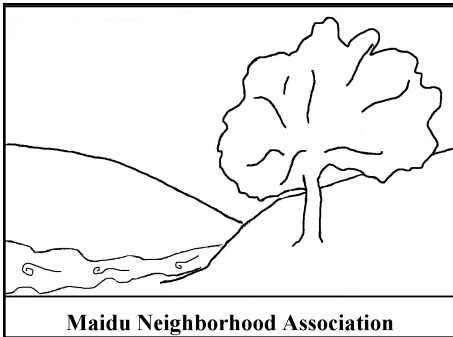


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Join Us for Saturday, October 7th Park Clean-up

Our park clean-up annual event is almost here. Spend just a couple hours with us on Saturday, October 7th at 10 a.m. and, as a reward for work well done, we'll spring for lunch — hotdogs, hamburgers and fixings, and side dishes and drinks. It's an event the whole family can enjoy! We meet by the pavilion next to the basketball courts and skateboarding area.

We clean-up the un-improved parts of the park, that is the areas not mowed and maintained by City Parks staff. This means we're ready to move into the tall grass and brush areas on uneven terrain to pick up trash like paper and plastic cups, bottles, and other items in these areas because of blowing winds and carelessness.

We suggest wearing sturdy shoes, and tall socks if not pants, and work gloves can be helpful. Some people bring reaching & grabbing tools to extend their reach — useful when reaching under the edge of a bush to extract trash. The Parks and Recreation Department will supply us with trash bags, and will help pick-up bags after we're done.

But why do this?

The parks department doesn't maintain the "wild" areas of the park, and maybe we don't want them spending our tax dollars to do that. We find most people treat the park with respect, but we also find that an annual cleaning takes care of most of what has blown in or been dropped there.

School's started — Keep Kids Alive, Drive 25 (KKAD 25)

by Shirley Brown

The neighborhood elementary schools are now back in session and it's time to reflect on our driving habits. Are you maintaining a safe driving speed in the neighborhood?

Please check your speedometer and make sure you are driving through the neighborhood no faster than 25 mph. Our children will be walking and riding their bikes to school and we need to be aware of their presence. Their safety is our concern.

The Maidu Neighborhood Association has a supply of KKAD 25 decals to remind folks to keep their speed down. The decals can be placed on your outside trash can. When your garbage can is on the street for pickup day, the decals draw the attention of the drivers and hopefully, they will remember to slow down. Send an email to Jim Kidd at jckidd@hotmail.com and he will see that you get a decal.

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The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held Tuesday, September 26, 2017, 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.

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Our web site is maiduna.com*

Don't Hesitate To Call

Crime Corner
by David Allen

In this space, we've talked more than once about listening to your intuition. You know, going with your gut. The idea of such an approach is that your intuition is usually right when it comes to crime. And the cost of being wrong is usually small. Alerting the police about something that didn't turn out to be a crime is ok. We know because that's what our neighborhood cops have told us. They'd rather you call.

If that's the better approach, why do we feel that resistance to act?

The alarm was squawking at Sargeant School recently one weekend morning. Over an hour later, when it was still going, I called the police. Why so long? Too tired to walk over and check it out. Then I had something I needed to do. Then, "Someone else must have called," I thought. All of those kept me from calling. When I finally did, I expected to be told that they were aware of it. Nope. "We're sending someone out there now." The alarm stopped within minutes.

Ignore those questions. Break through the inertia. Call the police.

Editors Note: This is the last of the Crime Corner columns David Allen will be writing for us as he is moving on from being a MNA Board member, newsletter author, past Board President and event supporter for our Neighborhood Association. Other priorities are leading to the change, and we appreciate all that David has done for the Association over the last decade. We've all come to appreciate the quiet, steady influence he's provided to make this a great neighborhood to live in.

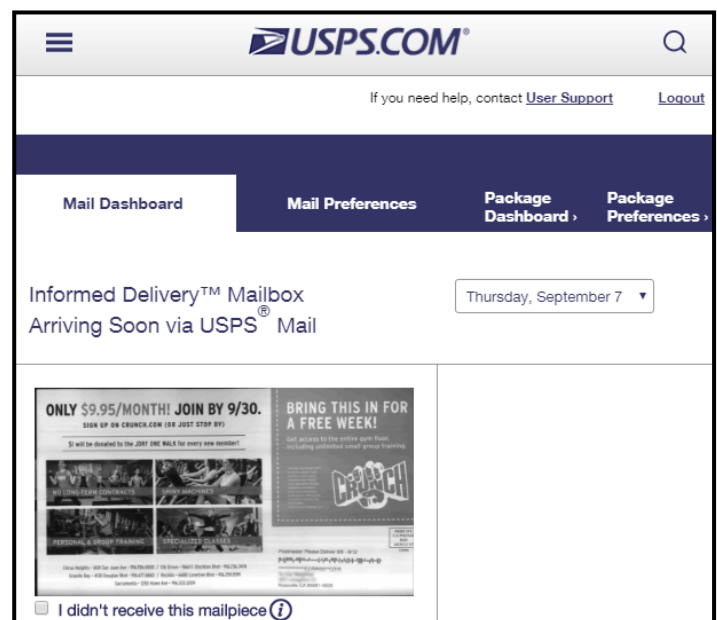
Interested in authoring an article or series of articles for the newsletter, or just helping out in some other fashion? We're here and meet all months except December. Come to a meeting this month and see how to lend a hand in a way that works for you!

Mail Theft Concerns and A Tool That May Help

There have been more reports of mail thefts since we reported on some earlier this year. There are two kinds of benefits for thieves in taking your mail — the potential for direct profit from stealing a package containing valuable item, and from the information that may be in the mail that can aid in identity theft.

To know if you received your letters, the US Postal Service (USPS) has a tool of which you may not be aware. The service, available through the USPS.com web site is "Informed Delivery" and it gives you a preview of what will be coming in the mail to you.

How does it work? As it turns out, USPS's automated mail-processing equipment takes a picture of each regular letter that is sent to improve the accuracy of delivery. Now they are sharing those images with consumers like us so we can see what mail is addressed to us that has entered their system. You may log onto their site to see what's coming, or receive a daily email of those images.



Signing up requires you to create a USPS account and answer questions to prove where you live.

For Your Consideration

by Geoff Kragen

As we noted last month it is that time of year again when we hold our annual meeting. But before getting to that I wanted to take a moment of your time to consider how blessed we are to live in Roseville. According to SmartAsset, Roseville is the number one family friendly city in California (<https://smartasset.com/mortgage/the-best-places-to-raise-a-family-in-california>). Those who live here aren't surprised.

We all enjoy the parks and open lands. We have superior services with excellent police and fire departments and a responsive city government. And then there's RCONA the Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations. It continually works to organize neighborhood associations, like ours.

As your representative association, we've brought you the National Night Out, the Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale, the Park Clean-up event (coming soon) and have supported the Movie in the Park, Santa Claus in the Park, First Friday at the Fountains and Tuesday Night Downtown. It's no wonder we all appreciate living in Roseville.

So what's this all about? It's about your opportunity to give back, to get involved. How? By coming on board the board of your neighborhood association. The board has approved the slate of four incumbents: Shirley Brown, Jim Kidd, Geoff Kragen and Vicki Miller. But we also have two open slots for individuals to join us. If you only want to dip your toes in the water, one of the slots is a one year opening. On the other hand if you're the enthusiastic type we have a two year opening.

And what would be expected? We hold a monthly meeting except in December. You would have an opportunity to join us volunteering for any of the events listed above. But most of all you would be able to help influence the quality of life we all enjoy here in Roseville and in this very neighborhood.

If you are interested in joining us, you can email us at the address on the newsletter or join us at the September meeting and express your interest. You also can find our phone numbers on the front page.

Barktoberfest Returns to Maidu Park, Sunday October 8th

Looking for a relaxing way to enjoy the day after doing our Annual Park Clean-up? Or maybe you have a leashed 4-legged companion who would like to get out for a fun event? Maybe you want to get your blood pumping with a fun run? Or perhaps you enjoy sampling a variety of beers and hard ciders?

The Placer SPCA will be holding its fall fundraiser, the 7th annual "Barktoberfest", at Maidu Park from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the soccer fields. Advertised as "A festival for canines and their well-behaved human companions", you may start by registering for the Adult (\$25), Teen (\$15) or Child (free) fun runs starting at 8 a.m. with the untimed runs starting at 9 a.m. Runners may have up to two canines with them on the run which will start at the south end of the soccer fields, wind around the east side of the park, coming back into the park by Maidu Elementary (2.5 kilometers, or 5k with two laps).

The free festival itself has many stands of non-profits like *Lend a Heart*, *Min Pin Rescue*, *Placer County Animal Services* and vendors such as *Arff Scarff Pet Bandanas*, *DoTerra Essential Oils*, and *The Good Life Dog Daycare and Boarding*, so there's a lot to see and do. (If you are interested in participating as a non-profit or vendor, there's time to register by September 29th). If the past two years are any indication, there will be dog and non-dog vendors in attendance, and there will be an agility course for dogs trained to run through them.

If you like a beer or hard cider on a canine afternoon, you can buy a ticket for the "Biergarten", a restricted area for those over 21, for \$25. Some vendors in attendance will include *Dark Heart Brewing*, *Lagunitas*, *Monks Cellar* and *Wildcide Hard Cider*. The Biergarten will open at 11 a.m. and close at 3 p.m.

For more information, see the SPCA's site at <http://placerspca.org/barktoberfest/>