SUGARLOAF NEWS

The Newsletter of Sugarloaf Homeowners Association August 18, 2010

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

"The coldest winter I ever saw was the summer I spent in San Francisco" – whether or not you believe Mark Twain actually said this (arguably not), we've certainly had an unusually cool summer!! That's certainly a plus when it comes to keeping down the risk of wildfires. Nonetheless, the association completed our fire-break (brush-clearing) project earlier in the summer. Please don't forget that owners are responsible for complying with state fire safety laws on their property. See the public safety story for more on that topic.

The other big project this summer is the paving (repair/reseal) project on the private lanes. As of press time for this newsletter, the resealing part of the project should be well underway, with targeted completion on Tuesday, August 17. This project was completely funded by our reserve account, which the Board carefully manages during each year's budget preparations. I want to give a special thanks to the project manager, Jack Albrecht, and to his active team members Miles Dooher, Bob Bernicchi, and Emile Nurisso. Also, many thanks to affected residents for their cooperation!

Finally, the Board appointed Bob Bernicchi to the Board of Directors at the July Board meeting, and he will serve out the remainder of the 2010 term. Bob filled one of the vacancies created earlier in the year.

Thanks once again for your support of our Association.

Bob Kiss (President@sugarloafhoa.org)

NEED SERVICE, HAVE A QUESTION?



Do you want to get in touch with your association manager or need a service request taken care of? You may contact the following for *immediate service*: Call PML at (650) 349-9113 and dial the

Receptionist at ext. 100, Sabrina at ext. 122, or Debbie at ext. 121, you may also send an email to: <u>sabrina@pmlmanagement.com</u> or <u>debbie@pmlmanagement.com</u>.

If there is something that you would like to bring to the Board's attention, submit your concern in writing at least one week before the next Meeting (see date below) and then come to the monthly Board Meeting to present your issue.

If you want to know more about PML, visit its web site at: www.pmlmanagement.com.

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

The committee and Board thank those owners who have already responded to their annual exterior audit observations. Many of those audit findings were requested to be addressed by the end of August. Per CC&R Article 4.02B, owners are required to maintain property exteriors in a state of repair conducive to maintaining property values. Please note that you will find project approval forms and much painting information and guidelines on our website. If you are correcting a landscape issue, you do not need to submit a project form. If you have questions regarding an audit finding at your property,

please contact Sabrina at PML. Thank you for your understanding and your cooperation.

LANDSCAPE

During August, in addition to regular work:

- The maintenance crew repaired a number of broken sprinkler heads. Please report any issues to PML.
- Cal Water quickly repaired a water leak on Oakhill Ct.

On the private streets, owners are reminded to please remove growth hanging over on curbs.

Trees: Some of our Pine trees along Parkwood Drive are infected with gall rust disease. We will be planning a 3-4 year program to remove seriously affected trees and replant as appropriate.

As a reminder, please do not trim or cut any trees in the common areas. If you have a concern, call PML or talk to a Board member.

PRIVATE LANE PAVING PROJECT

As mentioned, the Board undertook a project to repair and reseal the private lanes. At the July Board meeting, Paving Construction Services (PCS) was approved as the contractor to perform the work. Please note this applies only to our private lanes, for which the Association is responsible for upkeep. The city of San Mateo maintains the city streets (De Anza, Parkwood, Toyon). Again, thanks to residents for their great cooperation during the private lane work. You made the job run smoothly.

On an unrelated note, CalTrans is repaying highway 92 from Foster City to Highway 280 on both eastbound and westbound lanes. Our understanding is that the work will take place from 10pm to 5am Monday through Friday, starting mid-August and probably through early October. At times (based on project schedule, which is unknown to us), traffic may be diverted off 92 at De Anza and/or Hillsdale, resulting in increased than traffic on De Anza.

PUBLIC SAFETY / FIRE SAFETY

Owners should have received a letter from the San Mateo Fire Department regarding your responsibilities in maintaining adequate defensible space around your homes. The city required that all necessary abatement be completed by August 13. While the Association handles the common space issues, owners are responsible for trees and brush on their property. For more information, please see www.smcfiresafe.org or call 650-522-7940.

OUR GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

As a reminder, the Association Bylaws and the Declaration (CC&Rs) are posted on our website for your convenience, but you will need a password to open them (password in paper copy newsletters).

RECYCLING CHANGES COMING

Owners should have heard by mail about coming changes in the recycling program. San Mateo will be moving to a system whereby recyclables (e.g., paper, bottles, cans) need not be separated. In

addition, containers will be provided that are compatible with an automated collection machine. Sometime on or shortly after August 30, we will be receiving new containers for trash, recycling (mixed paper/plastic/glass/metal cans) and compost (yard and food waste). We can start using these new containers as soon as they arrive. Beginning January 3, 2011, our recycling collections will occur each week (currently every other week). Info:

www.recologysanmateocounty.com,

our Sugarloaf Green Team Block Leader Bill Riley at <u>w.riley@comcast.net</u> or Roxanne from the city offices at <u>rmurray@cityofsanmateo.org</u>.

TENNIS COURT ACCESS

If you'd like to access the tennis courts at Denali, you'll need to obtain a key. Keys are available for purchase at \$25 per key, payable by check only. Please contact PML to obtain a key.

EVENTS AROUND TOWN

* August 23, 10-11am - Taking the Mystery Out of Senior Housing. A lecture presented by: Senior Seasons, at the City of San Mateo Senior Center, 2645 Alameda de las Pulgas. If you're curious about senior housing, but feel confused about the many options, this lecture will answer your questions. The difference between continuing care retirement, independent and assisted living communities, small care homes and dementia care will be discussed. Lecture is free. Call (650) 522-7490 to register.

* August 26, 12-1:30 pm – Seniors Chuck Wagon BBQ Luncheon. At the City of San Mateo Senior Center, 2645 Alameda de las Pulgas. This "finger-licking" lunch includes pork ribs, beef links, chicken, favorite side dishes and ice cold lemonade. Price (\$16/person) includes door prizes and surprise entertainment. Pre-register at the San Mateo Senior Center. Ages 50 and older welcome to participate. Adult children are also welcome to accompany a parent/ elder.

* Free Shakespeare in the Park!! *Two Gentlemen from Verona* as a rock opera. Sound goofy but it really, really, works. Shows at 7:30 pm the next two weekends (F/Sa/Su 8/20-22 and 8/27-29) at Memorial Park in Cupertino. For more information: http://www.sfshakes.org/park/index.html

* September 11th 10 am -- 4 pm, San Mateo Arboretum Society 35th Annual Garden Tour. Tour four extraordinary gardens in Hillsborough and San Mateo while benefiting Central Park. More details are available at the Arboretum's Greenhouse in Central Park and at www.sanmateoarboretum.org.

COMMITTEES

Architecture

(Chair) Bob Kiss – (650) 212-5477 architecturechair@sugarloafhoa.org

Landscape

(Chair) Miles Dooher – <u>jmdooher@comcast.net</u> *Jack Albrecht* – <u>Nothometoday@earthlink.net</u> If any member has any landscaping or sprinkler concerns, contact Sabrina at PML.

Public Safety

(Chair) Bob Kiss - publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org

YOUR BOARD of DIRECTORS

#Bob Kiss	President
#Miles Dooher	Vice-President
#Jack Albrecht	Treasurer
*Emile Nurisso	Secretary
* Bob Bernicchi	At-Large
*Term ends at 2011	election #Term ends at 2012 election

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Life Threatening Emergencies:	
Other Emergencies:	

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held **Tuesday**, **August 24**, **5:30 pm**, at PML Management.

Directions

From 92

- 1. Take 92 East
- 2. Exit Mariners Island Blvd.
- 3. Take a right at the exit light, at Mariners Island Blvd.
- 4. Keep straight until you reach Trader Lane
- (Approx. three (3) stop lights) 5. PML Management is located at the **FIRST**
- driveway on the right hand side after you cross Trader Lane.

PML Management 655 Mariners Island Blvd., #301 San Mateo, CA 94404

Board Meeting Agenda:

Call to Order

Open Forum (5 min limit per topic) Agenda Approval / Calendar Review Approval of Previous Minutes Reports (Treasurer, Landscape, Architecture)

Unfinished Business: Private Lane Paving Project Update Sugarloaf Monument Repair Water Usage Monitoring Sewer Laterals Topic Update

New Business: Association Insurance Policies Review 2011 Draft Budget Review

Correspondence Review