

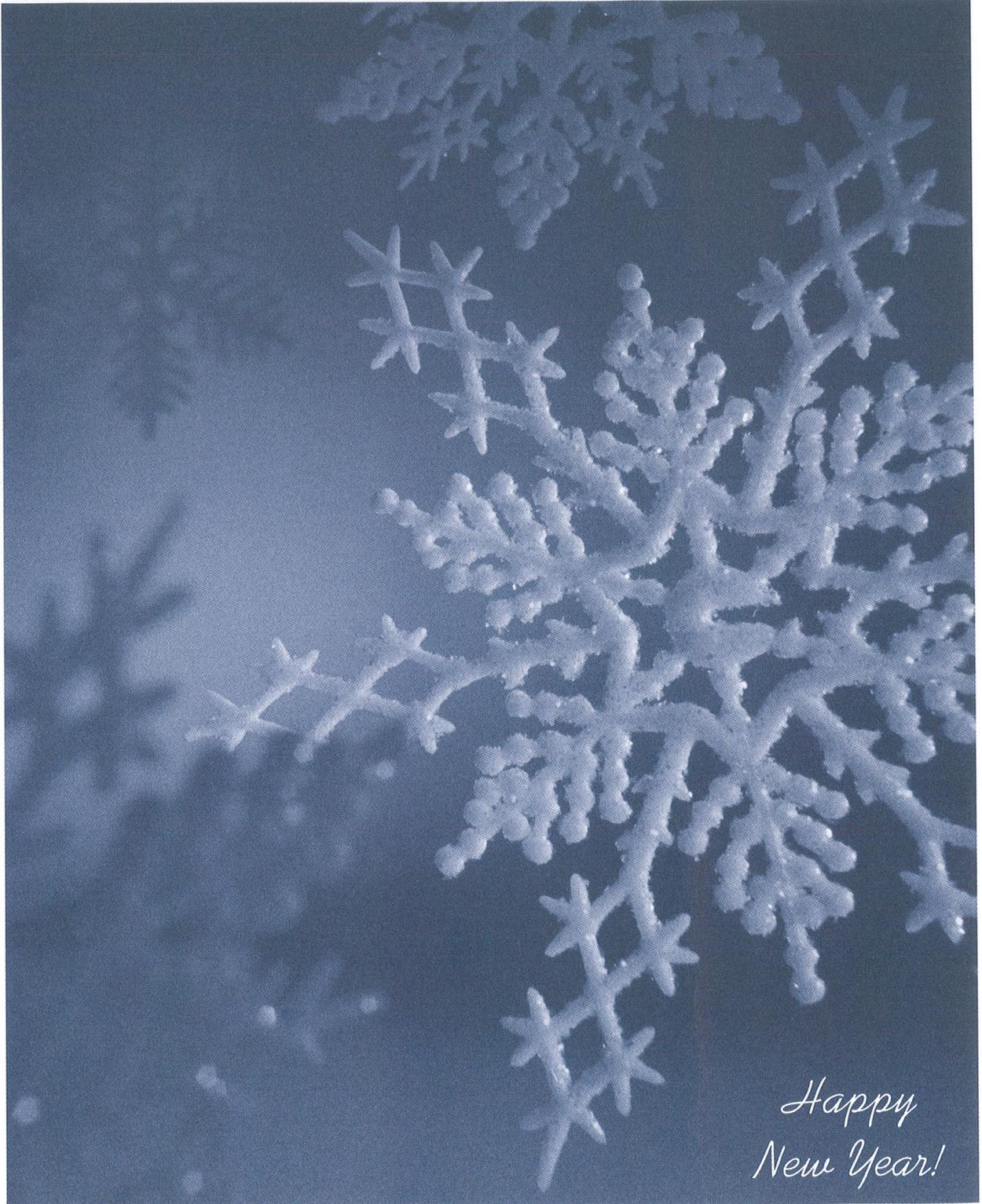
MAPLEWOOD IN

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City Newsletter

January 2002



*Happy
New Year!*

Letter From The Mayor

Dear Resident,

As we enter the 2002 New Year, let us take note of a few services provided to Maplewood residents by friends in health care; the health care industry being the largest employer in the United States. If you or someone you know needs health care and are not insured or not eligible for medical assistance, there is a free health care clinic in Maplewood, at 2425 White Bear Avenue (to the south of Rainbow—at Redeeming Love Church).

St. Mary's Health Clinics were established to provide health care services to the uninsured and medically underserved people in the Twin Cities and surrounding metro area. The clinics were started in 1992 by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and are operated as a program of the Carondelet LifeCare Ministries organization. There are currently eleven clinics in operation throughout St. Paul, Minneapolis and the suburbs.

All health care services are free. This includes the patient's visit to the clinic and if additional services are necessary (lab tests, X-rays, diagnostic tests, surgery, etc.), they are also provided to the patients without charge through coordinated efforts with area providers. Any needed prescription medication is also provided to the patient at no charge. Prenatal, dental, and mental health services are not available.

Clinics are staffed by licensed physicians and nurses who volunteer their time to work in our clinics; the admissions personnel are also volunteers. These clinic volunteers truly care about the patients, and spend extra time with them to assure that all of their questions and concerns are addressed. Patients are often aided in accessing other community resources that are available to them. The clinics all operate in the space that is donated for use by the host facilities. Numerous specialty physicians throughout the metro area see patients without charge when referred to them by one of the clinic doctors; also discount arrangements exist with almost all of the area hospitals, anesthesia providers, laboratories, radiology groups, etc.

To be eligible for care through St. Mary's Health Clinics, a patient must be without health insurance (although if a person has catastrophic insurance only they may qualify), and cannot be receiving assistance from any government subsidy program such as Medicare, Medicaid or MinnesotaCare. Patients must also fall within the modest established income guidelines. People who are temporarily unemployed or who are working in low-paying full-time or part-time jobs, who do not receive any health care benefits or cannot afford the employee portion of the premium, are examples of who the clinics serve. Also served are those in transition between jobs and those awaiting eligibility for government subsidy programs. For more information and appointments, call (651) 690-7029. Make it a point to talk about these services with your family, friends and neighbors.

You can make a difference in a child's life. Almost 40% of our nation's children read below the basic reading level according to 2001 reading tests (information from the National Center for Education Statistics, April 2001). By contributing as little as one hour per week, you can give a struggling reader the extra attention needed to become confident readers. Training will be provided. Volunteers age 55 and older may be eligible to receive transportation reimbursement, supplemental insurance, and other benefits through the Greater St. Paul Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Contact Connie at (651) 603-1685 for more information on how to get involved at a school near you.

Let 2002 be the very best year of your life! Thank you for allowing me to be your Mayor.

Bob Cardinal, Mayor

Home: 651-765-8600

Business: 952-831-3300

Email: cardinal@usinternet.com

City Clerk

In November 2001, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings.

Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- Approved the personal service license for Nora Bawn Gleason for Sister Rosalind's at the Community Center.
- Accepted the Joint Powers Agreement for the Replacement of the City Election System and that the City Manger and the City Clerk be authorized to sign and execute the agreement
- Adopted the resolution to renew the Lawful Gambling License for Gulden's Roadhouse, 2999 N. Highway 61, Maplewood.
- Accepted the \$5,980 donation from State Farm Insurance for the purchase of a hazard simulator.
- Authorized disposal of VEM Units 708, 709, 718, 719, and 983 at the state auction facility.
- Approved awarding Pepsi Cola the beverage contract for the Maplewood Community Center.
- Accepted the recommendation from staff to award Prairie restorations Inc. the contract for site preparation, seeding, mulching and maintenance in the amount of \$1,713 per acre with the monies to be allocated from the city's Conservation Partnership Grant.
- Reviewed the conditional use permit for Kline Volvo at 3040 Highway 61 North and will review again only if the owner proposes a major change or if a problem develops.
- Approved the revisions in Community Development License/Permit Fees and Service Charges and approved the first reading of the ordinance to increase planning fees.
- Approved an increase in the City Clerk Department service charges of 2.1% effective January 1, 2002, to keep up with inflation.
- Approved an increase in miscellaneous service charges of 2.1% effective January 1, 2002 to keep up with inflation.
- Approved the authorization of a \$33,460 transfer from the Water Availability Charge Fund—St. Paul Water District to the Debt Service Fund for the 1993 Improvement Refunding Bonds.
- Reviewed the conditional use permit for the St. Paul Business Center East and will review again in one year to ensure compliance of corrections required by staff.
- Reviewed the conditional use permit for the Minnesota Waldorf School and will review again in one year.
- Adopted a resolution of appreciation for Tim Johnson for his years of service on the Maplewood Design Review Board.
- Approved the purchase of a new 2001 Ford Crown Victoria squad car to replace a damaged vehicle for \$19,600.
- Accepted the bids for used police vehicles and forfeited vehicles.
- Approved purchase agreements acquiring the three lots at 209, 211, and 215 east Larpenteur Avenue.
- Accepted a \$100.00 donation from Newman Mechanical, Inc. to be used for Maplewood's National Night Out.
- Approved the resolution for design approval for Hill Murray High School.
- Approved the resolution for a Conditional Use Permit and Design approval for the Ramsey County Productive Day Golf Course.
- Adopted the Hillcrest Village Moratorium Ordinance.
- Approved the resolution adopting the assessment roll for the retaining wall repair and drainage improvements.
- Adopted the resolution authorizing preparation of a preliminary report on the improvement of an 8-lot subdivision at Gladstone Park and that a project budget of \$6,000 be established.
- Adopted the resolution directing modification of the construction contract in the amount of \$392,099.62 by approving Change Orders No. 1, 2, 3.
- Adopted the resolution certifying the Results of the 2001 General Election.
- Scheduled the second council meeting for the month of December for Monday, December 17th at 5:00 p.m.
- Approved the second reading of the Community Development Department Service Charges.
- Approved an ordinance to increase sewer rates by .6% effective January 1, 2002 to provide the revenues anticipated in the 2002 Budget.
- Approved to review the conditional use permit for Menard's at 2280 Highway 61 North again in one year.
- Approved to accept a \$3,500 check from the North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale Rotary for the 2001 D.A.R.E. Bike-A-Thon.
- Waived the strong beer permit fee for the Benefit Dance and Silent Auction for David Selbitschka, December 15th, 2001 at the Maplewood Fire Station from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- Adopted the resolution approving host approval for up to \$3.7 million in tax-exempt revenue financing for Lutheran Social Services at 785 Larpenteur Avenue.
- Adopted the resolution approving a conditional use permit for used car sales at 1908 Rice Street.
- Approved the first reading of the following ordinance limiting the number of pawnshops and currency exchange businesses to one each.

Finance

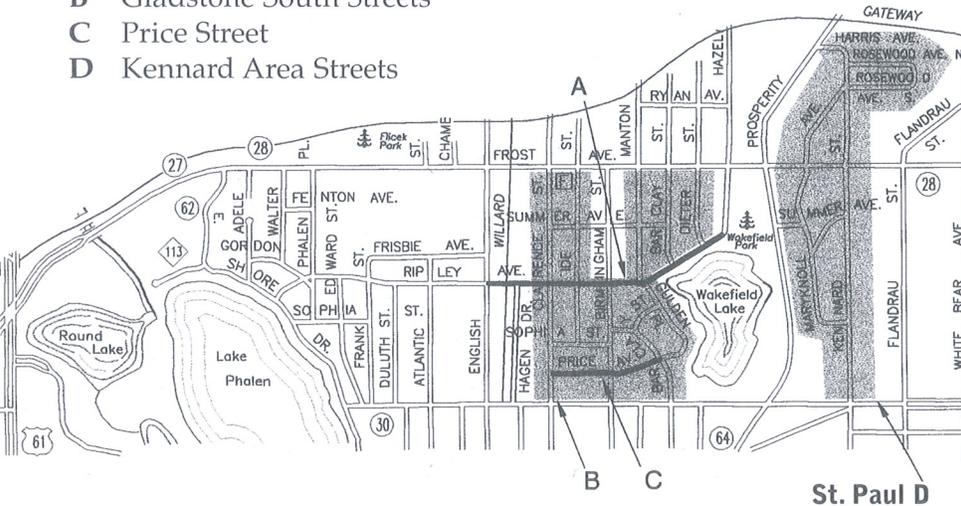
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS— GLADSTONE NEIGHBORHOOD

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a multiple-year plan that is used by city staff and elected officials to identify and plan for needed capital projects and major equipment purchases. Capital projects include such things as public works improvements, development of parks and building projects. Major equipment purchases included in the CIP are items that cost in excess of \$50,000. On May 29 the City Council approved the 2002-2006 CIP.

Projects in the CIP are grouped by neighborhood. There will be an article each month in the *Maplewood In Motion* that will cover the planned projects for one of the 13 neighborhoods in the city. This month the focus is on the Gladstone Neighborhood that is outlined in the following map.

There are four projects planned for the neighborhood. The projects are indicated by letters on the map and are as follows:

- A Ripley Avenue, English to Hazelwood
- B Gladstone South Streets
- C Price Street
- D Kennard Area Streets



The Ripley Avenue project involves replacement of the street pavement and is scheduled for 2002. The Gladstone South project involves Clarence, Summer, Ide, Sophia, Birmingham, Manton, Barclay, Dieter and Gulden streets. It is scheduled for 2003 and involves replacement of the street pavement. The Price Streets project involves replacement of the street pavement and is scheduled for 2002. For further information on these projects, contact the Public Works Director at 770-4552.

Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2002-2006 CIP booklet which is available for public review at the Maplewood branch of the Ramsey County Library.

2002 MAA Baseball

Full uniforms are supplied to each player including hat, jersey, pants, and socks. MAA supplies catching equipment, bases, bats and umpires.

In-House League:

Provides a competitive format for boys and girls stressing the fundamentals of fielding, throwing, hitting, and sportsmanship.

C League: 3rd and qualified 2nd graders

- Use of RIF grade balls
- Learn pitching
- Learn bunting
- No base stealing
- 3 outs or 10-hitter limit per inning
- All players bat

B League: 4th and 5th grade

- Use of Little League balls
- Stealing is allowed
- 3 outs or 12-hitter limit per inning
- All players bat

A League: 6th and 7th grade

- Use of Little League balls
- 3 outs or 12-hitter limit per inning

Midgets: 8th, 9th and 10th grade

- High school baseball rules in effect
- 3 outs or 12-hitter limit per inning

Traveling Teams:

Players are selected by tryouts and are divided by AGE not grade.

10 year-old TOURNAMENT team:

- All MAA 10 year-old in-house players are eligible to participate
- Tryouts are conducted
- Minimum of 2 tournaments played in addition to the in-house season
- An additional traveling uniform is supplied by MAA

11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 year-old teams:

- Play a traveling league and a minimum of 2 tournaments

Register at:

The Maplewood Community Center
March 3, 2002 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
March 7, 2002 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Or register on line at:

www.maabaseball.homestead.com

Contact Ed Fierst with any questions: 651-731-3431 or edfierst@mn.mediaone.net

Ice Skating Rinks



The Parks and Recreation Department will maintain and have supervised shelters at the following locations:

Afton Heights	63 North Sterling
Four Seasons	1685 Gervais
Gethsemane	2401 East 7th St.
Wakefield	1590 Frost

At the following locations secondary skating areas, with no warming facilities, will be maintained:

Edgerton	2001 Bradley
Harvest	2561 Barclay
Kohlman	1000 County Rd. C.
Lions	618 Farrell
Maplecrest	2101 Arcade
Pleasantview	1100 Marnie

Rinks Open: December 15
(weather permitting)
Rinks Close: February 10

Hours:

Monday - Friday	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sunday	12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Winter Break	2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
December 24	Closed
December 25	Closed
December 31	12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
January 1	2:00 p.m. - 8:00
January 15	2:00 p.m. - 8:00

Weather Information Phone Line
651-779-3544

Call this number to hear if the warming houses are closed due to weather conditions.

In Need Of Rink Attendants!

- good pay
 - good hours with flexible working schedule
- Call Mike Graf at 651-772-8452

Community Development

Maplewood Curbside Recycling

MATERIALS TO RECYCLE:

Paper

Newspaper
Junk Mail
Envelopes
(without plastic window)
Magazines
(bundle or put in paper bags)
Corrugated Cardboard
(cut in 2' x 2' sections)
Glossy Paper
Box Board

Glass

Bottles and Jars
Clear/Brown/Green

Metal

All Beverage Cans
Clear/Brown/Green

Plastic Bottles

Liquor Bottles
Soft Drink Bottles
Soap Bottles
#1 Plastic Bottles
#2 Plastic with Seams and Neck
(No Caps or Rings and Bottles Must Be Rinsed)

MATERIALS THAT CANNOT BE RECYCLED:

Building Materials	Glass Dishes
Telephone Books	Paper Milk Containers
Windowpane Glass	Coated Boxes

HOW TO PREPARE MATERIALS:

Paper and Corrugated Materials

Place newspaper, non-glossy paper and envelopes in paper grocery bags or cardboard boxes that can be put into a truck and recycled. Corrugated must be bundled and tied no larger than 20 pounds.

Note: Cans, Bottles and Plastic can now be placed in one container together—they are sorted at the Recycling Center.

WHERE TO PLACE RECYCLABLES:

Recyclables will be picked up at the curb every other week on the same day as your normal refuse collection. Materials must be on the curb by 6:30 a.m. *Following a holiday, pickup will be one day late for the rest of the week.*

QUESTIONS?

Please contact:

The Maplewood Community Development Department at
651-770-4560.

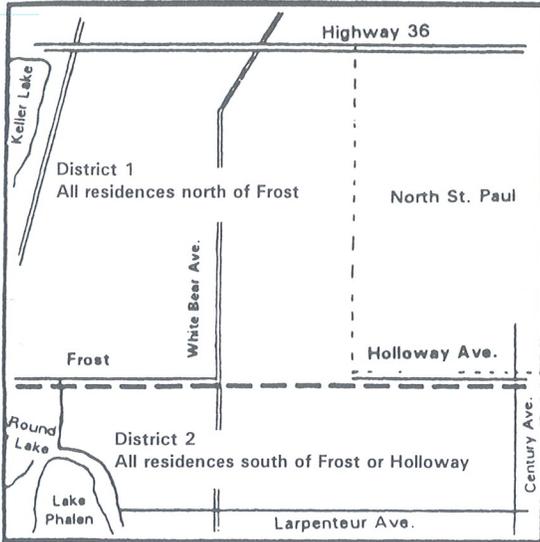
MISSED PICKUP:

Call Superior Service at 651-459-6377.



Maplewood Curbside Recycling

Your recycling pickup day is:
MONDAY
Districts 1 and 2 service will be continuous every other Monday.



MONDAY 2002

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>
January	14, 28	07, 21
February	11, 25	04, 18
March	11, 25	04, 18
April	08, 22	01, 15, 29
May	06, 20	13, 28*
June	03, 17	10, 24
July	01, 15, 29	08, 22
August	12, 26	05, 19
September	09, 23	03*, 16, 30
October	07, 21	14, 28
November	04, 18	11, 25
December	02, 16, 30	09, 23

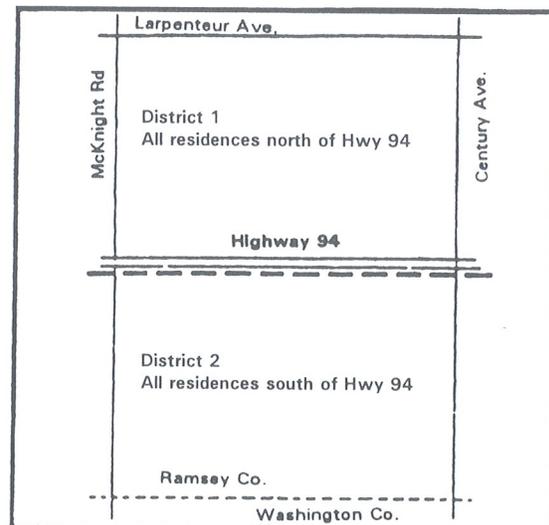
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TUESDAY 2002

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>
January	*02, 15, 29	08, 22
February	12, 26	05, 19
March	12, 26	05, 19
April	09, 23	02, 16, 30
May	07, 21	14, 29*
June	04, 18	11, 25
July	02, 16, 30	09, 23
August	13, 27	06, 20
September	10, 24	04*, 17
October	08, 22	01, 15, 29
November	05, 19	12, 26
December	03, 17, 31	10, 24

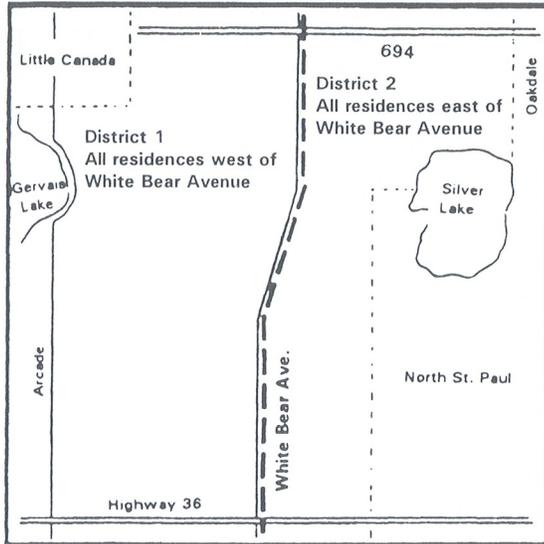
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Your recycling pickup day is:
TUESDAY
Districts 1 and 2 service will be continuous every other Tuesday.



Your recycling pickup day is:
WEDNESDAY

Districts 1 and 2 service will be continuous every other WEDNESDAY.



WEDNESDAY 2002

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>
January	03*, 16, 30	09, 23
February	13, 27	06, 20
March	13, 27	06, 20
April	10, 24	03, 17
May	08, 22	01, 15, 30*
June	05, 19	12, 26
July	03, 17, 31	10, 24
August	14, 28	07, 21
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December	04, 18	11, 26*

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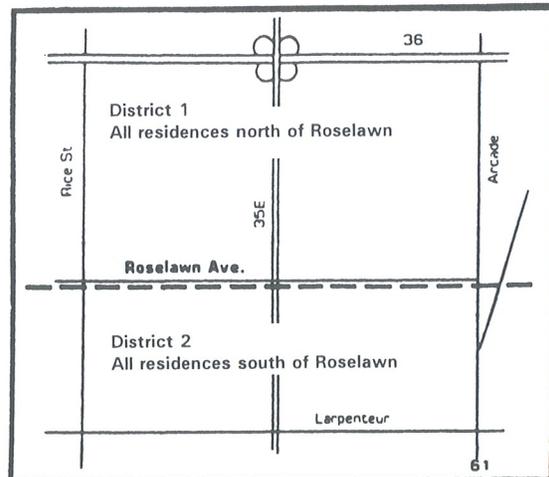
THURSDAY 2002

	<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>
January	*04, 17, 31	10, 24
February	14, 28	07, 21
March	14, 28	07, 21
April	11, 25	04, 18
May	09, 23	02, 16, 31*
June	06, 20	13, 27
July	05*, 18	11, 25
August	01, 15, 29	08, 22
September	12, 26	06*, 19
October	10, 24	03, 17, 31
November	07, 21	14, 29*
December	05, 19	12, 27*

*Date shown is one day late for holiday

Your recycling pickup day is:
THURSDAY

Districts 1 and 2 service will be continuous every other Thursday.



Great Entertainment!

Two Irresistible shows at the Maplewood Community Center!

Lamont Cranston

January 26, 2002 at
7:30 p.m.

Lamont Cranston's energetic and remarkably fresh blues performance is a must see Twin Cities event. These musicians will rock the house with their harmonica style, solid rhythm section, explosive guitars, and dueling saxophones.

*"...a great collection of covers and originals and the kind of full-throated sound you get from a large band with horns and an upfront singer/harpman leading his aggregation."*said Phil Lloyd, American Harmonica Magazine, Chicago.

Tickets: \$18 in advance.
\$16 seniors, students, and MCC members
\$20 day of show for everyone.



The Senders

February 21, 2002 at
8:00 p.m.

The award winning Senders are recognized as the Twin Cities premier jump/blues/swingband. The swingin' sounds of The Senders have captivated Midwestern audiences for the past 13 years. Since their inception in 1988, this eight piece band has taken a page out of the lump blues songbook and created a sound that joyfully recalls the glory days of early R&B, jump blues and big band swing. This is an octet that is richly steeped in the tradition!

Tickets: \$18 in advance.
\$16 seniors, students, and MCC members
\$20 day of show for everyone.

2002 Annual Diversity Awareness Award and Poster Contest

Sponsored by: Maplewood Human Relations Commission & Premier Bank

The Diversity Awareness Award: \$500

This award recognizes student groups in grades 6-12 for their efforts to demonstrate an awareness of diversity in our community through curriculum service learning projects or programs. Monies go to the student group or school involved in the initiative.

Poster Contest: \$25/\$10

(1st and 2nd place prize)

This is an opportunity for elementary age students to express their insight on diversity in our community in an artistic manner. 1st and 2nd place prizes are given for grades (K-1, 2-3, 4-6). All participants are recognized.

Contests are open to District 622 public, parochial and private schools.
Call 651-770-4500 for an entry form.

Submission Deadline: Thursday, March 28, 2002

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE & BONE MARROW TYPING

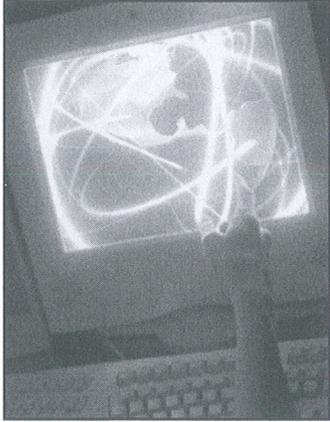
February 22, 2002
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Maplewood City Hall

Please call 1-800-give life for
more information.

Check Out Our Websites

Log on to the City Hall Website Address at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us for information on City Departments, events, and procedures.

Check out Maplewood Community Center's NEW website at www.maplewoodcommunitycenter.com This contains information on the Community Center, memberships, fitness center, programs, events, theater, banquet room, child care, massages, birthday parties, and much more! Go to the "Contact Us" page and let us know what you think.



CHANGE

A musical about strengthening and healing relationships

At the Maplewood Community Center~
Performing Arts Center

Thursday, January 24, 2002
2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Performances
Refreshments and Conversation Following

There is no charge for these performances.

RSVP: 651-266-2444

For more information, contact 651-266-2597

Change (Chanj) 1. To cause to be different; transform; modify; alter 2. To give and receive reciprocally.

Public Safety



This is a reminder to all residents that Maplewood has an ordinance prohibiting parking on the street between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. **THIS ORDINANCE IS IN EFFECT AND ENFORCED 365 DAYS A YEAR.**

If you have special circumstances where you need to temporarily park on the street overnight (out-of-town guests, work being done on a driveway, etc.), please call 651-777-8191 and ask to speak to a supervisor. Permission may be granted to park on the street overnight for up to 14 days.

Be Part Of The Team That Makes Important Community Decisions!

The City of Maplewood has an opening on the Human Relations Commission. The Commission is a 7-member Council-appointed body charged with improving the human relations climate of the community.

Members serve three-year terms. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. (No meetings are held in July and August)

Interested Maplewood residents can call 651-770-4500 for an application and more information.

Public Works

What's My Watershed Address and Why Should I Care?

A watershed address describes where the water from your yard ends up. Knowing the connection between yards and water resources helps "flood managers" and "pollution detectives" find the source of pollution and reduce flooding.

The map below is the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District. Maplewood is one of ten cities inside the District's jurisdiction. Each city manages stormwater (rainfall and snowmelt) in various ways such as providing curb and gutter street drainage, rain water gardens, and special ponds that hold back flood waters due to heavy rains.

Find Your Watershed Address

Step One

Look at the map and estimate where your house is. Then look at the name inside the irregular shape (watershed). That is your watershed address.

Step Two

If you are on the line between watersheds or you don't have a clue which watershed your house is in, it's okay—just remember that the rain water and snowmelt from your yard eventually gets into the Mississippi River—unless it evaporates, gets used by plants, or seeps deep into the ground before it gets to the Mississippi.

Maplewood Stormwater

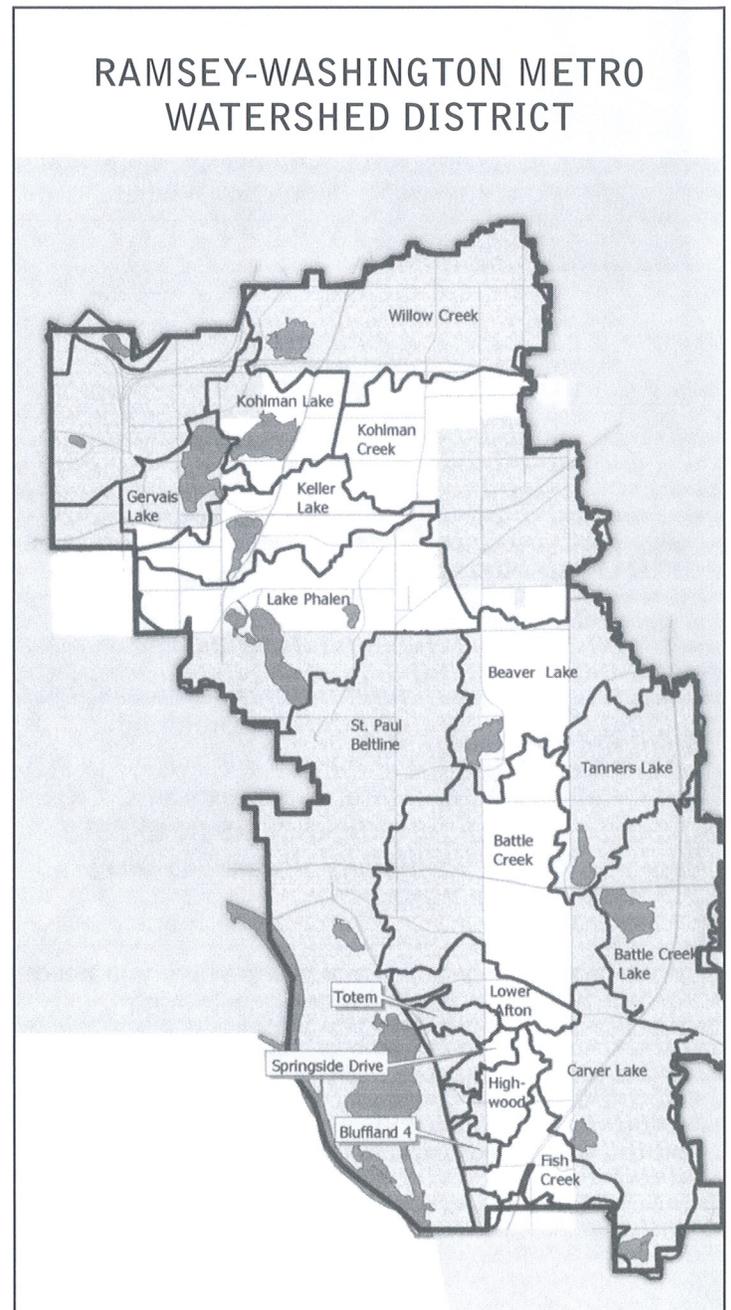
Most of the water running from your yard either ends up in Keller Lake, Lake Phalen, Beaver Lake, Tanners Lake, Battle Creek, Carver Lake, or Fish Creek, depending on your watershed address. In some places south of Battle Creek, water runs off steep slopes directly into the Mississippi River.

Remember To Keep Yard Runoff Clean

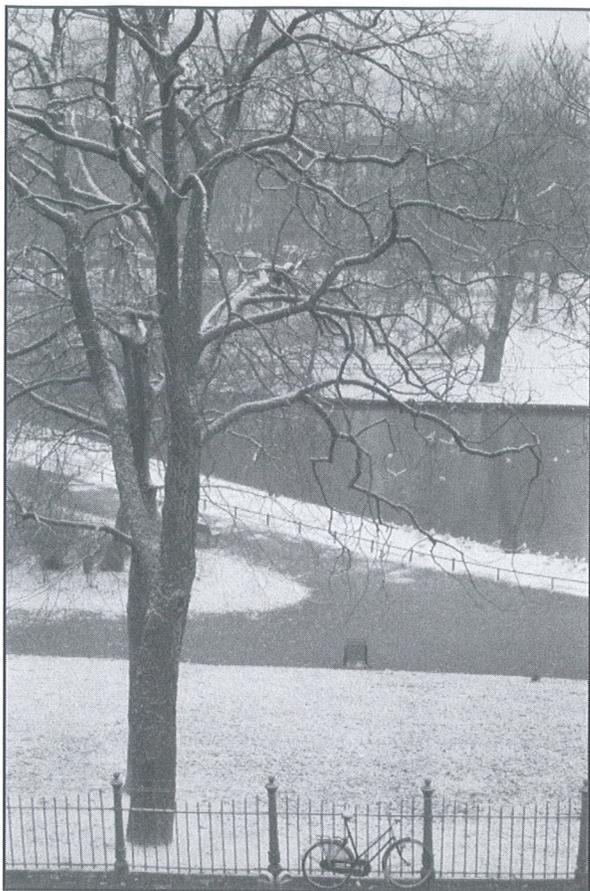
Water from your yard may contain dirt, fertilizer, yard chemicals, auto fluids, grass clippings, leaves, pet wastes, street sand and salts. Too much of any of these can cause water quality problems.

To Learn More

- Attend WaterFest 2002 on May 18 at Lake Phalen Pavilion at 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. to learn more.
- Check out our new website www.rwmwd.org
- Louise Watson, Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District, 651-704-2089



Emergency Management



Winter Weather

Keep ahead of winter storms by listening for the latest weather statements. Know how to differentiate between a winter storm watch, warning and advisory issued by the National Weather Service (NWS).

- A winter storm watch is issued when severe winter conditions such as heavy snow and/or ice are possible which the next 12 to 48 hours, and snowfalls of at least 6 inches are expected.
- A winter storm warning is issued when severe winter weather conditions are occurring or are expected within a few hours.
- A blizzard warning is issued when considerable falling and/or blowing snow, frequent visibilities less than one-quarter mile, and frequent wind speeds of at least 35 mph are expected.
- A ground-blizzard warning is issued when visibilities are reduced to less than one-quarter mile due to existing snow cover being blown about. The sky might be clear, but strong winds cause near zero visibility in blowing snow.

- Advisories are issued for conditions, which warrant increased public awareness, but the weather is not severe enough to merit a warning.

Winter Storms Can Be Accompanied By:

- Strong winds creating blizzard conditions with blinding, wind-driven snow, severe drifting and dangerous wind chill. These strong winds can knock down trees, utility poles and power lines.
- Heavy snow which can immobilize a region and paralyze a city, stranding commuters, stopping the flow of supplies, and disrupting emergency and medical services. Accumulations of snow can collapse buildings and knock down trees and power lines.
- Heavy accumulations of ice, which can bring down trees, electrical wires and telephone poles. Communications and power can be lost for days. Even small accumulations of ice can cause extreme hazards to motorists and pedestrians.
- Extreme cold. Prolonged exposure to the cold can cause frostbite or hypothermia and become life threatening.

Maplewood Area Historical Society

If you can answer this question, you may win a **FREE** one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership in the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

How many times has the St. Paul Winter Carnival Medallion been found in Maplewood? And, just for fun—can you name the places?

Send your entry to Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank Street, Maplewood 55109. Answers must be received by January 4. MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible. In case of duplicate answers, a winner will be drawn at the January 9 (7 p.m.) MAHS meeting. Look for the answer in the March issue of Maplewood in Motion.

The house at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm is available for meetings or other gatherings of smaller groups. If you need space for an event and would find the farmhouse an appropriate size, please contact Carolyn Peterson at 651-489-2672 for more information.

If you are interested in joining the Maplewood Area Historical Society, please contact Anne Fosburgh at 651-777-6339.

DMC Dining cards, for 166 restaurants in our area, are again available for \$18 through the Maplewood Area Historical Society as a fund-raiser for the farm. The cards can be used once a month, so you can enjoy your favorites, at significant savings, many times during the next year. Contact any Society member or Carolyn Peterson, 651-89-2672.

Answer to the November Trivia Question "What event occurred on November 2, 1993 that brought national attention and recognition to Maplewood?" —On November 2, 1993, Maplewood residents voted to fund a 5 million dollar bond referendum for the purpose of purchasing remaining open space in the city to save it, and the wildlife inhabiting it, for future generations to enjoy. It is believed Maplewood was the first city to make this conservation effort, and it was discussed at parks meetings nationwide. Many other cities have since followed our lead and they have contacted Maplewood for information about how it was done.

No correct answers were received.

Maplewood City Council:

Mayor	Robert Cardinal
Council Member	Kathy Juenemann
Council Member	Ken Collins
Council Member	Marvin Koppen
Council Member	Julie Wasiluk
Council Member	Richard Fursman

City Hall

1830 County Road B East
Maplewood, Mn 55109
651-770-4500
TDD 651-779-4995

City Hall Building Hours:

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Maplewood Resident

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Registration For Spring
Swim Lessons Starts Soon. P. 11

Letter From The Mayor

Dear Resident,

One of my goals for the City of Maplewood is a long-term community visioning and strategic planning project. Bringing together a broad array of interests and perspectives from the community to create a shared plan for the future provides a great opportunity to examine Maplewood's capacity to work together and solve its problems. We should want to point out areas of strength and weaknesses in Maplewood and our ability to collaborate and address challenges.

Some of my principles that I hope to remember when bringing to the Maplewood community goal-setting are:

- Committed to listening to one another and include every participant in the discussion.
- Agree to disagree but commit to understanding one another's point of view.
- Represent a broad range of community interests and perspectives.
- Ensure that all viewpoints are heard and acknowledged.
- Keep the discussion focused on issues and not on individuals.
- Avoid jumping straight to solutions, without getting below the surface on difficult issues. Focus on root causes and concerns.
- Be willing to except tough self-evaluations.
- Understand that the process outcomes cannot be predetermined.

Americanizing the Twin Cities

The idea of Americanizing new refugees, immigrants, etc. through education and community work handled by a representative citywide committee is not new. In fact, in many large centers a considerable amount of money has been spent in that direction. The surprise, however, is that every industrial center with any considerable number of refugees/immigrants has not been quick to see the possibilities in such a movement and to realize that employers are ready and waiting to support and encourage the work. The Twin Cities, with nearly 125,000 immigrants, feels the need of some definite action that would coordinate the work under one administrative head, to be conducted upon a broad interpretation of the principle involved.

With this in mind, the Chamber of Commerce for example can call together representatives of the educational institutions, members of the city's clergy representatives of women's clubs, representatives of labor, representatives of media, employers of immigrants, and other business men and women who have close relationships with the foreigners/immigrants. These various individuals can shape a definite plan, which naturally would receive the benefit of the many viewpoints represented by these interests.

Then follows the forming of a workable organization. The work could be divided among well-defined departments, all acting under a chairperson, a board of directors and a paid administrative secretary.

Great care must be exercised in the selection of the administrator, because much of the success of the movement rests with this person.

The most gratifying part of the work of organization is the keen interest that will be evidenced in it by the employers. In raising a budget and asking the employers to underwrite the movement, each one will be solicited upon a basis of dollar-per-employee-on-the-payroll, and without exception, all employers need to subscribe immediately with their allotment.

The Board of Education should be quick to see the importance of the movement in connection with its night schools, and added material financial assistance.

The need is great; the effect upon society as a whole is most beneficial; and last but not least, employers usually are glad to help promote a real common sense Americanization program.

Bob Cardinal, Mayor
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Email: cardinal@usinternet.com

City Clerk

In December 2001, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

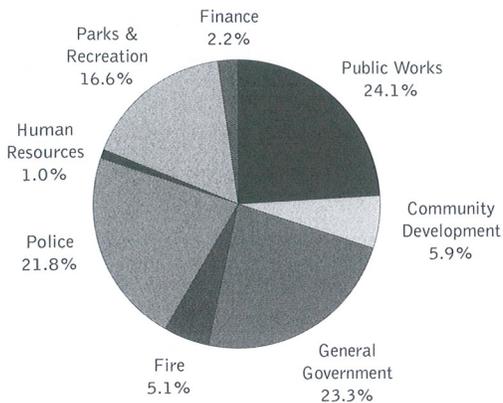
- Approved the City Manager's recommendation to create a position entitled Management Information Systems Technician with a 2002 salary range of \$39,944-\$50,318.
- Adopted a resolution of appreciation for Jack Frost for his years of service on the Maplewood Planning Commission.
- Approved the second reading of the Recycling Ordinance to increase recycling charges for 2002.
- Approved the purchase of sidewalk snow removal equipment in the amount of \$26,162.79.
- Approved the requested budget changes for the Summer Day Camp Program.
- Approved the final plat for The Gardens, a twenty-lot town home development on Summer Lane, East of McMenemy Street.
- Accepted staff's recommendation to review the conditional use permit for Affordable Auto Sales, 1930 Rice Street, again in one year.
- Accepted staff's recommendation to review the conditional use permit for Emma's Place, on Van Dyke Street N, again in one year.
- Accepted staff's recommendation to reappoint Steven Gunn to the Police Civil Service Commission for a three-year term.
- Adopted a resolution approving a conditional use permit and design plans (date stamped November 2, 2001) for the expansion and renovation of the St. Paul Regional Water Treatment Plant at 1900 Rice Street North.
- Adopted an ordinance to limit the number of pawn shops and currency exchange businesses to one each in the city and approved the license fee of \$300.00 for a currency exchange license.
- Approved a resolution ordering the Preparation of a Feasibility Study to provide municipal water service to the Hillcrest Animal Hospital, 1322 County Road D, City Project 01-28.
- Approved a resolution ordering the Preparation of a feasibility study for the Improvement of Eldridge Avenue, between McMenemy Street and DeSota Street, City Project 01-29.
- Approved a resolution modifying the construction contract for Ripley Avenue, City Project 99-12.
- Adopted a resolution approving the preliminary report on the Dorland Road access improvements and held a public hearing for this proposal on December 17, 2001.
- Approved a grant from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety for Auto Theft Prevention.
- Approved an agreement between North St. Paul and Maplewood, for Maplewood to provide emergency dispatching services for North St. Paul.
- Adopted the proposal as presented for the 2002 compensation and retirement plan for the paid-on-call firefighters.
- Approved the false alarm ordinance for both residential and commercial fire alarms as presented.
- Mayor Cardinal recognized Sherry Allenspach for her years of service to the city as a Council Member for eight years (1994-2001).
- Adopted a resolution establishing pay rates for temporary, seasonal and casual part-time employees.
- Approved writing off uncollectible 1999 ambulance bills in the amount of \$128,078.10.
- Approved a proposal with Springsted for an Economic Development Financial Tools developing an Action Plan.
- Adopted a resolution accepting the report and ordering the improvement for the sanitary sewer main repair at the proposed Comfort Bus Site on Rice Street, City Project 01-21.
- Received the Maplewood Mall Area Traffic Study and directed that staff present the study as part of area neighborhood meetings during the next two months.

Finance

Adopted 2002 Budget

Operating Budget

The Operations portion of the budget covers basic City services such as police, fire fighting, street maintenance, recreation programs, park maintenance, planning, building inspections, recycling, and utility maintenance. The proposed budget for operations is 4.0% more than in 2001. Expenditures by department are as follows

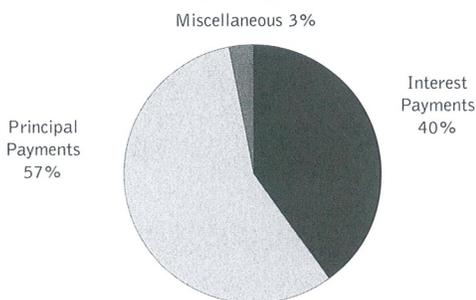


Operating Expenditures By Department: \$26.6 Million

The total number of full-time employees included in the budget is 167, which is 20 more than in the 2001 Budget. Nine dispatcher positions have been added due to the transfer of the dispatching function from Ramsey County. The other new positions include two police officers, six firefighters, an engineer, an assistant building official, and a clerk-typist.

Debt Service Budget

The Debt Service portion of the budget covers the payment of principal and interest on the City's bonded indebtedness. The breakdown of these expenditures is shown in the following chart:



Debt Service Expenditures By Type: \$3.0 Million

Expenditures for 2002 are 4.5% more than for 2001. The increase is due to higher scheduled principal and interest payments. At the end of 2002, the City's indebtedness will be \$28.4 million, which is 1.0% less than projected at the end of 2001.

Capital Improvements Budget

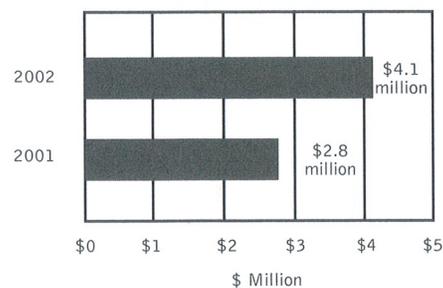
The Capital Improvements portion of the budget covers the acquisition and construction of major facilities.

The projects in this portion of the budget are from the first year of the 2002-2006 Capital Improvement Plan which was adopted by the Council last spring.

Projects in the 2002 Capital Improvements Budget are as follows:

PROJECT TITLE	COST
Capital Improvement Projects Fund:	
City landfill closure	\$100,000
Fire Truck Replacement Fund:	
Fire engine	\$309,000
Park Development Fund:	
Nature Center renovation	\$50,000
Priory open space improvements	\$50,000
Maplewood Heights Park improvements	\$50,000
Public Improvement Projects Fund:	
Ripley, English to Hazelwood	\$580,000
Price Street	\$105,000
Kennard area streets	\$20,000
Hazelwood bridge at TH 36	\$50,000
Signals, Holloway and McKnight	\$250,000
English, TH 36 to Frost	\$1,300,000
County Road D, White Bear to Ariel	\$500,000
Country Road D, Ariel to Lydia	\$500,000
County Road D, TH 61 to Hazelwood	\$50,000
Maplewood Dr., County Rd. C to Keller Pkwy.	\$20,000

Total capital improvement expenditures for 2002 compared to the 2001 Budget are:



Further information on the City's 2002 Budget can be obtained by contacting the Finance Director at 770-4513. A copy of the 2002 Budget is available for review at the Ramsey County Public Library in Maplewood.

What's New Around Maplewood?

As you travel around Maplewood, you will likely see several construction projects, perhaps in your own neighborhood. Here is a list of new developments springing up here and there:

1. Afton Ridge townhomes located at the southeast corner of Lower Afton Road and McKnight Road. Afton Ridge will have 40 dwelling units.
2. Birch Glenn apartments located at the southeast corner of County Road D and Ariel Street. Birch Glenn will have 60 apartments.
3. Emma's Place townhomes located at the northwest corner of County Road B and Van Dyke Street. Emma's Place will have 13 dwelling units.
4. Emeralds Estates townhomes located between County Road D and I-694 east of Hazelwood Street. Emerald Estates will have 12 dwelling units.
5. Pineview Estates condominiums located between County Road D and I-694 east of Hazelwood Street (next to Emerald Estates). Pineview Estates will have 72 dwelling units.
6. 3M Building 255 renovations and remodeling. Building 255 is located at 600 Carlton Street. This building is used as a 3M leadership-development facility.
7. McCarron's Water Treatment Plant building expansion and remodeling for the St. Paul Regional Water Services. This building is located at 1900 Rice Street in the water treatment plant facility.
8. Specialty Engineering building addition located at 1766 Cope Avenue. Specialty Engineering is building a 17, 472-square-foot addition to replace a part of their building damaged in a fire last summer.
9. Michael's Arts and Crafts is locating their store in the former Office Depot building located next to Pier 1 Imports at the southeast corner of White Bear Avenue and Lydia Avenue.
10. The 5-8 Club is locating their new restaurant in the former Beau's Lounge at 2289 Minnehaha Avenue.
11. Schroeder Milk is expanding their processing plant at 2080 Rice Street.
12. Comfort Bus has started building their new school and charter bus terminal and offices on the former Amusement City amusement-park site located at 1870 Rice Street.

If you have questions about these construction projects, please call the Department of Community Development at 651-770-4560. We'll be happy to assist you.

February Calendar of Events and Important City Meetings

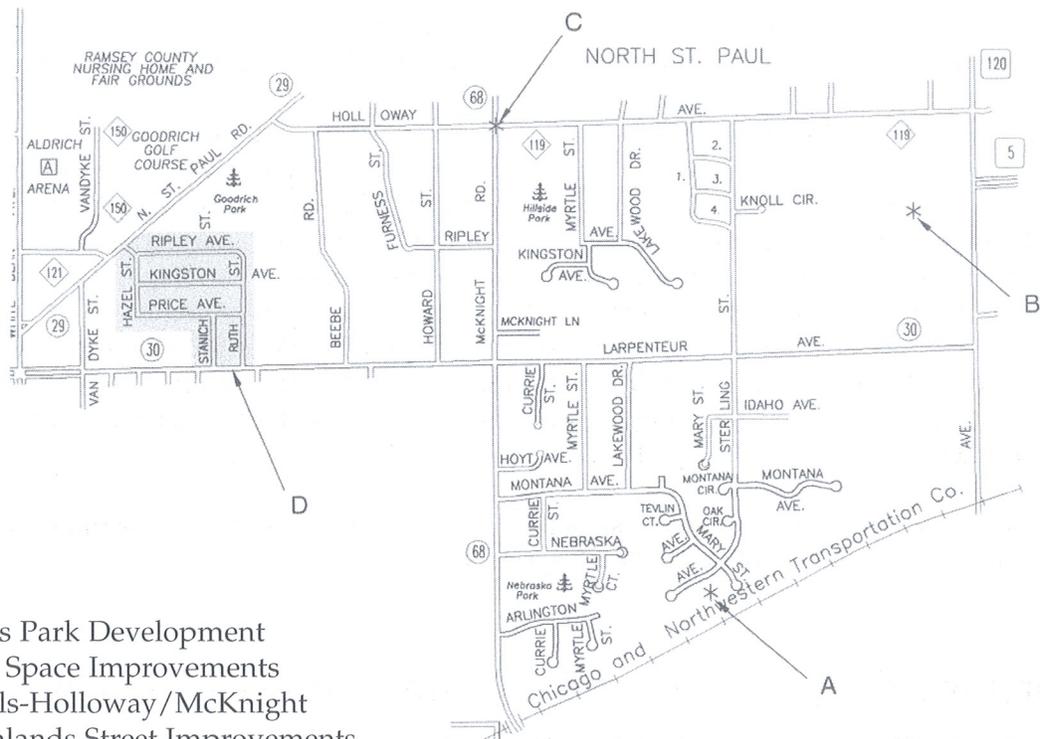
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Ashland Productions Big Band Show—MCC	2 Ashland Productions Big Band Show—MCC
3 Ashland Productions Big Band Show—MCC	4 Planning Commission 7:00pm	5 Human Relations Commission 7:00pm	6	7	8	9
10 Outdoor Ice Skating Rinks Close	11 Council/Manager Workshop- 6:00pm City Council Mtg.- 7:00pm	12 Community Design Review board 6:00pm	13 Community Design Review board 6:00pm	14	15 Heritage Theater Company— Bye, Bye Birdie-MCC	16 Heritage Theater Company— Bye, Bye Birdie-MCC
17 Heritage Theater Company— Bye, Bye Birdie-MCC	18 President's Day- City Hall Closed AARP Tax Assistance— MCC-9:00am - noon Wild & Wacky Days Off Event	19 AARP Tax Assistance— MCC-9:00am - noon Parks & Rec. Commission- 7:00pm	20 AARP Tax Assistance— MCC-9:00am - noon	21 The Sender's Concert- MCC- 7:30pm	22 Heritage Theater Company— Bye, Bye Birdie-MCC	23 Heritage Theater Company— Bye, Bye Birdie-MCC
24 Heritage Theater Company— Bye, Bye Birdie-MCC	25 Council/Manager Workshop- 6:00pm City Council Mtg.- 7:00pm AARP Tax Assistance— MCC-9:00am - noon Spring Swim Lesson Registration- MCC members	26 AARP Tax Assistance— MCC-9:00am - noon Community Design Review Board-6:00pm	27 AARP Tax Assistance— MCC-9:00am - noon Spring Swim Lesson Registration- non-members Wednesday Wellness—MCC	28		

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS— HILLSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a multiple-year plan that is used by city staff and elected officials to identify and plan for needed capital projects and major equipment purchases. Capital projects include such things as public works improvements, development of parks and building projects. Major equipment purchases included in the CIP are items that cost in excess of \$50,000. On May 29, 2001 the City Council approved the 2002-2006 CIP.

Projects in the CIP are grouped by neighborhood. There will be an article each month in the Maplewood In Motion that will cover the planned projects for one of the 13 neighborhoods in the city. This month the focus is on the Hillside Neighborhood that is outlined in the following map.

There are four projects planned for the neighborhood. The projects are indicated by letters on the map and are as follows:



- A. Sterling Oaks Park Development
- B. Priory Open Space Improvements
- C. Traffic Signals-Holloway/McKnight
- D. Stanich Highlands Street Improvements

The Sterling Oaks Park Development project includes a tot lot, tennis court, trail system and hard court surface. It is scheduled for 2004. The Priory Open Space project involves removal of buckthorn and installation of educational signs in 2002. For further information on these projects, contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 770-4573.

The traffic signals at Holloway and McKnight are scheduled for installation in 2002. The Stanich Highlands Street project involves replacement of the street pavement and is scheduled for 2005. For further information on these projects, contact the Public Works Director at 770-4552.

Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2002-2006 CIP booklet which is available for public review at the Maplewood branch of the Ramsey County Library.

Emergency Management

RADON...IS YOUR FAMILY AT RISK?

As part of a national public outreach campaign sponsored by the National Safety Council and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Minnesota residents are encouraged to test their homes for radon and, if there's a problem, to take steps to fix it. The EPA estimates that as many as one in 15 homes in the U.S. have elevated radon levels. In an EPA study of 42 states, Minnesota ranked fourth highest in percentage of homes above the EPA's recommended action guideline. Minnesota health officials estimate that one in three homes in our state may have radon levels above the guidelines.

Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer. The EPA estimates that about 14,000 people die every year from radon-induced lung cancer. It is the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers. If you smoke and your home has high radon levels, your risk of lung cancer is especially high. As radon decays and is inhaled into the lungs, its byproducts release energy that can damage sensitive lung tissue and lead to lung cancer.

Radon is a colorless, odorless, tasteless radioactive gas produced by the natural breakdown (radioactive decay) of radium, which is itself a decay product of uranium. Uranium and radium are both present in all rock and soil.

Radon gas from the soil can enter any home or building through dirt floors, hollow block walls, cracks in the foundation floor and walls, and openings around floor drains, pipes and sump pumps. It is more concentrated at lower levels like basements, ground floors and first floors.

The only way to know if your home has radon is to test for it. Radon testing is easy and inexpensive. If your home has high levels of radon, removal doesn't need to be expensive or complicated. Radon detection kits can be purchased from the St. Paul-Ramsey County Dept. of Public Health for \$8.00 or from the National Safety Council for \$9.95 (see Resources below).

For additional information on radon, contact any of the resources listed below.

Resources:

National Radon Hotline: 1-800-SOS-RADON (1-800-767-7236)

St. Paul-Ramsey County Dept of Public Health
Environmental Health Section
1670 Beam Avenue, Suite A
Maplewood, MN 55109-1176
24-hr. recorded message: 773-4483
St. Paul-Ramsey County DPH website: <http://www.co.ramsey.mn.us>

National Safety Council
Radon Test Kit Offer
P.O. Box 65731
Washington, DC 20036
Phone: 1-800-55-RADON (1-800-557-2366)
Website: <http://www.nsc.org/ehc/airqual.htm>

Minnesota Radon Project website: <http://www.csbsju.edu/MNradon>

U.S. EPA radon website: <http://www.epa.gov/iaq/radon>

Public Works

Maplewood Mall Comprehensive Traffic Study

The Maplewood City Council has determined that one of their highest priority goals is “to better manage traffic at and around the Maplewood Mall.” At the present time, there is major traffic congestion in the area, and there is concern that anticipated development west of the mall, in addition to normal traffic growth, will further complicate travel patterns, impact overall mobility and safety in the area, and negatively affect the viability of existing and proposed retail establishments. The study area is encompassed by Buerkle Road on the north, TH 36 on the south, TH 61 on the west and McKnight Road on the east.

To address this goal, the Maplewood Mall Comprehensive Traffic Study was initiated by the City of Maplewood, in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation; Ramsey County; the cities of Vadnais Heights, White Bear Lake and North St. Paul; and Metro Transit. The traffic-engineering firm of URS/BRW of Minneapolis provided technical analysis and a study report.

The overall goal and objectives of the traffic study have been to:

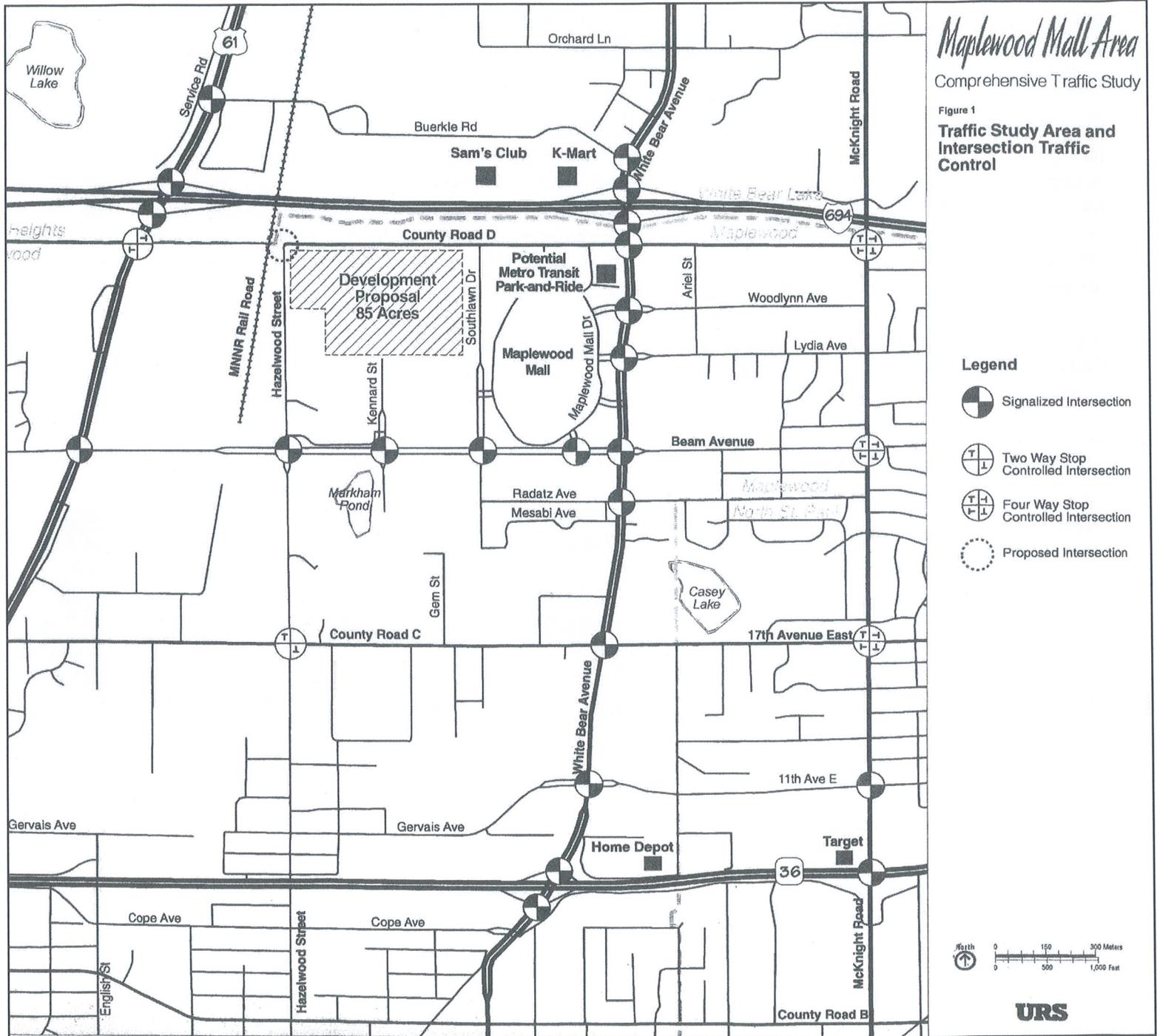
- Document problem locations near Maplewood Mall and the surrounding area. Thirty intersections in the study area were analyzed for traffic-carrying capacity and level of service.
- Identify measures that will address present and anticipated congestion during the next 10 years with and without development.
- Provide information necessary to most effectively deal with and mitigate the traffic impacts associated with the proposed 85-acre development west of the mall.

The study concluded that some problems at the intersections can be addressed by the implementation of minor improvements such as timing and phasing adjustments of traffic signal systems, the addition of turn lanes, or lengthening of existing turn lanes. The study also recognized that some major investments should be considered to serve traffic generated by the anticipated growth in traffic along with the proposed future development. It was determined that the areas most in need of major improvements were in the vicinity of TH 61 and I-694, and White Bear Avenue at I-694. These improvements would provide for the re-opening of County Road D at the railroad tracks and reconstruction of that street between TH 61 and Hazelwood Street. Additional improvements are recommended along White Bear Avenue at the County Road D and I-694 intersections. However, whether or not the proposed development occurs, traffic operations will deteriorate to the point of failure by 2010 if nothing is done to eliminate traffic congestion.

The action plan, tentatively adopted by the Maplewood City Council, envisions scheduling some of the minor improvements for construction during the next two years. The action plan also calls for initiation of the planning and preliminary design process for the County Road D extension and White Bear Avenue improvements during the spring of 2002. The study notes that actual construction of the County Road D extension may not occur for 3-4 years and the White Bear Avenue improvements more than 6 years from 2002, due to funding limitations. Engineering staff will be presenting the study to property owners during Spring 2002 before final action by the Planning Commission and City Council.

For further information, call the Maplewood Public Works Department at 651-770-4550.

Traffic Study Map



Family Shelter Neighborhood Committee Update Corner

The Family Shelter Committee has met since March 1999. The committee was established with various representatives from surrounding neighborhoods and campus agencies. The goal was to work together to assure a smooth transition for the Family Service Center into the community.

We have discussed security and safety concerns, transportation, and the impact of the shelter on the Ramsey County Fair, Parks Department, the Ramsey Nursing Home, 622 School District—schools as well as the surrounding neighbors.

Shelter Programs: Numerous programs have been implemented to educate, enrich, and encourage families in many ways. Programs continue to be added or enhanced due to the growing community support. Many local church, civic, school and student groups are coming forward to volunteer. The main focus of the shelter is to help the families find permanent housing. This continues to be challenge with the current housing situation. "Affordable Housing" is not necessarily within the reach of a "low income" family. The shelter continues to be 98% full at all times. Only 30% of the families leaving the shelter obtain long-term permanent or transitional housing.

If you are interested in statistical information or volunteer opportunities please cal the Family Service Center directly at 651-779-5695.

City Of Maplewood— Employee Recognition

City Manager Richard Fursman and Department Managers recently held a recognition luncheon for employees with 25 or more years of service. There are 16 employees with this distinction including two employees with 31 years. The city thanks these employees for their hard work and dedication in serving the residents of Maplewood.



Here is a listing of the employees, their years of service and their job title:

Alana Matheys	25-	Payroll Technician
Roland Healy	25-	Park Maintenance Worker
Dan Faust	25-	Finance Director
Derrell Stockton	25-	Police Officer
Tom Ekstrand	25-	Assistant Community Development Director
Lorraine Vietor	25-	Clerk- City Clerk Dept.
Jayne Flaugher	26-	Dispatcher- Police Dept
Dave Germain	27-	Utility Maintenance Worker
Mike Kane	27-	Street Maintenance Worker
Dennis Mulvaney	28-	Lead Heavy Equipment Mechanic
Joanne Svendsen	28-	Secretary- Police Dept.
Dennis Peck	29-	Senior Engineering Technician
Jim Elias	29-	Senior Engineering Technician
Michael Herbert	29-	Police Officer
Gerry Meyer	31-	Street Maintenance Worker
Kevin Halweg	31-	Police Sargent

*Congratulations to
each of you and keep up
the great work!*

Karate: *ages 7 and up*

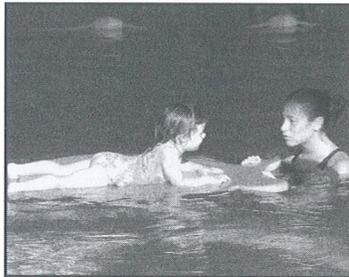
Learn self-control, discipline, technique and challenge yourself both physically and mentally. Participants will be given valuable instruction by Black Belt instructors with years of experience. Give it a try!

Dates: Tuesday's
February 5-26
(No Class February 12)
Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Location: Edgerton Community Gym
Fees: \$25/Member
\$30/Non-Member
Instructor: Dave Graf (7th Degree black Belt)
Activity #: 4000.311

Spring Registration for Swim Lessons

MCC Members:
Monday, February 25 at
8:00 a.m.*

MCC Non-Members:
Wednesday, February 27
at 8:00 a.m.



*Phone registration with
credit card payments will begin March 4.*

*Members must present their membership card
at time of registration.

Spring 2002 Fees:
(Seven Lessons)
Members: \$28
Non-Members: \$39

Great Entertainment!

The **award winning** Senders are recognized as the **Twin Cities premier jump/blues/swingband**. The swingin' sounds of The Senders have captivated Midwestern audiences for the past 13 years. Since their inception in 1988, this eight piece band has taken a page out of the lump blues songbook and created a sound that joyfully recalls the glory days of early R&B, jump blues and big band swing. This is an octet that is richly steeped in the tradition!



Adult Softball Leagues

The 2002 Maplewood Parks and Recreation Adult Softball Leagues will begin to play in late April or early May and run through mid-August. Leagues are available to women, men, and co-rec teams. League information which details available leagues, fees, and registration dates will be available after January 7. You may pick up the information at the Maplewood Community Center or it will be mailed upon request by calling Lisa at 651-779-3556. Questions about the program should be directed to Doug Taubman at 651-770-4572 or Greg Finn at 651-770-4574.



Wild & Wacky Days Off

Bring your kids to the MCC for a day of fun! Call Mike at 651-772-8452 for more information.

Who: Ages 6-12
Date: February 18
Time: 9:00-4:00 p.m.
Location: MCC
Fees: \$15/Member
\$20/Non-Member
Activity # 1000.128

Maplewood Area Historical Society

If you can answer this question, you may win a **FREE** one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership in the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

A Maplewood resident was recently named to the speed skating team which will compete in the 2002 Winter Olympics. Who was it?

Send your entry to Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank Street, Maplewood 55109. Answers must be received by February 8. MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible.

In case of duplicate answers, a winner will be drawn at the February 13 (7 p.m.) MAHS meeting. Look for the answer in the April issue of Maplewood in Motion.

Meeting Space Available

The house at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm is available for meetings, birthday parties, receptions, or other gatherings of smaller groups. If you need space for an event and would find the farmhouse an appropriate size, please contact Carolyn Peterson at 651-489-2672 for more information.

If you are interested in joining the Maplewood Area Historical Society, please contact Anne Fosburgh at 651-777-6339.

Maplewood Area Historical Society meetings are held regularly at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm, 2170 East County Road D, at 7:00 P.M. on the second Wednesday of each month. Guests are always welcome.

Answer to the December Trivia Question "Maplewood once had a "Sister City". In what country was this sister city located?" —Japan. In the early 1980's, with help from 3M, Barry Evans, (City Manager at the time), obtained information about a number of cities and identified the City of Shikatsu, in the County of Nishikasugai, Prefecture of Aichi, as the one most like Maplewood in size, demographic and industry.

No correct answers were received.

Maplewood City Council:

Mayor	Robert Cardinal
Council Member	Kathleen Juenemann
Council Member	Ken Collins
Council Member	Marvin Koppen
Council Member	Julie Wasiluk
City Manager	Richard Fursman

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Plans For Reconstruction On Two Major City Roadways

March 2002

The Maplewood City Council approved plans to reconstruct two major city roadways during the 2002 construction season. Both roadways, as listed below, are in significant need of improvement and will proceed under the council's reconstruction program that provides for improved roadways, environmentally-responsible designs, speed reduction features, and consistent cost-sharing to property owners for assessments. The projects are cost effective in that they will result in a considerable reduction of long-term maintenance costs while adding value to the overall neighborhoods, as well as individual properties.

County Road D Improvements—White Bear Avenue to McKnight Road

The project includes the reconstruction of County Road D from White Bear Avenue to McKnight Road. The project was initiated in response to the existing poor pavement condition and the need to extend municipal sanitary sewer and water to businesses and residences not currently served with these public utilities. The proposed

improvements will result in improved safety and traffic flow, sewer and water main extensions, and safe pedestrian and bicycle traffic with the construction of a non-motorized pathway. Boulevard landscaping will also be added to enhance the existing rural streetscape and to complement the adjacent Bruentrup Heritage Farm and city open space. A new storm water infiltration basin and rainwater gardens will improve storm water runoff.

Construction is scheduled to begin May 15, 2002, and be completed by October 2002.

English Street Improvements—Cope Avenue to Frost Avenue

The project will involve the reconstruction of English Street from Frost to Cope and will include concrete sidewalk, the installation of storm sewer and concrete curb and gutter. The traffic volumes at the intersection of English Street and Frost Avenue are nearing the need for the installation of a traffic signal. A unique traffic control feature called a roundabout (shown on the right) will be constructed in

lieu of signalization. Roundabouts are a means of intersection control and have been shown to experience less accidents than traffic signals. The reconstruction project is necessary due to the age and deteriorated condition of English Street, which is approaching the end of its normal life cycle.

Construction is scheduled to begin during mid-May with completion by October 2002.

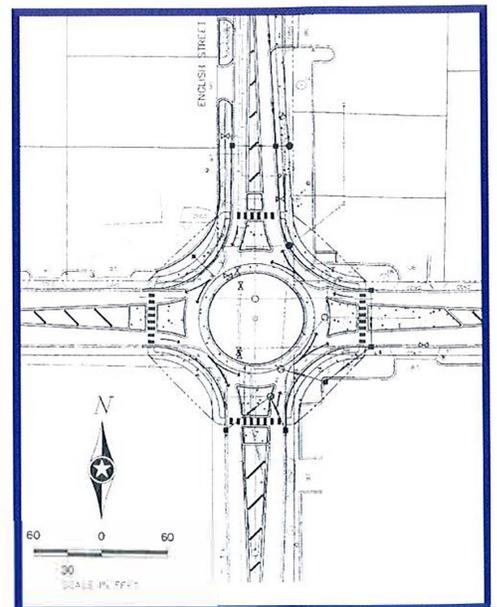


Diagram Of A Traffic Control Feature Called A Roundabout.

Letter from the Mayor:

The City of Maplewood of the future will be a fit home for the spirit of humankind. The problems of traffic congestion, potholes, and health will have been solved. The city will no longer be a place for the manufacture of delinquents, dropouts and criminals. The social organization of the city will be not negative and remedial, but positive and constructive. There will be a recovery of community impulse and community vision. Beauty will be added. The provocative and evocative influences in the city will all tend to the building up of the moral and spiritual nature of humankind. City planning and zoning will have reached the full development not dreamed of today.

With the urbanization of people has come not an urbanity, a civilization, but the whole gamut of modern problems. We have crowded together faster than we have learned to live together. We have lost our sense of values. We do not stop long enough to ask, "Why the hurry? Where are we going?"

The city must be not merely a boarding and lodging house for the congested hordes who live in it; it must be made a spiritual home for humankind, a place for evoking the best in mind, and for provoking them to their highest effort. When we build the city, we build humankind's environment. We limit the possibilities, or we create many and diverse new ones. We open up vistas of achievement, or we leave humankind cabined, cribbed, confined.

The city should be viewed not merely as a house for humankind, but a home; it must be viewed not merely as a shelter for humankind's body, but as a happy hunting ground for humankind's spirit; veritably it must be a trumpet call to the New Heaven and the New Earth.

This means in its elementary level all the achievements of what is called city planning, must reach out to the Twin Cities Metro regional planning. It means zoning ordinances not merely for vehicles of transportation and health, but ultimately for beauty and human welfare in its widest sense and in its highest reaches. It means new subdivisions that will be competitive not in cheapness or in exclusiveness, but in their capacity to

make humankind better and happier as well as comfortable. There will be restrictions on property in the interest of the fullest development of human beings. But no merely restrictive view on cupidity or exploitation will enable us to achieve this city we have in mind set upon a hill. It must be not a negative but a positive energy for the good life. It must free human energy for human welfare. It must have an educational, social and spiritual emphasis, as well as physical. It must have that vision without which people perish. The city expresses the climax of the unfolding drama of humankind to become master of their fate.

Let's talk about the Movement to Leave No Child Behind. Congress should pass the bill: S.940/H.R. 1900. At the center of this new movement is the Act to Leave No Child Behind – a national policy vision that incorporates the best practices and programs to address the needs of America's children. Many of the provisions in the Act's 12 titles are drawn from legislation introduced separately by Republicans and Democrats in the House and the Senate and enjoy bipartisan cosponsors. Over 800 organizations have endorsed the bill. Representing a renewed commitment to our children, the Act will benefit every child in each of our cities and across America. Among other things, the Act will provide children:

A Healthy Start: The Act will provide health coverage to all of America's 9.2 million uninsured children and their parents and will provide broad initiatives addressing common childhood illnesses like asthma.

A Head Start: The Act will ensure full funding for child care and Head Start for 3 and 4-year olds so that all children eligible for these benefits can be ready to learn.

A Fair Start: The Act will help ensure that hard working parents have the support they need to remain employed and help lift themselves and their children out of poverty.

A Safe Start and Positive Youth Development: The Act will help to ensure that more children are in safe,

nurturing, and permanent families. The legislation will also strengthen youth development efforts and address other critical safety issues, such as after-school summer jobs, gun violence, juvenile justice and effective delinquency prevention programs.

It is morally, socially and economically indefensible in the richest nation on earth that there are over 11 million children living in poverty; more than 9 million children without health insurance; 3 million children suffering "worst-case" housing needs; and 7 million children left home alone after school each week. We can do better.

I am proud to endorse this critically important legislation to increase investments in our children. I ask each of you to join me in endorsing the Act and work with me to help ensure that its provisions become law.

Bob Cardinal, Mayor
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Email: cardinal@usinternet.com

Get Involved!

Join the Police Civil Service Commission! You would be part of a 3-member Council-appointed body which oversees the hiring process for uniformed officers and may act as a hearing panel for grievances and disciplinary issues. If you are a Maplewood resident and would like an application, please call 651.770.4524. Applications are due to Human Resources by April 16, 2002

Maplewood Historical Society

With the arrival of Spring, more restoration work will be occurring at the The Bruentrup Heritage Farm, including the new roof for the barn, painting, planting and creation of additional parking and activity spaces. Volunteers are always needed!

This is the perfect place to hold a meeting, birthday party, reception, and more! For smaller groups, the Bruentrup Heritage Farm facility is a great location. Fees, in the form of a donation to the Society, are based on the space used.

Maplewood Area Historical Society meetings are held regularly at The Bruentrup Heritage Farm, 2170 East County Road D at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of each month. Guests are always welcome.

For more information on meeting space or volunteering, contact Carolyn Peterson at 651.489.2672.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership in the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

What year did Carver Elementary School open?

Send your entry to:

Char Wasiluk,
1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109
Answers must be received by March 8. MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible.

Answers to January's question: How many times has the St. Paul Winter Carnival Medallion been found in Maplewood? Answer: Five times. The locations were: 1958, Along the creek between Keller and Phalen Lakes; 1970, Battle Creek Park near Sterling Ave. and James Dr.; 1976, Shore of Keller Lk.; 1976, near Picnic Lake; 1971 and 1982, Wakefield Park. Winner: Ben Behler

Address Numbers

Please make sure your address is properly displayed on your home. This helps make it easier to locate your home in case of an emergency. The numbers should be placed on the side of your home to coordinate with the street you live on. We need to be able to see the address from the street. The numbers should be a minimum size of 3 1/2 inches and a maximum of 12 inches. For more information, please call Butch Gervais at 651.770.4546.

Family Workshops!

Fun For The Whole Family!

Starting Your Own Environmentally Friendly Lawn Care Service—

Suggested Grades: 5 - 8
Saturday, March 9 & 16
Fee: \$15 (class 574-CH)
Call Debbie at 651.647.6816 for more information

From Native Plants to Rain Gardens (Lawn Care for Water Quality and Wildlife)—

Fee: \$5 (class 574-AD)
Call Alyssa at 651.222.2193 for more information

To Register:
Call 651.748.7434

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April 2002

English Street & Frost Avenue Roundabout

On January 28, 2002, the Maplewood City Council approved a two-year plan for a roundabout at the intersection of English Street and Frost Avenue. This type of traffic control device is relatively new to Minnesota, although they are used throughout the world. The first Minnesota roundabout was installed in Brooklyn Park in 1994. Rochester has installed a number of roundabouts and MNDOT is currently doing the same at the Medford interchange with Interstate 35.

A roundabout is a circular intersection that is designed to reduce traffic accidents and to reduce driver delay at intersections.

The Wall Street Journal recently printed an article about the use of roundabouts in the United States. The article stated, "A study commissioned by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety determined that roundabouts in the U.S. have reduced all crash types by 40% and injury crashes by 80%, at sites where they replaced other types of intersections. We do not know of any other type of highway improvement that has such a high success rate." The Journal also stated that "US public opinion is typically about 80-90% against

building a roundabout, but after construction this soon changes to about 80-90% in favor."

The roundabout at English Street and Frost Avenue will cost less than a signal system and takes less study, planning and fabrication time to implement. The roundabout does not require electricity to operate, resulting in an ongoing cost savings to the taxpayers.

Visit the city's website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us or contact the City Engineer for more information.

Chuck Ahl 651.770.4552

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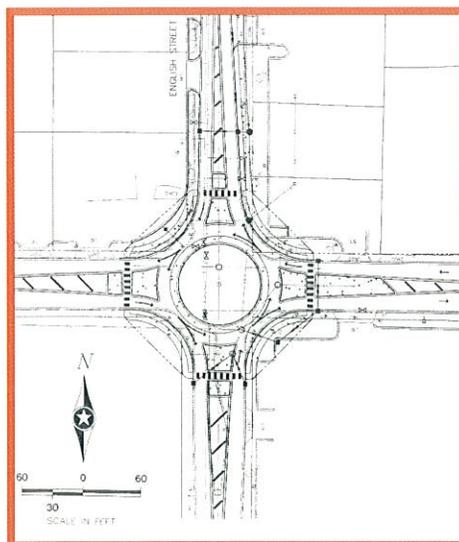


Diagram of a traffic control feature called a "Roundabout".

BECOME A SKYWARN SPOTTER!

Maplewood's Emergency Management is offering a **Skywarn Spotter Course** that will teach you how to:

- Use the communication equipment
- Interpret cloud formations
- Recognize potentially severe weather conditions

You will also learn:

- Spotter reporting procedures
- Proper radio procedures

Upon completion of this FREE course, participants will have an opportunity to become a volunteer member of the Skywarn Unit!

Saturday, April 20
At the new Maplewood Fire Station #2
1955 Clarence Street
9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Registration starts at 8:30am
Class size is limited.

Call 651.770.4500 for more information or to register.

Letter from the Mayor:

The following story of "The First Fire Department" draws a moral from the tale:

A majority of the dwellings in ancient Rome were constructed of wood and as a consequence, a conflagration under favoring circumstances often swept extensive areas of the city. Fire was the terror of Rome in those days, there being no adequate provision for contending with this consuming element.

Crassus, who if he were living in the present, would have been one of the leading captains of industry, hit upon an idea in this connection. He organized a private fire brigade composed of slaves. Training his organization with great care, he equipped it with all the fire-fighting appliances known at that time, including a few of his own invention. Not only that, he stationed lookouts in various parts of the city to bring word of a threatening fire in the shortest possible time.

At first thought, one might conclude from all this that Crassus was a highly public-spirited man, but wait. When a fire broke out, Crassus or one of his agents and the fire brigade were promptly on the ground. Did they proceed to put out the conflagration at once? Oh, no. Instead, they sought out the owners of adjacent threatened properties and demanded what they would take for their buildings. If the price was too high, the laconic reply was, "Let it burn." If the price meant a bargain, the fire was ordered extinguished.

As a result Crassus became the largest real estate owner in the Imperial City. Not only did he become the Astor of Rome, but the J.P. Morgan also. Subsequently, a tribune arose and urged that it was

scandalous that people's property should be taken for a song as the result of threatened danger. Why not a publicly operated fire department?

I said I could almost hear voices out to the dim and distant past. Yes, I imagine I can hear them now charging that our form of government is not adapted to public ownership of a fire department, and that our present system is good enough—why change?; that public ownership of a fire department will increase taxes; that public ownership can only be inefficient and wasteful; that a publicly owned fire department will give poorer service than one privately owned and that such a step will sound the knell of private initiative.

Of course, I hear nothing said about socialism because they did not know anything about it in those days. However, that tribune ultimately triumphed and from that time until this there have been public fire departments. Would you change?

Don't you think public ownership is a question that should be attached with an open mind? Ought we to approach it blinded by our selfish interest—hampered with preconceived notions? Or ought we to approach possible changes and developments in our social and economic fabric just as in our physical, chemical and electrical laboratories scientists search out new methods for advancing the well-being and happiness of mankind?

As Mayor, I ask myself everyday, "What needs to be done?" You may help the City of Maplewood by answering that question as well. Let me know.

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April 8 & 22

Pre-Agenda Meetings

April 4 & 18 at 4:45pm

Community Design

Review Board

April 9 & 23 at 6:00pm

Housing & Redevelopment

Authority

April 9 at 7:00pm

Human Relations Commission

April 2 at 7:00pm

Park & Recreation Commission

April 15 at 7:00

Planning Commission

April 1 & 15 at 7:00pm

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April 6 from 10:00am – noon

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Work for the Cable Commission!

Oversee the operation and activities of cable communications for the Ramsey-Washington Suburban Cable Commission! Assist citizens in resolving cable-related issues. You will learn many informative details about the cable industry. Call 651.770.4500 for an application.

Applications are due to the City Manager by April 26, 2002. The appointment will be through December 31, 2002.

Capital Improvement Projects—

Battle Creek Neighborhood

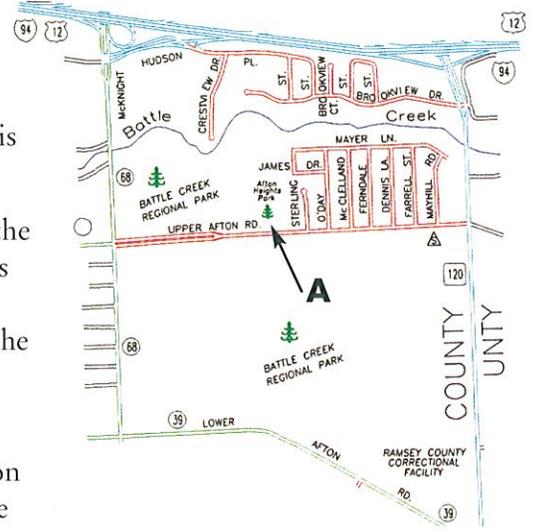
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Projects in the CIP are grouped by neighborhood. There will be an article each month in the *Maplewood City News* that will cover the planned projects for one of the 13 neighborhoods in the city.

This month the focus is on the Battle Creek Neighborhood that is outlined in the following map.

There is one project planned for the neighborhood; it is Afton Heights Park Improvements. The letter **A** on the map to the right indicates the location of the project.

The Afton Heights Park project involves parking lot reconstruction and ball field redevelopment. One ball field will be eliminated for parking, two ball fields will be renovated, and a new ball field will be constructed. The project is scheduled for 2003. For further information on this project, contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 651.770.4573.



Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2002-2006 CIP booklet which is available for public review at the Maplewood branch of the Ramsey County Library and at City Hall.

Your Property's 2002 Estimated Market Value



In March, Ramsey County sent you a notice of your property's 2002 estimated market value. Please read this notice. This will affect the amount of property tax you will pay in 2003.

Since property taxes are based on the value of your property, your property taxes will increase as the value of your property increases. The value on the notice is the amount that the county assessor estimates your property would sell for based on sales of property in your area.

If you think your property is incorrectly assessed, follow these steps:

1. Talk to County Appraisal Service Staff

- Call 651.266.2000
- Check all the facts
- Review sales of similar neighboring properties

(if not satisfied go to number two)

2. Appeal to "County Board of Equalization"

- File an appeal by April deadline
- Board meets late June
- Appeal in person or by letter
- Call County Assessor's office for information

(if not satisfied go to number three)

3. Appeal to the Minnesota Tax Court

- The deadline for filing is March 31 of the year the taxes are due

Regular Division

- Attorney recommended
- Decisions appealable to Supreme Court
- Can be used for any property
- Property assessed over \$100,000 must file here

Small Claims Court

(You must go through the Board of Equalization process first)

- Attorney not necessary
- Decisions are final
- Use for your home, or any property assessed under \$100,000

Maplewood Historical Society

The Maplewood Area Historical Society will hold its annual garage sale at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm in early May. The first garage sale, held in 2001, was very well attended and successful. To donate items, volunteer to work at the sale or volunteer for other projects at the farm, call Carolyn Peterson at 651.489.2672.

Maplewood Historical Society meetings are held regularly at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm, 2170 East County Road D, at 7:00pm on the second Wednesday of each month. Guests are always welcome.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

At one time there was a boat landing on the east side of Lake Phalen. What was it called?

Send your entry to: Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109

Answers must be received by April 8.

MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible.

Answers to February's question: A Maplewood resident was recently named to the speed skating team which will compete in the 2002 Winter Olympics. Who was it? Answer: Amy Peterson; She competed with the speed skaters on the Olympic Team. This was her fifth trip to the Olympics, winning a silver medal in Albertville (1992), two bronze in Lillehammer (1994) and now a bronze at Salt Lake in the 3,000 meter relay. Winner in drawing from 9 correct answers: Jeff Koesling

A Discussion of Hate & Bigotry

Since the tragic events of September 11 and their aftermath, what can we do to counter crimes and scapegoating, stereotyping and harassment? Join the Maplewood Human Relations Commission and the Saint Paul Area Council of Churches for a panel discussion. This event will take place at the Maplewood Community Center theater on April 9 from 8:30am to noon. A continental breakfast will be provided. A \$5 donation is requested. Call Mort Ryweck at 612.376.0525 for more information.

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY APRIL 20!

8:00AM - 1:00PM
THE MCC PARKING LOT



Maplewood residents—get rid of your old appliances, TV's, tires, construction debris, mattresses, old furniture, car

parts, scrap metal, and other unneeded materials. The disposal for all items is free of charge, but you must bring a driver's license or other proof of Maplewood residency. *No brush or tree waste, oil, antifreeze, paint or hazardous waste will be accepted.* Please enter the Community Center parking lot from the City Hall driveway on County Road B.

In conjunction with the clean up, the city will be sponsoring a food drive for the Second Harvest Food Bank. Items needed the most include: tuna, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned soups, stews, pasta and other dried foods, infant items, and cleaning supplies.

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CITY NEWS



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Sirens Are Sounding—

May 2002

What Do You Do?



Do not call 911, the police, or fire department.

Turn on your radio or TV to a local station (KSTP TV or WCCO radio) for more information.

There is no "all-clear" sounded

Additional soundings indicate additional hazards, such as a second tornado. Many storms produce more than one tornado.

The sirens are intended for outdoor warning and are not meant to be heard indoors. You may or may not live close enough to a siren to hear it indoors. Wind speed and direction, closed windows and noisy air conditioners may eliminate the ability to hear a siren.

To receive warnings indoors, we recommend a NOAA weather alert radio. The NOAA weather radios are activated by the National Weather Service for severe weather flooding

purchased through most electronics stores for between \$30 and \$100. New NOAA weather alert radios are available with AS.A.M.E.@ technology (Specific Area Message Encoding) that allows people to program the radios to receive watches and warnings for specific counties. Accessories are also available for hearing and vision-impaired persons. These new weather radios are more expensive and can run around \$100. Through a special grant, Minnesota residents can purchase a ShareCom NOAA Weather Radio with S.A.M.E. for \$59.95 plus shipping and handling (accessories are extra).

For more information or if you are interested in becoming a volunteer siren monitor for Maplewood, call the Emergency Management Department at 651.770.4547.

—Spring street cleaning is right around the corner.

—Summer Job Offers!

—Find out what's happening in the Vista Hills neighborhood.

The Maplewood Historical Society

Bruentrup Heritage Farm Garage Sale And Open House—

The Garage Sale will be held on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, May 16, 17, and 18 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the lower level of the barn. To donate items or volunteer to work at the sale, call Carolyn Peterson at 651.489.2672. The Open House will be on Saturday, May 18 from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm with tours, displays and self-guided tours. Snacks will be available. The barn now has its new roof and the cupola has been returned to its original home.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

Who was the first principal at Carver Elementary School?

Send your entry to: Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109

Answers must be received by May 3.

MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible.

First of all, I thank all of you who worked on my behalf, supported and elected me to the Maplewood City Council. It is a privilege and a pleasure to assume this position of responsibility and service, to be an active member of the council-staff team, working together for you, the citizens of Maplewood. I am grateful to all staff and citizen volunteers who serve on commissions and advisory boards for their expertise, time and effort.

Strong Public Safety

Strong public safety is a major component in a high quality of life. We, in Maplewood, are most fortunate to be well served and protected by a superior public safety complement: police department, fire department and emergency management division.

Maplewood Police Dept.

Maplewood Police Department personnel consists of 48 uniformed officers (includes paramedics and administration), 4 Community Service Officers/Paramedics, 2 canine units, a retail crime unit (includes 2 officers in and around Maplewood Mall retail area), and 6 "loyal, dedicated" support staff. In 2001, officers answered more than 24,000 calls (including 2,000+ medicals). The Maplewood P.D. is also present daily in our city through Neighborhood Policing (certain officers assigned to and familiar with a specific neighborhood), Neighborhood Block Watch, Crime Free Multi-housing Assoc., many presentations to community groups and blood pressure screenings at the mall. Our officers also volunteer in the community through activities such as holiday bell ringing for the Salvation Army and "Cops & Lobsters" serving as hosts and wait staff at Red Lobster to raise funds for Special Olympics. You have two great opportunities every year to become better acquainted with your police department. At the city celebration on National Night Out, 1st Tuesday of August, we can tour the P.D.

facilities, including our dispatching center, meet the officers and get to know the department better. In the fall, the P.D. sponsors the Maplewood Citizen Police Academy (1 night a week for 8 weeks), an excellent way to learn more about our city, our police department and personal safety.

Maplewood Fire Dept.

Maplewood Fire Department is comprised of 5 fire stations (each with a district chief), 99 firefighters, 2 administrators, a secretary and a full-time Fire Marshal who handles all site inspections and—with the assistance of many volunteers—conducts fire prevention education classes for over 1,000 children in area schools and for 35 day care programs. Firefighters responded to more than 2,800 fire/medical calls in 2001; they also assist with blood pressure screenings at the mall. Each station holds an open house every year so you can visit and see for yourself what it takes to assist/save you in an emergency. Fire stations are open to neighborhood children on Halloween, offering hot dogs, treats and safety reminders. Firefighters also participate in National Night Out, giving various firefighting and life saving demonstrations and displaying some of their state of the art equipment.

Emergency Management

Emergency Management is now operating under the umbrella of the F.D. administration and in conjunction with police, fire and public works. This division is responsible for our emergency disaster plans, for developing training to assist in emergency situations, and for securing appropriate resources both within and outside the city—to keep us prepared and safe in times of natural disaster or national tragedy.

Emergency Dispatch

Emergency Dispatch has been "back home" in our wonderful, remodeled Communications Center, in the police department,

since October 2001, and things are going well. Eight public safety dispatchers and their supervisor work 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to ensure that our emergency calls are answered quickly and handled properly. Their presence in the building also means you have access to safety 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Strategic Business Plan

The City of Maplewood, through use of the consulting services of the Mercer Group, Inc., is in the process of preparing a Strategic Business Plan for Fire and EMS Services. The results of this study are intended to assist us in planning the staffing of fire services, emergency medical services and emergency management over the next 5-10 years.

A Wonderful Community

There are certainly many other factors and programs that make Maplewood a wonderful community. Of course, city operations and services well delivered make Maplewood a safe, comfortable, livable city. But a truly successful, healthy community is built on citizen interest and participation. Please **take the time** to become aware of this community and **make the time** to make a difference in your community!



Kathleen Juenemann—
Council Member

P.S. May 12-18 is National Police Week. Please take the opportunity to acknowledge your appreciation with a moment of thought, a wave or a kind word.

Spring Street Sweeping Begins...

One of the most frequently asked questions received by our public works department is, "When will my streets be swept?" Our street department sweeps city streets throughout the year on an as-need basis, but also routinely schedules a major effort every spring and fall.

Spring sweeping starts late March or early April and is complete by May 15. Fall sweeping begins in mid-October and is completed before November 30. Areas with extensive foliage will be swept after most of the leaves have fallen.



Street sweeping not only provides safe streets for vehicles and pedestrians, it is also good for the environment. If sand, salt, soil, litter, leaves and other wastes don't go down the storm sewer inlets, they won't enter and pollute lakes and streams.

For more information, call the Public Works Coordinator at 651.770.4553.

Parks & Recreation Summer Job Opportunities:

- Puppet Playhouse Puppeteers
- Youth Softball Umpires
- Gymnastics Instructors
- Tennis Instructors

Earn money this summer working for the Parks & Recreation Department! Call 651.779.3556 for more information or to get an application.

Capital Improvement Projects—

Vista Hills Neighborhood

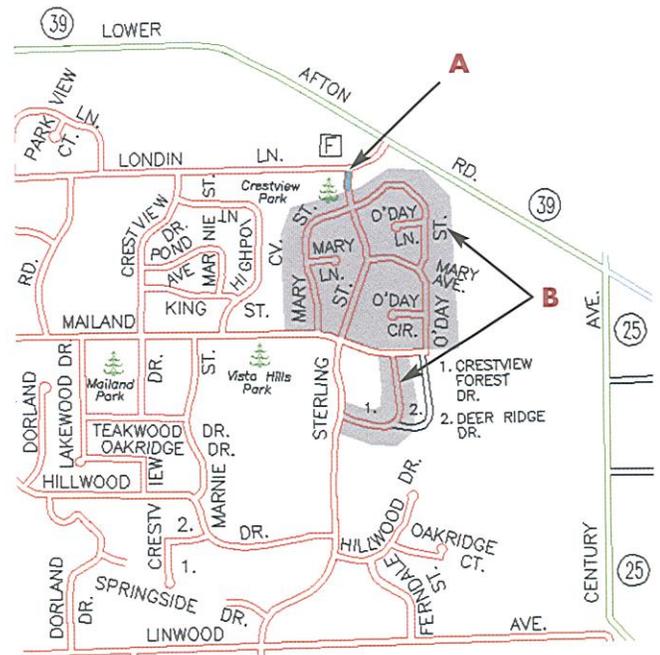
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Two projects are planned for the neighborhood; they are indicated by the letters on the map:

- A**— Sterling Street, Londin Lane to Mailand Road and
- B**— Sterling/Mailand Area Streets.

The Sterling Street project is scheduled for 2004 and involves a mill and asphalt overlay of the street. The Sterling/ Mailand Area Streets project is also scheduled for 2004. This project consists of an asphalt overlay on the following streets: Mary Street, Mary Lane, O'Day Street, O'Day Lane, Dorland Drive, Pond avenue, Lakewood Drive, Oakridge Drive, and Crestview Forest Drive. For more information on these projects, contact the Public Works Director at

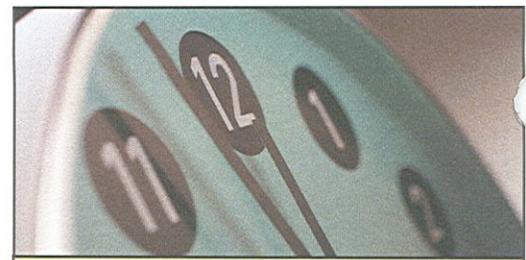


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- Appointed Jacqueline Monahan-Junek to the Maplewood Planning Commission for a term that will expire on December 31, 2002.
- Approved the expenditure of \$24,000 to \$25,000 to The Mercer Group for their assistance in developing a strategic plan for both fire and EMS.
- Accepted \$8,156.43 from the White Bear Lake Police Department from proceeds received from several partnership training sessions.
- Approved plans date-stamped January 23, 2002, for a 4,972-square-foot service area addition on the south side of Maplewood Toyota.
- Approved the plans date stamped January 9, 2002, for a 3,800 square foot addition to St. Jerome's Catholic School.
- Adopted a resolution removing the overlay project between Hazelwood Street and White Bear Avenue from the overall County Road D Improvement Project, City Project, 01-15.
- Adopted a resolution accepting the report, calling for a public hearing and authorizing the preparation of plans and specifications for the lift station relocation at the Maple Hills Development, Project 02-04.
- Imposed a one thousand dollar fine to The Rock, 2029 Woodlynn Avenue, Maplewood for a first time liquor violation and serving alcohol to a minor.
- Imposed a five hundred dollar fine to Bleachers, 2220 White Bear Avenue, Maplewood for a first time liquor violation.
- Adopted a resolution supporting the Maplewood Court or another court in suburban Ramsey County.
- Approved plans date-stamped February 12, 2002 for the proposed Hillcrest Animal Hospital at 1320 County Road D.
- Approved the intoxicating liquor license for 5-8 Tavern and Grill, 2289 Minnehaha Avenue.
- Adopted a resolution approving plans, advertising for bids, ordering the preparation of an assessment roll and assessment hearing for County Road D improvements, City Project 01-15.
- Adopted a resolution approving No Parking for County Road D improvements, City Project 01-15.
- Approved a Policy Regulating Advertisements in City Publications.

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Maplewood

Buckthorn May Be Lurking In Your Yard.

June 2002

Join the city's effort to remove buckthorn from Maplewood. Over the course of the next several years, the city will be offering neighborhood assistance in buckthorn removal. We need your participation on this community environmental issue.



The Plan For City Buckthorn Removal Is:

- To provide education on buckthorn identification and removal techniques.
- A 2002 Project to offer curbside buckthorn pick-up in the Highwood-Linwood neighborhood this fall (future sites will be determined).
- To provide designated buckthorn drop-off sites for the rest of Maplewood, October 12-19, 2002.
- To continue buckthorn removal on Maplewood's public land.

The Facts:

- Buckthorn is a non-native plant that originated in Eurasia.
- Buckthorn now lurks in Maplewood yards, woodlands, and parks.

- Buckthorn creates dense, thorny thickets. People perceive parks as a safer place following buckthorn removal.
- Buckthorn thickets create dense shade that inhibits the sprouting of acorns. Some ecologists predict that our oak woods could disappear if buckthorn is not removed.

To Find Out More About Buckthorn:

Attend one of the following events:

- **Buckthorn Walkingstick Hike**
June 8 at the Nature Center
(see page 31 in the P&R Issue for more info.)
- **The Buckthorn Busters**
July 11 walk in the Ramsey County Fair Parade
(see page 36 in the P&R Issue for more info.)
- **Buckthorn Removal Demonstration**
September 21 (site to be announced)



How You Can Help

Check your yards and neighborhoods for buckthorn, the wicked weed of the woods. Plan to join the city removal projects in September and October. For more information, call The Maplewood Nature Center and Neighborhood Preserves at 651.738.9383.

—Road construction begins. Find out how this will impact your commute.

—Volunteer and learn about City zoning!

—Find out what's happening in the Highwood Neighborhood.

—The Mayor reveals changes that will impact the City in the next five years.

Watch for the brochure, "Buckthorn Management" in a future issue of the *Maplewood City News*. This brochure has specific direction for effective removal of buckthorn.

Maplewood Residents:

The mission of the City of Maplewood is to provide high quality and cost effective public services.

Team Building Retreat Day

The City of Maplewood leadership team had a day of goal setting recently, April 3rd, at the new Gladstone Fire Station. The 15 members included: City Manager Richard Fursman, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Melinda Coleman, Finance Director Dan Faust, Fire Chief Steve Lukin, Police Chief Don Winger, Public Works Director Chuck Ahl, Human Resource Director Sherrie Le, Parks and Recreation Director Bruce Anderson, City Clerk Karen Guilfoile, City Attorney Patrick Kelly, Council member Marv Koppen, Council member Julie Wasiluk, Council member Ken Collins, Council member Kathleen Juenemann and myself. Donald Salverda, former Ramsey County Commissioner and a private staff development trainer, led the event.

Anticipated Changes That Will Impact The City In The Next Five Years:

1. Increased traffic congestion
2. Changing to a combination—full-time/part-time Fire Department
3. Impact of new technologies
4. Demographic changes of the City
5. Increased pressure on housing
6. Increased revenue diversification due to actions of lawmakers
7. Impact of actions related to the school districts
8. Greater concerns over environment
9. Increased emphasis on collaborating with other jurisdictions

10. Increased needs for different modes of transportation
11. Increased pressure on improving the infrastructure
12. Increased pressure on park development
13. Increased emphasis on doing more with less
14. Decreased industrial and residential development
15. The City's tax base growth will be at a far lower rate than the past
16. Various personnel changes

Issues And Opportunities Facing The City Of Highest Priority:

1. The need to reinvest in redeveloping the City's deteriorating residential and commercial properties.
2. The need to develop a long-range (ten year) vision, direction, goals, and plans for the City.

The City Council's Vision For The Future...

The role and responsibilities of citizens include:

1. To vote in elections
2. To pay their taxes
3. To keep informed on issues and to communicate their concerns to elected officials and staff
4. To be involved in community affairs
5. To be positive contributors to the community

Open and honest communication is essential for an informed and involved citizenry, and to foster a positive environment for all.



Bob Cardinal, Mayor
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W 952-831-3300
bob@calhouncompanies.com



Maplewood Historical Society

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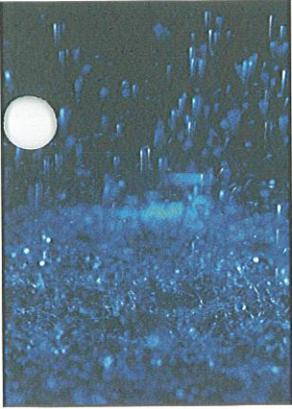
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Send your entry to:
Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109
Answers must be received by June 7. MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible. Answer will appear in the July issue of the *Maplewood City News*.

Answer to April's question: At one time there was a boat landing on the east side of Lake Phalen. What was it called?
Answer: Linke's Landing. This landing was used by the public and was located north of Larpenteur Ave. at East Shore Drive Many people thought the answer was the Wequa Canoe Club, however that was the private landing for the Club and was actually in St. Paul (south of Larpenteur Ave.)
Winner—Angela Stack

Clarification to the March question: "What year did Carver Lake School open?" There was an earlier 'Carver School', formally named District 7, which served the area for many years before Carver Elementary opened. That school building is now a private residence.

Be Prepared For Severe Storms



The National Weather Service defines a severe thunderstorm as having winds of 58 miles per hour or more, and/or hail three-fourths of an inch in diameter or more. The outdoor warning sirens are sounded for tornadoes and very severe thunderstorms (having winds of 72 miles per hour or more). Tornadoes, lightning, damaging winds, heavy rains, and large hail often accompany severe thunderstorms and can cause serious injury and damage. Know what to do in each of these weather situations. Call **Emergency Management 651.770.4547** for more information.

Work For The Planning Commission!

Be part of a nine-member volunteer committee responsible for advising the City Council on land use and zoning issues. This commission meets on the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at Maplewood City Hall.

You must be a Maplewood Resident to apply. Call 651.770.4560 for an application, or pick one up at the Community Development office at Maplewood City Hall (1830 County Road B East). Applications will be accepted through June 14, 2002.

Construction Begins On Three Major Streets

Summer street construction is underway once again. For construction status reports, call the following hotline numbers:



- English Street/Frost Ave. to Highway 36
651.779.3574
- Gladstone South Neighborhood Streets
651.779.3575
- County Road D/White Bear Ave. to McKnight Road
651.779.3576

For more information on projects, call 651.770.4550 or log on to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us.

Capital Improvement Projects—

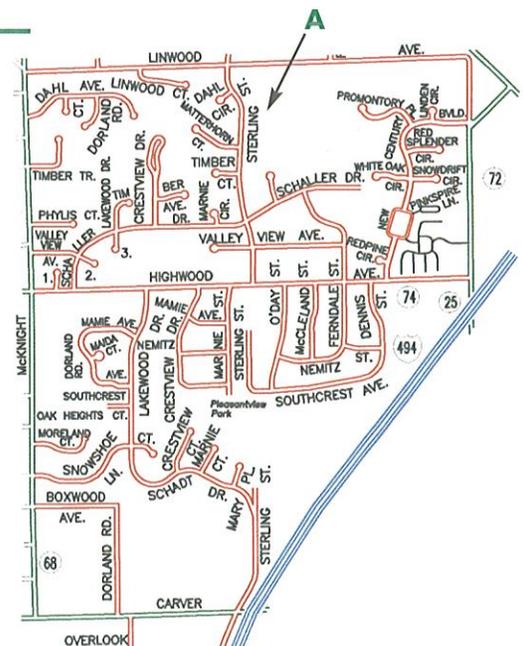
Highwood Neighborhood

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Projects in the CIP are grouped by neighborhood. There will be an article each month in the *Maplewood City*

News that will cover the planned projects for one of the 13 neighborhoods in the city. This month the focus is on the Highwood Neighborhood that is outlined in the adjoining map.

One project is planned for the neighborhood and it is indicated by the letter **A** on the map. The project is the development of Applewood Park. It is scheduled for 2005 and will cost \$200,000. The project will include construction of tennis courts, trail system, tot lot, and picnic shelter. For more information on this project, contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 651.770.4573.



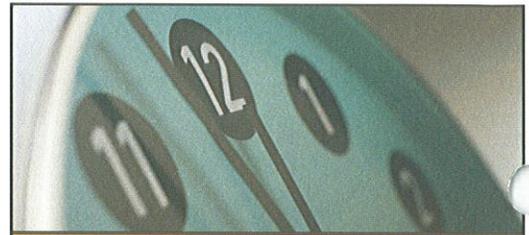
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Council's Corner

In May 2002, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- Approved a resolution adopting the Maplewood Mall Area Comprehensive Traffic Study as a referenced appendix to the Transportation Section of the Maplewood Comprehensive Plan, and directed an alignment study to be conducted for the extension of County Road D, westerly and potentially southerly from Hazelwood Street to T.H. 61.
- Adopted a resolution for English Street Improvements, Project 01-14: Approving Plans and Advertising for Bids, Ordering Preparation of Assessment Roll, Ordering Assessment Roll Hearing and a No Parking Restriction.
- Adopted a resolution for Gladstone Park Development Improvements, Project 01-23: Accepting Report and Ordering Improvement, Approving Plans Advertising for Bids.
- Adopted a resolution for English Street Improvements, Project 01-14: Ordering the Preparation of the Assessment Roll and Ordering the Assessment Hearing.
- Adopted a resolution for Maple Hills Sanitary Sewer Relocation, Project 02-04: Approving Plans and Advertising for bids.
- Adopted a resolution approving the Preliminary Layout No.2 of the Minnesota Department of Transportation project St 6227-56, the intersection of TH 120 and Joy Road, City Project 02-01.
- Adopted the license application for Off-Sale Liquor for Charly Tou Lor for 1347 Frost Avenue.
- Approved temporary beer, food, and carnival licenses for the Church of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary contingent upon the applicant meeting inspection requirements of the Maplewood Fire Department for their carnival May 4-5, 2002.
- Approved a resolution for the Adoption of the Assessment Roll for the County Road D Improvements, Project 01-15.

For more highlights of the council meetings log on to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us



City Meetings:

Council/Manager Workshops & City Council Meetings

Workshop—6:00pm
Council Meeting—7:00pm
June 10 & June 24

Pre-Agenda Meetings

June 6 & 20 at 4:45pm

Community Design

Review Board

June 11 & 25 at 6:00pm

Housing & Redevelopment Authority

June 11 at 7:00pm

Human Relations Commission

June 4 at 7:00pm

Park & Recreation Commission

June 17 at 7:00

Planning Commission

June 3 & 17 at 7:00pm

Mayor's Forum

June 1 from 10:00am - noon

Historical Preservation Commission

June 20 at 7:00pm

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CITY NEWS



Find The Hero In You

July 2002



Since 1943 the Maplewood Fire Department has served the needs of the community for fire suppression. The Department has grown to five stations with 100 dedicated citizens just like you.

Great Benefits

We offer paid training in Fire Fighting, Emergency Medical Services, and various continuing education opportunities. Each member is paid per call with an available retirement plan.

Make A Difference

Help your neighbor and community by doing something that really makes a difference. Contact **Susan Zwieg** at **651.747.8791**, or stop in at Station 2 at Frost and Clarence to pick up an application.



Join the chosen few and be one of the "neighbors helping neighbors"!

Spring Street Sweeping Completed



Sweeping Up Maplewood

Spring street sweeping started on

allowed until all streets were swept curb-to-curb. A total of 1,738 miles were travelled to sweep the City's 130 miles of streets (4-5 passes/street) and 1,500 tons of sand and debris was swept up.

A Year-round Project

Street sweeping does not end when the winter sand is removed. Major sweeping efforts occur in the spring and fall and we continue to sweep throughout the year on an as-needed

—Learn about the police world and join in on the action

—Tips to avoid summer heat related illnesses

—Find out what's happening in the Parkside Neighborhood

—Ramsey County Fair details

—The bloodmobile is coming soon; find out when and where

Turn to
the inside and

Cub Scouts

Since 1930, the Boy Scouts of America has helped younger boys through Cub Scouting. It's a year-round family program designed for boys grades 1-5 or ages 7-10. Parents, leaders, and organizations work together to achieve the purposes of Cub Scouting. Currently Cub Scouting is the largest of the BSA's three membership divisions. The others are Boy Scouting and Venturing.

The 10 Purposes Of Cub Scouting

- Character Development
- Spiritual Growth
- Good Sportsmanship
- Family Understanding
- Respectful Relationships
- Personal Achievement
- Friendly Service
- Fun
- Adventure
- Preparation for Boy Scouts

Cub Scout Packs

Cub Scouting members join a Cub Scout pack and are assigned to a den, usually a neighborhood group of 6 to 8 boys. Tiger Cubs (1st grade), Wolf Cub Scouts (2nd grade), Bear Cub Scouts (3rd grade), and Webelos Scouts (4th & 5th grades) meet weekly.

Boy Scouts

The Boy Scouts of America provide a program for community organizations that offers effective character, citizenship, and personal fitness training for youth. Boy Scouting is available to boys ages 11-17, boys who have earned the Arrow of Light Award or have completed the 5th grade.

Advancement Ranks for Boy Scouts are as follows: Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, and Eagle. By age 18, they must earn the rank of Eagle Scout. Only about 2% ever reach Eagle Scout. For more information, call the Boy Scouts Indianhead Council at 651.224.1891 or log on to www.indianhead.org.

Explorer Scout

This program gives youth the opportunity to visit community organizations and explore the dynamics of various careers. It is part of Learning for Life's career education program for young men and women ages 14-21 (and have completed the 8th grade). Local

community organizations initiate a specific Explorer post by matching their people and program resources to the interest of young people in the community. The result is a program of activities that help youth pursue their special interest, grow and develop. This program offers Explorer groups such as Police, Fire and Medical Explorers. You do not have to belong to the Boy Scouts to be part of an Explorer group. For more information contact Adam Fisher at 651.254.9127.

Girl Scouts

The goals of the Girl Scouts is to help each girl: develop to her full individual potential, relate to others with increasing understanding, skill and respect, contribute to society and develop values to guide sound decision making. Program age levels in Girl Scouting include: Daisy Girl Scouts (ages 5-6 or grades K-1), Brownie Girl Scouts (ages 6-8 or grades 1-3), Junior Girl Scouts (ages 8-11 or grades 3-6), Cadette Girl Scouts (ages 11-14 or grades 6-9) and Senior Girl Scouts (ages 14-17 or grades 9-12).

For more information call Andrea Specht at 651.227.8835 or log to www.girlscoutscv.org

Civil Air Patrol—Cadet Program

The Civil Air Patrol's cadet program is designed for youth ages 12-20 (or attending the sixth grade). The CAP Cadet Program introduces young people to aviation, and offers program opportunities to solo in a light airplane at low cost. Meetings are held at Lake Elmo Airport-CAP hangar, every Thursday evening from 7-9 pm.

Directions to the CAP hangar: Take I-94 East to Manning Ave. (Cty. Rd. 15) turn North. Continue on Cty. Rd. 15 to Lake Elmo Airport (about 4 miles) take 2nd entrance (North entrance, Gate A) to the right. Follow winding road to Luscome Lane. For more information contact Roger Brogren at 651.407.9579.

If you know of someone who might benefit from one of these programs, please pass the word. Our youth are our future. Let's help develop them into good citizens.



Marv Koppen
Council Member

Historical Society

Because of the construction work on County Road D, the July 10th and August 14th meetings of the Maplewood Area Historical Society will be held in the Maplewood Room at City Hall (7:00pm).

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

How did the Heritage Theater Company come to have its name?

Send your entry to:

Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St.,
Maplewood 55109

Answers must be received by July 6.

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Answer to May's question: Who was the first principal at Carver Elementary School?

Answer: Donald Kamuth

Ramsey County Fair

July 10-14

2020 White Bear Ave
Wed.-Thurs. 5:00pm
Fri.-Sun. Noon

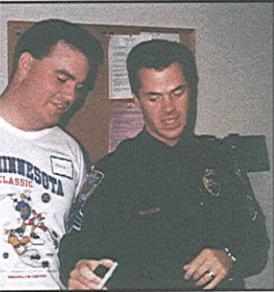
FREE!



Carnival Rides, Petting Zoo, Pony and Camel Rides, Fireworks and Parade, Beer, Food, Bingo, Bands, and Much More! Call 651.770.2626 for more information.

www.ramseycountyfair.com

Find Out What Real Police Work Is Like



Attend The Citizens Police Academy!

Get an inside look at the dangers and challenges police officers face while protecting their communities. Participate in classroom discussions regarding criminal law, arrest rules, criminal investigation, gangs, and drugs. Learn about traffic stops, DWI enforcement, use of force, breathalyzer tests, and the affects of chemical spray. Participants can take a five-hour "ride-along" with a police officer to see real-live action. *Space is limited*, call and sign up for this class today!

FREE!

September 5 - October 24

(An 8 week session)

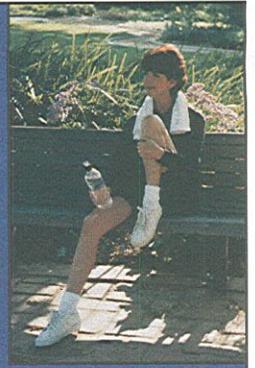
Thursdays 6:30pm - 9:30pm

At the Maplewood Community Center

Open to anyone 18 years or older who lives or works in Maplewood or surrounding communities.

Call Lieutenant John Banick at 651.770.4502 for more information.

TIPS FOR STAYING HEALTHY IN THE SUMMER HEAT:



- Eat well-balanced, light meals
- Drink plenty of water regularly
- Limit intake of alcoholic beverages and caffeine
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight, light-colored clothing
- Protect your face and head by wearing a hat
- Avoid extreme temperature changes
- Slow down and take frequent breaks

For more information, call Emergency Management at 651.770.4547.

Capital Improvement Projects—

Parkside Neighborhood

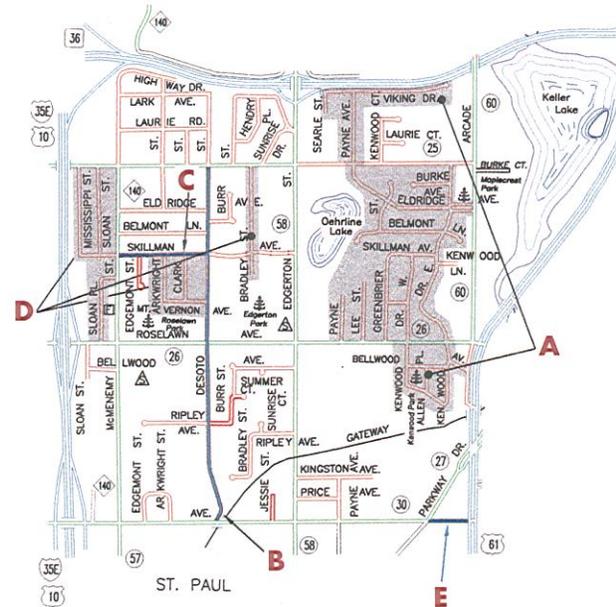
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letters on the map:

- A- Kenwood East Area Streets
- B- DeSoto Street, Larpenteur to County Road B
- C- Skillman Avenue, McMenemy to DeSoto
- D- DeSoto Area Streets
- E- Larpenteur-Parkway Lift Station Abandonment

The Kenwood East Area Streets project is scheduled for 2006. It involves replacement of the pavement on Kenwood, Allen, Bellwood, Payne, Lee, Greenbrier, and Skillman streets. DeSoto Street, from Larpenteur to County Road B, and Skillman Avenue also are scheduled for reconstruction in 2006. The DeSoto Area Streets project includes upgrades to Payne, Viking, Searle, Clark, Arkwright, Bradley, Sloan, and Mississippi streets in 2007. The Larpenteur-



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For more information on these projects, visit the Public Works...

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- Appointed Clayton Robinson to the Police Civil Service Commission for a term that expires December 31, 2002.
- Appointed Kim Facile to the Ramsey-Washington Suburban Cable Commission for a term ending December 31, 2004.
- Approved the position of Safety Coordinator in the Fire Department with a yearly stipend of \$600. The \$600 will be obtained within budget transfers within the Fire Department and will not affect or increase the Fire Department 2002 budget.
- Approved an increase of starting pay for the fire departments new recruits from \$5.00 per call to \$8.00 per call.
- Adopted the name for the Maplewood Neighborhood Preserves as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- Appointed Diana Longrie-Kline to the Maplewood Community Design Review Board for an unfinished term that will end on January 1, 2003.
- Adopted a resolution approving a conditional use permit for a planned unit development for the Beaver Lake Townhome development on the south side of Maryland Avenue between Sterling Street and Lakewood Drive.
- Approved the installation of a net system to the backstop at John Glenn #1 Ball Field. The cost of the project will not exceed \$15,000 and will be paid from charitable gambling funds.
- Declared National Hunger Awareness Day Wednesday, June 5, 2002 as a part of continuing efforts to inform the nation about the problems of hunger.

For more highlights of the council meetings log on to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us

Blood Drive

The City of Maplewood is hosting a community bloodmobile on **Wednesday, July 10, 2002** from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the council chambers at the Maplewood City Hall, located at 1830 County Road B East. Call the Red Cross Recruiter at 651.770.4556 to schedule your donation.

For newsworthy information, contact Heidi Hersom.
651.779.3543 HEIDI.HERSOM@CI.MAPLEWOOD.MN.US

For other questions or comments regarding the *Maplewood City News*, contact the City Manager at RICHARD.FURSMAN@CI.MAPLEWOOD.MN.US

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FREE! Flying Colors Kite Festival

Saturday, August 17

Rain Date: Sunday, August 18



Kite Competitions, Games, And Much More

Head to Harvest Park in Maplewood, 2561 Barclay Street (North of Hwy. 36 and East of Hwy. 61) 10:00am to 5:00pm to see kites of all shapes and sizes from national award-winning kite makers. See professional kite flyers fly figure patterns with their

beautiful kites. Children can learn how to build their very own kites in a free workshop. Join in kite games and competitions. Watch the rokkaku teams partake in a large rok battle. This is a fun event for novice and experienced flyers.

For more information, contact Paul Koepke at 952.833.5085 or Dave Gangler at 763.559.6595 or log on to www.mnkites.org.



Join The Fire Department And Make A Difference



With its beginning dating back to 1943, the men and women of the Maplewood Fire Department provide many vital services to the citizens of Maplewood.

Challenging And Rewarding The Maplewood Fire Department is

large yet very rewarding. According to Chief Steve Lukin, "Many people are very surprised to find out that we are a paid per call department with such a high call volume."

A Paid Per Call Position

Firefighters in Maplewood are both Firefighter and EMT certified. The department is a paid per call service with a state/city funded retirement program. All training and benefits are provided by the department, including, continuing education. The true benefit of serving and helping the community is measured after

August 2002

—National Night Out is moving to the neighborhoods

—A fun family event you don't want to miss

—Find out what's happening in the Kohlman Lake Neighborhood

—Police vehicle auction details

Fire Station Locations

There are five fire stations located throughout the city. **Station 1** (3M area) 1177 North Century Ave. **Station 2** (Central/Gladstone area) 1955 Clarence Street **Station 3** (Western/Parkside area) 2001 McMenemy Street **Station 4** (south Maplewood) 2501 Londin Lane. **Station 7** (North/Hazelwood area) 1530 East County Road C.

Join Today!

We are always looking for good people who are interested in making a real difference. The relationships

As I sat down to write you a message this month, I thought of all the things that had changed and yet remained the same since I started working here in 1966.

Maplewood was open land in the southern area and in the northern area where the Maplewood Mall now stands.

It seemed to a young police officer that there were more cows and horses than people, but that all changed as development took over. The one thing that has remained constant or maybe I should say improved, is the quality of life.

Maplewood has been blessed with superior services in Public Safety, Parks and Recreation, Public Works, and Community Development. Obviously, none of this happened by itself but was brought about by the dedicated people who worked and

volunteered their time to make it that way.

Over the years people change but the same dedication can be seen with the employees and volunteers we have today. We all work to maintain and improve the quality of life for everyone who lives and works here, but we cannot do it alone. We need your help! We need to know what it is you as "residents" would like for your city.

In order for us to maintain the quality of life we all want, we need you to become involved by volunteering, and by giving us your ideas and your criticism.

Together we can continue to make Maplewood a wonderful place to work, play, and live.

God Bless You,
Ken Collins



The Historical Society's garage sale at Bruentrup Heritage Farm was successful, although access to the farm was hampered somewhat by the reconstruction of County Road D. Watch for an announcement of "Annual Garage Sale - Part 2" to be held after the road work is done.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

What was the original name of McKnight Road?

Send your entry to:
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Answers must be received by August 9.

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Answer to June's question: What Maplewood institution appeared in Ripley's "Believe it or Not"? Answer: The Ramsey County Poor Farm, with the caption "Prosperity Road leads to the Poor Farm."

Winner: Gilber Malm

A Homeowner's Nightmare



Occasionally a blockage in a city-operated sewer main results in back up of sanitary sewage into a private home. As a service to its sanitary sewer customers, the city will provide for immediate cleanup to alleviate the health concern.

If you should experience a sanitary sewer back up in your home, please call the Public Works Department during business hours at **651.770.4550**, or after hours call the police dispatcher at **651.777.8191**. City staff will respond and try to verify the cause of the backup. If the back up resulted

from a blockage in the city sewer, the city will assist in solving the problem. If it wasn't caused by the city sewer, we will advise you on where to get help. A contracted cleaning firm will remove any back up material and clean floors, carpets, walls, trim, or other items in the home that have been soiled. The service is intended to clean up the initial effects of the back up and to remove the health concern. Other damages must be pursued through the homeowner's insurance, or an insurance claim to the City filed with the City Clerk. This initial clean up by the City is intended to reduce the hardship experienced by the homeowner. For a guided tour of a typical sanitary sewer system, log on to the Public Works website at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us

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starting September 30)

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Capital Improvement Projects—

Kohlman Lake Neighborhood

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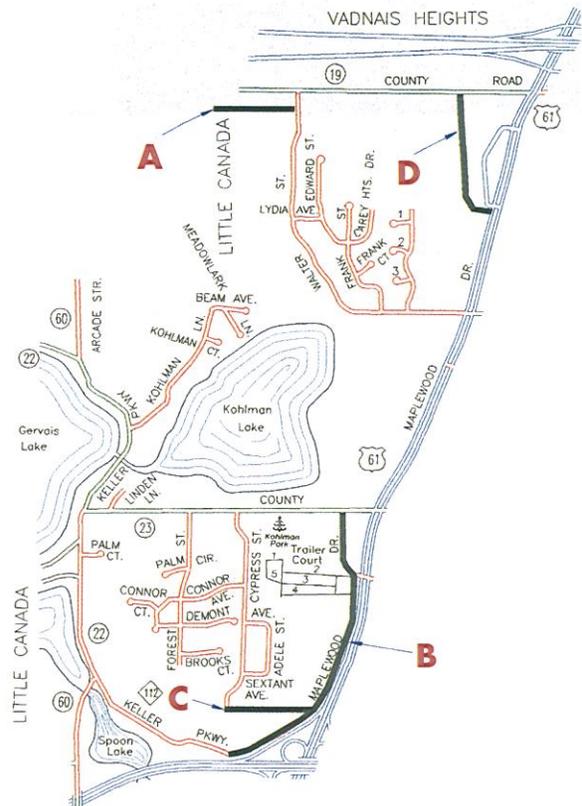
Projects in the CIP are grouped by neighborhood. There will be an article each month in the *Maplewood City News* that will cover the planned projects for one of the 13 neighborhoods in the City. This month the focus is on the Kohlman Lake Neighborhood that is outlined in the adjoining map.

Four projects are planned for the neighborhood and they are

indicated by the following letters on the map:

A-Walter Street Trail Corridor
B-Maplewood Drive, County Road C to Keller Parkway
C-Gervais Avenue, Maplewood Drive to Cypress
D-County Road D Realignment, West of Highway 61

The Walter Street Trail Corridor project will connect Sunset Ridge Park to the Little Canada trail system in 2006. The Maplewood Drive project involves replacement of the pavement between County Road C and Keller Parkway in 2003. The Gervais Avenue project involves reconstruction and realignment of the road from Maplewood Drive to Cypress in 2005. The County Road D Realignment, West of Highway 61, will provide better area traffic flow and is scheduled for 2005.



Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2003-2007 CIP booklet which is available for public review at the Maplewood branch of the Ramsey County Library.

For more information on project A (the trail project), contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 651.770.4573.

For more information on projects B, C, and D, contact the Public Works Director at 651.770.4552.

National Night Out 2002

Tuesday, August 6

An Evening Of Great Fun!

This year's National Night Out event will kick off at 5:30pm with Maplewood's shortest parade (Gladstone Fire Station to Robinhood Park). The celebration will focus on *neighborhood block parties*. Each block party will be provided free root beer floats, sidewalk chalk, and special prizes. Meet some of the representatives from your local Fire and Police Department. The City Puppet Wagon, a face painter, and musical guest Scott Mars will also be available on a first come, first served basis.

The deadline for block captains to make arrangements for a

NNO Purpose

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Not Just A U.S. Event

The NNO website states "NNO 2001 involved 33 million people in 9,700 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities, and military bases

In Addition To Your Neighborhood Block Parties

Visit your neighborhood Fire Station from 6:30pm-8:30pm for a tour, complimentary root beer floats, hot dogs, and chips.



DON'T MISS IT!

In June 2002, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- Banned the sale of fireworks at Hazelwood Park on July 4, 2002, with the understanding that this issue will be addressed in an ordinance being prepared by the Fire Chief for future city events.
- Approved the plans date-stamped April 29, 2002 for proposed additions to the Lexus dealership at 3000 Highway 61.
- Approved the home occupation license for Jerianne Cullen and Doua Lee of 2492 Highwood Avenue to conduct a sewing shop business from the barn on their residential property.
- Adopted a resolution that changes the land use plan for the Dearborn Meadow plat and two adjacent properties on the south side of Castle Avenue, north of Cope Avenue. This change is from M-1 (light manufacturing) to R-2 (single and double dwellings).
- Adopted a resolution that changes the zoning map for the Dearborn Meadow plat and two adjacent properties on the south side of Castle Avenue, north of Cope Avenue.
- Adopted a resolution providing preliminary approval for the sale of \$4,815,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds and scheduling a special Council meeting at 5:00pm on Thursday, July 18 for a bid award on the bond issue.
- Adopted a resolution ordering the preparation of the feasibility study for the Dearborn Heights Drainage Improvements, City Project 02-11.
- Approved the Bruentrup Historic Farm (BHF) buildings and site as historically significant.
- Approved a resolution ordering the improvement of Eldridge Avenue from McMenemy Street to Desoto Street, City Project 01-29.
- Approved a resolution ordering the improvement for the Beaver Creek Sanitary Sewer Replacement and Bike Path, City Project 01-09 (4 Votes).
- Denied the application for the moving of a one-story stucco house and detached garage for Bart Crockett to the lot south of 1754 Sylvan Street.
- Approved a variance resolution (50 foot buffer on the NE side, and 25 feet on all other sides with an infiltration system installed on all sides), for the Nissan Dealership site plan.
- Approved the cooperative agreement with Ramsey County and the project plans for the White Bear Avenue Improvements at Lydia and Woodlynn Avenues.
- Rescheduled the special visionary meeting (from June 13, 2002) to 12:00pm Tuesday, July 30, 2002.
- Adopted a resolution approving plans and advertising for bids for the Hillcrest Animal Hospital Water Main Improvement, City Project 01-28.

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August 12 & 26

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August 8 & 22 at 4:45pm

Community Design Review Board

August 13 & 27 at 6:00pm

Housing & Redevelopment Authority

August 13 at 7:00pm

Human Relations Commission

No meeting in August

Park & Recreation Commission

August 19 at 7:00

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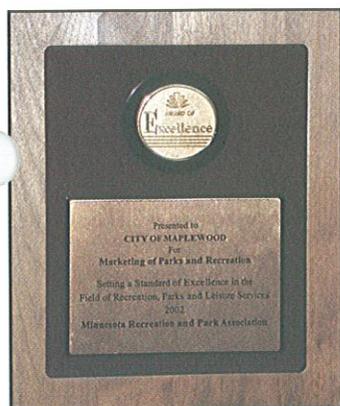
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Maplewood Community Center— Voted Best Fitness Center*

The Maplewood Community Center would like to thank the citizens who voted us the "Best Fitness Center" in the Maplewood, White Bear Lake, Oakdale, Lake Elmo, North St. Paul area. It is an honor to be recognized for our unique facility which offers top-of-the line fitness equipment, a beautiful banquet room, meeting rooms, thrilling family events, a 120-foot water slide, and much more. We would not be what we are today without the continuing support of the community and our patrons.

**2002 Reader's Choice Award (Lillie News)*



MRPA Award of Excellence

The Maplewood Parks and Recreation Department received the 2002 Award of Excellence for marketing and publications. This prestigious recognition was given by the Minnesota Recreation and Park Association which recognizes agencies and organizations for their outstanding achievements in the parks, recreation, and leisure services field.

—Learn about a free service that could save your life

—A great volunteer opportunity

—Find out what's happening in the Hazelwood Neighborhood

—Police vehicle auction mailing list—jump aboard

Arcade Street Bridge Update

Ramsey County Public Works is in the process of redesigning and rebidding the Arcade Street Bridge project which is over the Keller Canal between Highway 36 and Keller Parkway. Construction is scheduled to start in the spring of 2003. For more information, call 652.484.9104 or visit their website at www.co.ramsey.mn.us/pw/construction.asp.

2002 Fall Clean-Up Event

September 21, 2002 8:00am - 1:00pm

The city fall clean-up event will be held at the Gethsemane Lutheran Church parking lot, located at 2410 Stillwater Avenue, at the southeast corner of Stillwater Road and McKnight Avenue. **Please enter the parking lot from the driveway on Bartelmy Lane which is on the east side of the church property.**

Maplewood residents will be able to dispose of old appliances, TVs, tires, construction debris, mattresses, old furniture, car parts, scrap metal, and other assorted junk. *No brush or tree waste, oil, antifreeze, paint, or hazardous*

waste will be accepted. The disposal for all items is FREE of charge, but you must bring a driver's license or other proof of Maplewood residency.

In conjunction with the clean up, the city will be sponsoring a food drive for the Second Harvest Food Bank. Containers for the food items will be located at the check-in point where licenses are checked in the parking lot. Food items most needed include: tuna, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned soups, stews, pasta and other dried foods, infant items, and cleaning supplies.

Maplewood Historical Society

Fun, fun, fun—Mark your calendars for the 3rd annual Historical Society Fall Festival to be held on Friday evening, October 25 at the Maplewood Community Center. Full details in the upcoming October *City News*.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

There once was a decorative arch associated with a business on White Bear Avenue. What was the name of the original business?

Send your entry to: Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109

Answers must be received by September 9.

MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible. Answer will appear in the November issue of the *Maplewood City News*.

Answer to July's question: How did the Heritage Theater Company come to have its' name? Answer: The first "home" of Maplewood's own theater company was the barn on the Ostergren farm property which had been donated to the City. The farm house, which was then the home of the first Maplewood Historical Society, was called The Heritage House, and the name was adopted by the theater company.

No correct answers were received.

MAPLEWOOD RESIDENTS

In most recent years, the City Council has focused on street and sewer improvements, transportation problems on White Bear Avenue and around the Maplewood Mall, and redevelopment plans for our aging neighborhoods. These issues will continue to be addressed as funding options become available. Providing quality services and retaining good staff and city employees while staying under the levy limits mandated by the state has also remained a priority.

As development continues in the City, the challenge of achieving a balance between environmental needs and property rights of owners will remain high on my list of priorities. It is encouraging to have had elected officials and volunteers who strived to initiate standards which developers must follow. Some of our laws are not as stringent as many would prefer, but they were written with the City's best interest in mind. It is with that same purpose that I will

explain what I believe should be the City Council's next charge.

In the City of Maplewood, which is almost fully developed, we are facing the decline of Park Acquisition funds. These monies were used to create our neighborhood parks. The time has come to reinvest in our great parks and invest in the preservation of our open spaces. Alternative funding sources need to be explored now, so that we can maintain the quality of life that we all want for ourselves and for future generations.

The Park Commission has discussed this issue and I look forward to working with them to seek options to help enhance the aesthetics in Maplewood.

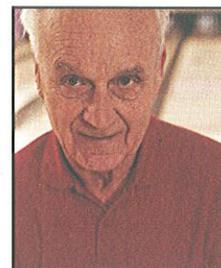
Your input would be appreciated in our search for meeting these needs in our community. I can be reached at 651.779.2633.

Thank you in advance for sharing your views.

Sincerely,
Julie Wasiluk



A Free Service That Could Save A Life



Carrier Alert, a free program offered through the Greater Twin Cities United Way First Call For Help, is a unique service for people who live

alone or are concerned about someone they know who lives alone.

This valuable service seeks help for people who may be unable to call for help because of an accident or illness. After an individual is registered, their letter carrier will watch for an accumulation of mail at their residence. If the resident is not collecting their mail, the letter carrier will notify someone who can check to make sure the individual is ok.

For more information about Carrier Alert, or to register for this FREE service, please call United Way First Call For Help at 651.291.0211.

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Capital Improvement Projects

Hazelwood Neighborhood

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The focus is month is on the Hazelwood Neighborhood that is outlined in the map to the right. Eight projects are planned for the neighborhood and they are indicated by the following letters on the map:

- A-Harvest Park Improvements
- B-Hazelwood Street, County Road C to St. John's Blvd.
- C-Hazelwood/County Road C Area Streets
- D-County Road D, Highway 61 to Hazelwood
- E-Hazelwood Street, St. John's Boulevard to County Road D
- F-Kennard Street, Beam to County Road D
- G-County Road D, Hazelwood to White Bear Avenue
- H-White Bear Avenue, Woodlynn to Buerkle Road

The Harvest Park Improvements project will irrigate the existing five fields in 2006. The Hazelwood Street, County Road C to St. John's Boulevard project involves replacement of the pavement and installation of curb and gutter in 2003. In 2004 the Hazelwood/County Road C Area Streets project will replace the pavement on eight

streets. The County Road D, Highway 61 to Hazelwood project involves construction of the road at a new location in 2004 so that it can be extended to Highway 61. In 2006 Hazelwood Street will be reconstructed from St. John's Boulevard to County Road D. The Kennard Street project involves extending the street from just north of Beam Avenue to County Road D in 2004. In 2006 County Road D will be reconstructed from Hazelwood to White Bear Avenue. Between 2003 and 2005 preliminary engineering will be proposed for a major improvement of White Bear Avenue between Woodlynn Avenue and Buerkle Road.

Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2003-2007 CIP booklet which is available for public review at the Maplewood branch of the Ramsey County Library.

Get Rid Of Buckthorn!



Look for the Buckthorn Management insert attached in the *City News* section for information on how to identify and remove buckthorn from your yard. You may choose to call a tree service to remove buckthorn, and your local waste hauler for brush removal. Remember—buckthorn makes great firewood and is also desired by woodcarvers.

The City of Maplewood has tree jacks to help pull buckthorn out with the roots. This is recommended for trees with stems 1/2 inch to 2-3 inches in diameter. Tree jacks are free of charge and can be picked up at the Nature Center, 2659 East Seventh Street. Call 651.738.9383 to check availability.

Drop-off Sites

Edgerton Park parking lot
1929 Edgerton

Maplewood Community Center parking lot
2100 White Bear Ave.

Fire Station #4
2501 Londin Lane

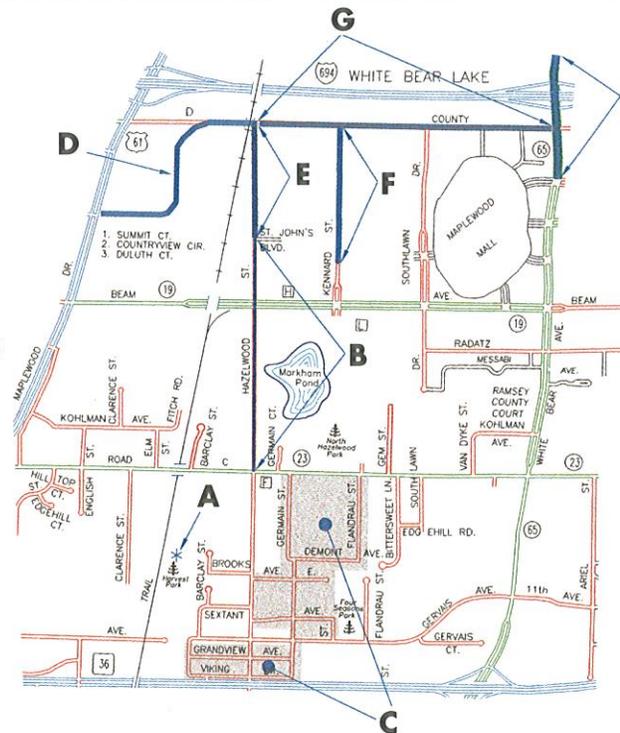
Questions or concerns, contact

City Forester, Tom Horwath 651.748.3075 Mailbox# 3958

Naturalist, Ann Hutchinson 651.738.9383

Parks & Recreation Director, Bruce Anderson 651.770.4573

Buckthorn Can Only Be Dropped Off At Sites On October 12, 13, 19, 20 Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.



For more information on project A, contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 651.770.4573.

For more information on projects B-H, contact the Public Works Director at 651.770.4552.

Council's Corner

In July 2002, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- John Elholm from the Minnesota Recreation and Park Association (MRPA) awarded the City of Maplewood Parks and Recreation Department an Award of Excellence for their winning project: *Marketing of Maplewood Parks and Recreation Department*. City employees Pauline Staples and Heidi Hersom were recognized for their contribution.
- Approved the donation of \$100.00 from Saturn of Saint Paul to the Landfall Cops'n Kids Fishing Clinic.
- Approved a resolution with MnDOT requesting their participation in the Mall Area Comprehensive Traffic Study.
- Approved a donation of two vehicles from Maplewood Toyota to the Maplewood Police Department.
- Appointed Barbara Darnchik-Dykes to the vacancy on the Human Relations Commission.
- Approved plans date-stamped May 10, May 16, and May 23, 2002, for the building addition, remodeling, and construction of a new canopy and fuel islands for the Sinclair Gas Station at 223 Larpenteur Avenue East.
- Approved a design plan for the Bruentrup Heritage Farm Parking Lot at 2170 County Road D.
- Appointed Tushar Desai, 2973 Edward Street, to the vacancy on the Planning Commission, for a term that would end on December 31, 2004.
- Adopted the salary range of \$40,000 - \$52,218 for Full-time Firefighter and differential of \$2,000 for the Fire Captain assignment and adopted a benefits schedule.
- Approved the Home Occupation License for Karla Eckhoff of 2443 Montana Avenue to conduct a portrait photography business from her home.
- Adopted a Phosphorus-Free Fertilizer Ordinance with a last sale date of 08-01-03. Use of phosphorus-free fertilizer restrictions go in effect 01-22-03.
- Extended the moratorium for 90 days to research zoning restrictions for the Adult Uses and Sexually-Oriented Business Ordinance.
- Adopted a Fireworks Ordinance to aid in the safety and welfare of the residents of Maplewood.
- Adopted a resolution approving a conditional use permit and design plans for the proposed parking lot and playground for St. Paul Hmong Alliance Church at 1770 McMenemy Street.
- Awarded the bid for the electrical hookup for the Hazelwood Park soccer lights to Muska Electric for \$34,944.00.

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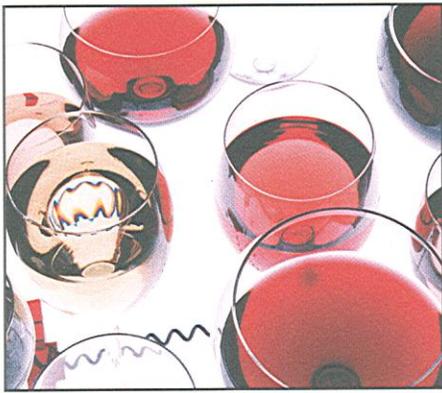
Maplewood

CITY NEWS



Wine & Jazz Festival

Friday, October 4, 2002
6:30 pm - 9:00 pm



The Maplewood Community Center will be hosting the first annual Wine and Jazz Festival that will feature "the best wines under \$20." Come and taste over 80 different wines and enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres and jazz music.

The Maplewood Community Center is located at 2100 White Bear Avenue and the cost of the event is \$25. Proceeds will benefit "Wheelchairs for Kids" and "Compass."

Call 651.779.3555, ext. 0 for more information.

October 2002

—Should the city of Maplewood be divided into wards?

—Fun for the whole family—
"Halloween Hoe-Down"

—Find out what's happening in the Maplewood Heights Neighborhood

—Find out how to become part of the 4X4 Unit!

Senator Mark Dayton Tours Maplewood Rainwater Gardens

Senator Mark Dayton toured the Gladstone South street reconstruction project in Maplewood on August 26, 2002. Senator Dayton was invited to tour the project by the Minnesota Utility Contractors Association and the member contractor on this project, F.M. Frattalone Excavating and Grading, Inc.

The tour highlighted and showcased the use of rainwater gardens to manage storm water and reduce water pollution.

The City of Maplewood has taken the lead in incorporating rainwater gardens in street reconstruction projects over the past five years and on five different projects. The City of Maplewood was awarded the 1997 National Second Place award for Outstanding Municipal Storm Water

A rainwater garden is a relatively small area of plantings near the drain spout of a building or paved area. Rain water (or snowfall) is routed to the garden and filtered naturally by plants and soils in the garden. This filtration process removes nutrients and pollutants. For more information on rainwater gardens, go to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us.



Maplewood Project Manager, Erin Schacht, and Senator Mark Dayton tour the project.

of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) bill pending in Congress.

The SRF helps states provide low cost financing to communities for the construction, repair, and rehabilitation of wastewater collection and treatment facilities and programs that



in our effort to build cities we have failed generally to tap what is perhaps one of the greatest of

community resources—voluntary public service of private citizens. We are concerned so much with government—when we *are* concerned with it—that we forget ourselves in our private capacity. We must keep our eye on the individual citizen, both because it is for the common good that the city exists and because it is through all of the people that the city gains its redemption. The individual citizen cannot, if the city is to become great, nonchalantly leave to government the responsibility of the community life. Methods of social stimulation and social approval of voluntary individual effort must be developed. Democracy cannot leave these things to chance.

We seem to have a faint sense of the usefulness of these services

from our great social reservoir or the individual's private effort. We have begun to enlist volunteerism together with the services of the public servant who goes beyond the routine demands of the position and renders on their own initiative a great constructive social service. Our immediate purpose should be in expressing social appreciation and social approval.

The State of Minnesota awards a Certificate of Commendation each year in recognition of Outstanding Senior Citizens. Two of our own Ramsey County Senior Citizens, *Diane Winkler* and *Roy Oberhamer*, received this award. These citizens, whose unselfish endeavors are of greatest value to the county, are mentioned as receiving this award in 2002. This is the highest award given on the county level.

Surely these people provide a wide basis for definition of public service. But who would want to limit the nature of services even

to these particular kinds of services?

The newspapers have been generous in their treatment of the awards, and have helped very much to center public interest. This adds the element of social prestige and approval.

This experimentation in making volunteer service fashionable and worthwhile is one of the hopeful signs of a better community life in America. It helps to concentrate the interest of newspapers and public on the constructive side of city life instead of its pathology. It looks upon the city as a fitting environment for the good life. It looks toward an ideal not of a Big City, but a Better City— even a Best City. A city set upon a hill cannot be hid. It may verily be a beginning of a volunteer renaissance—the polar opposite of the “shame of the cities.”

Bob Cardinal, Mayor
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Should The City Be Divided Into Wards?



The City Council is considering the idea of dividing the City into wards for the purpose of “regional” representation at city council meetings. The argument before the council is the idea that a regionally represented City will be better for the people. The council has asked me to relay the competing ideas before the community and ask for comment.

Maplewood now elects the Mayor

and all four Council Members at large. Anyone and everyone running for a council seat must “compete” against the entire field. The two top candidates then represent the entire City. If the City were to develop a ward system, only candidates who lived within the boundaries of the ward could run or represent that area.

The advantages of wards include the possibility that the council would have closer touch with the constituents, special interests would be better represented, the council may represent a better cross-section of the population, each geographic area is assured representation, and there may be more accountability to the electorate.

The down side of wards is equally

as compelling. Ward boundaries can cause many divisive issues. Council Members may have a tendency to represent their ward at the cost of the good of the entire City. Politics becomes an even bigger influence on policy and elections. What happens if the best and brightest candidates are in a different ward? The citizen cannot exercise the freedom of choice to vote for the candidate that most closely matches their values.

Please let us know your thoughts on this issue. Feel free to contact me, City Manager, Richard Fursman, Mayor Cardinal, or any of the Council Members. Please identify yourself and where you live. I will follow up with a report on the feedback.



Maplewood Historical Society

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY—HALLOWEEN HOE-DOWN

(Called the Fall Festival in the September Issue) is October 25, 6:00-8:30 pm, at the Community Center. Come enjoy music, games and prizes, the Spooky Room, and treats. For ticket information, call Carolyn Peterson at 651.748.9009 or Char Wasiluk at 651.776.7183.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

What was the name of the first hotel in Maplewood?

Send your entry to: Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109

Answers must be received by October 5.

MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible. Answer will appear in the November issue of the *Maplewood City News*.

Answer to August's question: What was the original name of McKnight Road?

Answer: East Avenue Winner: Bernice Christensen

With the completion of road construction, Historical Society meetings are held at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm, 2170 East Co. Rd. D., at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of each month. Anyone is welcome to attend.



FIRE FACT!

Did you know that the Maplewood Fire Department responded to over 2,800 calls for help in 2001?

Join The Team!
651.747.8791

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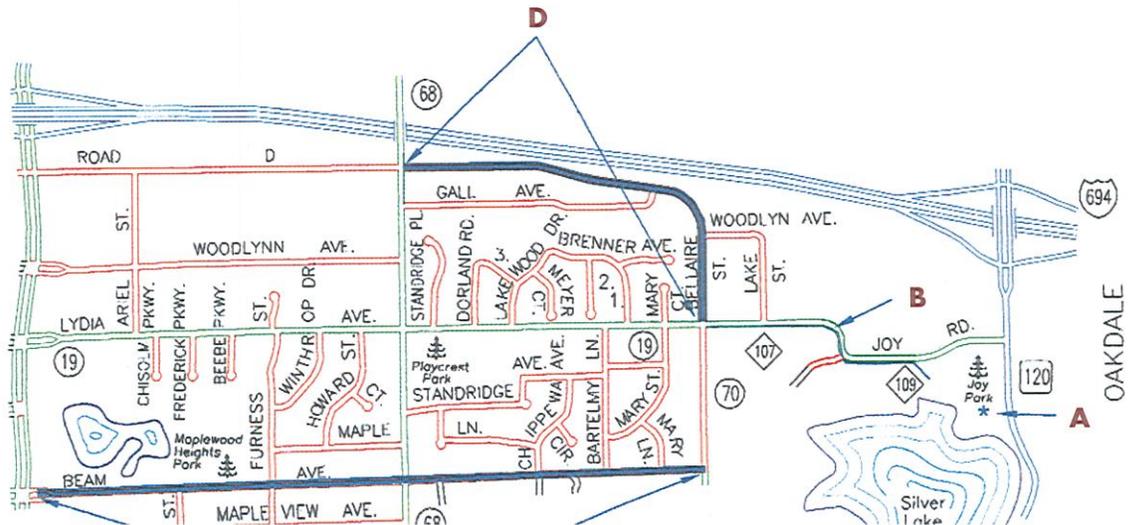
- A- Joy Park Improvements
- B- Joy Park Trail

The Joy Park Improvements project consists of construction of a large picnic shelter and parking lot improvements in 2007. In 2003 the Joy Park internal trail will be constructed from Lydia to Century Avenue. For further information on these projects, contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 651.770.4573.

The Beam Avenue, White Bear to Bellaire project involves

replacement of the pavement in 2007. In 2005, County Road D will be reconstructed from McKnight to Lydia. For more information on these projects, contact the Public Works Director at 651.770.4552.

Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2003-2007 CIP booklet which is available for public review at the Maplewood branch of the Ramsey County Library.



In August 2002, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- Approved the final plat for the Knollwood Circle Addition.
- Adopted a resolution accepting the 2002 Election Judges.
- Accepted a \$450 donation from the Ramsey County Agricultural Society
- Awarded the bid for the Markham Pont Outlet Improvements, Project 02-02 to Ro-So Contracting in the amount of \$62,590.
- Required Mogren Development to install a sidewalk along Gervais Avenue as part of the Carefree Villas PUD.
- Authorized staff to include a \$2000 payment to the Maplewood Historical Society.
- Approved the design review for the Keller Golf Course, 2166 Maplewood Drive.
- Awarded a construction contract to Barbarossa and Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$1,332,373.15, and approved a change order in the amount of a reduction of \$260,133.20 for Beaver Lake Town Homes Sanitary Sewer and Bike Path, City Project 01-99.
- Approved six informational cable telecasts per year from the Parks Commission.
- Approved the cable telecasting of the Community Design Review Board Meetings.
- Accepted a \$30,000 grant for the Safe and Sober Program with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety.

For more highlights of the council meeting log on to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us

Join the Maplewood 4x4 Unit

Do you own a four-wheel drive vehicle and like to go four-wheeling in the snow? If so, we need people like you to join our 4X4 Unit.

Attend the meeting on **Saturday, October 26 at 9:00 am** in the Emergency Management EOC at 1902 East County Road B. Registration, coffee, and donuts will be from 8:30 - 9:00 am. Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling 651.770.4500 between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm or call 651.770.4547 to leave a message.

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October 10 & 24 at 4:45pm

Community Design Review Board

October 8 & 22 at 6:00pm

Housing & Redevelopment Authority

October 8 at 7:00pm

Human Relations Commission

October 1 at 7:00pm

Parks & Recreation Commission

October 21 at 7:00pm

Planning Commission

October 7 & 21 at 7:00pm

Mayor's Forum

October 5 from 10:00am - noon

Historical Preservation Commission

October 17 at 7:00pm

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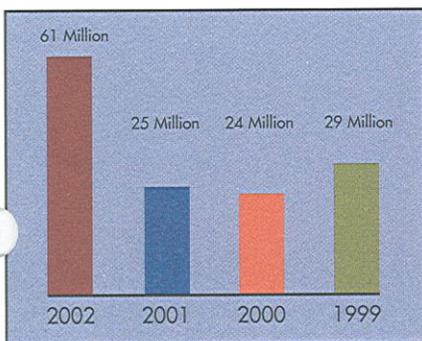
News from the City Manager on the Economy, Wards, and a new Police Chief

Maplewood's Commercial Economy Is On The Rise

The dip in the economy has not impacted commercial building in Maplewood. In fact, the valuation of

commercial building in 2002 is more than 100% higher than 2001, 2000, or 1999. The valuation of commercial building permits through September is \$61 million compared to \$25 million in 2001. Look for more buildings west of the mall next year as Hartford Development begins building on the undeveloped area. The new plan will need several approvals over the winter before any construction can begin next summer.

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Where To Vote On November 5

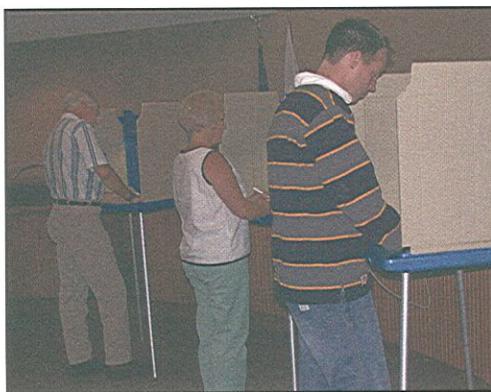
2002 is an important year to vote! Many public officials will be chosen on November 5th to represent the State and the City of Maplewood.

Federal

One United States Senator
United States Representative –
Maplewood District 4

State

Governor and Lieutenant Governor
Secretary of State
Attorney General
State Auditor
State Senator – Maplewood District 55
State Representative –
Maplewood Districts 55A and 55B
One Supreme Court Justice, and many



November 2002

TO THE CITIZENS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 622:

The school district is conducting a levy referendum on the November 5, 2002 general election ballot.

As mayor and city council members of Maplewood, we would like to emphasize the need for strong high quality schools in our communities overall.

Healthy and well funded schools provide the critical education infrastructure for our communities that in the long run protect and enhance property values in our cities. As mayor and council members, we respectfully ask that you research the facts regarding the referendum and subsequently make a wise, knowledgeable, and educated decision on November 5, 2002.

—Mayor & Council Members

POLLING LOCATIONS

- Precinct 1** Maplewood Fire Station #3 (Parkside) 2001 McMenemy Rd.
- Precinct 2** St. Jeromes School 380 E. Roselawn Ave.
- Precinct 3** Edgerton School 1929 Edgerton St.
- Precinct 4** Maplewood Fire Station #2 (Gladstone) 1955 Clarence St.
- Precinct 5** Gladstone Community Ctr. Frost Ave. at Manton St.
- Precinct 6** Maplewood Fire Station #7 (Hazelwood) 1530 Cty. Rd. C
- Precinct 7** First Evangelical Free Church

- Precinct 10** Ramsey County Home 2000 White Bear Ave.
- Precinct 11** Maplewood Middle School 2410 Holloway Ave.
- Precinct 12** Beaver Lake School 1060 Sterling St. N.
- Precinct 13** Maplewood Fire Station #1 (E. Co. Line) 1177 N. Century
- Precinct 14** Carver School 2680 Upper Afton Rd.
- Precinct 15** Maplewood Fire Station #4 (E. Co. Line 2) 2501 Londin Ln.
- Precinct 16** Maplewood Fire Station #4

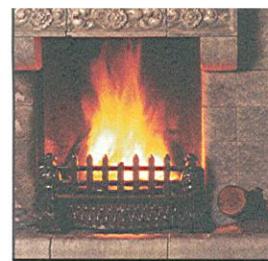
recognized as legitimate means of winning electoral offices, and by this, we mean promises which the candidate has no intention of fulfilling in the event that she/he obtains the desired post. A successful candidate can always allege after she/he has taken possession of the office that unforeseen happenings and changed circumstances have rendered the fulfillment of their promises impossible. A promise does not bind if some unexpected event renders its fulfillment very difficult. The obligation of a promise ceases if there occurs or becomes known a notable change of circumstances of such a nature that one would not be considered to have intended to oblige themselves in this event. Such being the case, it is very difficult in a concrete instance to accuse an officeholder of falsehood when she/he fails to live up to their campaign pledges. The candidate who makes a pre-election promise is obliged to take into consideration all the contingencies that can reasonably be anticipated, even if they are only slightly probable, and make the promise only when she/he has the assurance that none of these will prevent she/he from carrying it out. The candidate who, while making an unqualified promise, realizes that there is some probability that circumstances will arise which will make its fulfillment impossible is guilty of untruthfulness. In view of the uncertainty of the future and the innumerable circumstances that are likely to arise, it is difficult to see how a candidate can make many unqualified promises in the course of their campaign. The sweeping assurances that jobs will be provided for all, that taxes will be considerably reduced, that dishonest officials will be ejected, that the city will be rid of criminals, etc., depend on so many uncertain factors and require the collaboration of so many human beings that, even with the best of intentions, one cannot make them absolutely. Unfortunately, many voters repose the most confidence

most. If they were better judges of human nature they would recognize that the woman/man who gives an unhesitating assurance that these reforms will be affected is less to be trusted than the woman/man who merely promises that they will do the best they can toward attaining this objective. In the course of a campaign it is not unusual for a candidate to question the ability or integrity of their opponent. The common good demands that no incompetent or unworthy person be admitted to a post of public trust and responsibility. This position may put them in over their head. It is lawful at times to reveal the secret faults of an aspirant to office, when they would render she/he unfit for the office in question. The editors of newspapers can disclose the faults of candidates who are seeking public offices, if this knowledge contributes to the common good. With the same qualification, the rival candidate could lawfully make such a disclosure. It must be remembered that the revelation of some secret fault of the past which no longer affects a person's character is not allowed, even in the heat of a political campaign. There must be strict adherence to objective facts. This rule is often transgressed by political office seekers. Some do not hesitate to utter the most damaging falsehoods about their rivals. The harm that can be inflicted on a political aspirant by that deplorable feature of American life known as a "whispering campaign" continues. Those who are inclined to resort to such a procedure should realize that whether they are detraction or calamity, they are guilty of a grave injustice against their victim, both by robbing her/him of their good name and by depriving her/him unlawfully of their chance of election.



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season approaches, it's time to turn your attention to equipment maintenance. All furnace

boilers, water heaters, fireplaces and heat recovery ventilators, require a certain amount of preventative maintenance. Check with an approved contractor for all your annual inspections and service. People fall victim to carbon monoxide poisoning and fires caused by heating equipment failure. Many accidents could be prevented if precautions are taken. It is a good idea to install an approved carbon monoxide detector and check the batteries in your smoke detectors. For more information, call Nick Carver, the Assistant Building Official at 651.770.4560.

Maplewood Historical Society

GREAT GIFT IDEA: The Maplewood Historical Society has Dining Cards for sale. The cost is \$17.00 per set. Many cards can be used once each month through October 2003. They are ideal gifts for Christmas and many other occasions! Call Carolyn Peterson at 651.748.9009.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society:

Where in Maplewood did the first settlers build their homes?

Send your entry to: Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109. Answers must be received by November 8. MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible. Answer will appear in the December issue of the *Maplewood City News*.

Answer to September's question: There was once a decorative arch associated with a business on White Bear Ave. What was the name of the original business?

*Answer: Kroger Grocery Store
Winner: Marynetta Hartung*

News from the City Manager...from page 1

Response To The Ward System

I received 16 responses so far from citizens expressing their thoughts on Maplewood developing a ward system form of representation. Nine commented on why Maplewood should stay as it is, while seven indicated wards would be their choice. The following two samples are fairly representative of the ideas expressed: in favor of wards a resident writes, "The City is so spread out and the southern area of the City of Maplewood seems to be forgotten sometimes. Also, the area around the Mall get most of the attention." A typical response from a person against the wards reads, "I don't think that would be a good idea because everyone would be divided—you would be doing nothing but arguing back and forth between the Wards."

I will present the information to the council at the October 28 City

Council meeting for more direction. Thank you to all those who contacted us. More information will be shared as this develops.

Who Will Be The New Maplewood Chief Of Police?

Acting Police Chief, David Thomalla, was the only internal applicant for the Police Chief position left vacant when Don Winger retired at the end of August. David was Deputy Police Chief before he took over as Acting Chief. A panel appointed by the Police Civil Service Commission interviewed Acting Chief Thomalla on October 17. My decision on the appointment of a new Police Chief will be based on what is best for the department and the community. Fortunately, Maplewood has a long history of exceptional police relations and management development. I have confidence that our ranks produce the best in their field.



The Maplewood Police Dept. Vehicle Auction

Maplewood is teaming up with several cities to hold auctions on a random basis. Call 651.770.8000 for more information or to be placed on a mailing list.

Capital Improvement Projects

Sherwood Glen Neighborhood

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The City has planned ten projects for the Sherwood Glen neighborhood over the next five years:

- Carpet and phone system replacement at City Hall
- MCC locker, exercise equipment, and furniture replacement
- Hazelwood Street, Frost Avenue to Cope Avenue Project
- Public Works building addition



In 2003, the carpet will be replaced at City Hall and the Community Center lockers will be replaced with a product that resists rust and corrosion. In 2004, one-third of the exercise equipment at the Community Center is scheduled to be replaced. In 2005, the furniture at the Community Center is scheduled to be replaced. For more information on these projects, contact the Parks and Recreation Director at 651.770.4573.

In addition to the Public Works Building will be constructed to provide garage space for additional vehicles and equipment that have been acquired since the building was completed in 1978. The Gladstone North Street Project will provide new pavement in 2005 on ten streets. The salt storage building will be constructed in 2005 to comply with an anticipated legal requirement to protect the environment. A new phone system at City Hall will be installed in 2003 to replace a system that requires frequent repairs and is not reliable. In 2007, a pedestrian bridge at Highway 36 and Hazelwood is scheduled for construction. For more information on these projects, contact Chuck Ahl, the Public Works Director at 651.770.4552.

Information on projects in other neighborhoods is in the 2003-2007 CIP

In September 2002, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- Adopted a resolution amending Precinct Boundaries as a result of the 2002 State of Minnesota redistricting process.
- Adopted a fee of \$43 for fire inspections of day care and foster care facilities.
- Approved a permit for the annual "Fright Farm" Halloween event at the Ramsey County Extension Services Barn on October 10-12, 17-19, 24-26, and the 31st.
- Approved a cigarette and tobacco license for First M & M Tobacco, located at 1700 Rice Street.
- Approved a 3.2 malt liquor license for Nico Kotsopoulos to be used at Mama Mia's located at 3094 White Bear Avenue.
- Approved the moving of a one-story house and a detached garage for Shelley Schlomka to the property at 1501 Henry Lane.
- Approved the moving of a one-story rambler style house for Bart Crockett to the lot South of 1754 Sylvan Street.
- Approved an off-sale liquor license application for Sidney Applebaum for Sid's Discount Liquors.
- Took no action on *All Parks Alliance for Change* request for a manufactured home park-closing ordinance.
- Adopted a resolution that approved the project plans, as prepared by Ramsey County Public Works, for the replacement of the Arcade Street Bridge (Spoon Lake), City Project 00-09.
- Adopted a resolution that requested a speed study for McKnight Road between Larpenteur Avenue and Maryland Avenue.
- Adopted a Resolution of Proclamation for Crime Prevention Month in October.
- Approved a conditional use permit for the storage of one commercial vehicle on the residential property at 2194 Van Dyke Street, and to review the conditional use permit again in one year.
- Approved staff recommendation for revisions to the neighborhood traffic control as part of the Gladstone South Neighborhood Street Improvements, Project 00-03.

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CITY NEWS 

2003 Tax Levy

December 2002

A public hearing will be held on the 2003 Proposed Budget at 7:00 pm on Monday, December 2.



The proposed budget prepared under the direction of Richard Fursman, City Manager, totals \$38.7 million which is 14.7% higher than 2002. The

proposed budget includes a tax levy of \$11.4 million for 2003 that is 10.4% higher than 2002. The major reasons for the tax levy increase are higher principal and interest payments on bond issues caused in part by the Dispatching Equipment Certificates

that were issued last year, a decrease in tax increment monies, and higher capital improvement expenditures. During budget meetings with the City Council, the proposed tax levy was increased by \$181,659 to finance the firefighters pension plan and by \$317,271 to provide a reserve for a reduction of state aid by the Legislature. The budget consists of three sections: Operating Budget, Debt Service Budget, and Capital Improvements Budget.

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- Great holiday gift ideas
- Pet licensing application
- Find out what's popping up around Maplewood
- News from the City Manager
- Maplewood has a new chief of police

Forecast Warns Of An Above-average Snowfall



Winter is on its way! This means it's time to start thinking about winter safety.

Good Winter Driving Techniques

Snowplow drivers will soon be out in full force clearing snow and ice—making our roads safe for motorists. Remember to practice these good

- Slow down. Never use cruise control on wet or icy roads.
- Stay alert. A snowplow weighs 17 times more than your car.
- Never drive into a snow cloud.
- Be patient. Follow a safe distance (8 seconds) behind the plow.

To minimize the possibility of breakdown, winterize your vehicle following the suggested maintenance schedule included in the owner's manual.

Do not leave without a WINTER STORM SURVIVAL KIT:

- blankets/sleeping bags
- high-calorie, non-perishable food
- flashlight and extra batteries
- first aid kit
- knife

- large empty can and plastic cover with tissues and paper towels for sanitary purposes
- smaller can and water proof matches to melt snow for drinking water
- sack of sand (or cat litter)
- tool kit and tow rope
- booster cables
- compass and road maps

Snow Removal Around Mailboxes and Fire Hydrants

Inspect your mailbox to make sure it can withstand snow rolling off the snowplow. It is also to your

Good Citizens

We all like to live in communities of good citizens, and we have thought of good citizens as those who respect our rights. The same rule applies to them. It has been said that the way to have a friend is to be one: this means that the best way to have our rights respected is to respect the rights and promote the welfare of those about us. The good citizen is one who practices the golden rule. Anyone who studies these lessons must realize that the good citizen cannot allow themselves habits of carelessness. Such habits make it dangerous to others as well as to ourselves.

Three Points To Consider

First, a good citizen will try in every way to avoid being a cause of danger through permitting any of the practices that we have been warned about. Second, they will remove all dangerous conditions that they may find in their own home; and third, they will train themselves to recognize dangerous conditions in the community and

will use their influence both to have them removed, and to educate others to habits of carefulness. From educating every family and every member of every family to recognize causes of danger will help in the practice and forming of habits of carefulness in our community and city.

Birdhouse Exhibit

We will be looking for a birdhouse exhibit in the future. A unique exhibit of birdhouses could show at city hall that may appear as unique both in the style and variety of structures. Prizes may be awarded according to the adaptability of the houses to the birds for which they were built and their originality of design. The public will also be able to weigh in and we will be looking forward to all kinds of interesting birdhouses.

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You're Invited! to a Holiday Open House at the Bruentrup Heritage Farm, 2170 County Road D. East, on Sunday, December 8 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm. Refreshments will be served.

We Need Your Help. The Historical Society is looking for a picture of the Minnehaha Drive-In Theater. If you have one or know of one we could borrow, please call Pete Boulay at 651.490.3251.

If you can answer this question, you may win a FREE one-day pass to the Maplewood Community Center or a one-year membership to the Maplewood Area Historical Society: **Which Maplewood Mayor served the shortest term?**

Send your entry to: Char Wasiluk, 1740 Frank St., Maplewood 55109. Answers must be received by December 7. MAHS members and their immediate families are not eligible. Answer will appear in the February issue of the *Maplewood City News*.

Answer to October's question: What was the name of the first hotel in Maplewood?

Answer: Kohlman Hotel

Winner: Jeanie Lundahl

Holiday Gift Ideas



DINING CARDS

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MASSAGE

Treat that special someone to a relaxing massage at the Maplewood Community Center. Gift certificates available. Call 651.779.3561 to make an appointment.

MCC HOLIDAY GIFT BAGS

Share the spirit of the season with a friend or loved one by giving them a MCC holiday gift bag. These convenient bags are packed with wonderful products and certificates that are perfect for the one on your list. Stop by the MCC and pick one up today! 2100 White Bear Avenue. 651.779.3555



FIRE FACT.

Did you know that the Maplewood Fire Department has more than 19 Fire Trucks?

Join The Team!
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Parking Ordinances



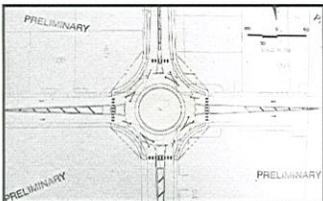
After A Snowfall

Parking your vehicle on any street or road in the city for more than 30 minutes during the time between a snowfall and the plowing or removal of snow is prohibited.

Overnight Parking

Parking your vehicle on a street or road in the city between 2:00 am and 6:00 am is prohibited. **This ordinance is in effect 365 days a year.**

If you have a special circumstance whereby you need to temporarily park on a street overnight, please call **651.777.8191** and ask to speak to a supervisor. Permission may be granted to park on the street overnight for up to 14 days.



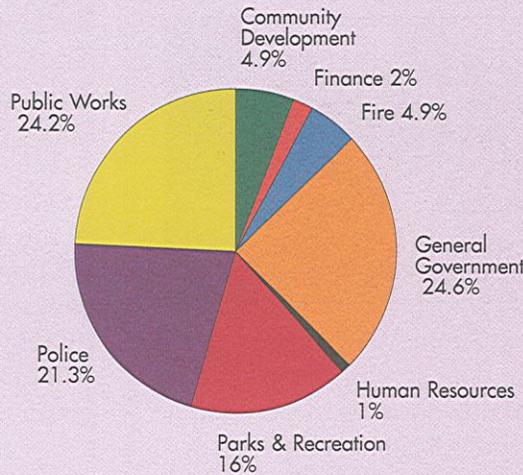
Roundabout Update

A landscape plan is being finalized and the roundabout landscaping will be planted next spring. For more information about roundabouts, visit

2003 Tax Levy...from page 1

Operating Budget

The Operations portion of the budget covers basic City services such as police, fire fighting, street maintenance, recreation programs, park maintenance, planning, building inspections, recycling, and utility maintenance. The proposed budget for operations is 6.3% more than in 2002. Expenditures by department are as follows:



The total number of full-time employees included in the budget is 169, which is two more than in the 2002 Budget. The new positions include a Police Officer, an Engineer, and an Engineering Technician. The Public Works Coordinator position has been eliminated through attrition.

Debt Service Budget

The Debt Service portion of the budget covers the payment of principal and interest on the City's bonded indebtedness. The breakdown of these expenditures is shown in the following chart:



Expenditures for 2003 are 6.4% more

indebtedness will be \$32.3 million, which is 4.2% more than projected at the end of 2002.

Capital Improvements Budget

The Capital Improvements portion of the budget covers the acquisition and construction of major facilities.

The projects in this portion of the budget are from the first year of the 2003-2007 Capital Improvement Plan which was adopted by the Council earlier this year.

Projects in the 2003 Capital Improvements Budget are as follows:

Project Title	Cost
CIP Fund	
SCBA compressors	\$55,000
Fire station security system	\$65,000
Carpet replacement at City Hall	\$70,000
Citywide sidewalk improvements	\$50,000
Citywide storm sewer improvements	\$50,000

Park Development Fund

Afton Heights Park Improvements	\$55,000
South Beaver Lake trail corridor	\$100,000
Joy Park trail	\$100,000

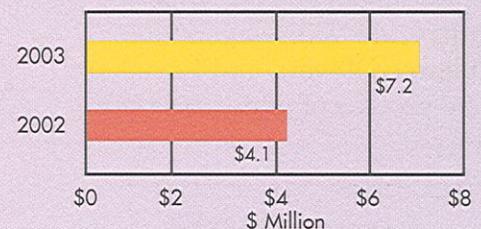
Public Improvement Projects Fund

Hazelwood, Cty. Rd. C to St. John's Blvd.	\$1,500,000
Hazelwood/Cty. Rd. C area streets	\$100,000
Kennard area streets	\$1,980,000
Cty. Rd. D, Hwy. 61 to Hazelwood	\$500,000
Maplewood Dr., Cty. Rd. C to Keller Pkwy.	\$500,000
Carlton St., Minnehaha to Conway	\$100,000
Kennard St., Beam to Cty. Rd. D	\$100,000
White Bear Ave., Woodlyn to Buerkle	\$200,000
Larpenteur-Parkway lift station abandonment	\$1,000,000

Public Works Building Addition Project Fund

Public Works Building Addition	\$200,000
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TOTAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT EXPENDITURES FOR 2003 COMPARED TO THE 2002 BUDGET ARE:



For more information, contact the Finance Director at 651.770.4513 or visit www.ci.maplewood.mn.us. A copy of the

Ward System

At the October 28, Maplewood Council Meeting, the City Council debated the issue of adopting a ward system. The Council ultimately decided to drop any further development of the idea from the Council bench. City Hall received 20 responses from the public weighing in on the concept. The response, which was split 50/50 for and against, represents less than .05% of the voting public. The Council considered having a public forum but decided the public had already responded.

Proponents of the ward system think it would give more balanced representation to the City based on demographics. Opponents fear the loss of freedom of choice for the

City would be divided. The voting public could bring the issue back to the Council in the form of a certified petition containing signatures of at least 10% of the number of votes cast at the November, election.

Linking Up The Sidewalk



The City Public Works crew recently completed a new section of sidewalk along White Bear Avenue under the Hwy 36 Bridge. The project

that forced pedestrians to use the busy highway. The project represents a new focus in the Public Works Department from being strictly maintenance to also include construction. Our thanks and congratulations to all those involved.

Maplewood's Finance Department Receives High Marks

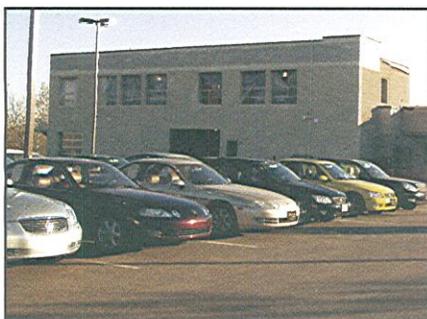
The City learned that it will receive the Government Finance Officers Association Certificate of Achievement for excellence in financial reporting. The Certificate is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and reporting. This honor speaks to the quality of work produced by Finance Director Dan Faust and those in the finance department.

Maplewood On The Grow

As you travel along Maplewood's streets and highways you may have noticed lots of new building construction. 2002 has been a very busy building year, keeping the city's Community Development and Building Inspection staff engaged in activity.

Take a look at all the wonderful new changes that are happening in various areas of your community:

- The Tillges Medical Office Building is under construction at the S.E. corner of Beam Avenue and Hazelwood Street south of the two existing buildings.
- The automobile dealerships of Countryside Volkswagen/Saab, Maplewood Toyota and Lexus are in the process of adding to their facilities.



- A new Hillcrest Animal Hospital was built to replace the previous clinic at the S.W. corner of Highway 61 and County Road D.
- The 60-unit Birch Glen Apartments at the S.E. corner of Ariel Street and County Road D are now open.
- Goff Homes is building the 72-unit Pine View Estates townhomes on the north side of County Road D, east of Hazelwood Street.
- The Towns of New Century townhomes are under construction near Century and Highwood Avenues south. The first phase had 30 units and the second addition will have 24 units.
- 3M Company is constructing a new building on their campus near the N.E. corner of Conway Avenue and McKnight Road.
- The St. Paul Water Utility is continuing with their expansion within their campus on Roselawn Avenue at the McCarrons Water Treatment Plant.
- Comfort Bus school and charter bus company is moving their bus terminal to Rice Street, south

of Roselawn Avenue.

- Centex Homes is building the 100-unit Carriage Homes of Maple Hills. This development is on the former Maple Hills Golf Course property on Parkway Drive.



- The Washington County Bank is under construction on White Bear Avenue across from Rainbow Food
- The Ponds of Battle Creek Golf Course is under construction at the S.W. corner of Lower Afton Road and Century Avenue.
- Hill Murray High School is building a new chapel.

In addition to these construction projects, there are also several interior remodeling projects and single dwelling homes under construction in Maplewood.



Various City Maps Are Available At This Site!

- Zoning
- Land Use
- Wetlands
- Plat
- Snow Plow Routes

These maps are available in PDF format for viewing and printing.

CHECK IT OUT!

The New Chief Of Police...

He Comes Highly Recommended



Dave Thomalla has been selected as the new chief of police for Maplewood. The Police Civil Service Commission certified Mr. Thomalla to the City

Manager after the oral examination and written test results were accepted. Civil Service Commission member, Clayton Robinson, was part of the interview panel and informed the Commission that he was very pleased with the process. Robinson and the other panel members, Dan Faust, City Finance Director and the City of Blaine Police Chief, were impressed with Thomalla's responses and highly recommended him.

Education And Training

Chief Thomalla holds a Master's Degree from the University of St. Thomas in Public Safety Education and Administration. He has an undergraduate degree in Public Administration, has completed the FBI Academy and FBI Executive Development Training and graduated from the Chief Law Enforcement Officer and Command Academy.

Chief Thomalla Has 21 Years Of Experience

Dave Thomalla has been acting chief since the retirement of Chief Don Winger in August. Thomalla has 21 years of experience in law enforcement including 19 with the Maplewood Department as police officer, sergeant, lieutenant, captain and deputy chief. This is only our fourth police chief since the City was incorporated in 1957. Chief Schaller served for over 25 years. Chief Collins then served for 14 years after being promoted from within, and Chief Winger served for just under four years.

Licensing Your Dog or Cat

2003 - 2004 Pet License Application*

Check One:

- \$18 Male \$15.00 Neutered Male
 \$18 Female \$15.00 Spayed Female

(Seniors 62 or older receive discounts, please call for more information)

I, _____, residing at _____
_____, Maplewood, MN _____

Telephone (H) _____ (W) _____

hereby apply for a permit to keep the below-described cat/dog and do agree to comply with the rules and regulations duly adopted by the lawful governing body of the City of Maplewood and the provisions of Municipal Code 1101, and subsequent amendments and any other applicable state and local laws.

Cat Dog Rabies Shot Date _____ Next Due _____

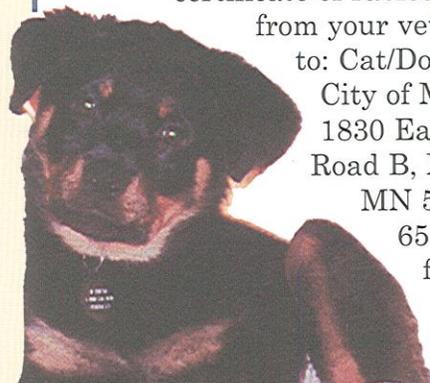
Breed _____ Pet's Name _____

Age _____ Color _____

Date _____ Owners Signature _____

Maplewood ordinance requires licensing of all cats and dogs over three months of age. If you have not already licensed your pet and it is not convenient for you to come to City Hall, you may obtain the license by mail. Complete this form and mail it along with the appropriate payment and the original signed certificate of rabies vaccination from your veterinarian,

to: Cat/Dog License,
City of Maplewood,
1830 East County
Road B, Maplewood,
MN 55109. Call
651.770.4521
for more
information.



In October 2002, the Maplewood City Council conducted two regular meetings. Below are the highlights of those meetings:

- Approved a new stipend of \$100 per shift to be paid to the paid-per-call firefighters who fill in for daytime coverage.
- Extended the Conditional Use Permit approval for the 5-8 Club, 2289 Minnehaha Avenue, for another year.
- Extended the Conditional Use Permit approval for the Salvation Army to expand an adult day care facility, 2080 Woodlynn Avenue East, for another year.
- Extended the Conditional Use Permit approval for Ramsey County Family Service Center 2001 Van Dyke Street, for another year.
- Extended the Conditional Use Permit approval for Countryside Volkswagen/Saab, 1180 Highway 36 East, for another year.
- Authorized funding up to \$40,000 from the data processing fund for the purpose of hiring a telecommunications consultant for the city.
- Adopted a resolution approving the conditions of right-of-way agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation. Approved a project budget of \$15,000 and that the Finance Director be authorized to make the necessary transfers from the Contingency Fund to establish the budget for the White Bear Avenue Sidewalk at T.H. 36, Project 02-19
- Adopted a resolution requesting a 4-way stop sign installation at County Road B and Hazelwood Street.
- Approved a one-year extension to Sinclair Oil Corporation's conditional use permit for the operation of a motor fuel station and the reconstruction of a fuel canopy at 2158 Rice Street.
- Approved the 2003 SCORE application grant for funding in the amount of \$68,446 to repay the city for a portion of recycling costs.
- Approved the Stock Roofing proposal of \$31,825.00 to replace the roof at the Maplewood Nature Center.
- Approved the Cigarette and Tobacco Licenses for Sidney Applebaum-Sid's Liquor at 2515 White Bear Avenue.
- Adopted a resolution approving a conditional use permit revision to allow an outdoor storage yard south of Frost Avenue, east of Edward Street.
- Approved a conditional use permit and the design plans for a new Jiffy Lube Auto Service facility along the ring road northeast of Maplewood Mall.

For more current highlights of the council meeting log on to www.ci.maplewood.mn.us

To submit newsworthy information, contact Heidi Hersom.
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Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm

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City Meetings:

Council/Manager Workshops & City Council Meetings

Workshop at 6:00pm

Council meeting at 7:00pm

December 9 & 23

Pre-Agenda Meetings

December 5 & 19 at 4:45pm

Community Design Review Board

December 10 & TBA at 6:00pm

Housing & Redevelopment Authority

December 10 at 7:00pm

Human Relations Commission

December 3 at 7:00pm

Parks & Recreation Commission

December 16 at 7:00pm

Planning Commission

December 2 & 16 at 7:00pm

Mayor's Forum

December 7 from 10:00am - noon

Historical Preservation Commission

December 19 at 7:00pm

If you have basic cable service, current City information and programs can be viewed on Channel 16.

The December 9 & 23 City Council meetings will be rebroadcast at 8:00pm on the Thursday following the meeting. All meetings are held at City Hall, 1830 County Road B East, Maplewood.

Cancellations will be posted online at www.ci.maplewood.mn.us

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