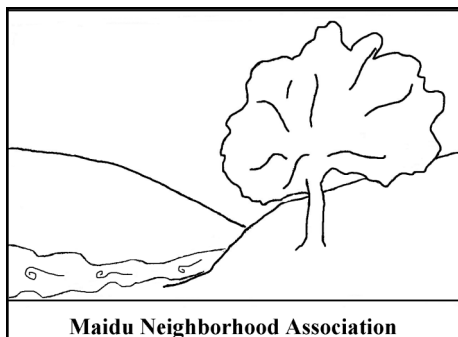


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November 2019



Santa to Visit December 10th at Dietrich Park

It's official! Santa has announced he will be here, in our neighborhood, on Tuesday, December 10th. He will be assisted by Roseville Electric that will give him a tow, and escorted by the flashing lights and sirens of the Roseville Police and Fire Departments.

We will welcome him by holding a party at Willard Dietrich Park, right next to Sargeant School at the corner of North Cirby Way and Stoney Point Way. Join us there for hot chocolate, snacks, Starbucks coffee, or dinner from the Buck and Sadies food truck. Don't forget to drop off your letter to Santa!

Between 6:30 and 7 p.m., Santa's parade will arrive in the neighborhood starting at Boston Commons, then walk along E. Colonial Parkway, then turn on to Jamestown Way, and then turn right on Stoney Point Way. At this point he will reach Willard Dietrich Park where we will have our celebration! Since these times are estimated, we suggest being at the park at about 6:15 or so to get a good spot to see Santa, and to get a warm drink.

We expect him to slow down and take on a bag of letters from neighborhood kids (one of his elves will make sure they get in Santa's hands when he's home later that evening). So come join us in the Park and see Santa!

Do You Want to Send Santa a Letter?

New this year, by special arrangement with Santa, we will be collecting letters to Santa in a mail box at Willard Dietrich Park the same evening he will be on parade. If you get your letter in the box in time (before he arrives), we'll make sure to get it into the hands of his helpers as he moves along the his route on Tuesday, December 10th (see the story above for details). Help Santa get ready for the big holiday by getting your letter in early at our *Santa in the Neighborhood* event!

Easy-entry Holiday Decorating Contest

Do you have a house in the Maidu Neighborhood Association? Do you like to decorate your home for the holidays? If "yes" is your answer to both of those questions, then you're automatically entered in our new holiday decorating contest!

Just have your home decorated by December 9th, and shortly thereafter our judges will cruise the neighborhood. Three contest winners will be notified, and a sign will be posted in their yard showing that they won. Bragging rights! The three categories are *Best Light Display*, *Most Colorful*, and *Most Festive*. The object of the contest is to encourage decorating, be a fun event and encourage us all to stroll, or drive slowly, through the neighborhood and enjoy all the decorations.

Our last meeting of 2019 will be held the 3rd Tuesday, November 19th, 2019, in the Activity Room at Sargeant Elementary School. We skip having a meeting in December because of the Holidays. Enter the school grounds from North Cirby—look for a sign marking the entrance by the chain-link fencing. We invite you to attend. At most meetings a Roseville Police Officer will report on local crimes and answer questions.

Search for *Maidu N.A.* on Facebook and "like" us. Feedback or Questions? Email us at [feedback\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:feedback(at)maiduna.com)

Our web site is maiduna.com

Join 2nd Tree Planting in Maidu Park on December 7th

The second of four tree plantings will take place in Maidu Park on Saturday, December 7th. The location hasn't been finalized, but will likely be next to the area where the November planting took place, i.e., just beyond the soccer fields in the undeveloped portion of the park. But watch for signs to direct you to the right spot.

The planting will start at 9 a.m. and run until 12:30. They will have gloves, or you can bring your own, and they will supply tools and refreshments. You will help plant 250 trees in pre-dug holes, installing tree shelters, stakes, and spreading lots of mulch to protect them.

As with last time, if you volunteer, the Roseville Urban Forest Foundation (RUFF) would really appreciate you letting them know you are coming (even in the last day or so) so they are sure to have enough tools and supplies. Contact them at info@rosevilletree.org. They will send you their waiver form so you may fill it out in advance if you wish.

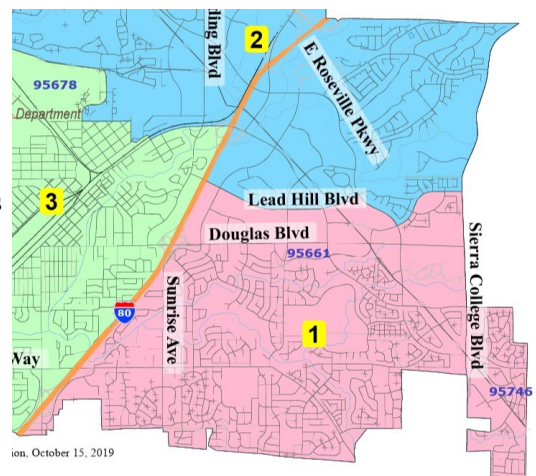
Come out and help keep our urban forest going strong!

Last Chance for Input as City Moves to Districts for City Council

by Lance Hibben

At our October Maidu Neighborhood Association monthly meeting at Sargeant School, the topic of City of Roseville proposed election changes for city council were discussed. The city is planning to change from electing five city council members at large (city wide) to electing five city council members by district. The city is moving forward with these changes by adding an ordinance (including rules and regulations) in order to conform with the California Voting Rights Act of 2001 (CVRA) which changed the California Constitution. The city is planning to transition to by-district elections for the 2020 general election.

The city has conducted public hearings, engaged in public outreach efforts, and received community input regarding the composition of city districts. Using community and city council input, 28 preliminary draft maps were initially drawn by the city's contracted demographer and made available for public review. As of this writing, there are seven proposed draft maps still under consideration, an example of which is shown above. The final hearing for public input is scheduled for November 20, 2019. Public input can also be sent via email to cityclerk@roseville.ca.us. The city expects to pay between \$35,000 to \$50,000 to incorporate these election changes with costs being absorbed by current contingency funds.



In all of the remaining seven draft maps, the entire existing Maidu Neighborhood boundaries are within one city district boundary. Five of the remaining draft maps combine the Maidu neighborhood with other neighborhoods east of Interstate 80 labeled as District 1 or as District 5. Two of the remaining draft maps combine the Maidu neighborhood with other neighborhoods east and west of Interstate 80 (Foothills Blvd.) as District 1 or as District 3.

There has been some confusion related to these changes on social media; therefore, Maidu neighbors are encouraged to get the facts from the city's website. Go to the City of Roseville website and search on, "Roseville Moves Towards District Based City Council Elections". The information dated August 28, 2019 will provide a clear and concise background for these changes along with other available information.

Neighbor Ad:

Michaelangelo's—Our shop is a boutique gifts shop, and a locally-owned small business. We are at the Rocky Ridge Town Center in between Sprouts and Dos Coyotes. We are excited to celebrate our 5-year anniversary on Sunday, December 1st, from noon to 5. Join us! We will have refreshments and finger foods.

Roseville Better Gardens Club Sponsors Food Drive at 12/ 9—13 at Maidu

By Lori Key

The Roseville Better Gardens Club (RBGC) is again sponsoring a December Food Drive to benefit the Placer Food Bank and the communities it serves. RBGC invites the Maidu neighborhood to contribute, too. There will be two Placer Food Bank barrels at the Maidu Community Center, 1550 Maidu Dr., Roseville, in the main lobby from Monday, Dec. 9 through Friday, Dec.13, 2019, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (noon on December 13). All donated food items must be non-perishable and food items needed include dried pastas (macaroni, spaghetti and egg noodles), cereal, peanut butter (plastic containers only), canned food items (tuna, fruit, vegetables, canned meals and pasta sauce), and dry goods (rice and dried beans).

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 Association with their annual Maidu Park Clean-up.

A very successful Maidu Park Clean-up

by Jim Kidd

Thank you to all the neighbors and friends that made this the most successful Maidu Park clean-up. About 40 people turned up for this annual event. The weather was perfect for a park clean-up and lunch.

Thank you to the **Roseville Better Garden Club** for always being part of this event. Thank you to our newly elected President, Al Bartley, for providing gloves, buckets and “pick up” sticks. Thank you to **Jimmy John’s** for the discounted lunch sandwiches. The Maidu NA provided the sides, cookies and drinks.

Most of the clean-up was done in the natural area. Many interesting items were brought back to the Pavilion where we had lunch. Four prizes were awarded for the best piece of trash. Thank you, **Dos Coyotes**, for two gift certificates.

We hope our newly cleaned areas will give others pause before littering carelessly.

Our Association’s Recurring Events

Our Association has developed a tradition of having the following events. We set the dates for each one as the time approaches to match the availability of the people who will help put them on, but they usually don’t vary by more than a few weeks from year to year.

- **December**—*Santa in the Neighborhood Celebration at Willard Dietrich Park*. It’s a great night for families to get out and celebrate coming holidays. This event depends on the City of Roseville deciding to have Santa visit our neighborhood as they set the routes Santa will take each year. They announce the route usually on or about November 1st. See our cover story for more details on this event.
- **April**—*Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale*. This is our biggest event with many neighborhood homes participating, and it is our primary fund-raiser.
- **August**—*National Night Out*. We join neighborhoods across the country in an event that highlights security through knowing your neighbors. We supply a meal or desert, and have family-fun activities.
- **October**—*Park Clean-up*. We want to keep the undeveloped parts of Maidu Park and other neighborhood open spaces clean so people don’t think they can freely litter in the area. We do the clean-up, then give volunteers a meal as a thank you for their help, and award a prize for the most unusual trash found. See our story above about our latest effort last month.

Want to help with any of these activities? Donations of time or goods are always welcome and appreciated! Next up: Our Santa in the Neighborhood event on December 10th.

For more information

Want to know more about items in this newsletter such as Santa’s visit? Go to mna.rcona.com/2019-links. Or scan this QR code with a suitable app. There are links there to our related sites including our Facebook page.

