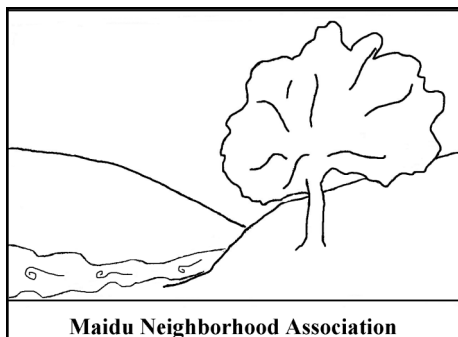


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June 2015



National Night Out - - *It's America's Night Out Against Crime!* National Night Out (NNO) is a unique event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and is held the first Tuesday in August (August 4 this year). Last year's NNO campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, business, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 10,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide.

National Night Out is designed to: 1. Heighten crime & drug prevention awareness; 2. Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime programs, such as Neighborhood Watch; 3. Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships; 4. Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Cities, towns and neighborhoods celebrate NNO with a variety of events and activities, such as: block parties, cookouts, visits from local police and fire departments, ice cream socials, and flashlight walks, contests, and youth programs.

NNO has proven to be an effective, inexpensive, and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships. The benefits the community will derive from NNO will most certainly extend well beyond one night.

Mark your calendar for August 4 & plan to attend our event at Maidu Park at the pavilion near the batting cages. Event will start at 6 pm. Details and specifics of our NNO event will be on the front page of the July Maidu Newsletter.

Note: There will be free dinner served to the first 120 who attend.

Here's an opportunity to present your business to your neighbors as we celebrate National Night Out.

This year as part of a plan to promote our neighborhood, we are offering you a chance to set up a free booth or table and advertise your business on August 4 at our National Night Out event in Maidu Park from 6 pm to 8 pm. If you are a business member of our neighborhood and you would like to advertise your business and make it more visible to your neighbors, contact Jim Kidd at 916-871-3574 or e-mail jckidd@hotmail.com for more information and to confirm your participation.

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Summer Meeting Location for June and July meetings is Alta Manor Senior Residence. The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held on **Tuesday, June 23, 2015**, at 7 pm. Alta Manor is located at 930 Oak Ridge, Roseville. Our meetings give you a chance to get to know your neighbors and hear what's happening in the neighborhood.

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

Library News

by Fran Webb

Library staff and the City are promoting the Library's Summer Reading Program. As you travel or commute, think of downloading an audio book that you can enjoy while in the car or other vehicle. The library offers some books on CD if CDs work better for you. Remember, to log your reading and have it count during the summer. Go into the library to get a log or download a log from the Internet. Keep track of the books you read or listen to, whether they are from the library or not. You will be able to enter your logs for drawings and prizes.

Check with the library for the events connected with the Summer Reading Program. You can find them at www.roseville.ca.us/library. Click on the links associated with the program that you're interested in.

Once on the homepage, look around and discover programs and services you never knew the library offers. There is something for all ages. If you don't know how to access something, ask the reference librarians for help.

We would love to improve the participation of adults and teens at the Maidu Library. Can you help with that? Using the library is easy and free.

Enjoy your summer days and get the most benefit out of the library.

E-Waste and Hazardous Waste

The City of Roseville Environmental Utilities Department offers free pick-up service for Roseville residents for a wide array of electronic waste and other household hazardous waste items. To schedule a pick-up appointment time at your doorstep, call 774-5780. Eligible items include: household batteries, fluorescent tubes and bulbs, water heaters, thermostats, mercury thermometers, televisions, VCR's, computers, monitors and printers, stereos, motor oil, automotive batteries, cooking fat. For more information, visit www.roseville.ca.us/eu.

4th of July Fun Run - - The Crime Stoppers "Run Crime Out of Roseville" Fun Run will be held on Saturday, July 4, starting at Royer Park, 190 Park Drive. For more information, visit www.runcrimeoutofroseville.com.

Time for a Parade - - The Roseville 4th of July parade will begin at 9 am at the Vernon/Douglas/Riverside intersection, continuing down Vernon Street, right on Lincoln Street, and right on Park Drive. You won't want to miss this annual festive event.

Royer Park Fun - - Stay for the fun after the parade in Royer Park from 10 am until 1 pm. There will be food offered for purchase, games, and live music by the Capitol Pops Concert Band starting at 11 am.

Fireworks - - In the evening, join us at the Placer County Fairgrounds for fireworks. Gates open at 7 pm and the show begins at approximately 9:30 pm. There is a \$5 charge for parking.

Auto Theft

by Scott Reid

At our May Maidu Neighborhood Association Meeting, Sgt. Mike Beauregard of the CHP and Placer County Auto Theft Task Force spoke to an interested audience about the ways people become victims of auto theft and how to avoid it. The County's Task Force was formed in 2007 in response to the 1,200 cars stolen during the previous year.

The time of carjackings, never common in Placer County anyway, has largely passed because the crime is treated so much more seriously than the simpler theft of the car. One of the newest ways to steal a car is via ID theft. The thief uses a stolen identity to establish a credit record and buy a car. Sgt. Beauregard suggested that a relatively easy way to avoid this is to freeze your credit line when you are not actively trying to get a loan or additional credit. Use free credit reports to check for unusual activity.

A common pattern or motivation for theft in this area is for transportation. The thief takes the car, usually because the opportunity presents itself, then uses it to get to the next vehicle to steal. Professional thieves that run chop shops are usually only found in larger cities.

An old favorite for theft is the car left running "to warm up" while the owner returns to the inside of the home. This is more likely to occur during winter months as the car exhaust is easily spotted, and the owner is more likely to be in their warm home. The fastest way to warm an auto engine is to drive it.

For 2005 and older vehicles, a "shaved key" may be used because the ignition gets looser and worn over time, so it can be worked into the starting position more easily without having the actual key. Older Hondas are also known for being easy to break into. The "club" is the cheapest, clearly visible deterrent for older cars. The club can be defeated by cutting the steering wheel, but a thief is more likely to just move on to another car that will be easier to drive off.

Keeping your car in your garage is a great way to protect your car. One exception to this is when a thief can get a long stiff wire under your garage door and can use it to hook on your garage door opener release cord. Once they've pulled the cord, the garage door can be lifted.

If you are selling a car, don't fall for the scam where the buyer offers a cashier's check from their bank for \$20,000, for example. You've agreed to a lower price for the vehicle and they ask you for cash back to make up the difference. The cashier's check, despite appearances, will be counterfeit.

Sgt. Beauregard related a time when a buyer offered to pay cash for one of his vehicles -- thousands of dollars in cash. Beauregard refused to accept the cash directly from the buyer, but went with him to Beauregard's bank where he had the buyer give the money to a teller for deposit in the officer's account. This avoided anyone jumping him for the cash after he accepted it elsewhere, and the teller is better equipped to verify the cash was not counterfeit.

Catalytic converter thefts remain lucrative for thieves. They particularly like to target high-riding vehicles like a Dodge pick-up or the Toyota Tundra -- easy to get under, and these vehicles often have more than one catalytic converter. With a set of clamp cutters, they can execute this theft in 3 to 4 minutes and they are gone. To prevent the theft, compare the price of a skid-plate installed over the converters against the price of your insurance deductible, and it may be money well spent.

Finally, as a watchful neighbor, report suspicious activities that you see. If you see a vehicle you've never seen before on your street, but it isn't suspicious enough to warrant a call to the police, note the car's make, license number, color and when and where you saw it. If it is nothing, no harm done. If it turns out to be involved in a crime, your information may help police find the criminals involved.