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# MAIDU NEIGHBORS

# RCONA MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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### Neighbors Quiz City About Trail Options

About 20 Neighbors attended our April 26th meeting at Sargeant School's multipurpose room and heard what the City's Alternate Transportation department had to say about some new proposals about the portion of the Dry Creek Trail that runs through the Maidu Neighborhood.

The City is proposing to paint lanes along N.Cirby Way, on both sides, that would separate parking, biking and car traffic into their own lanes. This would allow bicycle traffic to more safely go from the trail near the dead end of N. Ciby by the creek all the way to Sargeant School. This would allow students who live near the trail to use it to get to the school more safely with a bike lane clearly delineated.

The other main proposal we addressing how to route the main trail from the dead end of N.Cirby and across Champion Oaks Drive at street level. The City does not own all the land there, so proposals included

- Changing the paved section of Samoa into a one-way car lane from Champion Oaks to North Cirby and a two-way "cycle track" physically separated from the car lane.
- Acquire the land along the creek and route the trail as originally planned along there.
- Add curbing at the Champion Oaks crossing to narrow the street. Pedestrians and cyclists would have a shorter distance to cross, and the narrower street would tend to slow traffic.

Neighbors asked questions such as:

- How much bicycle traffic is expected?
- Would there be a change to the speed bumps along N. Cirby?
- What additional resources will the City need in order to maintain, keep clean, and patrol the trail so it remains clean and safe?
- How can the City assure the trail crossing of Champion Oaks at street level will be safe given how fast cars travel there at this point?
- Trash is dumped along Samoa Way today. Now property owners have to provide clean-up. If the City buys the property for the trail,
  - Will they take on keeping the area clean?
  - Will police be a able to remove the homeless on publicly-owned land as can be done from the private land today?
- Will there be lighting along the trail for safety at night?
- Will the City be able to get enough outside funding to do this project?

We expect to get answers to questions like these and will update neighbors.

Our next Maidu Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, May 24th at 6:30 p.m.** We have resumed our meetings at Sargeant School's multi-purpose room which is at the left side of the front of the school on the Ridgecrest side.. Enter the school grounds from the left side of the parking lot when facing the front of the school.

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.



# **Book Club Back to In-person Meetings, and You Are Welcome to Join**

By Deborah Marcus

BOOK LOVERS REJOICE!! "Club Maidu", the oldest running book club in Placer County, is back to in-person meetings at the Maidu Library in Roseville. And we want YOU to join us!

For more than a quarter century, our club's book lovers have gathered together monthly to communally explore the ideas, stories, language, inspiration and education afforded by great literature - whether delightful, profound, disturbing, "just okay", or ...

Club Maidu members are avid readers who enjoy a wide variety of book genres. We also enjoy the lively conversation and different perspectives each member brings. Book selections are submitted and voted upon by all the members annually. Most members have the opportunity once a year to lead a discussion on a book of their choice from the selected list. Choices run the gamut of literature from fun to thought provoking fiction, biographies, autobiographies, history, science, nonfiction, classics. You name it, we'll vote on it!

Some previous titles include:

- Sapiens: A Brief History of Mankind
- The Agony and the Ecstasy
- Americanah
- The Power of Now
- The Huntress
- The Guest List
- The Only Woman in the Room
- Caste: The origins of Our Discontent



Currently we are seeking to expand our core membership and to embrace cultural diversity and gender. This is not to be politically correct, but rather to enhance our appreciation of literature through new ideas and personal backgrounds.

Club Maidu meets on the second Saturday of each month in the Maidu Library from 12:30-2 pm. It's free and everyone ages 18+ is welcome. Monthly book selection titles/authors can be found online under the City of Roseville library site, by calling the Maidu Library, or by contacting Deborah at <u>deborahmarcus123(at)gmail.com</u>.

The next Club Maidu book club meeting is Sat. June 11 from 12:30-2. We will be reading "Anna Karenina" by Leo Tolstoy.

Hope to see you there.

#### Neighborhood Cleanup Event Seen as a Success.

About 300 cars and pick-ups lined up Saturday, April 30th, at Maidu Park to bring their junk to deposit



in one of the 13 dumpster loads hauled away that day. The City and neighbors were both happy with the result.

Briefly, before the event began, vehicles were lined up almost all the way to the Park's entrance driveway, This caused a minor traffic jam. But once the dumping began, the line began to dwindle.

As it turned out, everyone who came at any point during the 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. period could have successfully participated. Only 13 of 20

dumpster loads allotted to the the event were actually used.

We'd ;like to thank the City and RCONA for putting on the event and hope it will happen annually.

## **Garage Sale a Success**

Our 23rd Annual Garage Sale opened on a bright, clear day to moderate temperatures and breezes. Over 80 homes opened their garages for business, and visitors came from next door, across the neighborhood, and from towns nearby.

Participating homes got to take part in a drawing to win local prizes. In particular, we would like to thank neighbor Mr. Douglas for donating a *CPR Class for 4*, no doubt making one family a good deal safer. In addition to prize donations, six neighbors made cash donations without holding a sale.

As a result, this was a very successful fund-raiser for the Maidu Neighborhood Association. We were able to raise in excess of \$1,000 to fund our events throughout the year such as Neighborhood night out.

The Association promoted the event via multiple web sites, social media, and even good, old fashioned newspaper ads. We had multiple people at street corners handing out maps that showed every home that signed-up for the sale, and at other corners we had unmanned map stations where people could stop and get a map, allowing us to cover more points in the neighborhood than we could with our volunteers alone. As an alternative, people could access the map via a Google Maps-based map that we created.

We'd like to thank all of the participants who took the time to come to Willard Dietrich Park before and during the early part of the sale period (starting at 8 a.m.) and picked up helium-filled balloons to place at your Sale locations. Seeing those balloons swaying in the breezes no doubt helped garner people's attention.

As we've observed in the past, sometimes how busy things are comes in waves, and areas with more than one sale within sight of one another often attract more potential customers. Just what the "critical mass" to create that attraction will likely remain a mystery, one that businesses of all kinds constantly seek to solve.

One sale on McLaren Drive continually attracted attention as an educators group had about a dozen of their members bring items to a single sale location right on one of the main routes through the neighborhood. They had a rental truck bring donated items to the sale, and everyone had the same t-shirt on who was part of the group, making it easy to know who to talk to about what you might want to buy. The location, the sheer quantity of goods and the number of people running the sale created an attraction that kept cars pulling over to park and take a look at what was offered.

#### Do you know how to report graffiti in Roseville?

For tagging in progress, you call the Roseville Police non-emergency number, (916) 774-5000, Option 1, and report it. Give the location and describe the suspects in as much detail as you can. If you discover graffiti on your property, you call the same number to file a report.

If you should find graffiti already applied, not in progress, and not on your property, you report it online via the City website, <u>www.roseville.ca.us</u>. Click on "How do I"; and then click on "report graffiti"; The City requests that you attach a photo to your online report.

For graffiti on private property, the property owner will be responsible for cleaning it up. City crews will remove graffiti from public property. If you see it, please report it! Keep Roseville clean.

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<ul> <li><u>October</u>—Park Clean-up</li> <li><u>December</u>—Neighborhood Santa</li> </ul>	as corrections as needed.