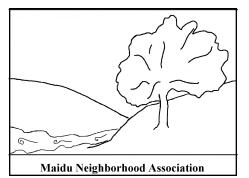
MAIDU NEIGHBORS



RCONA MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

December 2013

Here Comes Santa Claus!

Individuals and families are invited to come see Santa as he makes his appearance in Roseville on December 14 and 15. Santa will arrive on Saturday, December 14, at Roseville Sports Center, 1545 Pleasant Grove Boulevard and on Sunday, **December 15**, at our own **Maidu Community Center**, 1550 Maidu Drive.



Come join in the festivities and enjoy some cookies, punch, music, carolers and crafters during the hours from 3 pm to 6 pm at each location.

As part of this event, there will be food barrels available to collect non-perishable food for the needy in our community. Bring some canned food and donate to the Placer Food Bank.

Santa in the Park is brought to you by the Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (RCONA) and is free for the community. Don't forget to bring your camera!

Give Yourself a Night Out at the Museum

The third Saturday of each month, you can enjoy museum exhibits, art gallery, and refreshments at special evening presentations at the Maidu Museum, 1970 Johnson Ranch Drive. All ages are welcome, but it is an adult-oriented event. Reservations are not required. This month, the program will be held on December 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. For more information, you can call the Museum at 774-5934.



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There will be no December meeting. The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held Tuesday, <u>January 28, 2014</u>, at 7 pm at Sargeant Elementary School, Activity Room, 1200 Ridgecrest, Roseville. The Activity Room is toward the back of the school. Enter off N. Cirby. We invite you to attend. It's a chance to get to know your neighbors and hear what's happening in the neighborhood. A Roseville Police Officer will give a crime report at each meeting.

Search for Maidu N.A. on Facebook and "like" us.

Our web site is maiduna.com

Crime Corner -- Be Vigilant

by David Allen

The following is a true story. A Maidu neighbor was recently approached by a person who was selling magazines but seemed to be looking for unoccupied homes. They asked for directions to a local business. After telling them which way to go, the neighbor watched them leave, only to see them go in the wrong direction. There was great follow-through on the part of the neighbor. Bad choice on the part of the visitor because this neighbor called Roseville Police. The suspicious person was stopped, questioned and released. I'll bet that "lost" visitor won't come to our neighborhood again. He'll probably tell others to stay away, too.



Neighbors, do not hesitate to call Roseville Police if you see suspicious activity. The non-emergency number is 774-5000. For emergencies, dial 9-1-1.

New Trail in Maidu -- What's The Impact?

by David Allen

You've read in past Maidu Neighborhood Association newsletters about the Dry Creek Greenway Multi-Use Trail, planned to be built along Cirby, Dry and Linda Creeks. A portion of that trail will run through our neighborhood, from Rocky Ridge near South Cirby all the way to Old Auburn Road. We're now in the stage of the planning process where a Draft Environmental Impact Report will be prepared. This report will fully assess the environmental impacts of this trail so the City Council can decide if it should be built. Before the report is prepared, you have the opportunity to provide feedback on the scope of that assessment. Here's how.

Access the Internet and search for Dry Creek Greenway Trail Study and read the Notice of Preparation (NOP). It explains what will be studied in the report. You can also visit the Alternative Transportation Division offices downtown, caddy-corner from the post office. They can provide you with a copy. Give the NOP a read. It's eleven quick-reading pages. If the NOP doesn't include any environmental aspect of the trail that concerns you, that same web page has a place for you to submit your comments. The people at Alternative Transportation would also be glad to take your written comments. Don't delay. The deadline for commenting on the NOP is **December 19**.

<u>Holiday Light Exchange</u> -- Let Roseville Electric brighten your holidays with energy-saving holiday lights. Roseville Electric wants to introduce you to the energy saving benefits of light emitting diode (LED) holiday lights by allowing you to exchange your old incandescent holiday lights.

Exchanging your lights is easy. First: Bring up to three strands of your old incandescent holiday lights to the Roseville Utility Exploration Center, 1501 Pleasant Grove Blvd., Roseville, inside the Martha Riley Library building between Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm. If you have more than three strands to recycle, you are welcome to bring those, too; exchanges are limited to three.

Second: Fill out a Holiday Light Exchange participation card with your address and Roseville Electric Utility account number. Bring your most recent Utility Bill and a California Drivers License (for identification purposes only).

Third: Bring your old holiday lights and participation card for up to three strands of new ENERGY STAR rated LED holiday lights. See www.roseville.ca.us/electric/holidaylights.asp for more info.

Library News by Fran Webb



Happy Holidays, Maidu Neighbors! It has been another interesting year reporting the library news. We are fortunate to have dedicated library staff, books, and an evergrowing assortment of resources from which to choose. Thanks to all who actively participated and supported our library in 2013. It's easy to obtain a library card; stop by the library and find out how.

PRONUNCIATOR: Learn one of 80 languages in 4000 courses through the library's online program FREE to all library card holders. The program works on a computer, iPad, iPhone, and Android devices. Learn a language at your own pace while on the go. Get all the details on-line, and at the branches. Great for learning a language before you travel, brush up on ones you've let slide, or try one you never imagined you would. There is also an English as Second Language component to improve one's English skills.

FREE Maidu Museum Pass: December 17-19, enjoy hot coffee and guided tours at 10 am plus free children's activities all day long. See the latest exhibits and unique items in the museum gift shop.

OverDrive and OneClickDigital are both offering e-book/e-audio books. Both can be accessed by multiple i-devices, Android devices, tablets, Kindles, Nooks, computers, MP3s, etc., and the offerings have expanded. The books are free to library card holders. Need help getting started? There are on-line tutorials, mobile toolbox drop-in help, and classes scheduled at the branches throughout the year, as well as individual help.

Contact the library for details at 774-5221 or access the web site at www.roseville.ca.us/library. If you have the time, go on-line and take part in the Library Survey. There is a tab is on the homepage. Keep in touch with what is going on by visiting the library's web site often, as additional events and programs may be announced and posted in between neighborhood newsletters.

Water Conservation

by Lance Hibben

Water conservation is an important consideration all year long for City residents and Maidu neighbors. Saving water can be especially important now as Fall yields to Winter and because of the uncertainty of next year's water supply. It's time to adjust timer schedules to reduce and minimize water for yards and gardens. If needed, there is help available by City staff to adjust sprinkler timers. Irrigation water run off serves no purpose. Make adjustments so that water does not run off to the gutter.

Saving water is not only the right thing to do, it saves money, too. Education is the key and also represents educational opportunities for kids to develop good habits. Here are some things to consider: check landscape irrigation systems including pipe fittings, irrigation controller time settings, hose connections, pool plumbing, and any other water-using equipment or fixtures. With freezing temperatures around the corner, it's a good time to insulate above-ground connections and valves. Cracked and broken irrigation parts will waste water, sometimes without you knowing it. If you have a gardener, don't assume that he or she will set the irrigation controller to water efficiently. The City also offers a free Water Insight program that shows how much water you use in comparison to your neighbors.

For more information, check out the City of Roseville website information using the following link. The site includes videos, publications, and more to get educated about saving water:

http://roseville.ca.us/eu/water utility/water efficiency/default.asp