

MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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MAIDU NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Neighborhood Garage Sale Coming April 29th

Key points on our annual Neighborhood Garage Sale:

- You can do this! In fact, it's all your show—you use your driveway or garage, you price your items, and you can independently promote it (we encourage that in this day of social media— the more the merrier!).
- We promote the Sale for the whole neighborhood using social media such as Facebook and Nextdoor, newspaper ads, and, on the day of the sale, by having a number of signs and map-distribution stations throughout the neighborhood.
- You'll get a packet from our newsletter sponsor, Melinda Shrader that will help you put on your sale.
- And that \$10 we ask for as a donation? This is our main fund-raiser for the year, and we have not increased that requested amount in 23 years! Help support all our events with your donation (see box on page 3).
- Or donate your time or money to help us keep the lights on. We need help distributing maps on the day of the sale—do it with a friend.
- If you want to promote your business, we will be having a raffle for those who participate and an item or coupon from your business can be one of the prizes.

See our form, at the bottom of this page, and use it to join our big Sale event!

All...Er, Any Hands on Deck?

By Dave Steele

Your Neighborhood Association has a problem. Look at the box at the left of this page. Toward the top you'll see there are several vacant positions. We've had less than the full complement of board members for over a year and a half.

For the last two and half decades, the Maidu Neighborhood Association (MNA) has utilized the talents of a wonderful variety of neighbors. Many of them took the reins of officers on the Board. Due to health reasons and other life events, several board members are unable to continue.

We need neighbors who can perhaps join the board or at least attend a meeting to meet us. If you feel at all like you can come to one meeting per month and join other volunteers (we really do have comradery), don't overthink this. Step up. We really have never been in this predicament and we know that there are neighbors who can fill these slots. If not you...Who??! *(continued on next page)*

2023 Maidu Neighborhood Garage Sale Registration



Name _____ Phone # _____

Street Address _____ E-mail _____

\$10+ enclosed for the April 29th Garage Sale which supports the Maidu Neighborhood Association events all year.

I do not plan to participate, but I would like to donate \$ _____ to the Maidu Neighborhood Association.

I would like to help with map distribution or filling of balloons the day of the sale.

I would like to donate a raffle prize. Each person or business donating will be acknowledged in this newsletter.

Make your check out to Maidu Neighborhood Association. Send form & check to Mary Steele, Treasurer, 1390 Cloverdale Circle, Roseville, CA 95661, **by Tuesday, April 25th** to guarantee getting your maid address listed on the map.

Questions? Send email to [feedback\(at\)maiduna.com](mailto:feedback(at)maiduna.com)

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This is not a demanding, time-consuming undertaking. In exchange for a bit of your time, we think you'll find it extremely satisfying. We keep the neighbors connected, provide a conduit for concerns to the Police, Fire Department, and other City departments, host speakers, provide a monthly newsletter, and sponsor annual events including

- Neighborhood garage sale
- Father's Day Pancake Breakfast
- National Night Out
- Maidu Park Clean Up and
- Neighborhood Santa.

Without the board, the MNA will cease to exist, as will all the events listed above.

Join our team in any capacity. Call any of the numbers on the front newsletter and we can chat about it, or drop us an email at the address at the bottom of this page...and mark your calendar right now for the next meeting on March 28th (info at the bottom of this page).

Master Gardeners of Placer County Garden Faire is Here!

The University of California Master Gardeners of Placer County invite you to our annual Garden Faire on **Saturday, April 22, 2023**, from **9 am - 3 pm** at the **Maidu Community Center**. This FREE indoor/outdoor home gardening event will be celebrating Earth Day and will include activities and fun for the whole family!

The activities throughout the day will include:

- 2 Speakers: Tora Rocha, from the Pollinator Posse and Jodie Sheffield from Delta Blue Grass;
- 2 hands-on presentations conducted by the City of Roseville on residential sprinkler conversion to drip irrigation, and another by Master Gardeners on making houses for non native bees.
- A variety of vendors focusing on the garden (including plant and garden items for purchase, best practices and lots of information on all things related to gardening).
- A Kids Korner (with children's arts and crafts activities.
- Door prizes will round out the day!

This event is co-sponsored with the City of Roseville Environmental Utilities. The event is free so bring your family and have some fun celebrating Earth Day with us! For more information go to <http://pcmg.ucanr.org> or call (530) 889-7388.

May & June Junk Clean-up Events Need Volunteers

This spring the Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (RCONA) and the City will sponsor four neighborhood junk drop-off events including one in Maidu Park. The local one will be on Saturday, May 20th. Volunteers are needed to help run the events (you choose which ones to join).

Volunteers will help direct vehicles, check to see participants are Roseville residents, make sure folks understand what they can and cannot dump, and assist in dumping as needed. There are multiple shifts at each event that you may volunteer for. Volunteers will need to sign a waiver, and if you are a minor, you will need parental sign-off of your waiver. Volunteers will receive water and lunch.

Go to rcona.org, scroll to the "Get Involved" banner, and look for the "Volunteers needed!" section.

Our next Maidu Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 28th 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 Ridgcrest side.

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.

All About Roseville Electric Including Rebates Available

By Lance Hibben

At the February Maidu Neighborhood Association, Joe Song from Roseville Electric Utility gave an interesting and engaging presentation regarding energy generation and use in our city. Mr. Song presented:

1. an overview with many interesting facts about the City's power supply,
2. electrical rate increases (3% last month plus a temporary 8% increase in 2023-2024 largely due to external market price increases for natural gas), and
3. conservation programs and what neighbors should focus on to become more efficient electrical consumers while getting the best return on investment (including rebates).

Some highlights from Mr. Song's presentation are as follows:

The City of Roseville generates a significant portion of the City's electrical supply at the Roseville Energy Park in west Roseville by using two large natural gas fired turbines. The balance of the City's electrical needs is provided through contracts with other power agencies, residential solar units on new homes, plus solar that residents have added to older homes.

Since many homes in Roseville were built between the 1960s-1980s, energy conservation efforts can make a more significant positive difference in saving energy in the community. The city offers rebate programs to replace several home appliances such as, but not limited to, HVAC thermostats, window solar screens, and lighting to mention a few items (see picture, below).

When opportunities exist to upgrade numerous items in an older home, some replacements provide a better return on investment than others. For example, smart thermostats control a significant percentage of electrical use in homes since air conditioning and heating account for a larger portion of energy use.

Rebate programs are available as long as funds last. While some upgrades may cost more money, others cost much less by helping your existing systems operate more efficiently such as replacing HVAC filters every 60-90 days and replacing older light bulbs with LEDs.

There are many resources available to neighbors for finding the best ways to save energy and money while enjoying the comforts of your home. For more information, check the City's website at www.roseville.ca.us/Electric.



The *Energy Efficiency* page showing many of the Roseville Electric rebates available at this point.

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 29th—*Neighborhood Garage Sale*
- August—*National Night Out*
- October—*Park Clean-up*
- December—*Neighborhood Santa*

For More Information

Go to mna.rcona.com/2023-links. Or scan this QR code with a suitable app. There are links there to more story info and to our related sites including our Facebook page. Sometimes there are story updates as well as corrections as needed.

