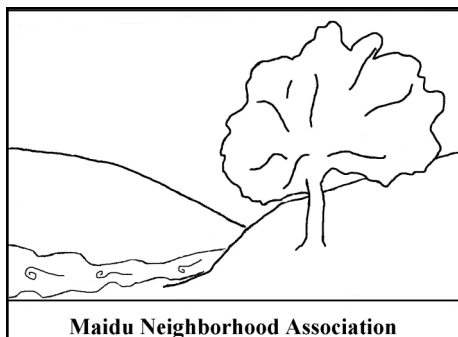


MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

December 2014



Neighborhood Survey

We seek your input on how to make the Maidu Neighborhood Association more valuable to you and all other Maidu neighbors. Please respond to this short survey by emailing your responses (by number) to Jim Kidd at jckidd@hotmail.com. You do not need to answer all questions. If you'd like to complete the survey on line, here is the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/R7DJY3T>

The Maidu neighborhood Association thanks you in advance for your thoughts.

SURVEY

1. What do you like about the Maidu Neighborhood Association (NA)?
2. What should be improved?
3. How can we get neighbors more involved in our NA?
4. What would increase your interest in attending the monthly NA meetings?
5. What guest speakers would you like to hear at a NA meeting?
6. Would you like to help with NA projects?
7. Any ideas of projects you would like the NA to do?
8. Would you be interested in a Neighborhood Watch program consisting of 10-12 of your nearest neighbors?
9. Your name (optional)



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NOTE: There is no meeting in December. The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held on **Tuesday, January 27, 2015**, at 7 pm at Sargeant School, 1200 Ridgecrest. We meet in the Activity Room which is toward the back of the school. Enter off N. Cirby. Our meetings give you a chance to get to know your neighbors and hear what's happening in the neighborhood. A Roseville Police Officer gives a crime report at each meeting.

Search for Maidu N.A. on Facebook and "like" us.
Our web site is maiduna.com

Turn Off Your Irrigation

by Dave Steele



At this writing, it's raining steadily and is expected to be continuing for a few days. The ground is wet from the last storm and it's raining on top of that. Saturation is actually finally a reality and the rain can start running off into collection in dams. Yet, sprinklers are still being seen coming on in our neighborhood at regular intervals.

Even if you are not a “techie,” just go look at the lawn sprinkler controller and you'll either see an “off” position or a plug to disconnect. Pick one if for no other reason than to save on your metered water bill. The drought still exists and we are still WAY low in Folsom Lake, our main water supply. We're not trying to maintain the level of the lake, we're trying to make back lost ground and we can't do it without conservation measures as simple as turning off your sprinklers.

On July 20, 2011, the Lake was 97 % full, and by February of this year was down to 17%. We need 2 or 3 years' worth of normal rain to fill it up again, so if we don't restrict the outflow or keep conserving, we'll slow down the recovery. Do your part; save the water. Turn off the sprinklers until Spring.

New Trash & Green Waste Pickup Schedule 2015

Starting January 5, many residences and a few businesses will have new trash pickup days and new green waste pickup days. According to the City, this change is necessary to increase efficiencies and reduce costs. The new schedule can be found on the City's web site by accessing www.roseville.ca.us. Click on “environmental utilities” and then click on “new trash and green waste pickup schedules.” You may also look for the new schedules in the mail.



Celebrating the American Wild Turkey

by Donna Wilson



Wild Turkeys are native to Roseville. You may have seen a few around your house, yes? They are the ambassadors of Roseville creeks and open space. They travel through the neighborhoods and remind people that Roseville is a special community that is full of open space, creeks, and wildlife. Turkeys really don't mean to take over your yard, but this is their territory and we are the intruders. They have lived here a very long time. There are turkey fossils that go back 2 million years.

Intelligent or Dumb? It is a myth that turkeys are dumb. They do not look up and drown in rain, or you would see dead turkeys lying around after a storm. On the contrary, researchers who measure “animal intelligence” have found that turkeys are much more advanced than we thought. Their sight is 3 times better than humans. While they live and nest on the ground, turkeys evade predators by sleeping in trees at night. They are omnivorous, eating acorns to bugs to small reptiles, as well as grasses and seeds. They prefer to graze and socialize. While they move quite slowly, don't be fooled. Turkeys can run 25 miles per hour and fly at speeds up to 55 miles per hour. They are smart enough to know how to survive in freezing cold and in hot climates.

Note: Next meeting of the neighborhood association is in January.

Food Drive

by Lori Key



Maidu Community Center and the Roseville Better Gardens Club are joining together in supporting a food drive to feed the hungry in our community. A non-perishable food donation barrel will be available at Maidu Community Center, 1550 Maidu Drive, from Monday, December 15 through Friday, December 19, to collect food for the hungry.

Bring your non-perishable food and drop it off at the barrel. Some suggested items are dried pastas (macaroni, spaghetti, egg noodles), cereal, peanut butter in plastic containers, canned food (tuna, fruit, vegetables), and dry goods (rice, dried beans). The Placer Food Bank will be the recipient of all the donations. If you miss this opportunity, there's another place you can make a donation and that's Food for Families through Raleys and Bel Air, www.foodforfamilies.org.

Crime Corner

by David Allen

If you receive the City Crime Report from the Roseville Police Department, you may have noticed recent mention of the first Coffee with a Cop. As the name implies, it was an opportunity to sit down with a Roseville Police Officer at a neighborhood coffee shop and ask them questions. Apparently, the response was overwhelming. Hats-off to Roseville PD for offering Roseville citizens a simple, no-stress way to ask a police officer those burning questions we probably all have.



And yet, for those of us who are fortunate enough to live in the Maidu Neighborhood, we have this same opportunity every month. At least one (and sometimes three or four officers) from Roseville PD attend our neighborhood association meeting to update us on crime trends, recent crimes in our neighborhood, offer crime prevention tips and take questions. The police report is early in the meeting agenda, so you're welcome to leave right after if your time is in short supply. It's a great opportunity for you and your kids to meet to a police officer.

We're in the midst of the winter holiday vacation season, so please keep an eye out for anyone who might be looking for an empty home to burglarize. If you're planning some vacation time, be sure to stop the mail and paper (or have a neighbor pick them up); make arrangements for someone to put out the trash; notify your neighbors so they can keep an eye out; and submit a Vacation House Check form at least one week prior to departure. You can find the form on the Roseville PD's web site, www.roseville.ca.us/police. Fill it out and mail it in or drop it off at Police HQ at 1051 Junction Boulevard near the fairgrounds. While you're gone, Roseville PD Community Officers will drop by your house periodically and make sure everything looks secure. When you return, you might even receive some tips from the police about how to make your home more secure. Now that's service!

Maidu Library

Pardon the dust. We're remodeling! There is some moderate construction occurring at the front desk of the Maidu Library. A new automated check-in station is being built. The outside book return was temporarily closed, but is now open.

All Roseville Public Library locations will close early at 3 pm on Wednesday, December 24, and are closed Thursday, December 25, for the Christmas holiday. All library locations will also be closed Thursday, January 1, in observance of the New Year.