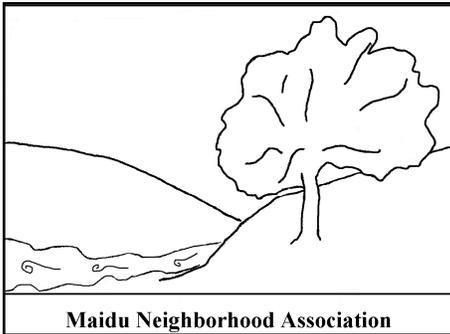


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Scholarships for College or Vocational Education

Did you know our parent organization, the Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (RCONA) offers a scholarship for high school seniors? It is fairly new, so we're helping to get the word out. While you can't apply until February, we're mentioning it now because volunteering for RCONA (or Maidu Neighborhood Association—MNA) events is a requirement.

As of February 1st, each Roseville Joint Union High School District (RJUHSD) school will provide information on their Local Scholarship Program. These scholarships are supported by local organizations and seniors are encouraged to apply through the College & Career Center at your school (for most in our neighborhood, that would be at Oakmont or Granite Bay).

The College and Career Center will have a "Local Scholarship Book", listing all possible scholarships a senior can apply for. The application is downloaded from the schools' College and Career Center web site. The application period is February 1-28, 2018.

Last year RCONA offered 2 scholarships at \$150 each. They are hoping to increase the amount they can offer this year. Here are the details:

- This scholarship opportunity is offered to all RJUHSD Seniors planning on pursuing a college education or receiving a certificate in a vocational program.
- Use the standard, downloadable application form on your school's web site.
- Community Service - Volunteer with two RCONA Neighborhood events providing community service.
- Record the information about your voluntary community service at RCONA neighborhood events in the Community Activity Section of the General Application.
- Get a Letter of Recommendation from a teacher or high school counselor.
- Essay - Write an essay of 250-500 words, answering the question "How has volunteerism and/or community service helped shape who you are today?"

If you receive an RCONA scholarship, you will receive your award when you provide proof of full-time enrollment in college or vocational program. Send proof to: RCONA Scholarship Committee, 1911 Douglas Blvd. Suite 85-370, Roseville, CA 95661.

The MNA Board voted to support the RCONA scholarship by logging the hours of any high school student who volunteers at a Maidu Neighborhood event (Garage Sale, National Night Out, Park Clean-Up) to document participation.

No meeting in December!

The next meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association will be held Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 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

Roseville Better Gardens Club & Community Center Food Drive Until 12/15

By Lori Key

The Roseville Better Gardens Club and the Maidu Community Center are once again sponsoring a December Food Drive to benefit the Placer Food Bank. Two Placer Food Bank barrels will be at the Maidu Community Center, 1550 Maidu Dr., Roseville, in the main lobby from Monday, Dec. 11 through Friday, Dec. 15, 2017, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

All donated food items must be non-perishable and food items needed include dried pastas, cereal, peanut butter (plastic containers only), canned food items (tuna, fruit, vegetables, soups, chili and stews), dry goods (rice, lentils, peas and dried beans), snacks (dried fruit, granola bars), unsaturated cooking oils, shelf stable milk and 100% juice (canned, plastic or boxed).

Last year we sent two full barrels to the Food Bank but we can't do it without your help. Please join us in supporting our community.

For more information on the Placer Food Bank, see their web site at placerfoodbank.org. The Roseville Better Gardens Club is a local organization that promotes local gardening and has service projects, like helping the Maidu Neighborhood with their annual Maidu Park Clean-up and their December food drive. The Maidu Community Center is run by the City of Roseville's Parks and Recreation Department.

City Announces "Parks" Police Officer

Last month the Roseville Police Department announced that Officer Derek Anganes is now the City's designated "parks" officer. He's moved from regular patrol to the Problem Oriented Policing (POP) unit with a focus on keeping the City's 70+ parks, trails and open spaces clean and safe for all.

Vernon Street Town Square is also a city park, and you'll often see Officer Anganes around, especially during concerts and other public events on Vernon Street. He'll also work with Officer Jed O'Rourke, the existing POP officer, and the City's park maintenance and open space staff on clean-up issues.

Why would a police officer be needed for open space or park clean-up? We've learned in recent months from Roseville Police Officers visiting our monthly meetings that court rulings and legislation have given homeless new rights. In order to avoid legal challenges, the City developed the new POP unit to bring both policing and social services to that population.

Since it is possible for those camping in open spaces and parks to be violating the law (such as having open alcoholic beverage containers in public), policing is necessary to address those violations. At times it is necessary to clean-up such camping areas, and that's where the park maintenance and open space staff come in.

While Officer Anganes is new to this assignment, he's not new to Roseville—he grew up here and has worked for Roseville PD for eight years, including the past two and half as a police officer. He started with the department when he was 18 and an Explorer Scout, and joined as a full-time officer in 2015.

If you have a safety concern in Maidu Park, Willard Dietrich Park, any of our several open spaces in our neighborhood, or any other City parks, trails, at your business or anywhere else in the City of Roseville, always start by calling police dispatch as soon as possible.

- Call 911 if it's an emergency.
- Call 916-774-5000 extension 1 for a non-emergency, so that the police can address your problem in a timely manner.

Officer Anganes may be the officer to respond!

Crime Corner— More Holiday Safety Reminders

By David Allen

[*David graciously returns one more time to provide us Crime Corner tips.*]

Here are more winter-holiday-season safety tips to make sure you're ready to keep crime at bay.

- When you're heading out for some holiday shopping, or really anytime of year, try to go during daylight hours, avoid carrying a purse or wallet, avoid carrying cash, park close to your destination in a well-traveled area and stay aware of your surroundings at all times. When you return to your car, have your keys out, be aware of your surroundings and, as we mentioned last month, lock your purchases out of sight.
- If you're shopping online, avoid the temptation to click on emails with "too good to be true" offers. Make sure there's a lock icon and the web address of sites you where you buy starts with *https://* (the "s" indicating "secure", i.e. your information is encrypted). Use unique, long (20+ characters) passwords for each website. Set-up alerts on your credit cards and watch your purchase activity carefully to catch any fraudulent use.
- Track your package so you know when delivery is expected. Request a text message to alert you when your package is delivered. Have your packages delivered when you'll be home, to a trusted neighbor, or where you can pick it up at the shipper's facility or at one of the package lockers in our area. Always pick up packages and mail promptly so mailbox thieves have nothing to steal.
- At home, keep doors and gates locked, exterior lights on at night and cars parked in the garage. If you park them outside, remove all valuables, keys and garage door openers. When leaving for holiday travel, stop the newspaper and mail deliver or have a neighbor pick them up. Let your neighbors and the police know you'll be gone (vacation house check).

None of these habits will protect you from every situation, but they will make it easier for n'er-do-wells to go elsewhere to try to find a victim.

Community Committee Ranks Fire Department Priorities

You may recall a few months ago we encouraged neighbors to become involved in the Engage Roseville effort. Now some of the first work by the community members who are on the Community Priorities Advisory Committee (CPAC) is complete regarding the Roseville Fire Department.

The CPAC was asked to look at all the things the Fire Department does that are "discretionary." That means they were asked to prioritize the items not mandated by law or tied to customer revenue, grant funding, designated fees, or other sources that can only be used on certain expenditures. Discretionary items are funded from General Fund tax revenues.

Members of CPAC, City residents appointed last summer to review the City's spending priorities, reviewed a list of 43 different discretionary programs of the Fire Department. They ranked them from most important (*Fire Response including Wildland*), to least (*Buckle Up Baby & Life Jacket Programs*). If you would like to see the complete, ranked list, go to the City of Roseville web site and see "What's Happening in Roseville", or search using the terms "CPAC fire department" and look for the story dated November 29, 2017). You can also find the list of priorities the Committee set for the Police Department in October.

Once CPAC has reviewed and ranked discretionary spending for all the major City departments, they will do an overall master list of priorities. The City Council will use this list to prioritize how they budget General Fund tax revenues for all City Departments in the years to come. You can influence the outcome of these priorities by participating in "Flash Votes" via the web site at www.flashvote.com/rsvl — you can register with a Google, Facebook, or Twitter account, or your email to create an account.