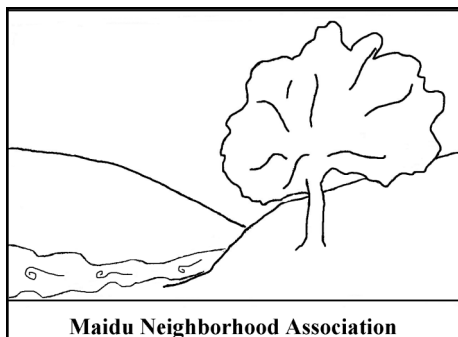


# MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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## MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

February 2015



### A New Neighbor Guide to The Garage Sale

If you moved here within the last nine months, you may be unaware of our Annual Garage Sale, our primary fund raiser. We publicize that our neighborhood is having a Garage Sale (approximately 100 homes participate each year) and people come from all over the area to buy your excess stuff. That's what the outsiders know. But now that you're an insider, here's how it works.

Each year we set a date on a spring Saturday when we think holidays and local events will not compete and the weather is likely to be neither too hot nor too cold. This year, for example, we've selected Saturday, April 25, the week after Earth Day. Next we make a proposal to you. If you would like to join us, we offer you the following services for a \$10 donation.

We will publicize the event via classified ads in local publications (Roseville Tribune, Sacramento Bee, and Pennysaver), and on Craigslist. We also announce the sale here in the newsletter, on our web site, on our Facebook page, and the Nextdoor site.

Our Sale-support-person-extraordinaire, Realtor Melinda Shrader, creates a Garage Sale packet which contains hints on running a garage sale and other supplies to get you started. We deliver it to your home once you've sent us your \$10 donation.

We hold a drawing and give away some neat prizes to garage sale participants on sale day. A week before the sale, we create a map of all the participating addresses in the neighborhood. We post this map on our web site, mention it in our classified ads for folks who want to get a copy online, and publicize it on our Facebook page.

On the day of the sale, our volunteers turn out to staff strategic street corners at the entrances to our neighborhood and hand out printed copies of the map to people as they drive into the neighborhood.

Is that worth \$10 to you? If so, simply fill out the form below and send it along with your donation. The money raised supports our National Night Out and Park Clean-up events as well as other local projects that support our neighbors.

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#### Garage Sale Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 enclosed for April 25 Garage Sale.

I do not plan to participate, but I would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ to the Maidu Neighborhood Association.

I would like to help with map distribution or filling of balloons the day of the sale.

I would like to donate a raffle prize.

Make your check out to **Maidu Neighborhood Association**. Send form & check to Mary Steele, Treasurer, 1390 Cloverdale Circle, Roseville, CA 95661, **by April 17** to get your address listed on the map.

## Crime Corner

by David Allen

You may have read the good news that in 2014, the overall crime rate was down in Roseville. There are likely many contributing factors, one of which is Roseville Police Department's use of crime analysis. If you're not familiar, crime analysis is the review of crime data to identify crime hot spots and trends in order to predict what type, when and where crime is most likely to occur. Knowing this allows the police to deploy their resources more effectively.

For more details on crime analysis, join us for an in-depth presentation by Roseville PD's **Crime Analyst Jason Rudolph** at the February 24, Maidu Neighborhood Association meeting. Mr. Rudolph will provide an overview of the department and how they analyze crime data to turn it into information that the "feet on the street" can use to help them fight crime.

## Maidu Senior Center Tea Dance



The Maidu Senior Center is sponsoring two tea dances in February for adults over 50. The Maidu Community Center at 1550 Maidu Drive is the setting for the dances on Thursday, February 12 and on Thursday, February 26, starting at 1:15 pm and ending at 3:30 pm. There will be live music and the entrance fee is \$4 for members of the Maidu Senior Center and \$5 for non-members. If you have questions, call the Senior Center at (916) 774-5960. If there's good attendance and support, the Senior Center will continue sponsoring dances.

## Library News

by Fran Webb

**Youth Poetry Contest** -- Entries are accepted through February 28 from students in grades 1-12, for the youth poetry contest. More information and entry forms are available at the library or online @ [www.roseville.ca.us/poetry](http://www.roseville.ca.us/poetry). Good luck, poets!

**Tales to Tails** -- Discover the pleasures of reading to friendly library dogs! Animals are ideal reading companions; they listen attentively; do not criticize; allow children to proceed at their own pace; and are less intimidating than classmates or adults. The dates are March 10, 17, 24, and 31. The times at the Maidu Library are from 6 pm to 6:25 pm and from 6:35 pm to 7 pm. Sessions are on a first-come, first-served basis. Call the library at 774-5221 for more information.

**Homework Help** -- Grades 1-8, Maidu Library, Monday - Wednesday, from 3 pm to 5 pm. Call the library first to confirm at 774-5221.

**Friends of the Roseville Library Book Sale** -- Downtown Library, 225 Taylor St., Saturday, February 28, from 10 am to 4 pm. There will be special collections on Railroads and Trains and Native American People; along with many other fabulous books.

**Book Mobile Launch Party** is scheduled for Saturday, March 7, from 1-3 pm, at Vernon St. Town Square. There will be speakers, two story times, crafts for kids, and Clifford the Big Red Dog for photo opportunities, along with lemonade and popcorn to round out the fun. This is a free event

Don't forget to check the library web site for other programs, classes, and events throughout the year at [www.roseville.ca.us/library](http://www.roseville.ca.us/library).

## **Safety While Walking.**

Three pedestrians have been killed while crossing the street in the city since the beginning of this year. Even when walking on sidewalks along well illuminated roads or crossing the street using a cross-walk, pedestrians need to take extreme care when crossing the road especially those with heavy traffic and multiple lanes. The following tips can help you cross safely.

### **Be Safe and Be Seen: Make yourself visible to drivers.**

- Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials.
- Carry a flashlight when walking at night.
- Cross the street in a well-lit area at night.
- Stand clear of buses, hedges, parked cars, or other obstacles before crossing so drivers can see you.

### **Be Smart and Alert: Avoid dangerous behaviors.**

- Always walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
- Stay sober; walking while impaired increases your chance of being struck.
- Don't assume vehicles will stop. Make eye contact with drivers, don't just look at the vehicle. If a driver is on a cell phone, he or she may not be paying enough attention to drive safely.
- Don't rely solely on pedestrian signals. Look before you cross the road.
- Be alert to engine noise or backup lights on cars when in parking lots and near on-street parking spaces.

### **Be Careful at Crossings: Look before you step.**

- Cross streets at marked crosswalks or intersections, if possible.
  - Obey traffic signals such as WALK/DON'T WALK signs.
  - Look left, right, and left again before crossing a street.
  - Watch for turning vehicles. Make sure the driver sees you and will stop for you.
  - Look across ALL lanes you must cross and visually clear each lane before proceeding. Even if one motorist stops, do not presume drivers in other lanes can see you and will stop for you.
- Don't wear headphones or talk on a cell phone while crossing.

The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held on **Tuesday, 24, 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. **Our special guest speaker in February is Crime Analyst Jason Rudolph.**

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