

Maple Hills Minute

December 18, 2023



Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone.

Charles M. Schulz

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December Board Meeting Highlights

The monthly Board meeting was held on at the Firehouse on 12/13/23. Here's a quick recap of the highlights.

- The Santa breakfast was a blast! We had a whopping 100+ folks from the community join in. A big thank you to the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and JROTC for your invaluable support with making this event run smoothly
- The polar bear plunge is scheduled for January 6th. Wash away the stress of last year and warm up with coco, doughnuts and bacon!
- Ken has some exciting plans for the park, like sprucing it up with some pruning, dethatching, and planting some new trees. He is also going to burn the burn pile on Wednesday, December 20th at 9:00. Fell free to join in the fun!
- Down at the lower baseball field, there's a bit of a flood situation. We brainstorming ways to fix it up.

- As part of our ongoing efforts to keep things top-notch, we're looking into necessary repairs for the pool bathrooms. If you know anyone with tiling or plumbing expertise, feel free to reach out to the board with your recommendations.
- In light of the inflation situation, we've decided to adjust rates for the Marlins swim team. It's a move to keep the quality of our programs and facilities top-notch.
- Though reservations have slowed a bit in the winter, our commitment to community engagement is as strong as ever. We've got weekly events like karate, scouts, and yoga keeping the vibes alive.
- In order to improve the flow of information to the community we are looking into creating a new website. look out for more information to come soon.

The next monthly meeting will be held on 1/10/22 at 7:30 at the firehouse and on Zoom.

Community Events

- 12/20 Park Burn Party at 9am
- 12/19 Pecos Pit
- 1/6 Polar Plunge 10am-11am
- 1/6 Scouts Christmas tree collection
- 1/10 Monthly Board Meeting- 7:30 (Fire Station and Zoom)



Food Trucks Galore

Here's the schedule of food trucks that we are anticipating visiting the neighborhood.

Please note the following:

All food trucks serve from 4-7, unless otherwise specified on Facebook or www.maplehills.org (events). Schedule is subject to change and menus may be available closer to each date.

- 12/19 Pecos Pit

THANK YOU to Katelyn O'Leary-Gummere for taking on the task of bringing such wonderful food trucks to our neighborhood!

Fire Station Facts

The Clubhouse Trustee has been hard at work on the beloved fire station. Here's an update on what's happening!

- This summer the Firehouse Bay was repainted and the floors were refinished giving the pay a much needed facelift.
- The Maple Hills PTA held the biannual book fair at the Firehouse in November and it was a great success!
- We have plans to improve the storage and organization of the Firehouse.
- Members and nonmembers may rent the Firehouse for personal meetings or events. The restroom may also be added to shelter reservations. See here for details and pre-registration link <https://maplehills.org/clubhouse-reservations/>

If you are interested in helping with the management of the firehouse, have ideas or skills to share, email Matt Nepesa! We welcome help and volunteers!

Historical Hotspot

We are always looking for some historical stories to be shared in the Maple Hills Minute. Please email your spring/summer stories to MapleHillsNewsletter@gmail.com. Share how life was in Maple Hills for you!

Kids Korner

Joke of the month

Q: How does a snowman get around town?

A: A B-icycle

December Activities

Paper Plate Menora <https://nurturestore.co.uk/easy-paper-plate-menorah-craft-with-printable-template>

Felt and Candy Cane Christmas Tree <https://onelittleproject.com/candy-cane-felt-tree-gift/>

Last Minute Christmas Crafts <https://www.craftymorning.com/last-minute-christmas-craft-ideas/>

Print out this light scavenger hunt and see how many you can find in our neighborhood!

Christmas Lights Scavenger Hunt

- Candy canes
- 4 lighted wreaths
- Toy soldiers
- A star
- A snowman
- The Nativity scene
- 3 reindeer together
- Santa's sleigh
- Ornaments
- Icicle lights
- A Christmas train
- A Christmas tree
- Stockings
- Gifts
- Santa on the roof
- A snowglobe
- An angel
- "JOY"
- An elf
- A poinsettia
- "Seasons Greetings"
- Rudolph
- Strands of blue lights
- "NOEL"
- Candles
- Bells
- An inflatable Santa
- A house with all white lights



Your Board Members

The Maple Hills Board of Trustees is a volunteer, member-voted group, representing a diverse group of neighbors. Representatives serve 2 year terms.

President- Katie Johnson

Vice President- Kelly Walshe

Treasurer- Greg Evans

Secretary- Rebecca Schwenk

Clubhouse Trustee- Matt Nepsa

Park Trustee- Mike Peil

Pool Trustee- Jodi Skroch

Communications Trustee- Nicole Dudley

Events Trustee- Julie Alexander

Email: maple-hills-board@googlegroups.com

Website: www.maplehills.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/maplehills>

How to reach the Board? Get Information?

Ideas and feedback are welcomed!

Please use the following emails to reach the appropriate Board member:

- General Board Inquiries- <mailto:maple-hills-board@googlegroups.com>
- Events Inquiries- <mailto:MapleHillsEvents@gmail.com>
- Newsletter Inquiries- <mailto:MapleHillsNewsletter@gmail.com>
- Pool Inquiries- <mailto:PoolMapleHills@gmail.com>

- Pool number- (425) 228-5013

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