

# MAIDU NEIGHBORS

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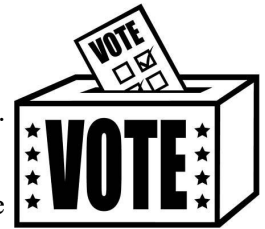
## Annual Meeting to Elect Board Members on October 28th

The Maidu Neighborhood Association holds an annual meeting at which anyone who lives in the neighborhood can vote on the slate of people running for five of our ten board positions. Once the election is finalized, the board elects its officers during the regular Board meeting.

This year we have six candidates for the five board positions. The slate of candidates is as follows:

- Shirley Brown
- Mary Hoff
- Jim Kidd
- Delondi Kintaudi
- Vicki Miller
- Susie Williams

The meeting on Tuesday October 28th will start at 6:30 p.m. and the Annual Meeting and election will be the first (and only) order of business. After the election, the Annual Meeting is adjourned. A regular Board meeting will then be called to order. Any neighbor may attend either or both meetings.



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## Starting or Stopping the Property Tax Exemption

*By Connie Arkus*

If you are new to California, or Placer County, be sure to file your application for the *Homeowners' Property Tax Exemption* with Placer County. Call 530-889-4300 or visit [www.placer.ca.gov/5657/Homeowners-Exemption](http://www.placer.ca.gov/5657/Homeowners-Exemption) for the application.

If approved, "the exemption will remain in place each year until the property is sold or you no longer occupy the property as your principal place of residence," according to the Placer County Assessor's Office. The Exemption is said to save about \$70 per year.

According to the California State Board of Equalization, if you have the Exemption, you are responsible for notifying the assessor when you are no longer eligible for it, such as when you move to another county or out of state. December 10th is the last day to terminate the Homeowners' Exemption without penalty; i.e. the assessor should receive notice of your ineligibility by that date.



Our next Maidu meeting will be on **Tuesday, October 28th at 6:30 p.m.** During the school year, except December, 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.** Join us for a police report and catch up on neighborhood goings-on.

*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.*

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## Also Trash Talk—The 2025 Annual Park Clean-up

Last month we had an article on touring the waste facility for our trash, the Western Placer Waste Management Authority on Athens Road. This month we go to the other end of the process, and very locally, with our Saturday, October 11th Annual Park Clean-up, an opportunity to spruce up the park and explore its natural areas by collecting trash.

A small but enthusiastic group of neighbors including families with kids arrived in the bright morning sunshine at Maidu Park by the pavilion and selected gear to use for the clean-up. Many anticipated what would be needed and brought their own gloves and trash grabbers, and the Association was able to provide more grabbers, buckets, and the City provided the all important trash bags. After receiving brief safety instructions, everyone fanned out to collect trash in the natural area of their choosing.



Park Clean-up volunteers grab gear to prepare to fan out across the Park's natural areas and find trash.

Trash removal is important. Most people don't want to be the first person to break the rules for what's acceptable in public, and where we deposit trash follows that rule. If an area is clean, people are less likely to carelessly toss down a candy wrapper or drop a beverage bottle, but if trash is already on the ground, folks feel they have permission to follow suit. So by cleaning up, we keep the Park cleaner all year long.

But this event is also a great time to explore the Park's natural areas too. What does the creek look like now at the start of fall (brackish, but starting to flow again after a summer of drying up), where did the goats do their work (it was easy to see where their fence was located), or where is the prettiest view? The children helping out were enthusiastic in looking for unusual trash items, and chatted away as they moved through the area.

Another benefit of this event is that by familiarizing people with the Park's details, they begin to take on a form of "ownership", i.e., they start to see its beauty, its wildlife, the variety of plants, the different phases the creek goes through, the many places to explore, and they understand its benefits to them personally. Then they want to look after it for their own enjoyment, and the enjoyment of the community. Keeping it trash-free becomes a form of stewardship.



Janet Kruppner, rear, found won a prize for "unusual" trash, a cell phone.

And this event is easy to join, and everyone is welcome to just that. It does require the ability to walk across uneven ground in the natural areas. This year we had members of Girl Scout Troop 877 participating. This year was the first one where we decided to weigh the amount collected: 57.8 pounds of trash!



Marjorie Reid, our other unusual trash winner.

The Maidu Neighborhood Association would like to thank **Sprouts** for donating a gift card and **Starbucks** for donating 4 bags of coffee. They were awarded as prizes for our "Most Unusual Piece of Trash" contest. Our prize winners were Janet Kruppner, who found a broken cell phone, and Marjorie Reid, who found a toy stamp set. We also thank **Jimmy Johns** for giving us a discount on the sandwiches we served for lunch.

## **State of the City” Address Provides Positives Update**

*By Connie Arkus*

Roseville Mayor Krista Bernasconi gave her “State of the City” address to residents, business leaders and legislators on Aug. 27 at Denio’s Farmers Market & Swap Meet. The following are highlights of her address, which can be accessed on the city’s YouTube channel.

- Roseville has grown from 2,000 residents in 1909, the year of its founding, to 160,000 people currently and 200,000 during the business day. The median age is 39 years old, and the median home price is \$575,000.
- The city recently passed its 2025-2026 fiscal year budget of \$1 billion, including a \$15 million surplus from the previous year. The surplus funds will go to a variety of projects, such as new police equipment and body cameras, repairs for parks and facilities and replacing aging city vehicles. Six million dollars will be given to CalPERS to lower pension liability.
- Because of the city’s extensive sewer work years ago, Roseville has a Class I FEMA flood rating—the highest rating—resulting in a 45% discount on flood insurance.
- The Roseville Automall sells 35,000 cars annually, representing 20 brands.
- Kaiser Permanente is Roseville’s largest employer with 7,000.
- In 2024, the Roseville Fire Department responded to 20,000 calls.
- The city has identified three “aging commercial corridors” due for upgrades:
  - Atlantic St.,
  - Douglas and Harding, and
  - Douglas and Sunrise.

Near the end of her address, the mayor gave a shout out to RCONA for its successful, ongoing efforts to build community and strengthen residents’ relationship to the city.

In addition to the video, residents can sign up for the city’s e-newsletter and learn more about Roseville at its website, [Roseville.ca.us](http://Roseville.ca.us).

## **This Area Once Known For Turkey Farms**

We recently learned from a longtime neighbor that when this neighborhood was being newly developed, it was known for its nearby turkey farms, but not necessarily in a good way. This neighbor moved in in about 1978, 47 years ago. When he arrived, there were only about a half-dozen homes.



He recalled that there was a turkey farm "over by Hazel" (or present-day Sierra College Boulevard). He said at night the smell of the turkeys would settle in. He said that if you were out bicycling around in the evening, you might come into a "cloud" of turkey odor.

## **No Farmers Market Sunday, October 26th**

The Farmers Market at Maidu Park on Sunday mornings will be skipping an appearance on 10/26. No reason was given in the announcement. It will return on November 2nd.

**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—*National Night Out*
- October—*Park Clean-up*
- December—*Santa in the Neighborhood*

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