# SUGARLOAF NEWS

The Newsletter of Sugarloaf Homeowners Association Oct 24, 2012

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

It's that time of year again – Budget time! The board is busy working on the 2013 budget, including a comprehensive update of the association's reserve account funding. We will be discussing in detail at our next board meeting on Oct 30. If you would like to participate in the discussion, please join us.

As previously mentioned, the board continues to evaluate water drainage on the slopes around our development. As described in the Landscape report in more detail, crews will be flagging existing water drainage pipes that discharge on the canyons or hillsides. This survey work was budgeted. Ensuring that water drainage does not damage the hillsides is an example of using our funds to help maintain property values.

Finally, the Board is looking for someone to serve as a board member until the Feb '13 election, and we're also looking for interested candidates for the 2013-2014 term. It really does not take that much of your time. And, if you want to have more of a voice in the affairs of the association, this is your opportunity. Please contact PML or any board member to discuss.

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,

Debbie (our manager) at ext. 121, or send an email to:

#### debbie@pmlmanagement.com.

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 the PML web site at: *www.pmlmanagement.com*.

## **ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE**

**Painting Reminder** - if you are planning to re-paint your home, please note that you must submit an architectural project form for approval. This process ensures 1) no mistakes are made in paint color selection (which could be expensive if corrections are needed), 2) neighbors are notified of the project, since it may require access to their property and/or generate noise and debris, 3) the association can maintain an accurate database of home colors (useful for future owners). The painting program guidelines are available at our website. Thanks for your cooperation.

# LANDSCAPE

In addition to standard activities, the following work was or will be performed in common / easement areas during October / November:

- Improved drainage in easement area between Allison and Leafwood
- Cleaned all surface drains in the De Anza common/easement areas
- Minor irrigation repairs around the development
- Weekly trash removal along sidewalks
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- As mentioned previously, the Tree Survey identified some association trees that need attention. Neighboring owners near the work have been notified. The work is scheduled to begin the week of October 22 and completed by early November. We've worked with the city on this project.
- The field survey work for our water drainage evaluation is on schedule. Crews will be flagging drainage pipes on our hillsides and canyons beginning the week of October 22. They will wear either orange vests (Bohley Consulting) or fluorescent green vests (Cozzolino landscaping).

The city of San Mateo is considering updating leaf blower laws. The current law (1997) allows leaf blower use M-F 8-5, Sat 9-5. Different options are being considered in city study sessions. If interested in more information, visit the city's website or contact the management analyst for the project, Christina Gilmore – cgilmore@cityofsanmateo.org.

As a reminder, please do not trim/cut any trees in the common areas. If you have a concern, call PML or talk to a Board member. We have a process that we follow. Branches from common area trees that overhang a homeowner's yard are not trimmed by the HOA unless they present a fire hazard. Homeowners can trim branches that overhang their own property (but only over their property). Thanks for your cooperation.

## TRASH / RECYCLING – PLEASE FOLLOW CC&Rs & CITY LAWS

Please remember that, per CC&Rs Section 5.08 (and per SM City Code!), your trash and recycling bins need to be kept out of sight, except on pickup day or the day prior. They may not be stored anywhere in sight from a street, neighboring lot, or common area. Let's all help keep the neighborhood looking nice.

# **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 is provided in your paper copy newsletter).

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

**"See Something / Say Something"** – Please keep an eye out for behaviors that don't make sense, and call the police as necessary. Better safe than sorry. Use 650-522-7700 for non-emergencies.

## **TENNIS COURT ACCESS – IMPORTANT CHANGE**

As mentioned previously, the lock was changed 4/16. You will need to purchase a new key from PML for access (if interested). Please remember to close the gate during and after use. Use of the courts is only for those people with use permission (key).

## **EVENTS AROUND TOWN / DID YOU KNOW?**

- Farmer's Market Every Sat 9 am 1 pm. College of San Mateo (W. Hillsdale & CSM Drive – Beethoven Parking Lot).
- The Sky Tonight Planetarium Show This popular show takes place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month in the CSM Planetarium. There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:20 pm and <u>admission is free</u>! (first come-first serve). For more information, visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/index.asp.
- For information about College of San Mateo classes open to the community, call 547-6149 or visit the fall catalog at <a href="http://communityed.smccd.edu/index.cfm?fuseaction=1005">http://communityed.smccd.edu/index.cfm?fuseaction=1005</a>.
- Importing as a Small Business Class on Sat 10/27, 9am-5pm, CSM Bldg. 14, Room 115.
- How to Start Your Own Business Class on Sat 11/10, 9am-4pm, CSM Bldg. 18, Room 207.
- Architectural Lecture Series at the San Mateo Public Library -Sim Van Der Ryn, architect and author, former State Architect under Jerry Brown, specializes in "sustainable design." Nov 2, 7-9 pm.
- San Mateo City Newsletter tons of information about city programs and summer events can be found at:

www.cityofsanmateo.org/DocumentView.aspx?DID=10758

- San Mateo County Newsletter tons of information about county programs and events can be found at: http://sanmateocountynews.wordpress.com
- For Safe Disposal of Old CFLs or fluorescent lights, drop at the recycling center in Belmont on the bay side of 101 between Ralston & Holly.

#### COMMITTEES

# **Architecture**

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

## Landscape

(Chair) Miles Dooher & Jack Albrecht landscapechair@sugarloafhoa.org If any member has any landscaping or sprinkler concerns, contact Debbie 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
* Open	At-Large

\*Term ends at 2013 election #Term ends at 2014 election

## **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

# NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 30, 4:30pm**, at the office of PML Management.

## Directions - From 92 Eastbound

- 1. Exit Mariners Island Blvd.
- 2. Take a right at the exit light, at Mariners Island Blvd.
- 3. Keep straight until you reach Trader Lane (Approx. three (3) stop lights)

4. PML Mgmt is located at the **FIRST** driveway on the right hand side after you cross Trader Lane.

#### **Board Meeting Agenda:**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Open Forum (5 min limit per topic)
- 3. Agenda Approval / Calendar Review
- 4. Approval of Previous Minutes
- 5. Reports (Treasurer, Landscape, Architecture, Safety)
- 6. <u>Unfinished Business:</u> Hillside Drainage Project Topic Tree Survey Program Update Review Draft 2013 Budget and Updated Reserve Study
- 7. <u>New Business:</u> Annual Meeting Planning
- 8. Correspondence Review
- 9. Executive Session