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Pancake breakfast Saturday, June 18th, 9-11 am at Maidu

Come and meet with our neighbors for a Pancake Breakfast in Maidu Park on June 18th, hosted by the Maidu Neighborhood Association. Our locally famous pancake chef, Roseville Police Lieutenant Jeff Kool, will be back to cook-up stacks for all comers. Breakfast will be served from 9 am to 11 am. A few contests will be held for both children and adults with gift cards as prizes.



- Saturday, June 18th, 9 - 11 a.m.
- No RSVP is necessary, just show up
- Food is expected to include pancakes, syrup, fruit, and water
- Police who support our neighborhood will man cooking stations

City Answers Dry Creek Trail Questions

After meeting with residents at our April meeting, the City Alternate Transportation Department, the one responsible for leading the effort to provide all-purpose trails and bike lanes in Roseville, received a set of questions from neighbors living near where the proposed Dry Creek Trail would pass in our neighborhood. In mid-May the Department responded to those questions. This is a summary of their responses.

- **How many cyclists will use the trail?** The City's answer was not specific, saying that trail use would likely be similar to that of other trails in the City, varying seasonally.
- **Will there be more funding for additional police and maintenance?** No, the City replied, there will be no additional funding as these responsibilities are "already a part of their division budgets."
- **Will there be funding for lighting the trail to prevent crime?** No, the City said in general there is no lighting added to trails in the City's Open Spaces, although they may add lighting to an undercrossing "for safety measures." Grant funding is expected to cover any such costs.
- **How much communication has been done with first responders about accessing the trail as needed?** The Department responded that all trail planning is done with other city departments. They added that the trails are accessible by emergency vehicles at any of the entrances. They did not specify where the trail entrances are, but we know from the plans that there would likely be entry points at Rocky Ridge, Champion Oaks, and Old Auburn near Cirby Way.
- **The trail crossing of Champion Oaks will be done at street level. Has traffic speed, visibility and volume been studied there?** (continued next page)

Our next Maidu Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 28th at 6:30 p.m.** As this is a summer meeting when Sargeant School is closed, we will meet in the **lobby of the Maidu Community Center** instead.

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 mna.rcona.com.

Trail Questions (continued from p. 1)

- For 17 days in April and early May, the City’s Police Department did a traffic study at a proposed Dry Creek Trail crossing of Champion Oaks at Samoa Way. The data was collected by placing a trailer there which measures traffic volume and speed, and has a flashing sign when someone passes exceeding the 25 mph speed limit. It showed
 - About 960 vehicles passed per day.
 - The highest volume traffic is at around 8 a.m. and at around 3 p.m.
 - Half were going below 27 mph, half above that speed.
 - 85% of them went at 31 mph or slower.
 - 2-3% of the vehicles traveled at more than 35 mph.
 - In the presence of the temporary sign, about two thirds of the vehicles slowed down.
 - The City only ran the test with the sign active.
 - The study did not address the question of visibility in the area.
- ***Has the City reviewed dumping and camping that has been done on the empty lots along Samoa Way, and what will they do to prevent it?*** The City Police Department answered that neighbors should call the Code Enforcement Complaint Line at 916-774-5501 about any dumping, illegal activity or camping whether it is in Open Space or on private property. Code Enforcement handles most of the calls themselves, but will relay complaints not covered by their Department to the proper one. Emergency calls, as always, should go to 9-1-1. The Police Department tracks and works with their Social Services group and the Open Space team to clear encampments.
- ***The City is considering blocking half of Samoa Way to create a one way road and a protected bike lane. In storms when there is flooding, the Samoa floods before the empty lots. How will this be addressed?*** The Alternate Transportation Department said is would study this further “if this alternate option is chosen.”
- ***Wouldn’t barricading half of Samoa Way create an increased flooding hazard?*** “A permanent barricade will not be used, but rather bollards and signs and striping. The design will be reviewed and adhere to City standards so that it would not impede water flow,” wrote the Department in response.

To learn more about the history of this project, go to the City web site at roseville.ca.us and search for “East - Dry Creek Greenway Project” from the home page.

Recycling to Help Animals through Placer SPCA.

By Alan Bartley



Did you know that the SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) accepts donations of the plastic and glass bottles (CRV’s) you pay a deposit on?

I just happened to be at their facility (the old shelter between the Fair Grounds and the Police Department) at 150 Corporation Road when they were loading up their truck to take the CRV materials to the recycling center. I asked how much they get each year and it is about \$15,000.

I think if more people were aware of this way to donate it could be a lot more. There are 2 white dumpsters labeled CRV donations (sign on them, above) and you just toss your CRV’s in and you’ve helped save a animal in need—probably a dog or cat, but in at least one case, a donkey.

Scan QR code at right to get Google maps view of location. This is NOT the new shelter location on Tahoe Street, but the old location by the Police Department.



Watering Days Now in Effect

In our current Stage 2 drought, there are watering day restrictions. Note also that irrigation on those days (Monday, Wednesday & Friday) is not to take place between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. However, there are no restrictions on drip irrigation.

In dealing with non-drip irrigation, there are a couple strategies you can employ to maximize the water you apply:

- Break longer cycles into shorter ones with time in between. For example, you soil has a better chance to absorb water without run-off with two shorter 5 minute cycles with an hour break in between, than by doing a single 10 minute cycle.
- Use a moisture meter or dig down six inches or so to check the real situation where plant roots are rather than relying on eyeballing the state of your plants, or knowing the weather is predicted to be hot and dry.

Customer	Time Of Year	Watering Days	No Irrigation During
Residential	1st day of May – last day of August	Monday, Wednesday, and Friday	10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
All	Drip irrigation is exempt from watering day restrictions		

Table reduced to show just residential rules for May-August.

Roseville offers information to deal with the drought including lists of drought-tolerant plants, plans for gardens and front yards that are “water wise”, rebates for replacing your grass with other landscaping or buying a water-efficient toilet, and a downloadable Excel workbook for calculating how much water each part of your landscape is using. Go to roseville.ca.us/savewater to access these resources and more.

Reporting Traffic Infractions and Other Crimes to Police

Several neighbors showed up at our May meeting to complain about a car that travels most workdays on Ridgecrest Way recklessly and at a high speed, both in the morning and afternoon. More than one person reported the car passing them when they were driving at or near posted speeds themselves, and others have seen the car tailgating.

Naturally, with a school at one end of the street, residential side streets, and pedestrians aplenty, neighbors are concerned that a serious collision is begging to happen. Roseville Police Officer Austin Ritter, who was in attendance, was well aware of the issue, having come out to the neighborhood to patrol when the car was known to pass through, but on that occasion was unsuccessful. He noted that the afternoon period when the car is usually seen is also one of the busiest times of day for the Police Department, so it is harder to schedule someone to patrol the area. They have to patrol major roads during busy traffic times since that is where most accidents occur.

The squeaky wheel gets attention, so neighbors should continue to make their complaints known to the department. This will increase the likelihood of an officer being put on patrol in the area. To report an in-progress, hazardous traffic situation, like a reckless driver or a suspected drunk driver, call **911** or police dispatch at **916-774-5000 extension 1**. If your concern is a chronic traffic problem, like this speeder, call the police department's traffic hotline at **916-746-1023**. The police department's traffic unit monitors the hotline and assigns traffic officers to investigate.

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.

- June 18th—*Pancake Breakfast at Maidu*
- August 2nd—*Nat’nl Night Out Ice Cream Social*
- October—*Park Clean-up*
- December—*Neighborhood Santa*

For More Information

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