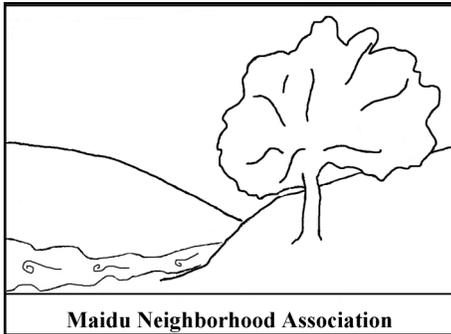


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Getting Rid of Leaves

Most homeowners rake leaves for appearances and so they won't act as a mulch that kills desirable plants, like one's lawn. The City wants leaves cleaned up in a responsible manner so that they don't clog-up storm sewers and lead to local street flooding. If the leaves make it to local creeks, they could upset the environment, and narrow points, such as culverts under roads, could contribute to flooding there.

There are three ways the City collects leaves from homeowners.

1. The first method is by using your **green-waste can**, and this is available to all homeowners, City-wide.
2. The second method is by **bagging**. Both this and the third method are for front yard leaves only, and only from November through January. Place leaves (only) in plastic bags that weigh no more than 40 pounds apiece. You call them at (916) 774-5842 and specify:
 - Your name
 - Contact phone number
 - Address, and
 - The number of bags ready for pick up.

On Tuesdays and Fridays the City does leaf-bag pick-up. If they discover other waste in the bags including other green waste, they will leave the bags for you to remove and place a notice at your door.

3. The third, **bagless method** applies only to homes in certain areas. In our neighborhood, that includes homes on North Cirby (both sides of Linda Creek), Bunker Hill, Champion Oaks south of Van Ness, Samoa, Bradshaw, Hurst, Meadow Lane, Lee Way, Bud Court, Decker, Rebecca Court, Sally Way, Polley Drive, McKinley, and Jo Court.

In these areas you can rake the leaves into piles on the street in front of your home. Keep the piles at least three feet from parked cars and away from storm drain inlets. Approximately every two weeks, street maintenance crews will come by and remove the leaf piles.

You may wonder how the City decides if you are in a bagged or bagless area. Jerry Dankbar, Street Maintenance Supervisor, told us, "The unbagged area is defined by how many leaves we typically get in any given winter. One indication is if the street sweeper cannot pick up all the leaves on their normal route, then we review the area and determine if we need to expand the unbagged area. If the street sweeper can keep up or maybe it takes a little longer each rotation of route, we do not expand the unbagged area."

There will be no monthly meeting of the Maidu Neighborhood Association in December. Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 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. At most meetings a Roseville Police Officer will report on local crimes and answer questions.

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Santa Scores Big—250 Attend Neighborhood Santa Event

By Dave Steele

Wow! The neighborhood packed Willard Dietrich Park Tuesday, December 4th. In previous years the estimated attendance hovered around 80 to 100 depending mainly on the weather. This year the weather cooperated with a cool but not cold evening and people began to arrive around 5:30 for the festivities to begin at 6:00.

They kept coming and building in numbers until it was estimated 250 people had come to see Santa and enjoy the moment. At least one new family to the area was amazed by the turnout and enthusiasm of this very nice area and all it had to offer. Like all of us, they felt fortunate to live here.



A huge thank you to local Rocky Ridge Town Center businesses who helped make the wait enjoyable. The Center is actually part of our Maidu Neighborhood. Sprouts donated a variety of tasty cookies, Starbuck's refreshed with hot regular and decaf coffee, and Buck and Sadie's (buckandsadies.com), a new restaurant in the Town Center, decided to support our event by bringing their new food truck. It turns out they did a brisk business selling burgers, fries, hot dogs, and wings. The Maidu Neighborhood Association supplied hot chocolate.

The event was the best attended and festive of all the Santa visits to date. Of course, one drawback for latecomers was that plans had been made for the usual average crowd size so toward the arrival time for Santa around 6:30 there were no more cookies or hot chocolate available. We'll have to upgrade our estimates for these new numbers next year.

Several generous folks offered to contribute to the cause with a money jar or such, but let us assure you this is all paid for by the Neighborhood Association with the \$10 fee for the garage sale in the spring. All free. All good. All year. Your money coming back to you with zero overhead fees taken out. All volunteer efforts. We can always use some help. Actually, at the January Board meeting the date for the garage sale will be determined so you can have input if you attend. Hope to see you there.



No MNA Meeting in December

Just a reminder that because December is such a busy time for all of us, the Maidu Neighborhood Association (MNA) Board does not meet in December each year. As you may see, we still produce our newsletter and we're always ready to learn new ways we can be a better organization. Feel free to send us feedback via the form on our web site at maiduna.com.

Have a safe and happy holiday and we'll meet again on Tuesday, January 22nd in the New Year!

5G Cell Towers – Coming to a Neighborhood Near You

Most of us are daily cell phone users, so it's no surprise there's a growing awareness of the fifth generation of cell technology, known as 5G. Recently one of the largest cell service providers announced a 5G roll-out in Sacramento. So, what's happening here in Roseville?

We don't know all the specifics, but we did learn some from a presentation made to the Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (RCONA) in August. Here are some things we learned:

- In 2017 the City contracted with XG Communities, a company that “provides cities with expertise and resources to deploy...wireless infrastructure,” to develop a 5G plan for Roseville.
- Cell companies are considered utilities, so they have the right to access the public right of way. The City can not prohibit their access, but can control where cell tower equipment is put, aesthetics, and permit process.
- In April the City Council adopted a lease rate for attaching to publicly owned poles and other facilities of \$150/month per attachment.
- 5G is called “small cell” technology because the broadcast area is in about a 500’ radius from a transmitter. This means there will be a lot more “cells”, i.e., transmitters, needed than with 4G and older technology.
- While existing cell towers will be used to start 5G networks, many more locations will be needed to get coverage. The payoff for users will be speeds up to 10 times faster and less delay in signals traveling through the network. This will allow more connections by other future technologies such as driverless cars.
- Roseville will start by allowing new attachments for transmitters on streetlights on arterial roads. Locally that will mean along Douglas, Rocky Ridge, Roseville Parkway, Eureka, and South Cirby. The first small cell transmitters in Roseville are expected to be placed before the end of this year.

As with earlier cell technologies, there are health concerns being raised by some about 5G because it calls for so many more transmitters closer to where people live and travel. It is said that part of the Telecommunications Act of the 1990s prohibits an entity, like the City, from considering health concerns when reviewing cell company applications, so legal challenges are unlikely.

‘Tis the Season: Preparing for Flooding

We don't know what the weather will bring this winter, but it's good to think about the potential for flooding this time of year. For most of us, if flooding comes it will mostly be an inconvenience, but there are areas where flooding is more likely, and one stopped-up storm drain could flood an area that hasn't seen it before.

The City web site provides some useful resources via its “Emergency Preparedness” page. From the City's roseville.ca.us home page, select “Residents” from the top navigation, then “Emergency Preparedness”. This page includes connections to

- Flood Preparedness and Response—gives overall advice such as “Do you need flood insurance?”
- Current Stream Levels—provides a map that shows local stream levels in real time.
- Flood Zones—includes links to FEMA flood insurance maps and other preparation information.
- Sandbags—shows when sandbags are available and where (Maidu Park is the closest).

Late November Newsletter?

Did your newsletter arrive a little later than usual in November? We usually aim to deliver before our monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday of most months, but as we went to press for our November issue the smoke from the Camp Fire was hanging over all of us. Our Board discussed what to do.

Out of an abundance of caution we advised our Block Captains, who do the delivery to your doorstep, to delay delivery in November as necessary to avoid exposure to excessive amounts of air pollution. Every newsletter is delivered by a volunteer, and it was easy for us to decide that since we're an organization concerned primarily with the welfare of neighbors we should not ask them to risk that exposure.