170 to register by September 14.

Scout Wildlife Badge

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, (S1: 10AM-Noon or S2: 1:30-3:30PM)

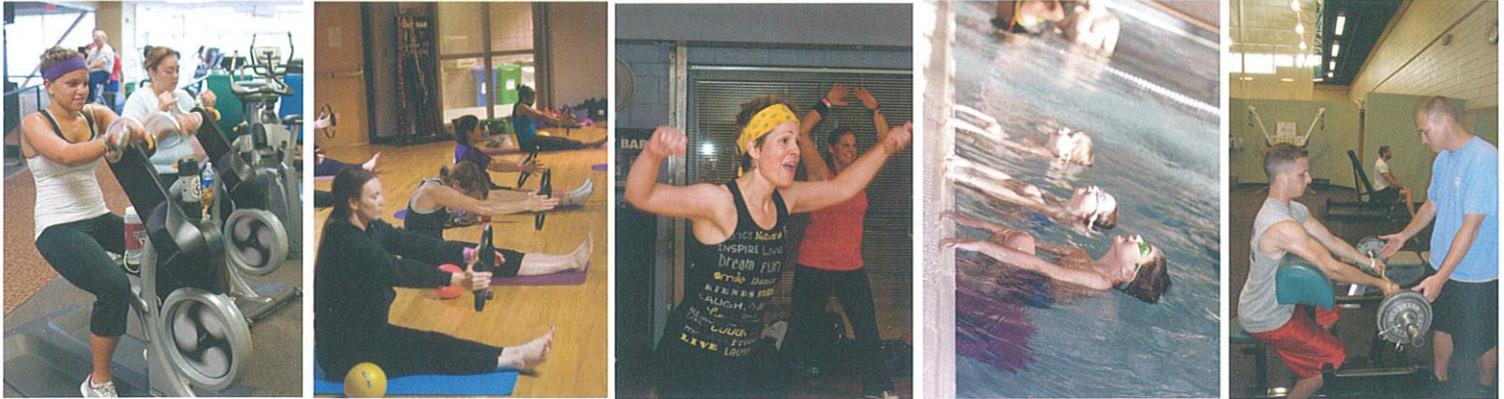
Visit hands-on learning stations to become familiar with Minnesota wildlife. Hike with binoculars to spy on critters in the wetland and woods. Learn about shrews, bats, and birds while working toward earning your badge. Scout leaders may call MNC at 651.249.2170 to make troop reservations by November 2. Cost is \$4.00 per child.



FALL VISITOR OPEN HOUSE

FREE ADMISSION!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 10:00AM TO 2:00PM



Enjoy the many amenities, classes and programs the Maplewood Community Center has to offer FREE at the Fall Visitor Open House. Visitors will have the opportunity to tour the facility, swim and workout for FREE at one of the finest fitness facilities in the twin cities area!

This is a great opportunity to sample everything included in a membership:

- 3,739 sq. foot Strength Center featuring Nautilus NitroPlus state-of-the art selectorized equipment, cable tower and free weight areas
- Innovative Cardio Center featuring Nautilus ellipticals and treadmills, Matrix incline ellipticals, StepMill stair climbers, Matrix Krankcycles, Nautilus upright and recumbent bikes and 1/11th mile indoor walking/jogging track
- Aquatic Center including a 25-yard lap pool and interactive leisure pool with a 120-foot water slide and hot tub
- Full Court Gym, Racquetball, Air Hockey and Table Tennis
- Over 70 group fitness classes per week

FREE FUN For All Ages and Fitness Levels:

- First 125 guests will receive Walgreens water bottles and a \$5 Bakers Square gift card
- FREE Admission 10:00AM - 2:00PM including group fitness classes, use of the Strength and Cardio Centers (ages 16+) and Pool.
- FREE Kids Zone in the gym with Jump Castle, Face Painting, and Balloon Art and Magic with MCC's favorite professional Clowns
- FREE Strength and Cardio Equipment Demonstrations by the MCC Personal Training Team
- FREE Group Fitness Classes starting at 10:30AM
- FREE Family Flotation Party! Bring your swimsuit!
- FREE Refreshments (Jimmy John's mini subs, popcorn, lemonade and freshly blended mini protein shakes.)
- Drawing for great prizes including an annual MCC adult membership, 2 tickets to see Taylor Hicks from American Idol at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre and 22 free passes to Trail of Terror in Shakopee!

We Look Forward To Seeing You At The Open House!

Please visit us online at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com or call 651.249.2230 for a complete schedule of open house events!

The POWER of 10

10-10-10 through 10-20-10
10 Days Only!

Buy or Renew an Annual Membership and Receive 2 Months Free & \$0 Initial Fee.

All NEW members that take advantage of this offer at the Open House (Oct. 10, 10AM - 2PM) will also receive a 10 Visit Pass Card to give to a friend (\$70 VALUE).

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Hurry! Don't miss the 10 day special. Call (651) 249-2230 and start today.



The Maplewood Community Center Congratulates Another Winning Loser!



Congratulations to Tracy Mincher for winning the Lose 2 Win Summer Meltdown Challenge! Tracy, along with the other summer participants have increased the total number of pounds lost to date 1461.9! Tracy says, "Joining Lose2Win gave me the accountability and support I needed! The trainers are wonderful motivators! But I'm most honored with the results!!! Don't delay- join now! If I can do it, you can too!" Tracy won a new

TREK mountain bike generously donated by Gateway Cycle. For more information on the Lose2Win Challenge call 651.249.2230.



Register for 3 Zumba Sessions and Get \$5 OFF EACH Session!

TUESDAYS, OCT 5-26, NOV 2-30, DEC 7-28, 5:30PM
THURSDAYS, OCT 7-28, NOV 4-18, DEC 2-30, 5:30PM
SATURDAYS, OCT 2-30, NOV 6-27, DEC 4-18, 11:45AM

Zumba is a Latin-dance inspired fitness sensation. Come see what all the hype is about. Warning: you may get hooked! Cost is \$40.00 (\$32.00 for MCC members).



WEDNESDAYS, OCT 6-27, NOV 3-24, DEC 1-29, 9:30AM

Whether you're a beginner or just looking for a more low-key party, Zumba Gold is anything but your normal routine. Ditch the workout, join the party! Cost is \$24.00 (\$16.00 for MCC members).

Final Boot Camp Of The Year!

THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 28 - DECEMBER 9, 6:00 - 7:00PM

This workout has it all! With an emphasis on form and function, Boot Camp is designed to take your workout to a new level! Cost is \$48.00 (\$36.00 for MCC members).

MCC Member Group Fitness Special! Bonus Classes on Sunday, October 10th ONLY

No Vikings Football; No excuses!

Choose one, two or all these classes.

90 minute rides!

Spinning	10:30AM - 12:00PM
Spinning	12:30PM - 2:00PM

30 minute express classes

Kickboxing	11:45AM - 12:15PM
Step Mix	12:30PM - 1:00PM
Drums Alive! (Cardio Drumming)	1:15PM - 1:45PM

Coming in November

Yes I CAN Challenge!

Yes I can...maintain not gain! Yes I can...enjoy a healthier holiday season! Don't let holiday weight gain be the gift you receive, but never asked for. Let MCC fitness professionals help you minimize weight gain during this festive season.

This challenge will include:

- two optional 60-minute fitness challenges that will include boot camp, interval, strength and cardio group training
- two optional wellness seminars: 10 Tips for Avoiding Holiday Weight Gain and Minimize your Workout time.

Fitness Challenge & Wellness Seminar:

Saturday, November 20, 1:00PM (FC) 2:00PM (WS)
 Saturday, December 18, 1:00PM (FC) 2:00PM (WS)

All participants will be required to weigh in on November 18 and again on January 6. Everyone who maintained and lost weight will enter their name into drawings for GREAT PRIZES including an annual adult MCC membership, \$75 Steichen's gift cards, 3-month massage membership and more. Check out the MCC website or the November issue of the Maplewood Monthly for more details and the complete prize list! Cost is \$15.00 (\$25.00 for non-members). First 75 entries will receive free water bottles! You must be 18 years of age or older.

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Senior Wellness Programs

Senior Strength 1

MON & THURS, OCTOBER 18 - NOVEMBER 11, 11:45AM

Find the strength you knew you had all along in this exciting program utilizing bands, bars, dumbbells and other great accessories to improve posture, strength, and endurance. Cost is \$55.00 for both members and non-members.

New! Senior Strength 2

MON & WED, OCTOBER 18 - NOVEMBER 10, 8:00AM

(Recommended to take Senior Strength 1 first)

This fun and innovative program will take you to the next level and keep increasing your strength and endurance. Enjoy all the benefits that Senior Strength 1 gave you and then some! Cost is \$55.00 for both members and non-members.

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A Review Of The City's Trash Collection System

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency conducted a study to compare open and organized trash collection systems (www.pca.state.mn.us/oea/lc/collectionservice.cfm#about). The 2009 study compared costs, impacts on the environment, efficiency and effectiveness, and energy reductions for each type of system. In summary, the study found that the primary advantages for organized trash hauling are lower prices, reduced truck traffic, and community control over decisions related to waste management. The primary disadvantage cited for an organized system is the inability for people to choose their own hauler.

Cities in the Twin City Area with organized trash hauling showed a lower cost per month across the 30 to 90 gallon levels of service. Monthly prices ranged from \$7.50 to \$15, which is approximately 37 to 57 percent less than cities with open trash hauling systems.

Maplewood has nine licensed trash haulers servicing our residential neighborhoods. Rates for these trash haulers range from \$12.05

to \$21.53 (view current trash hauling rates at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/recycle). The study reflects that in open system costs must be spread over smaller and more uncertain customer base, so fees must be sufficiently high to cover fixed costs.

The study also found that open systems had more truck traffic on residential streets as each company uses their collection vehicles to service customers. Increased truck traffic can impact streets, increase emissions, cause traffic accidents, and cause aesthetic concerns.

The City Council and the Environmental and Natural Resources Commission would like to determine what types of effects the city's open trash hauling system is having on these factors in Maplewood. As a starting point, the City Council has called a special City Council meeting to allow all interested parties to express their opinion on the matter. The meeting will be held on Monday, October 4, 2010, at 7:00PM in the City Council Chambers. For more information visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/trash or contact Shann Finwall, Environmental Planner at 651.249.2304 or shann.finwall@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

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Maplewood Monthly

December 2010 City Newsletter

Save The Date

- **Santa's Workshop**
Friday, December 10, 6:00 - 8:30PM
at the Community Center
- **Shop Til' You Drop & Breakfast With Santa**
Saturday, December 11
at the Community Center
- **Swim-in Movie**
Saturday, December 11, 5:00PM
at the Community Center
- **Keri Noble**
January 7 & 8, 7:30PM
at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
- **Tonic Sol-Fa**
January 14 & 15, 7:30PM
at the Maplewood Performing Arts Theatre
- **Early Childhood Education Fair**
January 22, 1:00PM
at the Community Center

City Council To Consider 2011 Tax Levy

The Maplewood City Council will be holding their annual Budget Hearing on December 6, 2010 beginning at 7:00PM in the City Council Chambers at 1830 East County Road B. The Council will accept testimony from property owners on the proposal for the levy for taxes in 2011 along with considering adopting the final budget levels for all funds and City expenses in 2011. Property owners can also provide written comments to the City Council at the same address; or e-mail comments to chuck.ahl@ci.maplewood.mn.us.



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Get Outdoors And Enjoy Your Neighborhood Ice Rinks

Maplewood maintains nine skating rinks throughout the city, four of which have supervised shelters. Skating facilities and shelters, depending on weather conditions, will open December 27 and close February 20. Shelters will not be open when temperatures reach 10 degrees below zero or the windchill reaches 25 degrees below zero. Shelters will also be closed until the rinks are cleared following snow and when warm temperature softens the ice. Call the weather information hot line for condition information details at 651.249.2190.

Holiday Shelter Hours

December 27 - 30	12:00 - 8:00PM
December 31 & January 1	Closed

Rink Locations

Afton Heights (shelter)	63 N Sterling St
Four Seasons (shelter)	1685 Gervais Ave
Gethsemane (shelter)	2401 E 7th Street
Wakefield (shelter)	1590 Frost Ave
Hause (N. St. Paul shelter)	4th Ave & Charles St
Northwood (N. St. Paul shelter)	1st St N & Northwood Dr
Edgerton	2001 Bradley St
Harvest	2561 Barclay St
Kohlman	1000 County Road C
Maplecrest	2101 Arcade St
Pleasantview	1100 Marine St



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Holiday Building Schedule

Friday & Saturday, December 24-25, CLOSED
 Friday, December 31, closing at 3:00PM
 Saturday, January 1, Closed

NEW!! Maplewood Community Center YEAR ROUND Operational Hours (beginning January 2)

Monday-Thursday 5:30AM-10:00PM
 Friday 5:30AM-9:00PM
 Saturday 6:00AM-8:00PM
 Sunday 8:00AM-7:00PM

See new pool hours on page 7!

The Maplewood Community Center Congratulates The Winning Losers!



Congratulations to Jenny Schaefer and Ryan Schaefer for winning the Shape Up for the Holidays Lose 2 Win Partner Challenge! These two, along with the other participants increased the total pounds lost to date

to 1590.6! Register today and transform your body, mind, and life one pound at a time.



Register for 3 Zumba Sessions and Get \$5 OFF EACH Session!

TUESDAYS, JAN 4-25, FEB 1-22, MAR 1-29, 5:30PM
THURSDAYS, JAN 6-27, FEB 3-24, MAR 3-31, 5:30PM
SATURDAYS, JAN 8-29, FEB 5-26, MAR 5-26, 11:45AM

Zumba is a Latin-dance inspired fitness sensation. Come see what all the hype is about. Warning: you may get hooked! Cost for 4-week sessions is \$32.00 (\$24.00 for MCC members). Cost for 5-week sessions is \$40.00 (\$32.00 for MCC members).



WEDNESDAYS, JAN 5-26, FEB 2-23, MAR 2-30, 9:30AM

Whether you're a beginner or just looking for a more low-key party, Zumba Gold is anything but your normal routine. Join the party! Cost for 4-week sessions is \$24.00 (\$16.00 for MCC members). Cost for 5-week sessions is \$32.00 (\$24.00 for MCC members).

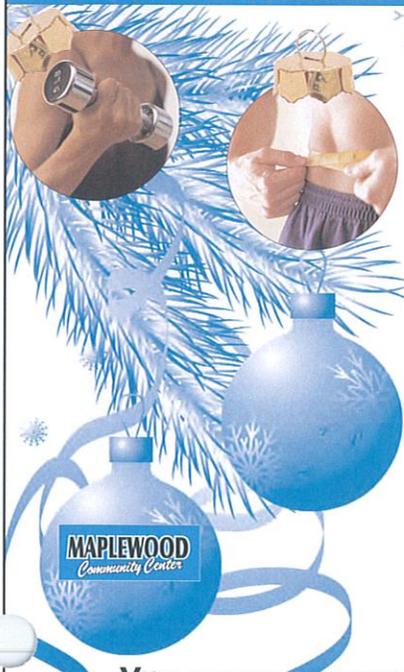
Boot Camp!

THURSDAYS, JANUARY 6 - FEBRUARY 10, 6:00 - 7:00PM

This workout has it all! With an emphasis on form and function, Boot Camp is designed to take your workout to a new level! Cost is \$48.00 (\$36.00 for MCC members).

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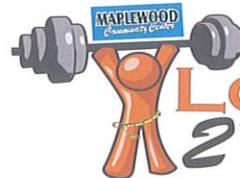
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- 2ND PLACE:** \$150 Jimmy John's Gift Card
- 3RD PLACE:** 3 Month MCC Membership
- 4TH PLACE:** 3 Month MCC Massage Membership
- 5TH PLACE:** Nautilus Duffel Bag & \$50 MCC Program Card
- 6TH PLACE:** Nautilus Duffel Bag & MCC Sweatshirt
- 7TH PLACE:** \$20 Walgreen's Gift Card
- 8TH PLACE:** MCC Sweatshirt

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2011 Is The Year To Celebrate You

Be the NEW YOU before the NEW YEAR! End the year with a big bang and celebrate "you". One of the first things people do in the new year is set a weight loss or a get fit goal. Some will succeed and some will fail but regardless where you fall, keep going or get started! We are now into December and you may be asking yourself, "what happened to my 2010 resolution?" With 2011 fast approaching, NOW is a great time to get things back on track.

The Maplewood Community Center continues to offer more than ever at a great value! This one stop shop has the programs to get you on track with personalized attention from highly trained specialists, a family-friendly atmosphere, great value with affordable rates, and endless options.

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Be the January special advertised below. The count down is on to celebrate "you". Don't miss it! Call 651.249.2230 today.

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The City of Maplewood and the City of North St. Paul are pleased to announce a new partnership of their Parks and Recreation Department starting January 2011. This new collaboration will provide both communities with an exciting opportunity to experience enhanced recreation programs for everyone from preschool aged children to seniors. Residents will soon see expanding youth and sports leagues, fitness seminars, and city wide special events. New health and community wellness initiatives and more sports association partnerships will result as well. Together, Maplewood and North St. Paul will incorporate more cost-effective marketing that will bring the Parks & Recreation Department to a whole new level. To learn more, watch for future announcements on the City's website and City newsletters.

Check out the new exciting programs on pages 11 & 12 available at the North St. Paul Community Center! Look for the "New at the North St. Paul Community Center" icon.

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December 20: Fun Christmas Craft

Courtesy of Homestead of Maplewood

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Senior Foot Care Sessions

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14 & 28

9:00AM - 1:00PM

The Maplewood Community Center and Affordable Foot Care have joined forces to provide quality foot care by an experienced, licensed, and insured registered nurse! Cost is \$32.00. Call 651.249.2230 to schedule an appointment. The 30 min session includes: Foot Massage, Cutting Toenails Filing Corns, & Calluses and Foot Soak

Grab Bag Bingo

New! at NSPCC

MCC: THURSDAY, JANUARY 6 & FEBRUARY 3, 1:00 - 2:30PM

NSP: TUESDAY, JANUARY 18 & FEBRUARY 15, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Ring in the New Year with a fun, new twist on Bingo the first Thursday of each month in the Maplewood Community Center Banquet Room! Ten or more games are played and the winners choose from an assortment of grab bags. Costs is \$2.00 at the door. Coffee and treats are provided!

A Matter Of Balance

New! at NSPCC

MCC: TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1:00 - 3:00PM

NSP: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1:00 - 3:00PM

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A MATTER OF BALANCE is an 8-week award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. You will learn to view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity, make changes to reduce fall risks at home and exercise to increase strength. Space is limited. Call 651.249.2230 to register. Cost is \$35.00 (\$30.00 for MCC or NSP members). Coffee and cookies provided.

Pokeno

New! at NSPCC

NSP: WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING JANUARY 5, 1:00 - 2:30PM

If you love to play cards and Bingo, then we have the game for you. Come play Pokeno! It's Bingo with a twist! It takes a moment to learn and is an addictive game of fun! The lucky winners will receive a mystery grab bag at the end of each session. There will be one winner at each table! Coffee & snacks provided! Cost is \$2.00 at the door.

Card Club

New! at NSPCC

NSP: THURSDAYS BEGINNING JANUARY 6, 12:30 - 3:00PM

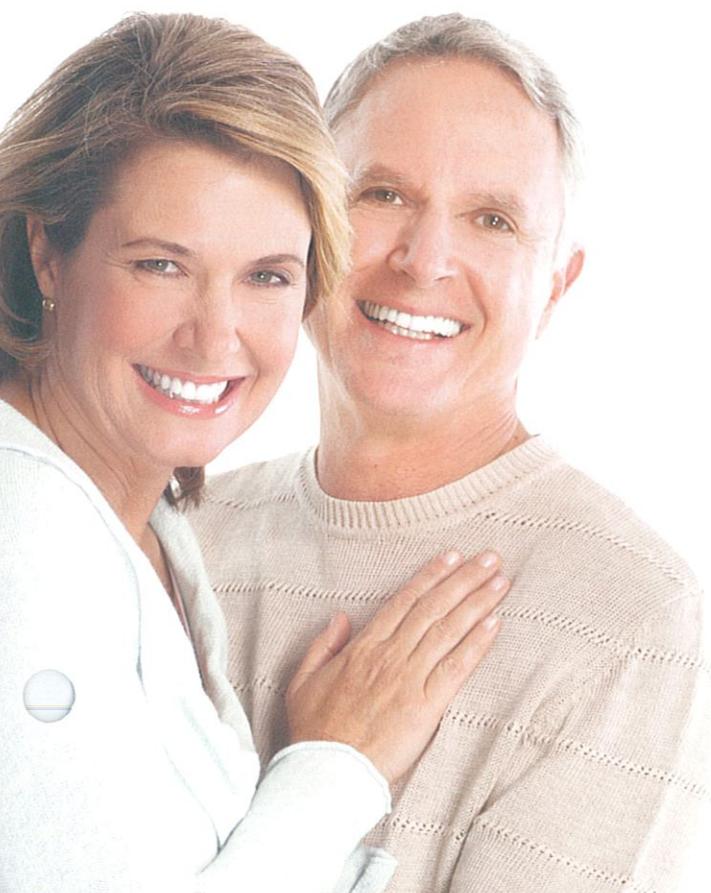
Come join our card club! We meet every Thursday and offer a variety of card games to choose from like 500, bridge, Hand & Foot (similar to canasta), and more. If you have a game that you'd like to share, be our guest! Coffee and snacks will be provided. Cost is \$2.00 at the door.

Mah Jong Demo Class

New! at NSPCC

NSP: MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1:00 - 3:00PM

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play Mah Jong? Come to the North St. Paul Community Center and join in on all the fun! The cost is FREE so bring a friend!



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The proposed maximum amount that the levy will increase is a 5.0% increase over the 2010 levy. Due to a revision in property values, residential property will not see a corresponding increase in their taxes. The actual amount of the increase to a home valued at \$150,000 is \$18.00 for the year; the median-valued Maplewood home of \$205,000 is \$24.00, while a home valued at \$350,000 is estimated to be \$42.00. This proposal amounts to an average of a 3.4% increase in taxes for the typical Maplewood home.

In September 2010, the Council adopted a motion to set the maximum 2011 levy at 5%. This is the amount that is used on the property tax statements mailed to each homeowner. At least 2% of that 5% needs to be dedicated to the Debt Service Fund to cover the amount lost to the state for the Market Value Homestead Credit [MVHC]. The MVHC is money that the state promised to pay the City when bonds were issued for previous improvement projects, but have failed to make the payments, so Maplewood property owners must now pay for the state's shortfall on those bonds payments. The amount of money that Maplewood has lost since 2008 through 2011 Market Value Homestead Credit payments promised to the City by the state, plus interest exceeds \$2,100,000. In the past three years, the City Council has only replaced approximately \$1,900,000 of that amount through levy increases, if the full 5.0% levy increase is approved. The proposed budget for 2011, even if taxes are increased by the full 5.0% will have less expenditures than approved for City operations than in 2010. The major consideration for the Council is that if the payment from the state of MVHC could be planned on for 2011, there would be a tax decrease for all residential property owners in Maplewood. Unfortunately, that payment cannot be relied upon, so the Council will consider raising the levy to cover for the missed state funds.

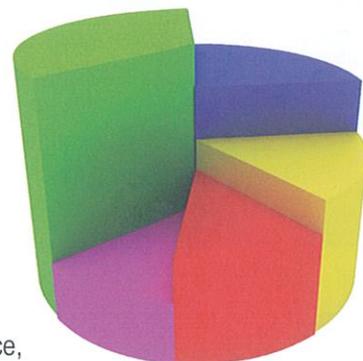
On The Police Scanner

In October, the Maplewood Police Department responded to 2,123 calls for service.

21 Assault Cases	3 Robbery Case
17 Burglary Cases	122 Theft Cases
16 Auto Theft Cases	42 Theft from Vehicle Cases
42 Criminal Damage to Property Cases	

Officers also made 62 arrests for shoplifting and 11 arrests for DWI.

The proposed budget for 2011 includes delays in hiring of two vacant police officer positions until later during the 2011 calendar year, as well as existing positions that are currently vacant in street maintenance, park maintenance, building maintenance and recreation management that will either be delayed or remain vacant during portions or all of 2011. The 2011 budget proposes no cost of living [COLA] adjustment for employees. A tentative agreement has been reached with all but one of the City's seven bargaining groups to have a 0% COLA for the renewal of the expiring contracts. In addition, a program that the Council approved beginning in 2008, where the employee health care costs are shifting to the employees is beginning to pay dividends.



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Youth Programs

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Preschool Gymboree

THURSDAYS, DECEMBER 9 & JANUARY 13

10:00 - 11:30AM

Preschool Gymboree is designed for children ages 1-5 with energy to burn. Join us in the Maplewood Community Center gym for a roly-poly good time! We provide the balls, mats, toys, and games - you bring the fun! Because this is not a structured program, children must be accompanied by an adult at all times and any outside equipment brought along must be approved by the gym monitor. Jump castle is included in the admission fee! Cost is \$3.00 per child, per day for members and \$4.00 per child, per day for non-members.

Mayer Arts Dance Classes

TUESDAYS JANUARY 18 - MAY 3 (no classes Feb 22 & Mar 15)

THURSDAYS JANUARY 20 - MAY 5 (no classes Feb 24 & Mar 17)

(SEE TIMES BELOW)

Mayer Arts is an exciting dance program that operates out of various communities all over the Twin Cities Metro Area. All classes and the final performance will take place at the Maplewood Community Center. The dress rehearsal will take place on May 6 and the recital on May 7. Cost for dance classes is \$135.00 for the one-hour classes, \$120.00 for the 45-minute classes, and \$80.00 for the 30-minute classes. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

Wish Upon A Ballet	Ages 3-6	\$120	Thurs. 10:00 - 10:45AM
			Tues. 5:30 - 6:15PM
Pre-Ballet & Tap	Ages 3-4	\$120	Tues. 6:15 - 7:15PM
Ballet & Tap	Ages 5-7	\$135	Tues. 7:00 - 8:00PM
Hip Hop & Tap	Ages 5-7	\$135	Thurs. 5:30 - 6:30PM
Hip Hop	Ages 8-12	\$135	Thurs. 6:30 - 7:30PM
Tap	Ages 8-12	\$80	Thurs. 7:30 - 8:00PM

Schools Out!

DECEMBER 27 - 30, JANUARY 17

FIELD TRIP: DECEMBER 28 - STARS & STRIKES / LUNCH

FIELD TRIP: DECEMBER 30 - WILDWOODS WATER PARK

Are you looking for a great way to spend those non-school days? We have the answer for you! Send children ages 5 - 12 to the Maplewood Community Center! From 9:00AM - 4:00PM kids are invited for action packed days full of sports, swimming, crafts and more. AND check out our great field trips! Bring your tennis shoes, swimsuit, and towel and we'll bring the fun! Cost is \$25.00 per child \$35.00 per child on field trip days. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Tots In Motion

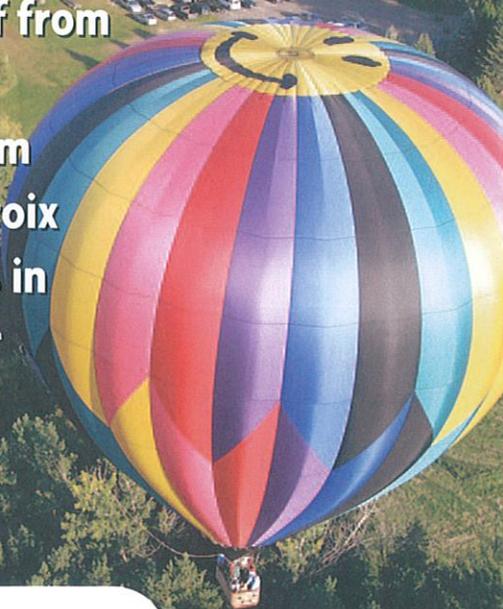
THURSDAYS, JANUARY 13 - FEBRUARY 17

5:15 - 6:00PM

This class is designed for parents/grandparents and toddlers from walking age to three years old. Learn simple dance moves, activity and sing-a-long songs, and most of all, have a great time with your little ones! We will also enjoy some playtime in the gym each week at the conclusion of class. Cost is \$36.00 (\$33.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.



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The program that the Council first approved in 2008 for employee health care costs has shifted responsibility for employee health expenses to the employees. Those 2008 employee contracts exchanged a slight COLA adjustment in return the City received nearly 85% [up from 15%] of the employees moving to a high deductible health plan. In a high deductible plan, the employee is responsible to pay the first \$2,000 of their health care expenses, although the City provides them a portion of that expense. If the employee is healthy or limits the amount of health care costs, the employee can keep the savings in a health reimbursement account. Many Maplewood employees have become educated consumers of health services rather than simply using health services. The City saves with lower premiums paid on behalf of the employee. Those 2008 contract settlements proved extremely valuable as part of the 2011 employee contracts and thus the proposed budget. The industry average for cost increases for 2011 is estimated at 9-12%. The Maplewood expenses for health care in 2011 are a decrease of 4.5%! Those savings are being shared with employees as part of the Labor and Management Committee that was expanded since 2008. Those savings to the City amount to more than \$162,000

in employee expenses. Those savings allow the Council to eliminate further staff reductions and to continue to maintain services in 2011 at approximately 2010 levels within the proposed budget.



A copy of the proposed budget and presentations by various department heads on the budget for each program within the City are available on the City's webpage. A copy of the budget document is also on the webpage and is available for viewing at City Hall and at the Ramsey County library. As noted previously, those who wish to express comments on the proposed budget and levy should attend the December 6th Public Hearing at 7:00PM or e-mail comments to chuck.ahl@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

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Beginning and Ending Date	Saturdays		Sundays		Tuesday and Thursday Mornings		Tuesday and Thursday Mornings	
	January 8 - February 26	January 9 - February 27	January 11 - February 3	February 8 - March 3	Session 1	Session 2	Session 1	Session 2
Preschool Swimming Lessons								
Parent/Child	10:30-11:00am	1516.411			9:30-10:00am	1516.481		
Tot Swim	9:00-9:30am	1518.411					9:30-10:00am	1518.481
Preschool 1	9:00-9:30am	1511.411	12:00-12:30pm	1511.421	10:00-10:30am	1511.481	10:00-10:30am	1511.482
	10:00-10:30am	1511.412						
	11:30am-12:00pm	1511.413						
Preschool 2	8:30-9:00am	1512.411	1:30-2:00pm	1512.421	10:30-11:00am	1512.481	10:30-11:00am	1512.482
	9:30-10:00am	1512.412						
	10:30-11:00am	1512.413						
	11:00-11:30am	1512.414						
Preschool 3	11:30am-12:30pm	1512.415						
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	10:30-11:00am	1513.412						
	11:00-11:30am	1513.413						
Preschool 4	11:30am-12:00pm	1513.414						
	11:00-11:30am	1514.411						
Red Cross Learn-To-Swim Levels 1-6 and Adult Swimming Lessons								
Level 1	9:30-10:15am	1501.411						
	10:30-11:15am	1501.412						
Level 2	8:30-9:15am	1502.411	12:30-1:15pm	1502.421				
	9:30-10:15am	1502.412						
	11:30am-12:15pm	1502.413						
Level 3	8:30-9:15am	1503.411	2:00-2:45pm	1503.421				
	9:30-10:15am	1503.412						
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	11:30am-12:15pm	1503.414						
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	11:30am-12:30pm	1504.413						
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Level 6	10:30-11:15am	1506.411						
Fitness Adult	8:30-9:15am	1523.411						
Semi-Private Lessons - Maximum of 3 students (All Lessons are 30 Minutes Long)								
Preschool 2 & 3	12:00 PM	1552.411						
Level 1 & 2	12:00 PM	1541.411						
Level 3 & 4	12:00 PM	1543.411						

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Date _____ Owner's Signature _____

Pet Licensing

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Registration 651.249.2230
 Customer Service 651.249.2230
 Admissions 651.249.2210
 Heater/Banquet Room Rental 651.249.2103
 Group Information 651.249.2203
 Birthday Parties 651.249.2203
 Aquatics 651.249.2206
 Child Care 651.249.2218
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Maplewood Recreation

General Information 651.249.2007

Maplewood Nature Center

General Information 651.249.2170

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Maplewood Meeting Schedule

Business & Economic Development Commission:
 Wednesday, December 8 at 5:15PM
 City Council: Budget Hearing Monday, December 6 at 7:00PM
 Monday, December 13 at 7:00PM
 Citizen's Forum: Saturday, December 4 at 10:00AM (Fire Station 4)
 JANUARY CITIZEN'S FORUM CANCELLED
 Community Design Review Board: CANCELLED
 Environmental & Natural Resource Commission: Thursday, December 9 at 7:00PM
 Heritage Preservation Commission: CANCELLED
 Housing & Redevelopment Authority: CANCELLED
 Park & Recreation Commission: CANCELLED
 Planning Commission: Tuesday, December 7 at 7:00PM

All City Council and Commission meetings are broadcast live on Channel 16 and are rebroadcast on a schedule that is posted at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. * Any meeting cancellations are posted on the City's website.

*Meetings are also streamed live on the City's website.

The Council Chambers will be closed December 14-31 for repairs and maintenance. City Hall will be closed Friday, December 24 and Friday, December 31 in observance of the Christmas and New Years holidays.

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Family Programs

T'ai Chi Ch'aun (16+)

WEDNESDAY'S, JANUARY 5 - MARCH 9

7:30 - 8:30PM (10 WEEKS)

T'ai Chi Ch'aun exercises use slow relaxed movements to develop strength while eliminating tension. A growing body of research also suggests that practicing T'ai Chi Ch'aun has many benefits for seniors, including a reduced risk of falling and a significant improvement in quality of life! Class takes place at the Dragons Kung Fu Studio located at 2572 7th Avenue East. Cost is \$65.00 (\$50.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Karate

Unleash Your Child's Potential with the Power of Martial Arts! Cost is \$60.00 (\$45.00 for MCC members). **REGISTER FOR 3 MONTHS AND RECEIVE \$5.00 OFF EACH MONTH!** For more information, visit www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com.

Lil' Dragons Program: MONDAYS, 5:15 - 5:45PM - AGES 4 TO 6

Beginner: MONDAYS, 5:45 - 6:15PM - AGES 7+

Advanced Beginner: MONDAYS, 6:15 - 7:00PM - Gold Belt+

Maplewood Nature Center

2659 East 7th Street, Maplewood

Family Christmas Bird Count

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Use binoculars at the birdfeeders and on the trail and learn common winter birds. Contribute to Audubon's Christmas bird count: your observations provide information that will be used for real scientific research! Cost is \$2.00/person. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Nature Night Hike

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 7:00 - 8:30PM

- Hike the trails by moonlight and starlight.
 - Learn about nocturnal animals and discover Orion and other constellations.
 - Make a simple glow in the dark starfinder and afterwards come back to the nature center to sip hot chocolate.
- Best for Families with children ages 7 and up, and small youth groups. Cost is \$4.00/person. Call 651.249.2170 to register.

Nature Story Favorites FREE!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1:00 - 2:30PM

Let's listen to favorite nature stories such as "The Mitten", then act out some scenes together. Call 651.249.2170 to register by December 29.

Snowshoe Open House

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 10:00AM - 3:30PM

Snowshoe Rental Sizes available for ages 4 and up. Try wooden or metal snowshoes (wooden snowshoes require 6 inches of snow). One or two sleds will be available for pulling young kids. Instruction provided. Wear winter boots. Free hot chocolate. Cost: Snowshoe rental: \$5/pair. Drop-in program.

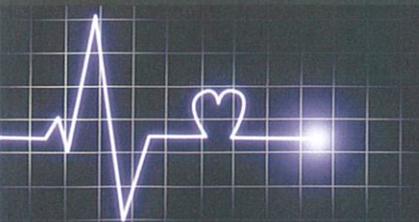
Racquetball Leagues

JANUARY 22 - APPROX. APRIL 8

Racquetball leagues are now being formed at the MCC. These are adult co-ed recreational leagues at B+ and B- levels. The coordinator will generate a schedule of players and numbers for weekly matches. Opponents call each other to schedule matches and court times during the week they are scheduled to play each other. Cost is \$14.00 for MCC members OR (\$44.00 Non-members). Registration deadline is January 15. Schedules will be emailed out January 15. Call 651.249.2230 for more information.

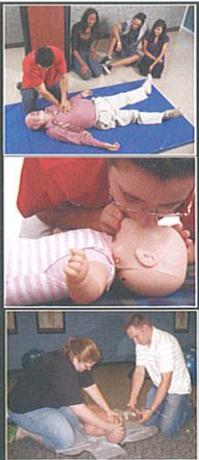
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CPR/AED AND FIRST AID CLASSES



FACT: 80 percent of cardiac arrests occur at home and are witnessed by a family member.

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Community CPR (Adult and Child CPR/AED and Infant CPR)

Saturday, December 11, 10AM - 5PM

Child CPR/AED & Infant CPR With First Aid

Saturday, January 15, 10AM - 5PM

Attention Childcare Providers!

This class meets state CPR and First Aid requirements.

CALL 651.249.2230 TO REGISTER.



This month Councilmember Koppen has given his space to Peter Boulay. Mr. Boulay is a member of the Heritage Preservation Commission and is the author of *The Lost City of Gladstone* which is a history of Maplewood from its beginnings.

Time Marches On A Bit Slower In Gladstone

My youngest son calls Frost Avenue "Sesame Street" because it has the look and feel of the street from the TV show. Richards Market is still open 365 days a year and thankfully the tiny Maplewood Bakery across the street is a great place for cookies or whatever. There's a weathered sign just east of the roundabout that says, "Get Out of Afghan Now" leading some of the uninformed residents to wonder who has a grudge against blankets. A short trip down the road is the vacant spot where the St. Paul Tourist Cabins used to be with a giant cottonwood tree standing as a sentinel marking the spot. And just to the west of this tree is the seventy year old Frost Avenue Bridge.



When Frost Avenue was paved on August 25, 1926, it was front-page news with St. Paul Mayor L.C. Hodgson cutting the tape officially opening the road. The Reverend I.E. Moody of the Gladstone Church gave a speech called "From Path to Pavement." People could now travel from St. Paul to White Bear Avenue all year round without running into springtime quagmire of a dirt road. Cornmeal was sprinkled on Frost Avenue and 2,000 people turned out to dance on the road. Traffic was a bit lighter in those days. Four years later a concrete bridge was built over Keller Creek for Frost Avenue, with decorative limestone veneer added by the Works Progress Administration (WPA).

The Gladstone of 1930 had some similarities to the Gladstone that exists today. The community was in the middle of a greater



Councilmembers Nephew and Koppen, Mayor Rossbach, Councilmembers Llanas and Juenemann

recession. There was the trusty Faust Store that doubled as the post office for the community, located across the street where Richards Market is today. There was a vacant store near where the empty Gladstone House is today. Some things were different. The New Canada Town Hall was still in operation, and trains passed through Gladstone on a regular basis where the current Bruce Vento and Gateway Trails intersect. Gas could be purchased at the corner of English and Frost. However, there was only one outhouse for women only. The Gladstone School was a two-story red brick building equipped with a slide for a fire escape. This school was torn down in 1952 after the new Gladstone School was built.

When riding on the trail that runs under the beautiful and historic Frost Avenue Bridge it's easy to imagine the Gladstone of so long ago. That bridge with cracks and crumbling limestone is showing its age and needs to be replaced. Thankfully, on October 11, 2010, the Maplewood City Council agreed on the design for a replacement bridge with help from the Community Design Review Board and the Historical Preservation Commission. The stone veneer on the new bridge will look similar to the one on the bridge already in place. There will also be a historical rest area with a bench salvaging some of the limestone from the current bridge. The only major difference in appearance will be an iron railing along the south side of the bridge that will have a bike path on it. Work on replacing the bridge is expected in spring of 2011. Hopefully the new bridge will last as long as the one that is in place now and will be there when Maplewood celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2082.

-By Peter Boulay member of the Heritage Preservation Commission

Youth Programs

Beginning Tumbling

New! at NSPCC

NSP: TUESDAY, JANUARY 11 - FEBRUARY 15

5:30 - 6:15PM (AGES 3-5)

MCC: FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 - FEBRUARY 18

9:30 - 10:15AM (AGES 2-3) AND 10:15 - 11:00AM (AGES 4-6)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15 - FEBRUARY 19

9:00 - 9:45AM (AGES 2-3) AND 9:45 - 10:30AM (AGES 4-6)

These classes are designed especially for little ones to practice their coordination while learning to take turns, follow directions, interact with others and most importantly, have fun! They will be introduced to floor mats, wedges, and low and high balance beams. Classes take place at both the North St. Paul and Maplewood Community Centers. Cost is \$45.00 or (\$35.00 for MCC and NSP members). Registration deadline is one week before classes begins. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

New! Youth Gymnastics

New! at NSPCC

MCC: THURSDAY, JANUARY 13 - FEBRUARY 17

6:30 - 7:30PM

NSP: TUESDAY, JANUARY 11 - FEBRUARY 15

6:15 - 7:00PM

This class is for boys and girls ages 6 and up who have had little or no gymnastics experience. Tumbling will include forward/backward rolls, cartwheels, headstands, leaps turns and more. Equipment will consist of floor mats, beams & vault. Classes take place at both the North St. Paul and Maplewood Community Centers. Cost is \$45.00 or (\$35.00 for MCC and NSP members). Registration deadline is one week before classes begins. Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Red Cross Babysitting Class

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8 OR FEBRUARY 19, 9:00AM - 3:30PM

A certified Red Cross Instructor will teach this hands-on course dealing with the challenges and rewards of caring for younger children. Students will learn and put into practice valuable concepts and problem solving skills and upon course completion will be Red Cross certified babysitters. Class is appropriate for participants ages 11 and up and will meet in the MCC Activity Room. Cost is \$60.00 and includes a \$10.00 Red Cross Kit. Students should bring a bag lunch or money for the concessions counter. Call 651.249.2230 and register early.

Young Rembrandts

Elementary Class "Amazing Drawings"

S1: THURSDAY, JANUARY 20 - FEBRUARY 24, 6:30 - 7:30PM

S2: SATURDAY, JANUARY 22 - FEBRUARY 26, 10:00 - 11:00AM

Create amazing drawings! Discover drawing techniques like perspective and how to use warm and cool colors to deliver cool artistic affects. You will build artistic skills with step-by-step instructions from an enthusiastic and talented teacher. This class will expand your knowledge in art. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$60.00 per sess

Safe On My Own

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14 OR JANUARY 11, 6:30 - 7:30PM

A terrific American Red Cross safety seminar for boys and girls in grades 3-5! Learn tips and advice on safety messages when answering the telephone and door, where to keep keys and emergency information and what children need to know when calling 911. First aid information covers the topics of injury prevention, choking, bleeding and burns. Participants will receive a first aid activity book. Class will be held at the Maplewood Community Center. Cost is \$16.00 (\$13.00 for MCC members). Call 651.249.2230 to register.

Music Together

New! at NSPCC

NSP: TUESDAYS, JANUARY 4 - MARCH 8, 6:00 - 6:45PM

WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 5 - MARCH 9

9:30 - 10:15AM OR 10:30 - 11:15AM

MCC: MONDAYS, JANUARY 3 - MARCH 7

9:30 - 10:15AM OR 10:30 - 11:15AM

WEDNESDAYS, JANUARY 5 - MARCH 9, 6:00 - 6:45PM

You'll move, dance, sing, play rhythm instruments and receive CDs and songbooks of the session's song collection so the fun and learning can continue at home. Music Together is for children from birth to age 6 and their accompanying adults. Class is held at the Maplewood Community Center and cost is \$160.00 for the first child and \$90.00 for each additional child. For more information or to learn about FREE demo classes, visit www.MusicTogetherClasses.com or to register call 651 439 4219. To learn about free demo classes.



Recycling Changes Ahead



The City of Maplewood will have a new recycling contractor and a new method of recycling beginning next year. Tennis Sanitation will begin "single sort" curbside and multi-family recycling in January, 2011. What does this mean for you? All recyclables go in one bin- no more sorting required. This

"single sort" method of recycling should be more convenient and simpler than the current "dual sort" method which requires sorting paper and cardboard from rigids (plastic, aluminum and tin cans). We will, however, continue to use the red recycling bins for curbside recycling.

You will also be able to recycle more materials in 2011 with the addition of plastics numbers 1 through 5 (this includes plastic containers for yogurt, margarine, sour cream etc.), plastic toys, motor oil bottles (drained), metal aerosol cans and household scrap metal (silverware, pots, pans etc.). Please do not recycle Styrofoam, plastic bags, window glass, ceramics, dishware, mirrors, light bulbs or any hazardous waste.

For more information, call the city at 651.249.2406 or Tennis Sanitation at 651.459.7412.

Pride Of Maplewood Award



Chuck Ahl, Assistant City Manager & Public Works Director (left) presents award to Andrea Sindt, Administrative Assistant (right)

Congratulations to Andrea Sindt for being nominated the Pride of Maplewood. Andrea is the Administrative Assistant in the Community Development and Parks Department. She started with the City in September 2000.

"Andrea has daily contact with the citizens of Maplewood. She is always cheerful and helpful"

"Her knowledge of the building process has assisted many residents of the city. No matter how busy, Andrea is always patient and helpful. She takes the time to thoroughly explain permitting requirements to customers."

"Andrea has an eye for detail and as the administrative assistant, she keeps the whole department running smoothly."

Thank you, Andrea, for all you do for the citizens of Maplewood and your coworkers.

Maplewood Mall December 2010 Calendar of Events

- 1-31 WBABA Coat Drive
- 1-24 Heart Full of Hope Fundraising, here during most days
- 1-30 Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign
- 1-24 Salvation Army Angel Tree
- 1-24 Santa Photo Experience
- 2 Webster Elementary Choir Performance
- 2-5 Gingerbread Craft Shows Holiday Craft Show
- 2-5 PSA Charities Silent Auction
- 3-5 Healthy Weekend at Santa Set presented by Family First Chiropractic and Parkview Chiropractic
- 4 Shawn & Kayla Wedding at Santa Set
- 4 MN Perform Dance Productions with the Starettes
- 4-5 Gift-wrapping offered by Team TKO—A Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure Team
- 9-12 PSA Charities Silent Auction
- 11 Out on a Limb Dance Company & School Performance
- 11-12 Tastefully Simple Tabling Event
- 10-12 Unique Shows Christmas Gift Show
- 10-12 Healthy Weekend at Santa Set presented by Family First Chiropractic and Park View Chiropractic
- 11 Food & Refreshments Day presented by Chef Greg
- 11-12 Riff Factory Band Performance
- 11-12 Mike Krieger Productions "Have Ballcards, Will Travel" Sports Card Show
- 11-12 Gift-wrapping offered by Team TKO—A Susan G. Komen 3-Day for the Cure Team
- 11-12 Sears Toy Shop Event at Santa Set
- 12 Rising Joy Band Performance
- 15 Salvation Army Band Performance
- 16 Gift-wrapping & Caroling White Bear Lake Basketball
- 16-24 PSA Charities Silent Auction
- 17-24 Gift-wrapping offered by Fusion Drumline of District 622
- 18-19 Riff Factory Band Performance
- 18 American Red Cross Blood Drive
- 18 Food & Refreshments Day presented by Chef Greg
- 22 Out on a Limb Dance Company & School Performance
- 25 Christmas Day - Mall Closed

Events are subject to change.
Please visit www.simon.com or visit Simon Guest Services for any questions on events.

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Extreme Green Makeover Revealed!

Transforming Yards For A Sustainable Maplewood



On September 25, Earthworks Landscape Architects completed the long awaited Front Yard Makeover for the winning homeowners, Michael and Michele Tibodeau, who live on 2211 Ariel Street. Located just north of East County Road B, between White Bear Ave. and McKnight, it is an easy site to find. Everyone is encouraged to drive by -look for the **Extreme Green Makeover** sign and the beautiful showcase raingardens.

Earthworks built three different types of raingardens including a front yard raingarden, a side garden with a "dry creek bed" to take runoff from the garage, and a large streetside raingarden that takes overflow from both gardens and the driveway. Earthworks planted Minnesota native woodland wildflowers, ferns, trees and shrubs for improved wildlife habitat, while prairie natives and cultivars were planted in the sunny raingardens. A channel drain – a cut across the driveway- intercepts water from the driveway, and connects two of the rain gardens. Pervious pavers replaced the old concrete walkway.

Features like these help keep our rivers from flooding downstream, reduces erosion, and filters pollutants- helping the city to meet state requirements to improve water quality.

Educating residents about the "GREEN" goals was an important part of the makeover. Residents are encouraged to implement some of these goals in their own yards.

- Green design – Landscapes that meet residents' needs and benefit the environment.
- Rain water – Put rainwater to use in your yard.
- Energy landscaping – Reduce heating/cooling costs with plants.
- Effective resource use – Minimize use of water, fertilizers, pesticides.
- Native plants – Enhance habitat for wildlife.

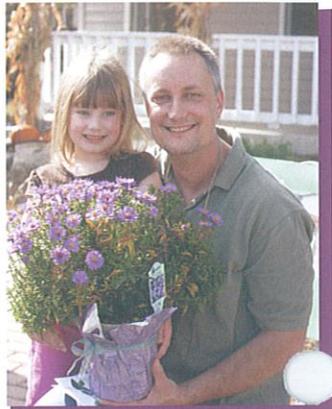
13 Educational events were held over the course of the spring and summer, and over 500 people attended these events.

A third goal of the program was to increase awareness of the watershed district's cost-share grant program – up to \$2,500 per resident – for water protection projects including installing rainbarrels, planting native plants, raingardens, pervious pavers. Funds are reimbursed at a 50% match for eligible materials and contract labor. For more information please visit the district's website rwmwd.org. Contact Julie Vigness-Pint with questions 651.792.7959. Grants are awarded on an on-going basis.

The total value of the Makeover, with donations from Boulder Images, County Materials, Bailey's and Earthworks, is estimated at \$20,000. Seventy percent of the funding for the makeover came from The Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District, 20 percent from the City of Maplewood, and 10 percent from the Friends of Maplewood Nature, a total expenditure of \$14,000.

Visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us/extremegreen to see additional photos, sponsors, and web links.

Extreme GREEN Makeover partners include the City of Maplewood, Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, and Ramsey County Library. The Friends of Maplewood Nature and many other sponsors have donated cash, products, and prizes, which have make the program possible. Kare11 and GTN have taped and aired segments about the program on television and cable.



Door prize winners Erik Tolstad and daughter enjoy an aster donated from Linder's.

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WINTER SWIM REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW!

Learning to swim is not just a fun recreational activity, but a perfect way to acquire a skill that will last a lifetime. You will be delighted by Maplewood Community Center's easy registration, wide variety of class options, and flexible schedules. Pair that with warm pool water, friendly & qualified Red Cross instructors and swimming success is inevitable. Your swimming goals can be reached by enrolling in seasonal sessions designed to accommodate any busy schedule.

Course descriptions may be found on our website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com, click on Aquatics and Seasonal Lesson Schedule to the right under Quick Links. Full winter session cost is \$50.00 (\$40.00 for MCC members).

To register, stop by the Maplewood Community Center Customer Service Desk (Monday 9:00AM - 7:00PM, Tuesday - Friday 9:00AM - 5:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM - 12:00PM). Online registration is also available at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us (click on Recreation Programs). If you are registering for our programs online for the first time you will need to register for your online account before registering for your class! Or register by phone at 651.249.2230.

Private lessons are also available by arrangement at a rate of \$40.00 (\$30.00 for MCC members) for one lesson, \$152.00 (\$112.00 for MCC members) for four lessons, or \$288.00 (\$208.00 for MCC members) for eight lessons. All private lessons are 30 minutes. To schedule your private lesson today, contact Ron at 651.249.2206 or ron.horwath@ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Aquatic Special Events

FREE for MCC Members • Daily Admission for Non-Members

Swim-In Movie Nights

Floations Fun starts at 5:00PM • Movie starts at 6:00PM

Have a splashing good time floating on a tube and watching a movie!

Saturday, December 11 - How The Grinch Stole Christmas and The Year Without A Santa Clause

Flotation Days- Come jump, splash, float, and slide! The inflatable magic island, beach balls, tubes, and almost everything the MCC has that floats will be available for everyone to enjoy. Bring your friends and family.

Friday, December 17, 5:00 - 8:00PM

Wednesday, December 29, 1:00 - 4:00PM

New Pool Hours Effective January 2, 2011

Open Swim

Monday - Friday 6:00AM - 8:00PM

Saturday 6:30AM - 7:30PM

Sunday 8:30AM - 6:30PM

Water Slide

Monday - Thursday 5:00PM - 7:30PM*
(closed during swim lesson sessions)

Friday 5:00PM - 7:30PM

Saturday 1:00PM - 7:00PM

Sunday 1:00PM - 6:00PM

*refer to monthly pool calendar

Winter 2011 Evening Swimming Lessons

	Mondays		Tuesdays		Wednesdays		Thursdays	
Beginning and Ending Date	January 10 - February 28		January 11 - March 1		January 12 - March 2		January 13 - March 3	
Preschool Swimming Lessons								
	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
Parent/Child	6:00-6:30pm	1516.431	5:30-6:00pm	1516.441	6:00-6:30pm	1516.451	5:30-6:00pm	1516.461
Tot Swim	5:30-6:00pm	1518.431	6:00-6:30pm	1518.441	5:30-6:00pm	1518.451	6:00-6:30pm	1518.461
Preschool 1	6:00-6:30pm	1511.431	5:30-6:00pm	1511.441	6:00-6:30pm	1511.451	5:30-6:00pm	1511.461
Preschool 2	5:30-6:00pm	1512.431	6:00-6:30pm	1512.441	5:30-6:00pm	1512.451	6:00-6:30pm	1512.461
	6:30-7:00pm	1512.432			6:30-7:00pm	1512.452		
Preschool 3	6:00-6:30pm	1513.431	5:30-6:00pm	1513.441	6:00-6:30pm	1513.451	5:30-6:00pm	1513.461
			6:30-7:00pm	1513.442			6:30-7:00pm	1513.462
Preschool 4	5:30-6:00pm	1514.431	6:00-6:30pm	1514.441	5:30-6:00pm	1514.451	6:00-6:30pm	1514.461
Red Cross Learn-To-Swim Levels 1-6								
	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #	Time	Activity #
Level 1	5:30-6:15pm	1501.431	6:30-7:15pm	1501.441	5:30-6:15pm	1501.451	6:30-7:15pm	1501.461
Level 2	6:30-7:15pm	1502.431	6:30-7:15pm	1502.441	6:30-7:15pm	1502.451	6:30-7:15pm	1502.461
Level 3	6:15-7:00pm	1503.431	5:30-6:15pm	1503.441	6:15-7:00pm	1503.451	5:30-6:15pm	1503.461
Level 4	6:30-7:15pm	1504.431	6:15-7:00pm	1504.441	6:30-7:15pm	1504.451	6:15-7:00pm	1504.461
Level 5	7:00-7:45pm	1505.431	7:00-7:45pm	1505.441			7:00-7:45pm	1505.461
Level 6 Safety					7:00-7:45pm	1506.451		