

2025

**MNA  
Goals**

Photo taken December 25, 2024 on Seneca Parkway



# 1. Continue ongoing activities from 2024

- Monthly Town Halls with updates from public safety, government, and Northwest Neighborhood Service Center representatives
- Monthly Town Hall presentations by guest speakers
- Attendance at Presidents and Quad Meetings with other neighborhood associations
- Hosting tables to display brochures, membership forms and newsletters

- Quarterly Newsletters to report on MNA and neighborhood activities and events and to share articles of historic interest
- Postings on MNA Facebook and Instagram pages; maintenance of [maplewood.org](http://maplewood.org) website
- Monitoring of zoning issues, code violations, infrastructure issues, and variance requests
- Yearly City Clean Sweep event

- Neighborhood PAC-TAC walks
- Litter pick-up along Dewey Avenue
- Applications for grants and implementation of neighborhood beautification projects such as bus cubes, cable box painting and tree well maintenance
- Gardening team maintenance of 3 Dewey Avenue public gardens

## 2. Advocate for projects impacting Maplewood:

- The Maplewood Library Expansion
- Reconstruction of the Dewey-Driving Park Corner
- Reorganization of RCSD buildings
- Design of the Nature Center
- Rose Garden Upkeep

### **3. Increase Membership, Volunteer Participation, and Board Member levels:**

- Host an Annual Event
- Partner with neighborhood churches and schools
- Recruit MNA alumni
- Create a visible storefront presence
- Mailing campaigns
- Contact The Landmark Society, Young Urban Professionals

## 4. Organize Events in Maplewood:

- Play Music on The Porch Day
- Expanded Gorge Guide Tours
- Bridging Communities Event
- Smaller Weekly Events
- Utilize the Rose Garden, Gateway Garden, the Dewey/Driving Park Triangle, the Gorge, businesses and neighborhoods

## 5. Continue Improvement of the Dewey Ave Business Corridor by the Dewey Avenue Revitalization Committee (DARC).

- Initiate blight cleanup of 3 targeted locations, and address new / ongoing issues.
- Replant 22 existing planters and roll out 12 additional locations.
- Refresh the 4 current Neighborhood News Centers bi-monthly, and add 6 more locations.







- Complete facade improvements at the American Deli and two other businesses
- Complete development of a business database and email communication group
- Work with government and private entities to fill vacancies with businesses that will enhance the neighborhood

## 6. Enlist MNA members to lead new improvements, such as the following suggestions from members:

- Partner with the City to develop a strategic plan for the Maplewood Rose Garden
- Partner with the City to develop a plan for the the triangle green-space at Dewey/Driving Park
- Restart the Zoning / Code Enforcement Committee
- Address safety and crime issues for residents and businesses
- Set up a display in the new library on Maplewood history memories, famous people, etc.



## Member suggestions, continued:

- Distribute brochures on the National Register of Historic Places to Maplewood homes that are included in the Historic Listing
- Repaint the Dejan Pejovic arch at Lake and Ridge
- Organize a group that assists in the care of abandoned, stray and feral cats, similar to the 19th Ward 'Community Cats'.



## MNA Member Suggestions, continued:

- Create a Marketing Video Showcasing Maplewood as a Wonderful place to live
- Incorporate a Maplewood-themed element of design into the lampposts on Dewey and potentially other streets like those in the Susan B. Anthony neighborhood





## MNA Member Suggestions, continued:

- Work with the city on incorporating Lower Falls Park into the comprehensive state park plan
- Light The Lower Falls!



# Closing with Sharing Views of Beauty in our Neighborhood...with pictures from our Temporary Library at Holy Rosary Church...



# ***VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!!***

**If you are interested in actively participating  
or taking the lead on a particular goal,  
please contact an MNA Board member in person  
or email [info@maplewood.org](mailto:info@maplewood.org)**

Thank you all for your participation in  
developing these goals!

