

# MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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## MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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### Join Us for Santa in the Neighborhood, Tues., December 6th

Santa has once again cleared his calendar to visit our neighborhood, so mark your own and watch for him the evening of Tuesday, December 6th. We hope you'll consider joining us at Willard Dietrich Park that evening for our "watch party."

We've been lucky that for over a decade now Santa has selected our neighborhood as one of his places to visit here in Roseville, and we'd like to think it's because we gather at the Park by Sargeant School and Santa can see so many of us at one time. We know we've all enjoyed the festive experience of being in the Park after dark, seeing the luminaria line the Park's sidewalk, drinking hot chocolate, and meeting friends and neighbors.

### Parents and Neighbors—Additional Information

A reminder: Rain will cancel the event as judged by the City that posts the announcement to the Roseville Parks, Recreation & Events Facebook page by 5pm on the evening of the event.

Some neighbor's homes are on Santa's route into and out of the neighborhood. The routes for this year are posted on the City's web site (search for "Neighborhood Santa"). Willard Dietrich Park is located at the corner of North Cirby Way and Stoney Point Way. Santa usually arrives by 7 p.m.; neighbors gather starting at 6.

### Holiday Decorating Contest Returns

Our simple-to-enter Holiday Decorating Contest is back for the fourth year in a row! The prize: Be one of three winners and a sign announcing your status will be placed in your front yard, i.e., you will have bragging rights.

The three contest categories are

- Best Light Display
- Most Colorful
- Most Festive



The rules are

- You can enter your own home in the contest.
- You can nominate any other home in the Maidu Neighborhood.
- To enter or nominate, send an email with the street address of the home in question to our [contest\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:contest(at)maiduna.com) email address.
- The deadline for submissions is midnight, Sunday, December 4th.

Having a December 4th deadline allows our judges to review the entrants, reach a decision, and have the signs announcing who won placed in the winners' yards. Our thanks to our sign printing sponsor, Melinda Shrader, Coldwell Banker Realty, CalRE License # 00994757.

Our next Maidu Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, November 15th at 6:30 p.m.** At this point, during the school year, we meet at the **Sargeant School Multi-purpose Room** which is to the left side of the front of the school on the Ridgecrest side. We meet a week earlier this month to avoid Thanksgiving week. As usual, there will be **no December meeting.**

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).

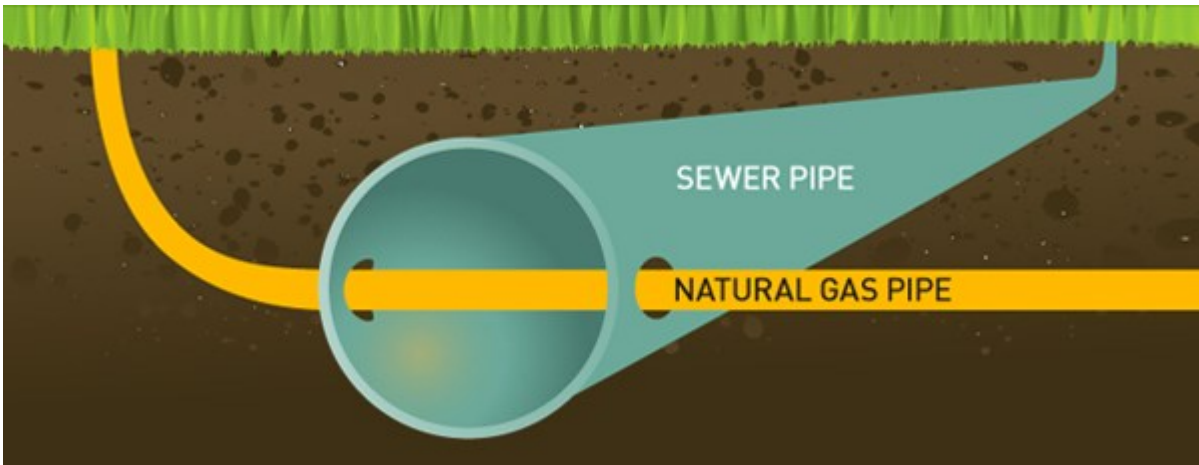
Our web site is [mna.rcona.com](http://mna.rcona.com).

# **PG&E in the Neighborhood Doing Sewer Line Inspections via Camera**

By Shirley Brown

PG&E is currently inspecting our sewers via camera. You may have already had an inspection done of the sewer line from your home to the street.

The purpose of these inspections is to see if a new pipe or cable line was unintentionally drilled through an existing sewer pipe, creating what is known as a cross bore. When a cross bore occurs in a sewer line, the natural gas line



Artist's drawing of a natural gas pipe that has been bored through an existing sewer pipe. Someone trying to clear the unknown sewer obstruction might rupture the gas line. *(Illustration courtesy of PG&E)*

may obstruct the flow of wastewater through the sewer line and eventually lead to a blockage. A plumber who attempts to remove the blockage can accidentally damage the gas line, resulting in a potentially hazardous situation. Conducting sewer camera inspections helps to prevent these safety issues.

The sewer camera inspections in our area will be completed by qualified PG&E contractors. If they discover a gas line has been bored through your sewer line, PG&E will do the repairs at no cost to you.

If you have any questions about the sewer camera inspection program, you can contact PG&E at [gasprojectinfo@pge.com](mailto:gasprojectinfo@pge.com). For additional information, you can visit [pge.com/sewercleaningsafety](http://pge.com/sewercleaningsafety).

## **Maidu Annual Park Clean-up on a Beautiful Day**

The Annual Park Clean-up happened on one of the more beautiful days of this fall, October 22nd. The event started on the sunny day with temperatures in the mid-60s and ended with a shared lunch in the mid-70s. About 25 neighbors showed up to participate.

Because the goats had gone through the Park and surrounding Open Spaces in September, it was very easy to explore all parts of the undeveloped areas of the neighborhood. This was before the rainy season, so dust was more of a concern than mud, even in the Strap Ravine creek bed which runs through the Park.



Hot and Polish Dogs starred in lunch for volunteers sponsored by the Association.

pavilion and the old batting cages and then enjoyed a lunch together. Everyone also enjoyed a morning of exercise, helping the community, and exploring. Join us for Park Clean-up next year!

## **Fight Porch Piracy—Get to Know Your Neighbors**

We all know that the increased arrival of holiday gifts on our porches means that “porch pirates” will be back, making their rounds. There are many strategies for avoiding being a victim, such as

- having the delivery done on a day when you can be home,
- having the delivery service hold your package for pick-up at their location,
- requiring a signature for delivery,
- having a door camera alert you to package arrival,
- or even installing an anchored box on your porch where the delivery can be placed by using a code provided to the delivery service.

At our last meeting, we heard of another strategy from a neighbor: Get to know a neighbor who is home most of the time and have them hold your package for you. In this particular case, one neighbor watches for deliveries at a couple of homes in line-of-sight from their front windows. When they spot a delivery has been made, they retrieve the package and hold it, texting the appropriate neighbor about the delivery. The neighbors doing the watching are retired.

It’s yet another reason to get to know your neighbors! Such an arrangement could be for a single package, just for a specific period, such as the current holidays, or on-going. You could arrange to have the packages shipped to your trusted neighbor if they are willing to accept them.

## **Watering Days Changed as of November 1st**

As of the first of the month, the water-restrictions created by the City earlier this year changed from the twice-a-week schedule we had during the hot months to once a week. Both commercial and residential customers can water on Mondays before 10 a.m. or after 8 p.m.

## **Maidu Museum Hours Changed**

The Maidu Museum at the top of the hill on Johnson Ranch Drive recently changed its hours. The total number of open hours per week (21) is unchanged, but they have shifted or been eliminated on various days. The Wednesday hours have been eliminated and added to Thursdays and Fridays. Eliminating the Wednesday hours also eliminated the only regularly scheduled evening hours. On Saturdays the Museum opens and closes an hour later than before.

The new hours are:  
Thursday & Friday—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturdays—10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Entry to the Museum requires an entry fee (\$5) or paid membership (\$25-150). Entry to the Trail on the grounds is free.

**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—*Neighborhood Garage Sale*
- August—*Nat’l Night Out Ice Cream Social*
- October—*Park Clean-up*
- December 6th—*Neighborhood Santa*

### **For More Information**

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