

MAPLE PLAIN

and

INDEPENDENCE



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LETTER FROM MAPLE PLAIN COUNCILMEMBER EISINGER

We, as your City Council, have two main priorities. The first priority is to provide the best infrastructure; such as roads, sewer, water, electric, and communications providers. Our other priority is safety, which is our police and fire.

With that I want to provide some information relating to the concern of railroad safety with consideration of the Bakken Oil trains. There have been a lot of media reports on how dangerous these trains are. I would like to report that both police and fire personnel have been training and preparing for rail incidents. I believe that the media sometimes overstates this problem and causes some unnecessary concern. **Eisinger's Letter Continued on Page 3**



**Maple Plain
Councilmember
Dave Eisinger**

LETTER FROM INDEPENDENCE MAYOR JOHNSON



**Independence
Mayor
Marvin Johnson**

Congratulations to all of our High School and College graduates! We are fortunate to have some of the best schools in the country available to our residents. The opportunities available for our students are beyond imagination. The best to you!

I want to thank the Paul Stinson Post 514 for their gun salutes at four cemeteries in the area and for the wonderful Memorial Day Program at the public Lewis Cemetery. Also, thanks to the hundreds of people who attended the program.

Fortunately, in this area there are no major construction projects, but there certainly are a lot of detours throughout the metropolitan area. In Independence, later in the summer, we will be repairing and resurfacing several of our blacktop roads in order to preserve their life expectancy.

Johnson's Letter Continued on Page 2



LETTERS FROM OUR CITY COUNCILS



LETTER FROM MAYOR JOHNSON (CONTINUED...)

There will be no assessments to property owners on these roads.

One of our residents, June Sutton, whose family settled in Independence on County Line Road about 153 years ago, celebrated her 100th birthday on June 14th. Happy Birthday June! Her sister, Florence, was my first grade teacher at the one room country school, Armstrong District 81, which was located just south of Lewis Cemetery on West Main Street.

At our most recent Board of Review we had no residents appear before the Council requesting a property valuation change. We appreciate Melissa Potter from Hennepin County and her team for the thorough job they do and their availability to meet with our residents.

Our Clerk/Administrator, Toni Hirsch, after many years with the City, resigned effective immediately, June 1st. We want to wish Toni well in her future endeavors. Our City Planner, Mark Kaltsas, and our office staff, Beth Horner and Trish Bemmels, will be able to answer any questions you may have.

Many of our Independence residents, especially those who live on the lakes, are familiar with the name of John Barten who is employed by the Three Rivers Park District. John is retiring! John has always been available when water is in the subject - especially water quality. John will be missed.

This fall is City Election time again. Also a couple of our schools have School Board elections. In Independence, the term for Mayor and two Council seats will be open. Elections will be November 3rd and filings will be open in August. Now is the time to be considering your interest and time commitment for these positions.

Maple Plain and Independence hired a consultant to do a study on doing more things together. That report has been received and is available to look at. Each council will be discussing the pros and cons separately and then will hold a joint meeting for further discussion, implementation, waiting, ignoring, or whatever. In the meantime, we are now beginning the process for the 2016 budget. The estimated levy needs to be established at the end of September and given to the County so they can send notifications to all property owners.

Martin Eichers, from Independence, has spent many hours and hard work working at our Pioneer City Park planting many trees, putting up bird houses, building a bulletin board, etc., for his Eagle Scout Project. It's amazing! Stop by the park or better yet, make use of it this summer.

The circus is coming this year again to Pioneer Park with two shows on Thursday, July 23rd.

Have a great summer!

Marvin D. Johnson,
Mayor,
Independence

City of Independence Meetings

City Council: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 PM
Planning Commission: 2nd Monday at 7:30 PM



LETTERS FROM OUR CITY COUNCILS



LETTER FROM COUNCILMEMBER EISINGER (CONTINUED...)



Maple Plain Fire Department and West Hennepin Public Safety members are trained to keep the community safe.



The Bakken Oil is a very volatile product, but is usually transported without any problems. The BNSF railroad, that goes through our town, work very hard to keep their trains running smooth and safely through our communities.

Most of all trains involved with incidents are caused by people not obeying rail crossing signs. We as fire and police have had BNSF out to our fire station several times for training on rail incidents as well as many of our police and firefighters have attended outside training on rail safety.

I believe that we are prepared as well as we can be to identify hazards if there is a rail accident. We will determine if we need to evacuate our residents or shelter in place. We have set up, with Orono schools, to use the Discovery Center as a shelter as well as a possible command center. If there is a need to evacuate, we will have police, fire, as well as the media, give direction. Please follow their instructions and go to the appointed site. We will be able to keep a count of our citizens and be sure everyone is safe.

Our second goal is to maintain infrastructure and the City Council and staff have been working to create a Pavement Management Plan. You will see the seal coating of several streets this summer. It is our goal as a Council to make Maple Plain a great city to live, work, play and visit.

**Dave Eisinger,
Councilmember,
Maple Plain**

City of Maple Plain Meetings

City Council: 2nd & 4th Mondays at 7:00 PM
 Council Workshops: 4th Monday at 5:30 PM
 Economic Development Authority: 2nd Monday
 at 5:30 PM
 Planning Commission: 1st Thursday at 7:00 PM
 Parks Commission: 3rd Monday at 7:00 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS AROUND TOWN

- July 3 - City offices (Maple Plain and Independence) closed in observance of Independence Day
- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 23 - Circus at Pioneer Park, City of Independence (see page 11)
- July 31 - Night to Unite Forms Due (see page 4)
- Aug. 4 - Night to Unite
- Aug. 13, 14 - Maple Plain and Independence Citywide Garage Sales
- Aug. 14, 15 - Maple Plain Days (see page 16 for schedule)
- Sept. 7 - Labor Day– City offices (Maple Plain and Independence) closed
- Oct. 3 - Maple Plain Fire Department Steak Fry
- Oct. 4 - 10 - National Fire Prevention week



PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS



Night to Unite Tuesday August 4th, 2015 West Hennepin Public Safety Departments Official Registration Form Registration Deadline is 07/31/2015

Coordinator's Name	Home Phone	Work Phone
Street Address	Cell Phone	E-Mail
Helper's Name	Home Phone	Work Phone

Location of party event if different than coordinator's address:

Is this your first time hosting a block party?	Will you be having music? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Start Time*	End Time*	Theme Party?	# of households expected	# of Children	# of Adults

*Due to the large number of neighborhoods that participate in Night to Unite, we are unable to accommodate specific requests (eg, squad cars or fire truck at a specific time). We will do our best to have a squad and fire truck visit every gathering that has registered!

Will you be blocking off your street? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Any special requests regarding your event will need to be approved by Officer Rosati from the West Hennepin Public Safety Department.

Plans for party/event:

Please number in order of preference 1,2,3,	West Hennepin Police	Local Fire Department	
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Mail Form to

Fax form to:

Deadline:

West Hennepin Public Safety Department
1918 County Road 90
Independence MN, 55359

West Hennepin PSD
Attn: Officer Rosati
Fax: (763) 479-0504

July 31, 2015

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PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS



NIGHT TO UNITE: PARTY HOSTS NEEDED!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4th, 2015 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Join neighbors across Maple Plain and Independence on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 for the 6th Annual Night to Unite in Minnesota. Sponsored by the Minnesota Crime Prevention Association, AAA of Minnesota/Iowa, and local law enforcement agencies, Night to Unite will celebrate and strengthen neighborhood and community partnerships.



**A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT
AND KNOW WHO BELONGS IN
NEIGHBORHOODS**

Night to Unite is designed to:

1. Get to know one another in your neighborhood;
2. Build neighborhood involvement by bringing police and communities together; and bring awareness to crime prevention and local law enforcement efforts!

This is an opportunity for neighborhoods and communities to band together enjoy a summer evening and get to know who belongs in their neighborhoods. West Hennepin Public Safety would like to encourage neighborhoods to get together between 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. on August 4, 2015 to fight crime and take back our neighborhoods. The best crime prevention tool for our communities is “neighbors looking out for each other,” says Director Gary Kroells. If you know who your neighbors are and those neighbors see something suspicious they will call the police. Get involved and take this opportunity to host a neighborhood party and meet your neighbors.

If you or your neighbors host a neighborhood Night to Unite event, West Hennepin Police Department and the local fire department will make a visit to your event and provide crime fighting and fire safety tips for your group. Take the initiative and organize your neighborhood event. Let’s have a Night to Unite on Tuesday, August 4, 2015.

For more information pertaining to Night to Unite or how to get involved, contact West Hennepin Public Safety Department at (763) 479-0500 and speak with Night to Unite Coordinator Officer Rosati. You can also visit the West Hennepin Public Safety Department website at www.westhennepin.com for more information.

“ Proudly Serving Maple Plain and Independence “



PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS



MAIL THEFT CRIME ALERT



West Hennepin Public Safety and surrounding agencies have received reports of found mail alongside ditches and/or theft of mail from a mail box. In the beginning of April, Medina Police Department arrested a suspect who had stolen hundreds of pieces of mail from mail boxes. Suspects are opening cards to look for gift cards, checks, or cash. They are also opening up other items to get your personal information so they can open up credit cards and other accounts in the victim's name.

It is important to keep vigilant and protect yourself from mail theft and identity theft. Some helpful suggestions are:

- Drop your outgoing mail at a Post Office box.
- Promptly pick up your incoming mail.
- If you are going to be out of town, have a neighbor pick up your mail or have the Post Office stop your mail.
- Don't send cash, checks, or gift cards through the mail and if you do, make sure you drop it off at a Post Office.
- Keep an eye on all of your accounts. Make sure you look line by line to make sure every purchase on your statements are correct.

Run a credit report on yourself. There are three nationwide credit reporting companies that let you run a free credit report on yourself once a year: Equifax (www.equifax.com), TransUnion (www.transunion.com), and Experian (www.experian.com).

Shred all documents that contain any personal information before you throw them away. You can make an Identity Theft Report to help get fraudulent information removed from your credit report, stop a business from collecting debts that were caused by identity theft, and get information about the fraudulent accounts by calling the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-438-4338 or at www.ftc.gov. Visit their website for more valuable tips on protecting your identity and what to do if your identity has been stolen.



Blood Drive

Save a life. Eat a cookie.
(That's a good day)

MAPLE PLAIN DAYS BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY,

AUGUST 15

NOON - 5 P.M.

ALL TYPES NEEDED!

REGISTER TO DONATE

By contacting Julie Maas-Kusske

763-479-6010

JMKFPC@gmail.com



ENVIRONMENTAL REMINDERS AND UPDATES



RECYCLING ORGANICS

Did you know that your hauler may offer Organics Recycling?

For Maple Plain residents, Randy's Sanitation offers organics recycling through their Blue Bag Organics program. Go to Randyssanitation.com for more information.

For Independence residents, check with your individual hauler to see what organics recycling services are offered.

Organics recycling is easy!

1. Collect food scraps and food-soiled paper products. Use an ice cream bucket or kitchen scrap bucket to collect food scraps in your kitchen. Line your collection containers with a paper bag or compostable bag to help keep it clean. Compostable bags and kitchen scrap buckets are available at local retailers.
2. Empty your bagged organics into the organics cart/Blue Bag provided by your waste hauler.
3. Set out your organics cart on the curb or place tied Blue Bag inside your regular garbage cart on your trash collection day.

Materials that are accepted

Food scraps

Fruits and vegetables • Meat, fish and bones • Bread, pasta and baked goods • Egg shells • Dairy products • Coffee grounds

Food-soiled paper products

Paper towels and napkins • Paper plates and cups • Pizza boxes • Egg cartons • Waxed paper and paper containers • Coffee filters and tea bags

Other compostable items

Tissues and cotton balls • Houseplant trimmings • Dryer lint • Vacuum cleaner bags



NEW FEE FOR ELECTRONICS RECYCLING THROUGH HENNEPIN COUNTY

Spring cleaning? Bring your old electronics and household hazardous waste to Hennepin County's Drop-off Facilities: www.hennepin.us/dropoffs.

Note: Starting July 1, 2015, there will be a \$10 fee for television, computer monitor and laptop disposal. For a complete list of accepted items, requirements and charges, go to www.hennepin.us/atozdisposalguide.



COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS



AMERICAN LEGION POST 514 AND AUXILIARY HOST MEMORIAL DAY

The annual Memorial Day service at the Lewis Cemetery took place on Monday, May 25, 2015. Hundreds of people gathered to honor the men and women who have served and died for this country. Music was provided by the Orono High School Band and Orono Student Voices. A special thanks to the American Legion Post 514 and American Legion Auxiliary for their hosting of the event and for all those who came.



MAPLE PLAIN DAYS HOSTS DUAL CITYWIDE GARAGE SALES

**GARAGE
SALE**

Maple Plain Days will take place on August 14-15. As part of Maple Plain Days this year, the cities of Maple Plain and Independence will host **citywide garage sales on August 13 - 14**. If you are interested in hosting a garage sale, let us know so we can include and list your property as a location.

To register, contact City Administrator, Tessia Melvin, by email at tmelvin@mapleplain.com or by phone at 763-479-0516.

For more information on Maple Plain Days events, visit the City website at www.mapleplain.com. Additional information is provided on page 16.

BE A MAPLE PLAIN DAYS VOLUNTEER!

Join the volunteer team for Maple Plain Days! If you are interested, come volunteer for an hour or two to help make Maple Plain Days a success. We have shifts available for supervising kids activities, helping to set up and take down, and/or other general needs throughout the day. All help is appreciated. Please contact Maggie McCallum at City Hall if you would like to help: e-mail mmccallum@mapleplain.com or call 763-479-0515.

GET YOUR MAPLE PLAIN DAYS BUTTON AND WIN BIG



**BUY A MAPLE PLAIN DAYS BUTTON
AND WIN BIG
\$5 PER BUTTON**

Includes:

***A Chance to win \$500 | \$200 | \$100**
Revenue from the buttons helps to fund
Maple Plain Days.



COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS



ORONO SCHOOLS EARLY LEARNING NEWS

Is your child 5 years old by September 1, 2015?

It is registration time for Kindergarten!

Forms are due as soon as possible so schools can be ready for the "Class of 2028"! If your family has not been contacted by your school district, please call their District Office. The Orono District Office phone number is 952-449-8300.



Now's the time! Registration for 2015-16 ECFE,

Preschool and Practice Preschool classes is happening! The Orono Schools Early Learning programs have a 4-Star Parent Aware Rating and NAEYC Accreditation – the highest ratings possible. Visit www.OronoEarlyLearning.com for options and call for a tour!

Oink, Cluck, Baa, Moo...

We'd like to celebrate Maple Plain Days with YOU!

Join us for some farm-themed fun at the Discovery Center
9-11 a.m. on August 15th

Pony rides, face painting, popsicles and decorating for the
Kiddie Bike, Trike or Stroller Parade at 10:30 a.m.



Preview Sale
Friday, September
25th
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
\$5 entrance fee

Kids' Stuff Sale
Saturday, September
26th
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Entrance donation

Kids' Stuff ½ Price Sale
Saturday, September
26th

For more information call 763-479-1530, ext. 216

Infant to Teen Clothing, Maternity Clothing, Toys,
Baby Equipment, Books, and MORE!

Now
Accepting
Donations

Discovery
Center
Maple
Plain



MAPLE PLAIN HISTORIC MUSEUM

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

FRIDAY, AUG. 14, 3 - 6 p.m.

OPEN HOUSE

SATURDAY, AUG. 15, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.



**Ice Cream
Social**



COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS



CONTACTS

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Senior Center
Coordinator

Linda VanLith
Senior Center Assistant
Coordinator



DELANO SENIOR CENTER 234 2nd Street North

Office: 763.972.0574 Fax: 763.972.9034

The Delano Senior Center and Senior Dining Program is open Monday - Thursday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. All seniors are invited to participate in the Senior Center's programs and nutritious meals served at noon every day! Meals on Wheels is also available to homebound seniors. The center van is also available to bring seniors to the center and for other trips.

Legal Aid Help*	1st Mon. of each month	1:00 and 1:30 p.m.
Eye Glass Repair	1st Tue. of each month	11:30 a.m.
Blood Pressure	Tuesdays	Noon - 2 p.m.
Exercise	Wed. & Fri.	11:20 - 11:40 a.m.
BINGO	Mon 11:15 a.m./Fri. 12:40 p.m.	
500 Cards	2nd & 4th Wed.	1:00 p.m.
Bridge	2nd & 4th Mon.	1:00 p.m.
Farkel	1st & 3rd Tue.	1:00 p.m.
"Mexican Train" Dominos	2nd & 4th Tue.	1:00 p.m.
Cribbage	1st & 3rd Wed.	1:00 p.m.
Choir	Practices every Mon.	10:00 a.m.
Storytheater	Will practice as performances	TBD
Writer's Group	1st & 3rd Thur.	10:00 a.m.
Book Club	3rd Wed. of each month	10:30 a.m.
Birthdays	2nd Mon. of each month	Noon
Parkinson Support Group	3rd Thur. of each month	1:30 p.m.

**Movie Club is held
Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.**

Upcoming Dates:

July 2
July 9
July 16
July 23
July 30

SOME SPECIAL EVENTS

Picnic Day at the Senior Center

Picnic lunch & fun games
Reservations required—
763-972-0574
Weds. July 15

"Cookin' with Gus" play at Daytrippers Theater in Bloomington

Weds. July 22
Bus leaves at 11:15 a.m.

Minnesota Twins vs. Pittsburgh Pirates

Weds. July 29
Bus leaves at 10:00 a.m.

Garage Sale at Delano Senior Center!

Weds. August 12 -
Fri. August 14

St. Paul Saints vs. Sioux City

Tues. August 18
Bus leaves at 5:00 p.m.

"Lunch Around the World - India"

Taste of India Restaurant
Thurs. August 27
Bus leaves at 10 a.m.

Dad's Belgian Waffle Breakfast Fundraiser

Sat. September 12
7:30 - 11:30 a.m.



CITY OF INDEPENDENCE NEWS

HAVE YOU VISITED YOUR CITY PARKS LATELY?

Pioneer Park

Located at 2055 Co Rd 90

Pioneer Park boasts state of the art playground equipment perfect for your little adventurers ready to have some summer-time fun! There is also a fantastic Frisbee Golf Course which will challenge anyone who enjoys this popular sport! Bring the whole family out and enjoy a picnic while you play in the large open fields and enjoy this beautiful park!



Tamarack Park

Located at 4740 South Lake Sarah Dr.

Bring the whole family out for a baseball game at Tamarack Park! This wonderful park also offers a basketball court and playground for the little ones!

Lyndale Park

Located at 260 1st Ave.

This is a lovely little park that is geared for smaller children! It has playground equipment and is located close to the Ox Yoke Inn.

THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO TOWN!



DATE: Thursday, July 23

SHOW TIMES: 4:30 & 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION:

Pioneer Park

2055 County Road 90

The Carson & Barnes Circus is The World's Biggest Big Top Show, with two hours of fun, excitement and pageantry for children of all ages! See elephants, horses, ponies and dogs perform amazing tricks in the center ring. Be amazed and thrilled by our extraordinary artists from around the world as they entertain you with their death defying feats and exquisite artistry. This is the circus you remember from your childhood!

BOOTH BANNERS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR \$150.00

Adult: \$12.00/each and receive 1 FREE child ticket per paid adult!

Child: \$6.00/each

Tickets are on sale now at the City of Independence and the following other locations:
City of Maple Plain • MPFC • Dobo's • Koch's Corner • Liquor Depot (Loretto and Maple Plain)
UFC Ace Hardware • Coborn's • Jubilee

Check the web-site www.independence.govoffice.com for more details.



CITY OF INDEPENDENCE NEWS

2015 STREET OVERLAY PROJECTS

The following streets, located within the City of Independence, are scheduled for overlay this summer:

Stay tuned to the City website for further details when the projects begin.

Anderson Estates Road • Becker Road • Broadmoor Drive • Budd Street • City Hall Parking Lot
 Dylan Lane • Egret Drive • Fern Drive • Franklin Hills Road • Geneker Way
 Lake Sarah Heights Circle • Nelson Road • Pagenkopf Road • Perkinsville Road
 Rachel Ridge Court • Shady Beach Circle • South Lake Sarah Drive • South Lakeshore Drive
 Sunset Lane • Town Line Road • Woodland Circle • Wood Hill Lane

IMPORTANT NOTE FROM PUBLIC WORKS - SEWER LINES

The City of Independence has discovered that some residents are discharging materials that are harmful to the City sewer system. Please educate all members of your household and discontinue discharging the following harmful materials:

DO NOT put paper products such as paper towels, moist towelettes, tissue, handywipes, disposable towels, diapers, sanitary napkins, condoms, and feminine products down the drain. **The only paper that should be flushed is toilet paper.**

Kitchen solids, such as fruit and vegetable rinds and peels, corn kernels, eggshells, and chicken bones can also cause blockage. Garbage disposals do not always reduce some of these items to the point that they will flush clear of the lateral lines.

DO NOT dump cooking grease and oils down the drain. Flushing out the grease with hot water will not work either; this only causes a build up further down the drain and eventually contributes to a stoppage in the lateral or sewer pipes. Avoid using chemicals that claim to dissolve grease, such as vinegar and baking soda. Those products only dislodge grease clogs and move them further down the pipe, which can lead to similar problems. To dispose of cooking grease, pour it into a heat resistant container, and allow it to cool and set. That container should then be disposed in the regular garbage.

GOT DOGS?

Take them to the Lake Sarah Park Reserve so they can run to their hearts content! *Located at West Lake Sarah Drive (Rockford).*

This is a beautiful, fenced 40 acre dog park that has trees, benches and trails! Dog park permits can be purchased online or at the Park District Administrative Center, Cleary Lake Visitor Center, Lowry Nature Center or Eastman Nature Center. At the time of purchase of a permit, an agreement of the dog park rules must be signed.





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The City of Maple Plain is now on Facebook. Like our page and get updates on upcoming City events.





CITY OF MAPLE PLAIN NEWS

MAPLE PLAIN HEART SAFE COMMITTEE RECEIVES DONATION



Pictured: Julie, Monica (UFC Farm Supply) and Carol

The Heart Safe Committee received an anonymous donation in the amount of \$6,000 in the month of April. The donor indicated that the money could be used in any matter seen fit in the community. Co-Chairs, Julie Maas-Kusske and Carol Cheswick are currently determining where the need is the most for the placement of four AED's that were purchased. The placement will be determined by the area of the City which is in need of the availability of the life saving defibrillator.

At the May 12th Chamber meeting a donation of \$500 was given by the UFC Farm Supply along with a matched donation of \$500 by Land O'Lakes. This donation was for an AED which had been given to the Heart Safe Committee. Businesses were given the opportunity to make a donation for the AED. The Farm Supply came in with the highest donation amount and received the AED at the Chamber meeting. The West Hennepin Chamber of Commerce and the Heart Safe Committee would like to thank both donors for their generosity to the community.

Another training session is coming soon. If you are interested in learning more about the AEDs or training, please contact Carol or Julie.

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MAPLE PLAIN NAMED MOST ENGAGED COMMUNITY FOR STEP TO IT CHALLENGE

Brooklyn Park finished on top with the most overall steps—their fifth consecutive win in the 2015 Step To It Challenge. Robbinsdale claimed the Most Active Resident award victory for the highest average number of steps per participant.

The annual four-week physical activity competition that ended May 30 attracted thousands of participants from throughout the metro area who achieved significantly more steps than last year. In 2015, residents who live or work in 24 communities took an incredible 674 million steps toward a healthier life. Many returning cities saw major year-to-year increases in the number of steps taken by residents. Awards will also be given to individuals in each participating community who chalked up the most steps in the competition. For individual winners, please visit the Step To It Challenge website at www.steptoit.org.

Thanks to all our city partners and the Minnesota Twins for getting the word out and supporting the Step To It Challenge again this year!

**Maple Plain Named
 Most Engaged Community
 With 2.27% of Residents
 Participating**



CITY OF MAPLE PLAIN NEWS

2015 STEP TO IT WINNER IS...GREGORY KOBBE!

The 2015 Step to it Challenge came to an end on May 30th. Members of the Maple Plain community came together on May 3rd to kick off this year's, month long, annual Step to it Challenge from May 3 - May 30.

Steppers tracked their steps in an effort to be more active and possibly step away as the community's top stepper. This year's top stepper is Gregory Kobbe with 743,823 total steps. As top stepper, Gregory, and top steppers from other communities will be recognized on the field at a Minnesota Twins game on July 10. Congratulations Gregory!



HAVE YOU VISITED YOUR CITY PARKS LATELY?

Bryantwood Park

Located north of Joyce Street

Bryantwood Park is a small neighborhood park serving the residential area south of Highway 12 and west of County Road 19. Nestled amongst the back yards of numerous homes, this park's primary purpose is to provide a recreational opportunity for families with young children.

Amenities: Two sandbox areas, toddler playground, kids playground with swings, see-saws, and a slide.

Northside Park

Located on Independence Street and Budd Avenue

Northside Park is a community park that offers many amenities for all age ranges. A prominent feature of the park is the Don Timpe Baseball Field that accommodates many levels of competitive baseball games.

Amenities: Don Timpe Baseball Field, softball field, half basketball court, BMX jump track, swing set, picnic shelter, playground at the Discovery Center



Rainbow Park

Located on Parkview Road

Rainbow Park is a community park located to the south of Highway 12. Rainbow Park offers a concentration of many amenities for all age ranges.

Amenities: Tennis courts (striped for tennis and Pickleball), soccer field, winter skating rink, half basketball court, volleyball court, paved walking path, three small ball fields, playground, and picnic shelter

CONSUMER CONFIDENCE DRINKING WATER REPORT AVAILABLE

Water suppliers that serve the same people year-round must prepare annual water quality reports (consumer confidence reports) for their customers. The 2013 Consumer Confidence Drinking Water Report can be seen in its entirety on the City's website at www.mapleplain.com. If you would like a hard copy mailed to you, contact City Hall at 763.479.0515.



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SAME GREAT EVENT: NEW LOCATIONS
VISIT US AT THE FIRE STATION & NORTHSIDE PARK!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14
MAPLE PLAIN FIRE STATION

COMMUNITY PICNIC
5:30 PM

MAPLE PLAIN HISTORIC MUSEUM
ICE CREAM SOCIAL
5240 Main Street East
3:00 - 6:00 PM

MAPLE PLAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT WATERBALL TOURNAMENT
6:00 - 8:00 PM

MOVIE IN THE PARK:
DUSK (~8:00 PM)



Disney
BIG HERO 6

DUAL CITYWIDE



AUG. 13 & 14

MAPLE PLAIN & INDEPENDENCE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

NORTHSIDE PARK (UNLESS OTHERWISE LISTED)

5K RUN/WALK

REGISTRATION 7:30 AM; RACE 8:30 AM
PARK AND POOL LOT • 1501 BAKER PARK ROAD

FARMER'S MARKET & CRAFT FAIR 9 AM - 5 PM

DISCOVERY CENTER PETTING ZOO 9 AM - 11 AM
DISCOVERY CENTER • 5050 INDEPENDENCE STREET

MP SOFTBALL LEAGUE TOURNAMENT 9 AM - 3 PM

CAR SHOW with DJ Chopper 10 AM - 2 PM

MP HISTORIC MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE 10 AM - 2 PM
5240 MAIN STREET EAST

KIDDIE PARADE 10:30 AM

COMMUNITY PARADE 11 AM

BLOOD DRIVE NOON - 5 PM

KIDS AREA NOON - 3 PM

(INFLATIBLES, FACE PAINTING, TATTOOS, GAME TRUCK & MORE)

BINGO WITH THE COUNCIL 1 PM - 3 PM

MONIE'S BEAN BAG TOURNAMENT 4 PM
MONIE'S • 4820 U.S. HIGHWAY 12

ENTERTAINMENT & STREET DANCE

BEER GARDEN OPENS AT 3:00 PM

MASTER GARDENER
OPENING BAND - MAMA'S BOYS

3 - 5 PM

BOOGIE WONDERLAND

7:30 - 11:00 PM



MORE EVENT INFORMATION AT:

www.mapleplain.com/mapleplainsdays