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Annual Garage Sale Date Set—Saturday, April 23rd By Dave Steele

April 23rd: There's your target date for deciding which of your previous purchases has become a potential revenue source. That's the Saturday of the Maidu

Neighborhood Garage Sale we hold annually as the fundraiser for our entire slate of activities throughout the year.



Teaser: Remember those classic records (some of) you bought for \$3.50 back in 1970? Many records are being sold again, new, at the local book store for more than \$25. Start digging, vinyl is back!

Melinda Shrader, our local real estate expert who sponsors this newsletter and is featured on the back page, graciously provides a free garage sale packet to each household who signs up at least 2 weeks ahead of the sale, which would be by April 9th. This packet, which includes balloons for visibility, dots for marking prices, etc., has nothing to do with the \$10 sign-up fee. Melinda just wants the participants to have as much success as possible, so these are all provided at no charge. The \$10 will be used for maps, advertising, and other expenses associated with the event, and the rest will support Maidu Neighborhood Association's other events throughout the year.

Please donate an item or service for a raffle among participating homes, and we'll thank you here in the newsletter for that donation – free publicity!

To sign up for the sale please complete the form at the bottom of the page and send it with your check or cash to the treasurer. Please print neatly...rephrased: PRINT NEATLY! You need to sign up by April 19th if you want your address to be marked on a map that will be distributed at several entrances to the neighborhood.

Questions about the sale? Send us an email at the address on the bottom of the form, or call a board member using a number on this newsletter. OK, now no hopping, skipping, or running with scissors, but get this sign up completed and off your list.

A Bit of City Help for that EV You Want

This is about the bonus incentive that the City of Roseville can provide to residents who are thinking about purchasing an Electric Vehicle (EV). The City also has links on its web site that can connect you with some purchasing resources.

Just to say it right away, what the City offers is a fraction of the amount (up to \$750) one may gain through State and Federal tax incentives. But you may find it worth including in your purchasing thinking, and as you'll see it's extremely easy to participate.

There are two types of vehicles it can cover, the "Battery Electric vehicle" (BEV) which only has an electric motor, and to the Plug-in Hybrid vehicle (PHEV) which has both an electric and a back-up engine powered by a fossil fuel. The program can apply to both residential and commercial EVs and to purchases or leases.

The program, called the California Clean Fuel Reward, is offered by Roseville Electric in partnership with other electric utilities and the California Air Resources Board. It's called a time of sale incentive because, if you qualify, the retailer selling you the vehicle will apply it for you to the price of the vehicle.

So what are some of the main rules about qualifying?

- You must purchase the EV from a participating automotive retailer, register the vehicle in California, and you must be a resident of California. A commercial purchaser's business must be located in California.
- The battery capacity of the vehicle you buy or lease must have a battery at least 5 kilo-watt hours (kWh) in size. This is a standard specification you can find for EVs.

Note that the battery storage size is the key factor for determining how much of the \$750 incentive you will receive (the higher the kWh capacity, the more the incentive).

If you want to learn more specifically about this incentive, or more generally about EVs, go to the web site <u>https://www.cleanfuelreward.com/</u>. There you can start the shopping process via a link to qualifying vehicles and their dealers, see the program rules, and learn more about EVs in general. It has information on other incentives you may qualify for when buying or leasing an EV!

Gathering Inn Campus

In our December issue we had a cover story on the new 16-acre "Campus of Hope" that the Gathering Inn is proposing to build in the County area north of Roseville on Industrial Boulevard, north of Blue Oaks and south of West Sunset boulevards. On January 19th, the Gathering Inn sponsored a meeting at the Maidu Community Center to review this proposal.

Our Roseville Police Department officer, Lieutenant Jeff Kool, was at the presentation, but said the department can't take a position on the proposal one way or another. "We are just looking to find ways to help those experiencing homelessness in our city and get them connected to services. RPD is continuing to work towards identifying options to further shift to a services-minded approach to homeless issues versus a law enforcement approach as most of the issues surrounding homeless are not law enforcement issues."

He added, "Any proposed solution needs to have a heavy focus on mental health and addiction services to address these core causes of homelessness."

Our next Maidu Board meeting will be on Tuesday, February 22nd at 7 p.m. As of our publication deadline, we aren't sure where we are meeting, so we ask you to go to our website (<u>maiduna.com</u>), and we will have the the meeting information there (see link at top left, and navigate to *Events/Meeting Info* page).

Search for Maidu N.A. on Facebook and "like" us. Feedback or Questions? Email us at feedback(at)maiduna.com.

Our web site is mna.rcona.com, but will change to mna.rcona.org in the near future.

Water Conservation Starts Now

What are we NOT doing now that new emergency water conservation measures are in force through the middle of January next year?

- Hosing down sidewalks, driveways, patios, structures, buildings, parking lots, or other hard surfaces unless it is for public health and safety
- Operating decorative fountains or filling/topping off decorative fountains, lakes, or ponds unless a recirculating pump is used
- Irrigating turf and ornamental landscapes during and within 48 hours after ¹/₄" or more of rain falling
- Applying water where it is running off-site onto non-irrigated areas, public and private roadways, parking lots, or a sidewalk
- Washing vehicles without a hose shutoff nozzle
- Cleaning streets or using potable water for construction purposes, unless no other method can be used to protect public health and safety

Looking to Further Your Career? LinkedIn Learning Added by Library

The Roseville Public Library, via your library card number and PIN or password, can get you access to LinkedIn Learning, a set of online courses to further various aspects of your career.

When you log in, using the same password you would use to check-out a book online, or access the card catalog, the first step is to identify a set of interests you have for training. After that you are asked to set a goal of so many minutes per week that you will spend doing the training, and they promise to "track your progress." However, you may skip setting a time-goal.

Next you are presented with courses that they believe may be helpful to you, and you choose which ones you wish to pursue. Many of the courses offered are for "soft skills" such as

- Building Relationships While Working from Home
- Overcoming Perfectionism
- Working with your Personal Strengths and Weaknesses

There are courses for communications skills such as

- Writing Emails People Want to Read
- Don't Take Yes for An Answer (based on the book by the same name by Steve Herz)
- How to Win Arguments

If you manage others, or if your career is of a more entrepreneurial bent, there are courses that can add skills or give you new ideas to pursue. And there are courses to help with particular technical skills such as learning spreadsheet programs, or how to improve your mobile device photography skills.

The courses may be just audio or be full video, and are usually in short lessons so you can squeeze them into your schedule. The lessons you've completed are visually marked as done, so your progress is always visible. If you find a particular course or lesson particularly worthwhile, you can share it with others via link, email, Microsoft Teams, Facebook or Twitter. To find how to access the courses, go to the "For More Information" link, below, or search the City's web site for "LinkedIn Learning".