

CITY'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

MAPLEWOOD LIVING

October 2025

Election Day November 4

Maplewood Area Elections

North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale
Schools

- Operating and Capital Projects Levy
- isd622.org/about/levy-2025

Roseville Area Schools

- School Board Member Election
- Safety & Technology Levy
- isd623.org/levy2025

Senate District 47
(Special Election)

For more information, visit the MN
Secretary of State

sos.mn.gov/election

Hundreds More Now Call Maplewood Home

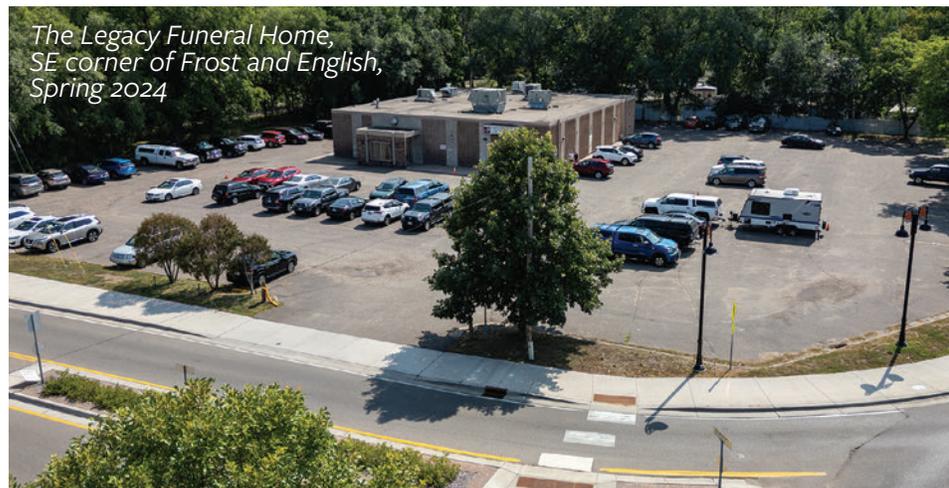
More than eight years in the making, a unique apartment complex opens in Maplewood. The Juniper, at Frost and English, offers multi-family, multi-generational living for all income levels.

Projects with purpose, that's what Juniper's developer JB Vang strives for. Many government, nonprofit, and private sector partners collaborated to turn this vision into a reality.

Juniper is one of several housing developments opening in Maplewood, boosting the city's population by hundreds.

They include the Oberon Apartments farther west on Frost Avenue. It features 150 market rate units. The American Cooperative overlooking Lake Phalen recently opened, providing a way for seniors to build home equity while downsizing.

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*The Legacy Funeral Home,
SE corner of Frost and English,
Spring 2024*



*Juniper Apartments,
September 2025*

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Visit with the Mayor & Council

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

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

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

Elected Officials

Marylee Abrams: Mayor (612) 322-1620
marylee.abrams@maplewoodmn.gov

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rebecca.cave@maplewoodmn.gov

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kathleen.juenemann@maplewoodmn.gov

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chonburi.lee@maplewoodmn.gov

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nikki.villavicencio@maplewoodmn.gov

City Manager

Michael Sable, City Manager (651) 249-2055
michael.sable@maplewoodmn.gov

Frequently Called Numbers

City Hall	(651) 249-2000
Business Licenses	(651) 249-2005
City Clerk/Elections	(651) 249-2002
Community Development	(651) 249-2300
<i>Includes: Building Permits, Code Enforcement, Housing, Health</i>	
Fire	(651) 249-2800
Maplewood YMCA Community Center	(651) 747-0922
Parks and Natural Resources	(651) 249-2111
Police Non-Emergency	(651) 767-0640
Public Works	(651) 249-2400

To advertise in this newsletter please contact:
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joe.sheeran@maplewoodmn.gov



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Schedule an appointment today.

The former Maplewood Marine on Frost Ave, September 2024, has been replaced by the recently completed Oberon Apartments



[New Housing continued from page 1]

A new neighborhood on the former Ponds at Battle Creek golf course is also in early development. The concept plan includes more than 200 homesites and a new park.

The layout incorporates existing natural features, with a focus on preserving:

- Wetlands
- Natural areas
- Vegetated buffering

The City Council is expected to formally review the project at the end of 2025. Learn more at maplewoodmn.gov/ponds.



Weigh in on Maplewood’s 2026 budget

Monday, December 8
City Council Chambers
7 p.m.

The owner of a median value home will see a \$139 increase or \$11.58/month on their 2026 taxes. This will help ensure we’re investing in prioritizes that will help drive community prosperity, such as:

- Expanding community development opportunities
- Building lifecycle housing
- Adding Police and Fire positions
- Expanding community safety initiatives and data-driven responses
- Maintaining roads

Transparency has been a priority throughout the 2026 budget process, we’ve invited taxpayers to learn more and weigh in through:

- City Hall workshops
- Community events
- Maplewood’s website
- A community survey

For more on Maplewood’s budget, scan the QR code above or visit maplewoodmn.gov/budget.

Market Value for Pay 2025	Market Value for Pay 2026	City Tax \$ Amount 2025	City Tax \$ Amount 2026	\$ Increase (Decrease)
180,000	188,289	870	951	81
236,550	247,061	1,144	1,248	104
324,900	338,500	1,571	1,710	139
406,500	423,177	1966	2138	172



Before



After

Home Repair Help on the Way

The City will partner with a local nonprofit later this winter to offer middle-income homeowners low-interest loans for essential home repairs. They include projects that address health and safety needs such as:

- Accessibility upgrades
- New roofs
- Siding and windows
- Driveways and structural retaining walls
- Existing fences
- Energy efficiencies

Loans do not apply to recreational or luxury improvements.

This is part of Maplewood’s ongoing effort to ensure safe housing for all.

The maximum loan will be \$40,000 with a \$5,000 minimum.

Maplewood’s Economic Development Authority and a Minnesota Housing grant will provide start up funding, with loan repayments helping sustain the program long-term.

Community Partner Spotlight:

Craig Brannon’s Legacy: A Healthier, Greener Maplewood



For three decades, Craig Brannon was a driving force on the Parks & Recreation Commission, helping shape the modern park system we enjoy today.

From supporting youth programs to championing trail expansions and conservation efforts, Craig’s vision has ensured Maplewood’s green spaces remain welcoming, vibrant, and sustainable.

Here are some of the initiatives he helped guide:

- Developing Sunset Ridge Park
- Creating the current Parks System Master Plan
- Preserving natural habitats
- Expanding greenways
- Establishing spaces that foster health, connection, and joy

At its late August meeting, City Council formally recognized Craig Brannon’s extraordinary contributions as he steps down from the Parks and Recreation Commission, having served since 1995.

Maplewood Living’s Community Partner Spotlight highlights non-profits, small business, educators or other organizations contributing to the wellbeing of our community. Nominate an entity you think we should spotlight by emailing Joe.Sheeran@maplewoodMN.gov



AWARD-WINNING SENIOR LIVING IN MAPLEWOOD

CALL TO SCHEDULE A TOUR & ASK ABOUT OUR MOVE-IN SPECIALS!

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Lakeview Commons

Assisted Living | Memory Care

ecumenlakeviewcommons.org | 651-770-1111

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Seasons at Maplewood

Independent Living+ Assisted Living | Memory Care

ecumenseasonsmaplewood.org | 651-756-1859



Free Buckthorn curbside pickup

Monday, October 27

Must register by Tuesday, October 21, 5 p.m.

- Maplewoodmn.gov/Buckthorn
- Or contact: katelyn.bergstrom@maplewoodmn.gov (651) 249-2416

If you do not have enough to fill a pickup truck, recruit your neighbors and we will include your block.

- We'll send stacking instructions and other info
- No late pick ups; only buckthorn will be picked up

Ramsey County waste sites that accept brush will take buckthorn without roots:

Visit: RamseyRecycles.com/yard-waste

Spotting Buckthorn:

- Unlike native shrubs, buckthorn retains green leaves late into the fall, long after other leaves have turned color or fallen.
- Fall is the best time for removal.

Plant new seed to prevent buckthorn's return

One of the best ways to help prevent buckthorn's return is spreading seed the following winter or early spring.



Two companies offer seed mixes for Maplewood residents.

MNL - MNLcorp.com

- Click "Online Shop" in the top right corner
- Then Signature Seed Mixes
- Use code: maplewood20 for 20% off

Prairie Moon - email: Quotes@Prairiemoon.com

- For shaded area seedings, ask for Maplewood Shady Buckthorn Mix (33094)
- For sunny seedings, request Maplewood Sunny Buckthorn Mix (33110)
- Include: Your name, billing/shipping address, phone number and seeding area size in sq ft or acres

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off

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Promotion available at all Bachman's locations
2600 White Bear Ave, Maplewood (651) 770-0531



Congratulations Steven Meisel

His muskrat photo taken at the Nature Center won this summer's Nature Photo Contest. We appreciate everyone who participated. Their photos demonstrate the beauty in our back yards.



Help Doug and His Crew Keep our Streets Clean

Over the next several weeks, crews will be sweeping and preparing roads for fall and winter.

Doug Edge, a 30-year Maplewood Street Maintenance worker, says here's what's needed make the job go smoothly:

- Keep waste and recycling containers out of the street.
- On pick up day, place containers at the end of the driveway or on the boulevard.
- Don't sweep leaves into the street or neighbors' property. (It's a city code violation.)

Fall is a good time to inspect your mailbox for loose or missing hardware and to ensure the post is sturdy.

Parked cars also impact fall and winter maintenance.

- Overnight parking on a City street/road between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. is not allowed, unless you have a permit.
- Vehicles may not remain the same place on any city street/road for more than 24 continuous hours.
- Wait until the street is completely plowed before parking.

Please contact Maplewood Public Works at (651) 249-2420 with any questions or concerns.




GRADES K – 5

4-H Pumpkin Party!

Thursday, October 16

9 a.m. - Noon
Maplewood Nature Center
\$10/person

Join us for a half-day camp to explore the lifecycle of a pumpkin. We will taste what pumpkins have to offer and learn how they are low in calories but high in essential vitamins and minerals

Event also includes: Storytime, Crafts & Snacks

Please dress in layers as we will be adventuring outside.
Register at maplewoodmn.gov/971



FALL CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN

20% off bulky item collection in October

Contact Republic Services (651) 455-8634 to schedule the pickup.

For more visit maplewoodmn.gov/cleanups.

Free mattress collection in October

About 95% of your mattress can be recycled. Don't throw it in the trash!

Collections every Tuesday and Thursday.

Sign up: secondchancerecyclingmn.com

- Click the "Curbside Recycling Program" button.

Thanks, Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy for creating this opportunity with Second Chance Recycling.



RevSports Class Sessions!

LOCATION: Edgerton Gym or Edgerton Park

Cost: \$69/Session

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

See classes and REGISTER: Maplewood.Revsports.org

REVSPORTS CONTACT:

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

Thursday Evening Basketball

TotStars (Ages 2-3)
PreStars (Ages 3-5)
MightyStars (Ages 6-9)

Nov 13, 20, Dec 4, 11 (Skip Nov 27)

Saturday Morning Floor Hockey

PreStars (Ages 3-5)
MiniStars (Ages 5-8)
SkillStars (Ages 7-10)

Nov 15, 22, Dec 6, 13 (Skip Nov 29)



CELEBRATE SPECIAL OLYMPICS DAY AT THE MAPLEWOOD YMCA!

Join us on December 6 for **SPECIAL OLYMPICS DAY** — a free, inclusive event celebrating the achievements of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Enjoy adapted sports, music, dancing, food, friendship, a carnival, and prizes. All are welcome — YMCA members and non-members alike!

MAPLEWOOD YMCA

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

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SATURDAY, OCT. 11 • 10 AM - 4 PM

BIG RED BARN FOLK ART & CRAFTERS FAIR

ART & CRAFT VENDORS • FOOD TRUCKS



Event at the Maplewood Area Historical Society.
Parking at Mariner Middle School.
Easy Free Shuttle To Event!
Questions? Email Events@MaplewoodMuseum.org.



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SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE COMMUNITY EVENTS!

OCTOBER	Big Red Barn Folk Art & Crafters Fair
11	10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Art & Craft vendors and food trucks See page 7 for details

OCTOBER	Cardinal Point of Maplewood Open House
16	1 – 3 p.m. Active senior living community Call to reserve a tour slot (651) 748-9902

OCTOBER	4-H Pumpkin Party!
16	9 a.m. – Noon Grades K – 5 Maplewood Nature Center \$10/person
OCTOBER	Trunk or Treat
25	1 – 4 p.m. City Hall Parking Lot

DECEMBER	2026 Budget Hearing
8	7 p.m. City Council Chambers



DECEMBER	Winter Warm-Up
13	Rice and Larpenteur 1 – 3 p.m. 1698 Rice St, St Paul



DECEMBER	Santa Parade
20	9 a.m. – 1 p.m. We'll post stop information as it becomes available.