

# MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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## MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

October 2020



### **Garrett, Mendonsa Answer Questions at October Meeting**

Join our October meeting, when we will be visited by the two District 1 City Council candidates, LaMills Garrett and Tracy Mendonsa. They will provide us information on themselves and answer neighbors' pre-submitted questions (to submit a question, see story, below).

Roseville converted from a vote-at-large to per-district elections for members of the City Council. So instead of voting for a council member for the entire City, we now vote for one for our own district, which for our neighborhood is District 1. This will be a chance to meet the candidates.

In order to attend this Zoom-based meeting, you will need to go to our web site to click on the appropriate link. Go to

[maiduna.com](http://maiduna.com)

Then go to our *Events/Meeting Info* page and click on the link. To get to that page

- on a **computer** go to the second tab at the top of the page.
- on a **phone**, to the three-line "hamburger" menu button at the top right and pick *Events/Meeting Info* from the drop-down list.
- The direct link is <https://mna.rcona.com/eventsmeeting-info/>

For more information on each candidate, see their web sites at ([www.GarrettforRoseville.com](http://www.GarrettforRoseville.com)) and Tracy Mendonsa ([www.TracyMendonsa.com](http://www.TracyMendonsa.com)). If you'd like to get a preview of the candidates answering questions, the September RCONA online Candidates Forum is now posted on YouTube. A link to that is on our main web page. See their biographies on page 3 of this issue.

Any changes to our meeting will be posted to our web site and Facebook page

### **Do You Have Questions for the Candidates?**

We will be limiting the length of the Candidates Forum portion of our October Meeting. Therefore we won't necessarily have time for every question, but we do want to have good ones, and you can help us.

Got ideas on what to ask? If you have some to suggest, please submit it to our [feedback\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:feedback(at)maiduna.com) address. Some questions we have so far:

- How have you supported your neighborhoods in the past?
- What do you think the focus for the Police Department should be?
- What ideas do you have for bettering District 1?

We appreciate your help!

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**The MNA Annual meeting will meet online this month on Tuesday, October 27th.** It will include a City Council Candidates forum. As mentioned in the story at the top of this page, we will be meeting using Zoom. To attend, go to our web site at [maiduna.com/](http://maiduna.com/).

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)

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## **Halloween—Guidance for 2020**

Continuing our series of unexpected adjustments for 2020, we now consider what options we have for celebrating Halloween, and what we can expect from neighbors. This time we turn to the CDC to see what they are recommending. We don't think anything here is a big surprise, but it may serve to remind us of factors to keep in mind. It will also remind us that different neighbors will decide to handle Halloween differently, and we can understand and respect those differences.

### **Low Risk:**

- Having a scavenger hunt-style trick-or-treat search with your household members in or around your home rather than going house to house. (Added note: On *Nextdoor*, one person mentioned this approach—Hide treats around the house, turn off the lights and equip the kids with flashlights or glow sticks.)
- Carving or decorating pumpkins with members of your household and displaying them.
- Carving or decorating pumpkins outside, at a safe distance, with neighbors or friends
- Decorating your house or apartment.
- Doing a Halloween scavenger hunt where children are given lists of Halloween-themed things to look for while they walk outdoors from house to house admiring Halloween decorations at a distance.
- Meeting online and having a virtual Halloween costume contest.
- Having a Halloween movie night with people you live with.

### **Moderate Risk:**

- Participating in one-way trick-or-treating where individually wrapped goodie bags are lined up for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance (such as at the end of a driveway or at the edge of a yard).
  - If you are preparing goodie bags, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 second before and after preparing the bags.
- Having a small group, outdoor, open-air costume parade where people are distanced more than 6 feet apart.
- Attending a costume party held outdoors where protective masks are used and people can remain more than 6 feet apart.
  - A costume mask (such as for Halloween) is not a substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.
  - Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.
- Going to an open-air, one-way, walk-through haunted forest where appropriate mask use is enforced, and people can remain more than 6 feet apart.
  - If screaming will likely occur, greater distancing is advised. The greater the distance, the lower the risk of spreading a respiratory virus.
- Visiting pumpkin patches or orchards where people use hand sanitizer before touching pumpkins or picking apples, wearing masks is encouraged or enforced, and people are able to maintain social distancing.
- Having an outdoor Halloween movie night with local family friends with people spaced at least 6 feet apart.
  - If screaming will likely occur, greater distancing is advised. The greater the distance, the lower the risk of spreading a respiratory virus.

### **Higher Risk:**

- Participating in traditional trick-or-treating where treats are handed to children who go door to door.
- Having trunk-or-treat where treats are handed out from trunks of cars lined up in large parking lots.
- Attending crowded costume parties held indoors.
- Going to an indoor haunted house where people may be crowded together and screaming.
- Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people who are not in your household.
- Using alcohol or drugs, which can cloud judgement and increase risky behaviors.
- Traveling to a rural fall festival that is not in your community if you live in an area with community spread of COVID-19.

## **District 1 candidates' biographies show community involvement**

*(Editor's note: The following biographies were supplied by the respective campaigns. Go to their web sites to learn more. Join us online on Tuesday, October 27th to see them as per the front page article.)*

### **Tracy Mendonsa**

Attracted by the high quality of life, Tracy Mendonsa and his wife, Kristen, moved to Roseville in 2009. Together they are raising their twin daughters, Alex and Maddie, in District 1.

Tracy is a local business owner that truly understands how to serve his community. From his commitment to supporting nonprofit organizations, such as RCSD Foundation, Tommy Apostolos Foundation, Kids First, Boy Scouts, the Roseville Chamber of Commerce, Kids Helping Kids, Crime Victims United and others, to his volunteer service on city boards and commissions, such as Planning & Transportation Commissions, Design Review Committee, and CPAC, Tracy has demonstrated his commitment for over a decade. When the community is in need, Tracy and Kristen are there.

As a law enforcement professional, Tracy understands how to keep our community safe as well. Tracy served our nation as a Special Agent for 11 years and is currently a trusted investigator protecting our most vulnerable community members.

When he's not serving our community, Tracy enjoys running, barbecuing, and enjoying all that Placer County has to offer with his family and friends.

Tracy Mendonsa knows our community.

[www.TracyMendonsa.com](http://www.TracyMendonsa.com)

### **LaMills Garrett**

As a U.S. Air Force veteran, father, and business owner, I know Roseville's best days are ahead. My vision for Roseville as an inclusive, fiscally responsible, economically thriving community is what drives me. A twenty-year resident of Roseville, I managed a \$250 million budget as an engineer, manager, and Chamber liaison at Hewlett-Packard, before launching my own technology consulting business.

I live the ideal of service to our community. I created a startup to improve the lives of youth through sports. I'm a board member of the Roseville Police Activities League, Placer Food Bank, Greater-Sacramento NAACP, and MLK 365. I served as president of Kaseberg Elementary PTC, advisor to Eureka Union School District, assistant coach for Johnson Ranch Barracudas swim team, and personnel interviewer for Roseville PD. I was also appointed by the City Council in 2019-20 to serve on the Roseville Charter Review Commission because of my long-term vision and commitment to our community.

I'll focus on cost effective ways to reduce traffic congestion, develop rapid responses to health issues, partner with law enforcement, strengthen neighborhoods, and create a more transparent city government that puts Roseville residents first. My experience, focus on inclusion, and ability to manage complex issues makes me the best leader in District 1 for our future, and why I am asking you for your support.

[www.GarrettforRoseville.com](http://www.GarrettforRoseville.com)

**Our 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.

- April—*Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale.*
- CANCELED—*National Night Out & a Movie.*
- October 17—*Park Clean-up.*
- December—*Santa in the Neighborhood*

#### **For more Information**

Go to [mna.rcona.com/2020-links](http://mna.rcona.com/2020-links). Or scan this QR code with a suitable app. There are links there to our related sites including our Facebook page.

