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Good Landscaping Adds Value

by Dave Steele

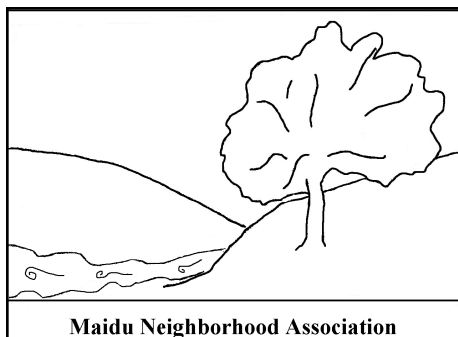
Vast amounts of landscaping suffered with the drought last year, but this year the rules were lessened and there is still much suffering. Still waiting for the official word that the drought is over? Cost of renewal an issue? Just don't feel like mowing a lawn anymore? Here's some helpful information:

Drought or not, California is going to initiate water conservation measures in 2017. More stringent watering rules are on the horizon. The City of Roseville will rebate customers \$.50 per square foot of turf grass removed and replaced with water efficient landscape up to \$1000 per address. Download the Cash for Grass application or call 774-5761 for more information (from the City of Roseville website). A study by Applied Ecological Services Inc., shows that maintaining a quarter acre (about the size of our entire lot) of native plants over 20 years costs \$750, compared with the whopping \$5,000 price tag of maintaining a lawn of non-native turf grass.

Landscaping is the first thing visitors or buyers see and it reflects well – or poorly – on other homes in the neighborhood. Good landscaping can add up to 28% to overall home value, says landscape economist John Harris. Just taking your landscaping from “good” to “excellent” in terms of design, condition, and placement, can add 6% to 7% to a home's value, according to a Clemson University study.

Even adding a tree adds value to a home. How much? The National Tree Benefit Calculator can tell you what it's worth. Plug in your zip code and type/size of tree and this site tells you how it affects CO2 reduction, stormwater runoff, property value, and energy savings, and the shade comes free with the tree.

If your neighbors manicure their lawns and yours is a jumble of weeds or worse, their great landscaping will make yours look even shabbier and hurt the value of your home. There is hope - <http://www.landscape-america.com/lawns/lawncare/seeding/revival.html> will let you choose the extent of renovation you can afford or want to tackle. Surprisingly, just watering will bring back the deadest looking grass without replanting as the roots are still viable much of the time. Dead spots can be reseeded with matching grass types. (cont'd on Page 3)



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The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held Tuesday, October 25, 2016, at 7 pm at Sargeant Elementary School, 1200 Ridgecrest. We meet in the Activity Room which 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 City Police Officer will give us the crime report for our neighborhood.

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

Maidu Neighborhood Association Donates To Sargeant School

by David Allen

At the September Maidu Neighborhood Association meeting, the Board decided to donate \$250 to Sargeant Elementary School to purchase library books for their advanced readers. This donation recognizes Sargeant's generosity in allowing our group to use one of their rooms for our monthly meetings each school year. It's a great use of the funds we receive from Maidu Neighbors during our annual Garage Sale. Thank you, Maidu neighbors, for making this possible.

Maidu Museum News & Library News

by Deborah Marcus

The Maidu Museum and Historic Site, located at 1970 Johnson Ranch Drive, is a local treasure. You will find exhibits of local Native American cultures who inhabited the Maidu Park area for over 6,000 years. For more detailed information, call 774-5934 or check the web site, roseville.ca.us/indianmuseum.

On Friday, October 21, there will be a campfire event at the Maidu Museum property, It will start at 7 pm and end at 8:30 pm. There will be a storyteller and roasting sticks and marshmallows will be provided for the children. The cost is \$5 per person with children under 2 years of age at no charge. Call for group discount.

The Maidu Library offers ongoing children's educational and storytelling events, plus used book sales. Contact the library through their web site at roseville.ca.us/library or call 774-5221.

Roseville Events

by Deborah Marcus

Tired of searching those dusty fields for your perfect pumpkin? We are, too! Hunt for your pumpkin in the pool this year. It's called the Floating Pumpkin Patch. Once you pick your pumpkin, you can decorate it at the pumpkin decorating station. The Mike Shellito Indoor Pool is the location for the Floating Pumpkin Patch and the pool is open for recreational swim throughout the event. There are games, bounce houses and storytimes. Costumes are encouraged! This family event takes place on Saturday, October 22, from 1 pm to 4 pm. The Mike Shellito Indoor Pool is located at 10210 Fairway Drive, Roseville.

On Saturday, October 26, there will be a Halloween Craft Fair at the Roseville Utility and Exploration Center, from 10 am to noon. The Utility and Exploration Center is located at 1501 Pleasant Grove Boulevard. Call 746-1550 for more information.

Oktoberfest will be celebrated on Saturday, October 22, from 1 to 5 pm at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon Street. There will be unlimited tastings of beer from local and regional breweries. Bring your friends and enjoy live entertainment, including an authentic German band. You can purchase food from a variety of vendors. There will be a costume contest, stein races, stein holding contest and many more games and a chance to win prizes. There will be a Game Zone and a Oktoberfest theme photo booth. No person under 21 allowed. Fee is \$35. Designated driver can get in for \$5. Tickets are available at roseville.ca.us/events. Proceeds go toward benefiting recreation programs for at-risk youth.

Crime Corner

by David Allen

I'm sure you've noticed that the police are in the news an awful lot lately. They are under tremendous scrutiny. Policing is never easy, but when you feel society is watching your every move, a tough job just got tougher.

We are so fortunate to enjoy such an outstanding police department in Roseville. Our neighborhood would not be as safe as it is without Roseville's police officers and supporting staff on the job. Case in point, as we experience at nearly every Maidu Neighborhood Association meeting, our local officers took time out of their busy schedules to come to our September meeting, shared the latest on crimes in the area and took our questions. Their actions to connect with their community in neighborhood meetings, Coffee with a Cop and other city events, even taking the time to say hello and hand out police badge stickers to kids, shows their compassion for the community they serve.

So next time you see a Roseville police officer, say thanks. Give a wave. Leave an encouraging message. Let them know that we appreciate and support them.

Neighborhood Association Election

by Geoff Kragen

The Maidu Neighborhood Association held its annual meeting on Tuesday, September 27.

The following individuals were elected/re-elected to the board. They are: Ken Nitschke, Scott Reid, David Steele, Mary Steele and Fran Webb.

During the regular board meeting the following individuals were elected to board officer positions: Scott Reid, President; Vicki Miller, Vice President; Geoff Kragen, Secretary; Mary Steele, Treasurer.

We thank those who participated. The Board looks forward to serving the community for another year.

Newsletter Delivery

We are seeking a delivery person to deliver the neighborhood newsletter door to door in the neighborhood of McKinley Drive, Jo Court, and 1 side of Sally Way. If you like to walk and enjoy the outdoors, we need you 1 day each month to drop the newsletter at front door. We cannot use the mail box. Call or text Shirley at (916) 955-1909, if you'd like to volunteer. Thank you.

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Ever notice how the dog and golf course can green up the lawn even in winter? So can you. Fertilize well now and the lawn is still metabolizing so it greens up (first number of the 3 on the fertilizer bag is Nitrogen for greening). It'll stay green and doesn't need mowing much in the colder winter months until about February when it'll start getting needy again. The neighborhood will appreciate it.

Let's review: Cost of removing turf can be reduced by the City rebate program. Using native plants instead of lawn eliminates mowing. Water bill will be reduced if you remove your grass. Home value will increase significantly. Rejuvenated landscaping will reflect well on you and the neighborhood.