

# MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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## MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

February 2017

### 2017 Garage Sale Date Set—Raffle prizes needed

On Saturday, April 29th, the Maidu Neighborhood Garage Sale will be held throughout our neighborhood. Based on past Sales, about 100 homes will participate making it a great way to get visibility for your own garage sale. So join us for the big event. You get a lot for your donation of \$10:

- Coordinated advertising in local papers and online.
- Listed and pinpointed on our map of Garage Sale locations. The maps will be available to visitors at entrances to the neighborhood as well as online.
- A garage sale kit to get you started.
- A chance at a prize from a local business.
- Throughout the year, you'll know your donation is helping us put on events like National Night Out, the Park Clean-up and the Santa-in-the-Neighborhood celebration as well as other neighborhood activities.

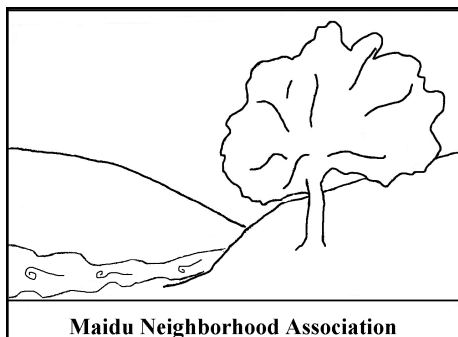
If you are ready to participate, fill in the form at the bottom of this page and send it in!

### **Another Way to Participate—Donate a Raffle item**

Are you a business owner who wants to help out with the Garage Sale? We hold a drawing for all who make a \$10 donation and distribute prizes from local businesses like yours.

If you have something you would like to donate to represent your business, we would happily include it in the raffle on the day of the Sale. We announce the upcoming raffle items here if you donate before our newsletter deadline on April 6th, and after the Sale we announce our winners and what they won.

Please help us make this, our one annual fundraiser, a success! You can use the form, below to let us know you have a donation and we'll contact you.



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### **2017 Garage Sale Registration**

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10 enclosed for April 29 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 21** to get your address listed on the map.

Questions? Send email to [feedback\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:feedback(at)maiduna.com)

## Thank You, Association Volunteers!

We have occasion to thank a couple of new folks who have joined the many other neighbors who volunteer their time each month delivering newsletters. We put out a call for help and you answered, so McKinley Drive, Jo Court, Sally Way, Rebecca Court will continue to receive the newsletter.

And that brings us to all the Block Captains (our fancy name for those who pound the pavement each month to leave a newsletter at your door). From start to finish there are over 40 people who create, print and deliver the newsletters to your doorstep each month, and the majority of those are three dozen Block Captains. We really appreciate that they take time in their busy lives to help make sure we all know what's going on around us.

Finally, our thanks to board member Ken Nitschke who has graciously agreed to become our Vice President. Ken became a board member last year and is generously helping us to run this small, volunteer organization.

## Hunting for Mosquitos in February

by Scott Reid

I grew up in a place where the temperature changes across seasons were more pronounced, especially in the cold direction. So we didn't think about mosquitos until June and stopped by mid-September. Here the mosquito season is nearly year-round. Just today, during a break in the rainy weather of early February, my daughter killed one flying in our home.

I am reminded that with all the rain and the unusually mild temperatures we've had we are in prime mosquito breeding conditions. If you haven't see any in your yard yet, I suspect you'll see them soon.

*If you have standing water, especially anywhere it will stay for more than a week, it can breed mosquitos.* By contrast, the flowing water of a creek will *not* breed mosquitos, or very few at the slowest, most hidden edges.

So take a tour of your yard and look for stagnant water in locations like this.

- In tin cans, buckets, discarded tires and other artificial containers.
- In untended pools, birdbaths, clogged rain gutters, and plastic wading pools.
- In storm drains and catch basins.
- In septic seepage and other foul water sources.

Just empty the water when you find it. If you can't easily empty, drain or fill-in where the water stands, look for ideas or other help at the *Placer County Mosquito & Vector Control* web site at [placermosquito.org](http://placermosquito.org). Your tax dollars pay for their services.

It may not seem like the time of year to think about mosquitos, but we can take steps now to prevent them from pestering us as much in months to come.

## Tot Recreation

by Deborah Marcus

Here are some local activities for the really young set (3 to 5). Parent participation is required. To register, call **(916) 772-PLAY** or write [parksandrec@roseville.ca.us](mailto:parksandrec@roseville.ca.us), or see [rosevilleparks.com](http://rosevilleparks.com).

Creepy Crawlies & Backyard Bugs Maidu Community Center 3/11 9:30-10:30 a.m.  
Butterflies, spiders, battles and more. Explore the creepy crawlies and more that live above and below ground.

How Does Your Garden Grow? Maidu Community Center 3/25 9-10 a.m.  
Who knew incredible edibles like roots, leaves, and flowers could be so tasty? Busy Bees get to use all five senses learning what makes our bodies strong by eating what nature provides. Little Sprouts also get to plant a seed to take home. All materials provided.

## Crime Corner - Mailbox Theft

by David Allen

In case you didn't see the messages from Roseville Police, there's been a spike in thefts from mailboxes in our city. Maidu has not been immune to these crimes. Cluster mailboxes on Ridgecrest, Thistledown and Chippendale were recently hit by a thief driving a white utility truck. The bad guys typically pry open the back of the box and empty all the mail, stealing personal info.

Make Maidu a mailbox thief's last choice for these crimes.

- Either put outgoing mail in a USPS mail collection box or in your outgoing box just before the mail carrier arrives.
- Pick up your mail daily right after it is delivered.
- Report any suspicious activity occurring near our mailboxes to Roseville PD, 774-5000.

The Police and the Postal Service would love to put these criminals behind bars.

## Sargeant School Fencing Access Agreement Reached

In July last year many of us noticed that new, wrought-iron fencing went up around Sargeant School. Soon we heard that this security fencing had gone up at all of the Roseville City School District locations across Roseville.

We saw the pluses of higher security for our schools' students and school property, but, at schools like Sargeant where much of the school property had formerly been open to use after school hours by neighbors, the locked fences created concern. For local youth-league teams that had practices on those grounds, suddenly they were being left to scramble for a new place to go.

More than in most neighborhoods, Maidu neighbors, led by neighbor Chris Kraft, began voicing their concerns at our Association meetings and beyond. Wasn't there some way for the school grounds to remain open for use by neighbors before being locked overnight? Chris and other neighbors started attending School Board meetings and meeting with City officials to express their concerns and ideas for a solution.

### **An agreement by the City and School District**

On February 1st, the City Council of Roseville voted to execute an agreement with the Roseville City School District which will go into effect shortly. It will open the Sargeant Elementary school grounds from the end of school until sundown on weekdays and during the days on the weekends and school holidays. Here are the key points:

- The agreement applies only to Sargeant School.
- Access will be at the gate next to Willard Dietrich Park for unsupervised public use of Sargeant's outdoor facilities on evenings, weekends and holidays when it would not interfere with School events.
- The District will unlock the gate on weekday afternoons and lock it at sundown.
- The City will unlock the gate on weekend and holiday mornings, and hire a security firm to lock it those evenings. The City and the District will share the cost of hiring the security firm.

The City and district are continuing work together, and they hope to conclude a new agreement by June which will cover the whole City and all Roseville School District facilities.

Our next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at 7 pm at Sargeant Elementary, 1200 Ridgecrest. We meet in the Activity Room which is toward the back of the school. Enter off N. Cirby. Please come! It's a chance to get to know us and hear what's happening in the neighborhood.

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