# **MAIDU NEIGHBORS**

# Maidu Neighborhood Association

# RCONA MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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# Gift for the Maidu Library

by David Allen



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Cal Walstad 774-5040 X 3041 Bryan M. Hays 774-5040 X 3075 Lee Hendrick 774-5040 X 3112 Neighbors, please join us at the Maidu Library, 1530 Maidu Drive, on Saturday, February 2, at 12:30 pm for a brief dedication ceremony. The Maidu Neighborhood Association, that being all of us who live in the Maidu Neighborhood, are donating a custom-built cabinet to the Maidu Library. This cabinet will be used to store the library's hundreds of compact discs. Mayor Susan Rohan and City Librarian Natasha Casteel are expected to attend, as well as our Maidu Neighborhood Association newsletter sponsor, Melinda Shrader.

To read the history of this donation, see the article written by Scott Reid on Page 3 of this newsletter.

## Maidu Neighborhood Association Events

Are you new to the neighborhood association? Perhaps, you don't know what events we sponsor throughout the year. One of our big events is the neighborhood garage sale. It's usually held in April and it allows each neighbor the opportunity to participate in a big, well-publicized sale that draws an abundance of shoppers. In June, Movie in the Park series starts and we have a movie in Maidu Park. In August, there's our National Night Out event. In years past, we've supplied dinner or sometimes just dessert. In October, we host a free BBQ and park clean-up activity. In December, we staff at the Santa Visit at Maidu Community Center sponsored by Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (RCONA).

Have I piqued your interest? Look for our lavender-colored newsletter each month and read what's happening next.

The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held at Sargeant Elementary School, located at 1200 Ridgecrest, Roseville, in the Activity Room at 7 pm on Tuesday, January 22, 2013. The Activity Room is toward the back of the school. Enter off N. Cirby.

Search for the Maidu Neighborhood Association on Facebook and "like" us.

#### Library News

by Fran Webb

A new year, a **new library catalog system --** Have you tried it out? Please share your success and frustrations with the library staff and allow them to show you how to work the system with ease.

Which reminds me, you can always hop on the library web site (www.roseville.ca.us/library) and fill out the **Assessment Survey**. The library is interested in improving the public's access and experience using the resources. If you are having difficulty, please explain the step-by-step process you tried and what the unexpected results were. If things went smoothly, they would be pleased to know that, too.

**Mobile Toolbox** will be returning in February. Check the upcoming Library calendar for specific dates and times.

The **25th Annual Poetry Contest** is already in process. Online entries are underway and in-library entries are coming soon.

Did you hear? **The Western Regional Quidditch Championships** will take place in Maidu Regional Park, **February 16-17**. That's right, as in Harry Potter Quidditch (collegiate competition). This doesn't happen every weekend, right? Check it out!

Did you know you may find some good titles and bargains at the **used bookstores** at each of the branches? In addition, the Friends of the Library organization sponsors a number of compact, used book sales throughout the year.

Thanks, neighbors, for showing such outstanding support of the Maidu Library in 2012.

### Newsletter Delivery

by Jim Kidd

We have two areas in our neighborhood that need delivery of our newsletter. Could you use some exercise? Would you be willing to deliver the Maidu Neighborhood newsletter monthly?

W need 43 newsletters delivered in the McKinley Drive, Rebecca Court, and Sally Way area. We need 25 newsletters delivered in the Champion Oaks, Bradshaw Avenue, and Meadow Lane area.

Please contact Jim Kidd at jckidd@hotmail.com if you can help.

<u>Green Gardening Mini Series</u>: Workshops are held at the Roseville Utility Exploration Center, 1501 Pleasant Grove Boulevard each month. The February 9 workshop is on container and indoor gardens. Call 746-1550 to find out more.

# How the Library CD Cabinet Donation Came to Be

by Scott Reid

As announced on Page 1 in this newsletter, the Maidu Neighborhood Association is donating a CD storage cabinet for use by patrons of the Maidu Branch of the Roseville Public Library. But how did that come to be?



Each year the Association raises money through our Neighborhood Garage Sale. A reserve is kept in case we lose our newsletter sponsor so we can keep publishing the newsletter, keep sponsoring our web site, and keep up with other periodic expenses. If we have additional funds, we consider a gift to benefit our community. Because we have a newsletter sponsor, Melinda Shrader, to support our publication, we have some discretionary funds on hand.

This year we sought to make a donation to Maidu Library. Our neighbor, Fran Webb, who gives us frequent Library updates, spoke with the Maidu Branch staff about what they needed. A number of needs were identified, including the following: Upgraded display case, new children's furniture or new covering for existing furniture, new bookcase for the book club kits, or better lighting along a back wall.

What quickly emerged, however, is that the existing CD Cabinet created some challenges. For one, it could store only 300 CDs, not all the CDs the library has in its collection, so patrons couldn't see all the Library had to offer. Another was that its lowest shelf was only 18 inches off the floor, making it difficult for many patrons to access easily. But a new cabinet from a catalog would cost \$2,750 to \$3,350 and would have similar design issues as the existing one.

So our neighbor Fran and husband Ken looked for alternatives. They found a local cabinet maker who, while not within our Association boundaries, liked the Maidu Library best. As long as he could be anonymous about his donation, he was willing to donate his labor if the Association would pick-up the tab for the \$600 in materials. The Association Board reviewed his design and agreed to fund the project. The new CD cabinet has several design features that will make it superior to the old one: Its eight CD drawers will allow the Library to make all of its collection available with storage for 900 to 1,200 discs. The lowest CD drawers will be much easier to reach. Under the CD drawers, there is now space for two additional large drawers that solve another of the Library's challenges, where to store the Book Club Kits. The 24' x 72" top of the cabinet will allow staff more display area to draw attention to current events and offerings.

This cabinet will benefit patrons and Library Staff. The construction is on schedule, and the Library has hired a mover to be ready to deliver it when it is finished. The Association Board hopes you agree this is a worthwhile investment for our neighborhood, and that you'll come see it either at its February 2 dedication, or some time after it is installed.

<u>HELP WANTED</u>: Honest, reliable, energetic, non-smoking person to assist a mature couple with caring for 1-3 grandchildren aged 0 to 2 years in their home in the Maidu Park area. Two half-days per week; able to suit the schedule of someone with a child in school. Pay is negotiable. Send Nicolle Goldman an e-mail at: nicollegoldman@comcast.net.



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