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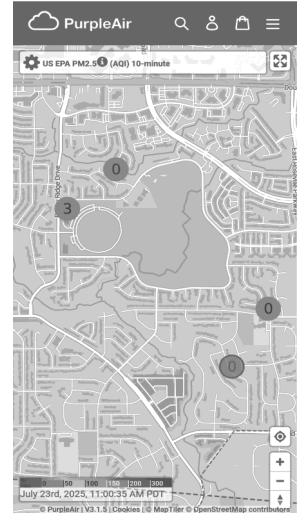
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Purple Air App for Local Air Quality Info

If, as wildfire season progresses, we get one of those days where you can smell smoke, or see haze, or even see the air turn brownish, it's time to consider going to the PurpleAir web site (<https://map.purpleair.com>), or installing the PurpleAir app.

PurpleAir runs on data from air sensors that anyone can purchase and install. This means it is not dependent on a government agency to install a sensor, and since they are generally less than \$300, it's a way of crowd-sourcing air quality information. And anyone can access the map that shows that data for free.

We're lucky that in our neighborhood we have four sensors installed, one of which the City purchased and installed at the Maidu Community Center. So we can zoom in on our neighborhood and know, in real time, what the air quality is like here (see map).



Dots = local PurpleAir sensor locations

Thanks, Neighbors, For Joining Us!

On Tuesday evening, August 5th, the Maidu Neighborhood Association sponsored its long-running local version of National Night Out with an ice cream social. Between 70 and 80 people attended including a number of families that joined us after going to their children's back-to-school night at Sargeant Elementary.



Our next Maidu meeting will be on **Tuesday, August 26th at 6:30 p.m.** This month, we will meet at a Board member's house. Contact us for details if you wish to attend.

*The Maidu Neighborhood Association (MNA) is a member of the Roseville Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (RCONA). 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.

E-Bikes, E-Scooters, and E-Motorcycles

By Lance Hibben

At numerous Maidu Neighborhood Association (MNA) monthly meetings, Roseville Police representatives have presented and discussed news, events, and legal issues concerning the use of E-Bikes, E-Scooters, and E-Motorcycles. The use of these products has significantly increased in Roseville in recent years; however, opportunities exist for improving public education, parental awareness, and overall safety. Roseville Police have impounded some of these products because of violations.

It is the intent of this newsletter article to help provide Maidu residents more information to increase public awareness and safety.

The next time you and/or your kids are riding in Roseville, remember to ride smart and safe. Below are some quick reference tips for your information:

E-Bikes:



- Be aware that different classifications and models of e-bikes have different rules regarding their use, age requirements, if licenses are needed, what safety gear must be used, and where the e-bikes can be used.
- If a rider is under 18 years of age riding an E-Bike (aka "motorized bicycle") wearing a helmet is required by law, the same law that applies for helmets while using bikes without motors.
- E-Bikes can be used along roadways. It's the rider's responsibility to go with the flow of cars, as you're expected to share the road with them. It is essential for those operating E-Bikes to watch out for pedestrians using roadways too.

E-Scooters:

- If a rider is under 18 years of age riding an E-Scooter (aka "motorized scooter") wearing a helmet is required by law, the same law that applies for helmets while using scooters without motors.
- Maximum speed is 15 mph; passengers are not allowed; E-Scooters cannot be operated on a sidewalk; operators must have a learner's permit or license.
- E-Scooters can be used along roadways. It's the rider's responsibility to go with the flow of cars, as you're expected to share the road with them. It is essential for those operating E-Scooters to watch out for pedestrians using roadways too.

E-Motorcycles:

- Regardless whether gasoline or electric powered, if maximum speed is rated faster than 30 mph, it is considered a motorcycle (aka "motor driven cycle" or "pocket bicycle") subject to the California Vehicle Codes (CVC) 400(a)/(b), 405, and 473(a) and must be registered with the DMV.
- These vehicles may not be ridden on trails, bike lanes, or sidewalks. Riders and passengers, regardless of age, must wear a DOT approved helmet.
- Please direct questions regarding e-motorcycles to Roseville Police Traffic Sergeant Mike Ryland at mryland@roseville.ca.us.

To stay current on legal issues and tips for riding legally smart and safe, check out the City of Roseville on Instagram, Facebook, and Nextdoor to learn more about the latest rules of the road, how you and pedestrians can stay safe, and relevant road safety information. For more safety tips on e-bikes and e-scooters, visit Roseville Public Works at the link below or QR code at right: .

<https://www.roseville.ca.us/cms/One.aspx?portalId=7964922&pageId=8967368>



Farmers Market to be Year Round

Enough neighbors responded positively to the Sunday morning Farmers Market at Maidu Park that it has moved from trial status to a more permanent footing. There will be one weekend in September, the 7th, when it will be closed because of the traffic expected in the park for a sports tournament. Otherwise it will occur every Sunday year round, rain or shine, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the area near the skateboard arena, basketball courts, and pavilion.

The Life of a Friends of the Library Donation

You may have noticed there are donation bins at all three Roseville Libraries where you can drop off books, DVDs, CDs, games, and puzzles. At Maidu, it's right in the entrance area. We asked Library staff, and members of the all-volunteer *Friends of the Library*, "when you drop off a donation there, what happens to it?" Here's what they told us.

"At any stage of the process books go through, library personnel may select books needed for the library's collection to be used directly. Larger donations are received at the Downtown Library and we take in hundreds and even thousands of books a week. Volunteers work to sort out books for that branch's bookstore, depending on their needs and space and the remainder are sent to the Downtown Library sorting rooms where there is more space.



"A crew of volunteers meets there weekly there to sort books by subject for the book sales and various other uses.

- The first step is for incoming books to be screened by one or two volunteers for books of higher value that can be sold online for more than our super-low book sale prices.
- Next, books are sorted by subject and type and boxed for the book sale. Some are routed to the Downtown Library bookstore and some are marketed online, usually targeting specifically teachers, homeschoolers and little free library stewards.
- In the sorting process, appropriate books are also set aside for jails, the military, children's homes, and any other organization we are able to get in contact with. We set aside books to be given away through city and school events and have recently had a Free Book Giveaway event which drew hundreds of people and got local TV coverage and we plan to repeat that. We are working with a Kiwanis Club, providing books for their school book giveaways.
- From time to time, we have "book hospital" days when some of our teens come and work on repairing and cleaning up some of the children's books that could use a little love."

So, now you know what may happen when you drop something in the Library donation bin!

Our Thanks to U-Haul Sunrise for Storage Space

In order to put on our events throughout the year, we need signs and banners to direct people, ice chests for food and 5-gallon jugs for hot or cold drinks, utensils for treats, buckets for collecting trash, table cloths, griddles for our pancake breakfast, and prizes to give out. All of this takes up space, and we were struggling to keep it organized and find things between several people's garages.

A couple of years ago we found a wonderful solution: the folks at U-Haul, Sunrise (located in the old Roseville Hospital building, 333 Sunrise) generously offered us a storage unit and waived the fees. Now, instead of traveling all over the area to gather what we need, we stop once at the U-Haul Sunrise location, use the carts they supply to retrieve what we need, and load our vehicles. We've even temporarily stored sealed food here since the entire storage building is climate-controlled. And even if our event runs late, the facility is accessible from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week, and there is lighting throughout.

Our special thanks go to Kortnie Delostrico, the local general manager, who has helped us navigate to an even stronger relationship than we've had in the past. We recognize that U-Haul Sunrise is being quite generous in donating facility space to us worth over \$2,000 per year. We feel very fortunate!

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 or May—*Neighborhood Garage Sale*
- August 5th—*National Night Out*
- October—*Park Clean-up*
- December—*Santa in the Neighborhood*

For More Information

Go to mna.rcona.com/2025-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.

