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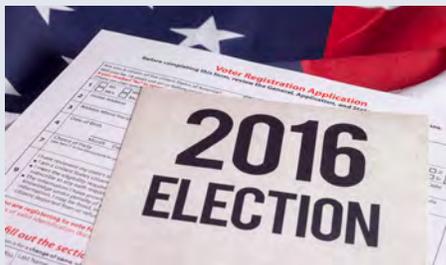
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Visit the front page of the City website www.maplewoodmn.gov to view information about the 2016 Federal Election. And see page 4 of this edition of the Maplewood Living for information on Absentee Voting.

Maplewood Community Business Engagement Breakfast



2015 event photo - (left to right): Dr. Devinder Malhotra, Metropolitan State University, Nora Slawik, Mayor, Melinda Coleman, City Manager, Jonathan Schmelz, VP Schmelz Countryside Volkswagen and Saab

The City of Maplewood's Housing and Economic Development Commission and Maplewood's City Council are pleased to announce our second annual Community Engagement Breakfast on Wednesday, October 12 from 7:30 - 9:00 am at the Maplewood Community Center (2100 White Bear Avenue). This event is free and registration is required.

Join us for breakfast and a discussion regarding demographic trends and changes that will be affecting the future of the local business community and the City. Speakers for the event will include Jonathan Weinhagen, Vice President of the Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce and Peter Frosch, Vice President of Strategic Partnerships at Greater MSP. They will share information regarding trends in population shifts, workforce development, and an increase in demand for high-skilled and service industry jobs. Mayor Nora Slawik will unveil Maplewood's Business Engagement Program which will focus on identifying businesses in the City that are likely to experience growth. These identified businesses will be targeted for follow-up visits. City Manager, Melinda Coleman, will discuss the Maplewood Achievement Awards Program. The award winners will be announced at the State of the City Address on January 12, 2017, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm at the Maplewood Community Center.



Jonathan Weinhagen, VP of Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce



Peter Frosch, VP of Strategic Partnerships at Greater MSP

For more information and to register, visit www.maplewoodmn.gov/econdev. Each registrant is invited to submit a question regarding changing demographics at the time of registration. The deadline to register is October 4.

Elected Officials

Nora Slawik: Mayor(651) 738-7099
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 Marylee Abrams: Councilmember(651) 249-2000
 marylee.abrams@maplewoodmn.gov
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Frequently Called Numbers

City Hall	(651) 249-2000
Maplewood Community Center	(651) 249-2230
Recreation	(651) 249-2120
Public Works	(651) 249-2400
Police Non-Emergency	(651) 767-0640

Visit the City website at www.maplewoodmn.gov for the meeting schedule of the City Council, Commissions and Boards.

To advertise in this newsletter call Heidi Carey at (952) 212-7333 or email heidi@careycommunications.org.



Maplewood Fall Clean Up Campaign - Last 4 Full Weeks in October

In October the City of Maplewood will be offering its annual Fall Clean Up Campaign. During the event, Republic Services, Maplewood's contracted trash hauler, will collect bulky items curbside at up to 50% off the City's trash hauling contracted rate. The event is scheduled for the following days in October (October 3-7, October 10-14, October 17-21, and October 24-28).

All residents that have curbside recycling are eligible to schedule bulky item pick up during the event (including townhomes and manufactured homes that have not opted into the City's trash program). Residents who wish to use the service but are not included in the City-wide trash service (some townhomes and manufactured homes) must pre-pay via credit card. To schedule a bulky item pick up residents must contact Republic Services at (651) 455-8634.



For additional details, visit the City's website at www.maplewoodmn.gov/cleanups.

-See Bulky Item Price List on Page 6



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Maplewood Welcomes George Fairbanks As New Communications Manager

The City of Maplewood has hired George Fairbanks as its new Communications Manager; he began work at the City of Maplewood on August 29th.

George brings two decades of communications, writing, and public relations experience to the City. He has served in communications roles for The Pilot Independent, Lillie Suburban Newspapers, the Elk River Schools, and most recently as Manager of Marketing and Communications for the Inver Grove Heights Schools.

City Manager Melinda Coleman said, "George has established himself in the area of communications and public relations with 20 years of experience in the field. We searched a long time for the right candidate to take on this new position and I believe we have found the right person for the job. We welcome George as the City's new Communications Manager."

George says City Hall was his favorite story to cover while he was an editor at the Lillie Suburban Newspaper. "Maplewood is a wonderful city and has an eclectic mix of residential and retail."

He is enjoying his new position and it's an added bonus that he lives only 10 minutes from work. The first few weeks he has been getting to know his colleagues and learning from their wisdom. George says, "I'm thrilled to join the City of Maplewood and I'm hoping to get out to know the City and its people."

Under George's leadership, Maplewood will develop a communications plan, work on public relations, social media, and other outreach needs for the community.

George has lived in Minnesota his whole life. He grew up in Walker and went to school at Bemidji State. He is married to Heather Fairbanks, a debate coach at St. Paul Academy and owner of the Whimsy Factory, which sells children's dress up clothes and costumes. Together they have a five-year old daughter named Phoebe. She is starting kindergarten this year in Vadnais Heights. They are all big Disney fans and enjoy vacationing there when they get the opportunity.

Although they live in Vadnais Heights, Maplewood is their second home. They enjoy shopping, dinner and heading to Costco.

One of George's favorite things to do is drive across the Upper Peninsula in Michigan with his father and daughter. This year, was the third time they've taken the

trip. "We jump on Highway 2 in Duluth and drive across northern Wisconsin and into the UP. We spend the first night in Silver City, Michigan and then spend the next four nights driving around the UP before finishing with two nights on Mackinac Island" George said.



George Fairbanks,
Communications Manager

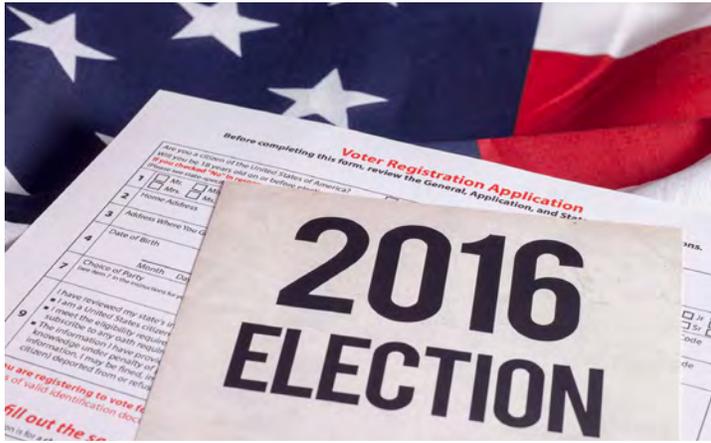
He is involved in numerous community organizations including Wishes and More which enhances the lives of a children fighting terminal or life-threatening conditions by providing wishes, scholarships, memorials and more.

In his spare time, George enjoys watching the Minnesota Twins and St. Paul Saints, going to amusement parks, and reading.

George describes Maplewood in three words: "A Hidden Gem!"

A promotional poster for a music event. The top half shows a black and white photograph of a man in a cap playing a trumpet. Overlaid on the image is a colorful, splatter-style logo that reads "SOUNDS OF THE CITY". Below the image, the event title "E STREET SHUFFLE & DETROIT MUSCLE" is written in large, bold, red letters. Underneath the title, the date and time "SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 • 7:30PM" and the location "AT MAPLEWOOD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER" are listed in red. A paragraph of text in white on a black background reads: "Enjoy the thematic songs of Rock'n'Roll Hall of Fame recipients Bruce Springsteen and Bob Seger presented by two of the most recognized voices in the Twin Cities' music scene, Mark Lickteig and Mick Sterling." At the bottom, a red banner contains the text: "Purchase Tickets Online At www.ashlandproductions.org" and "2100 WHITE BEAR AVE. • MAPLEWOOD, MN 55109 • 651-274-8020". The very bottom of the poster has a black bar with white text: "Sounds of the City is presented by the City of Maplewood & Ashland Productions".

Presidential Election - November 8, 2016



To be eligible to vote in Minnesota you must

- Be at least 18 years of age on Election Day
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Have resided in Minnesota for 20 days immediately preceding Election Day
- Have any felony conviction record discharged, expired or completed
- Not be under court-ordered guardianship where a court has revoked your voting rights
- Not have been ruled legally incompetent by a court of law

Absentee Voting

Any voter may vote early by using an absentee ballot. You may submit your absentee ballot by mail or in person at City Hall. Absentee voting will be available beginning September 23rd.

How to Vote Absentee/Early by Mail

First, you must submit a completed application to receive an absentee ballot. You can submit your application by mail, email, fax, or drop it off at City Hall located at 1830 County Road B East.

Absentee Ballot Applications are Available

1. Online at www.maplewoodmn.gov and click on the elections icon on the front page and then follow the link to complete an absentee ballot application online.

2. You can print off an application and submit the paper absentee ballot application to the City by one of the following methods:

Mail: City of Maplewood/Elections
1830 County Road B East
Maplewood, MN 55109

Email: elections@maplewoodmn.gov

Fax: (651) 249-2957

3. If you do not have online access, the Elections Division you can mail an absentee ballot application, contact us at (651) 249-2008.

When your application has been processed, an absentee ballot packet will be mailed to you via First Class Mail. If you apply before absentee voting begins, your ballot will be mailed to you 46 days before the election. If you apply within the 46 days of the election, your ballot will be mailed to you the same day your application is received.

Once you complete your absentee ballot, you may mail your ballot back or drop it off at City Hall. If you are mailing your ballot back to us, please ensure it is received no later than Tuesday, November 8th. If you are dropping off your ballot, or having someone else drop off your ballot for you, please make sure it is received at City Hall no later than 3:00 pm on Tuesday, November 8th Election Day. **Absentee ballots cannot be dropped off at your precinct location.**

City hall will be open for absentee voting during the following hours. Absentee voting for the Presidential Election will be held in the Council Chambers.

Date(s)	Open	Close
Weekdays, Sept 23 - Nov 30	8:00 am	4:30 pm
Saturday, Nov 5	10:00 am	3:00 pm
Monday, Nov 7	8:00 am	5:00 pm

To Learn More

For more information regarding the election and to find your polling place, visit the Elections page by clicking the "VOTE" icon on the front page at www.maplewoodmn.gov or by calling (651) 249-2000.



Karen Haag, Citizen Services Director

September is Hunger Action Month.

Second Harvest Heartland is working with the **City of Maplewood** proclaiming September as Hunger Action Month! Together we are committed to taking the steps to **combat hunger in our city.**



Please consider donating food at one of the food receptacle locations. Food receptacles will be located at the Maplewood Community Center, Maplewood Nature Center, City Hall, and Public Works.

Fire Extinguisher Safety in the Home:



Steve Lukin, Fire Chief

A portable fire extinguisher can save lives and property by putting out or containing small fires. However, they are not a replacement for a home fire escape plan. Fire grows and spreads rapidly, the number one priority in the event of a fire is to ensure that everyone gets out of the building safely.

Steps to developing a home fire response plan:

1. Know when to go, develop a home fire escape plan.

- Begin by drawing a map of your home showing all doors and windows.
- Ensure that everyone in your home knows the plan.
- Ensure that you have at least two ways out of every room.
- Have an outside meeting place where everyone should meet.
- Practice your plan during the night and during the day using at least two different ways out.
- Practice this plan at least twice a year.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- Close doors behind you as you leave.

2. Ensure that you have working smoke alarms

- Smoke alarms should be installed inside each

bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home including the basement.

- Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button.
 - Ensure that everyone in the home understands the sound of the smoke alarm and knows how to respond.
 - When you change your clocks for daylight savings, change the batteries in your smoke alarms.
 - Keep manufacturer's instructions and follow additional maintenance tips per manufacturer's recommendations.
3. Ensure that you have a working fire extinguisher(s)
- For the home, select a multi-purpose extinguisher that is large enough to put out a small fire but not too heavy to handle.
 - Install fire extinguishers close to an exit and keep your back to a clear exit when you use the device so that you can make an easy escape if the fire cannot be controlled. If the room begins to fill with smoke, leave immediately.
 - To operate a fire extinguisher, remember the word PASS:
 - Pull the pin. Hold the extinguisher with the nozzle pointing away from you, and release the locking mechanism.
 - Aim low. Point the extinguisher at the base of the fire.
 - Squeeze the lever slowly and evenly.
 - Sweep the nozzle from side-to-side.

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MUSIC IN THE BARN

GATES OPEN 5:30PM • MUSIC BEGINS 7:00PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

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When to replace your fire extinguisher

Residential (non-rechargeable) fire extinguishers have a shelf life of 3-12 years. It is important to read the instruction manual to determine the shelf life of your extinguisher. The manufacturer's date should be imprinted on the bottom of the extinguisher. Commercial (rechargeable) fire extinguishers should have an inspection tag, must be inspected annually and have a shelf life of 12 years.

Additionally, replace your extinguisher if it has been used or if you notice any of the following:

- The hose or nozzle is cracked, ripped, or blocked
- The locking pin on the handle is missing or unsealed
- The handle is wobbly or broken
- The pressure gauge is NOT in the green "Ready" area

It is a best practice to inspect your fire extinguisher monthly when you test your smoke alarms to ensure that it is ready in the event that you need it.

Where to dispose of old fire extinguishers

Residents can dispose of their unwanted fire extinguishers through Ramsey County Household Hazardous waste, free of charge. The recycling and disposal hotline is (651) 633-3279 and their website is:

www.ramseycounty.us/residents/recycling-waste/household-hazardous-waste

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Bathtub (cast iron)	\$19.00
Bathtub (steel or fiberglass)	\$16.00
Bed (headboard/floorboard)	\$9.00
Bed Frame	\$8.00
Book Case	\$10.00
Couch	\$13.00
Couch w/ hide a bed	\$12.00
Desk	\$11.00
Dining Room Table	\$15.00
Dresser	\$10.50
End Table	\$8.00
Grill (charcoal)	\$9.00
Grill (gas - no propane tanks)	\$9.50
Hutch	\$14.00
Kitchen Chair	\$5.75
Kitchen Table	\$14.00
Lawnmower or snow thrower	\$19.00
(liquids must be drained)	
Love Seat	\$18.00
Mattress or Box Spring (king)	\$15.00
Mattress or Box Spring (queen)	\$15.00
Mattress or Box Spring (twin)	\$11.50
Office Chair	\$8.00
Recliner/ EZ Chair	\$12.50
Roll of Carpet (cut down)	\$9.50
Tire	\$12.00
Tire with rim	\$16.00
Toilet	\$12.00
Appliances	\$19.00
Electronics	\$18.00

*Event price shown



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Sounds of the City is presented by the City of Maplewood & Ashland Productions

Energize Your Congregation!

The City of Maplewood is partnering with the Neighborhood Energy Connection and Xcel Energy for the Energize Your Congregation! Energy Challenge. The Challenge is yet another way Maplewood is trying to engage the public to be more conscientious with their energy usage. By working with congregations the program has potential of reaching a much larger audience and allows for congregations to come together under a common goal and be energy leaders within the community.

The Challenge will encourage actions that will educate and empower people to participate in even more energy efficient actions, such as Home Energy Squad® visits. Visits include professional installation of basic energy-saving items like programmable thermostats, efficient lighting, door weather-stripping and water-saving shower heads and aerators. The visit is available to customers of Xcel Energy and is offered to participants of *Energize Your Congregation!* Energy Challenge for a discounted price of \$35 (normally \$70).

Participating congregations will earn points for their parishioners scheduling Home Energy Squad® visits

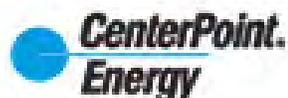
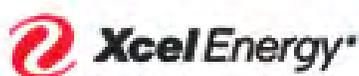
between the dates of September 15 and December 15, 2016. Additional points will be given for scheduling fun and educational visits to the congregation by the Neighborhood Energy Connection, and simple energy actions that can be taken by parishioners at home and at the location where their congregation meets.

At the end of the Challenge (December 15) points will be added and Maplewood will say "let there be light" and award the congregation with the most points a FREE party catered by the 5-8 Tavern and Grill including games, prizes, and a special appearance by TOLBY, the energy-saving firefly.



TOLBY the giant energy saving firefly

For more information and to sign up your congregation visit www.maplewoodmn.gov/energizeyourcongregation or contact Stefan Schiltz, Energy Program Coordinator, at (651) 249-2306 or stefan.schiltz@maplewoodmn.gov.



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City of Maplewood Now Accepting Applications for 2017 Charitable Gambling Funds

The City of Maplewood is now accepting applications for the use of the 2017 proceeds of the City's 10% Charitable Gambling Tax. **The application deadline is September 15, 2016.**

In order to qualify, an organization must be a non-profit corporation with an IRS 501(c) (3) designation serving the citizens of Maplewood. The first priority will be given to funding City of Maplewood organizations and second priority to organizations from outside the city proposing to meet the needs of Maplewood residents. In general, requests from organized athletic groups are not funded.

The City Council awarded a total of \$30,000 in Charitable Gambling Tax Funds in 2016. Funds went to the following groups: Ashland Productions, Boy Scout Pack 9471, Carver

Elementary PTO, CHILD Inc., Dispute Resolution Center, District 622 Education Foundation, Friends of Maplewood Nature, Fusion Drumline Parent Booster Organization, Hmong American Education Fund, ISD 822 Northern Lights Show Choir, LENA Youth Connect, Maplewood Area Historical Society, Maplewood Monarchs S.O. Team, Maplewood Police Reserves, Maplewood Youth Scholarship Fund, North High School Robotics Team, Ramsey County Care Center, Ramsey County Fair, St. Jerome's Catholic School, Tubman Family Alliance, Weaver Elementary School, Webster Elementary School, and White Bear Area YMCA.

The funds are awarded by a vote of the Maplewood City Council. Applications are available on the city website www.maplewoodmn.gov or by calling Lois Knutson at (651) 249-2051.

Benefiting Maplewood Parks & Recreation Youth Scholarship Fund

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Saturday, October 1
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Fire Truck & Police Car Tours
Will Hale & the Tadpole Parade Concert
Temporary Tattoos • Crazy Hair
Coloring Station • Yard Games
Stretches led by MCC Personal Trainer

10:00AM: Race Starts
11:00AM: Race Awards

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