

MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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July 2024

National Night Out Ice Cream Social—Tuesday, August 6th

Our volunteers are busy, planning for our annual National Night Out (NNO) event, Tuesday, August 6th **from 7:00-8:30 p.m.** This year we are once again having an ice cream social—come get a cool dessert, and customize it with fixings like sprinkles, sauce and other toppings.



In addition to ice cream:

- There will be drinks (water, lemonade).
- Police and Fire will come if emergency calls permit. In the past they have always made an appearance some of the time.
- There will be children's activities. Our volunteers are working to finalize what will be happening.

NNO is an event held annually to help neighbors meet neighbors as well as local first responders. We watch out for each other, and this evening we have fun!.

On Your Calendar? See *Big Hero 6* at Maidu—July 27th

Disney's *Big Hero 6* animated movie will be the star attraction of our Movie-in-the-Park event at Maidu's baseball field #3 on Saturday evening, July 27th. Activities will start at 7:30 p.m. The movie will start after sundown (after 9 p.m.). It will show on a 30-foot inflatable screen.

Bring a blanket and/or your lawn chairs. All family members are invited. In fact, this is a City-wide event and families from all across Roseville are welcome. There will be food and beverages available for purchase:

- Sweeney's Weenies (combo meal with chips and soda = \$10)
- Metro Ice Cream (\$2-10, cash only)
- Tucker's Kettle Corn, Cotton Candy and Lemonade (\$5 for cotton candy, \$7-12 for kettle corn, \$7-8 for lemonade)
- Free water

Starting at 7:30 until show time, there will be face painting and games, like corn hole, to play.

So, put it on your calendar and make it a family event to look forward to. The event could be cancelled by weather, such as a wildfire making the atmosphere unhealthy, so check our website for last-minute updates at maiduna.com. (Remember Park rules: No alcohol, no smoking, no dogs allowed.)



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Our next Maidu Board meeting will be on **Tuesday, July 23rd at 6:30 p.m.** This month, because school is out at Sargeant, **we are meeting at the picnic tables in Maidu Park between the Community Center and Rock Ridge Drive.** If you are at the front of the Center, you can go around the outside to the left to get to the tables.

Join us for a police report and catch up on neighborhood goings-on. Bring any questions or concerns you have.

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.

For the Next Heat Wave. Help Roseville Electric Manage the Load

To cut to the heart of the matter, **the highest electrical load**, particularly the load of all our air conditioning during hot weather, **is from 4 p.m.-9 p.m.** Therefore, any electrical use you can avoid during that time helps Roseville Electric maintain the electricity we need.

So, if we can't do without the air conditioning, what else can we do?

- So you've probably heard this one: Raising your AC temperature is one of the most effective ways to save energy. Try setting your thermostat to 78 degrees or higher, if health permits. But have you heard of "pre-cooling?" The idea is that you lower your thermostat at night when your AC unit can be more efficient, i.e., it's harder for your unit to dump heat outside when it's really hot outside already, so doing it when it's cooler is easier. Then you raise your thermostat, perhaps to 78 F., and the AC doesn't come on until much later. For more info, search for "pre-cooling" or "supercooling" your house.
- Limit the use of ovens, stoves, dishwashers, and laundry machines since they all generate heat, or, in the case of the dryer, generate heat and suck-in-air from the outside to replace the air they force out.
- Close your blinds to block the sun's heat.
- Install "sun" screens, i.e. screens with a thicker mesh that blocks some of the sun.
- Use ceiling fans that spin counterclockwise. With fans in general, it is useful to remember they cool you while blowing heat off your skin or clothes, but if you're not there, the fan is just moving the air around, not cooling it, so you can turn it off when you leave the room for a while to save electricity.



Pancake Breakfast Has Police Flipping Flapjacks



In case you missed this year's (day before) Father's Day Pancake Breakfast on June 15th, we're happy to let you know it was a lovely morning, and, for the 50 or so neighbors who showed up, a fine breakfast with pancakes, fixings, blue berries, bananas, coffee, water, and more.

We want to thank **Sprouts** for donating fruit to the event, and the **Roseville Police Department** for showing up to flip the pancakes and cook the sausages. We also want to thank our never-flagging, ever ready volunteers who mixed batter, ferried-in the equipment and supplies, cut-up the fruit, decorated, set-up

everything, and even saved the event when we tripped a circuit breaker and were momentarily without power for our electric grills!



Update on Water Storage Testing Next to Maidu's Old Batting Cages

The City has worked over the last decade to do underground storage of water by injecting it into a porous layer of rock that has non-porous rock around it, i.e., an aquifer. During the rainy season, they inject water underground, and in dry weather they can pump it back up for our use. Today they have 6 wells in the City, and they did a test well at Maidu Park, next to the batting cages, to see if they could do a well there. It turned out the rock layers in the area were not suitable for that purpose.

That means the old batting cages near the entrance to the park will not be replaced with a pumping station. The Parks and Recreation department has not decided what the next plans will be to replace them. So the Maidu Neighborhood Association is looking into what people might want, and what it would take to make better use of the space now occupied by the defunct batting cages.

Who Are the Friends of the Roseville Public Library?



If you use the resources of the Maidu branch of the Roseville Library, or you use any of the online tools being offered, you may have availed yourself of programs or services not paid with your tax dollars, but rather with contributions by the *Friends of the Roseville Public Library* or FOL. This is a non-profit organization established just over 50 years ago by local citizens concerned with the materials available at the Library.

What you likely do not know is that they donated over \$60,000 to the Library last year, or over \$500,000 in the last decade, to pay for items such as the following:

- A Library website user interface upgrade to the Aspen overlay
- Culture Across Borders
- Summer Reading Challenge—the more you read, the more you win
- Online Tutoring
- VOX Books—Children’s books with audio included
- Partial purchase of the Book Mobile (\$37,500 donated)
- 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten—incentives youngsters to look at books even before they can read (with adult help)
- Little Friends Libraries for all 25 Adventure Clubs
- Third Grade Initiative
- Kanopy—the movie and TV streaming service

And all of these cost Library users nothing to use or participate in. You could also participate in the fun of one of their fund-raising events such as

- Potterverse (April)
- Tequila Mockingbird (September), and
- Quarterly Trivia Nights.

They provide a large selection of quality, low-priced books at their three FOL library book stores and quarterly book sales. What bookstore? Well, at the Maidu Branch library, you can find it to the left as you enter, toward the front of the library adjacent to the computers patrons use to access the internet. The low shelves there have used fiction and non-fiction titles that you can have for \$1 (children's books) , \$3 (hardbacks), or \$2 (paperbacks), unless otherwise marked.



You can also become a member for as little as \$15/year, or, if you own a business, a corporate sponsor for as little as \$150/year. See their site at <https://www.rosevillefriendsofthelibrary.org/>.

Smoky Skies? See These Resources

If you see wildfire smoke, check the air quality or fire progress at these sites:

- <https://map.purpleair.com/> - 3 outdoor air quality sensors right in our neighborhood
- <https://fire.airnow.gov/> - Air Now map allows multiple layers of information and forecasts
- <https://www.fire.ca.gov/> - this Cal Fire site’s map gives the latest progress made on the state’s fires

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*
- June—*Pancake Breakfast*
- August 6th—*National Night Out*
- October—*Park Clean-up*

For More Information

Go to mna.rcona.com/2024 -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

