SUGARLOAF NEWS

The Newsletter of Sugarloaf Homeowners Association July 17, 2013

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Important Firebreak Program continues - We've completed the annual brush clearing (this clears flammable brush to 100 feet from homes). Thanks to our landscape committee, led by Miles Dooher, for making that happen! We're also close to starting on our large tree trimming effort we do about every five years in the common areas. Weather permitting, this important work will begin the week of August 5, taking 2 to 3 weeks and including all our common spaces. Completion of the work is upon approval of the San Mateo Fire Dept. We have contracted with Loral Landscaping, so you'll see their trucks and workers in uniform. The work targets large trees out to 100 feet from homes, removing dead limbs and trimming the base to eliminate "fire ladder" limbs. Please do not ask Loral workers to do any extra work in the common or easement areas. They have been contracted by the HOA for specific work areas and objectives. If you want work done on your property, can call Loral (650-340-6940) for a quote. Any questions or concerns about the fire break work, please contact Debbie at PML. Please also see: www.fire.ca.gov/communications/downloads/fact sheets/defens iblespaceflyer.pdf for details from the state. As a homeowner, you should have received a letter recently from the San Mateo Fire Marshal reminding you of your obligations on your property (for example, tree limbs should be no closer than 10 feet to a chimney).

<u>Outstanding Home Maintenance Award</u> – this year, 1666 Sugarloaf Drive owners were recognized for their outstanding efforts in maintaining their home and yard! The Board selects our winner each year, and the city recognized winners across the city at the June City Council meeting. Congratulations to 1666, and thanks for their efforts to maintain property values high!!

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

Annual Exterior Audit – Per CC&Rs Article 4.02(b), audit finding letters were sent to affected owners this week, seeking remediation where appropriate. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this regard. Contact PML if you have a question about the reported audit finding. The committee seeks to be reasonable, but is acting in the best interests of property values.

LANDSCAPE

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

- Defensible Fire Space project will start in early August see
 President's column for more detail
- Completed weed abatement work (also Fire related) and received approval from San Mateo Fire Department
- Remove trash in common/easement areas on going
- Trimmed hedge along sidewalk near 3401 Douglas
- Repair 2 faulty irrigation valves
- Increased irrigation water days/time of watering
- Weed-whacked volunteer growth in common area landscape on De Anza
- Trim shrubs along De Anza again in rotation.

We request that homeowners trim their bushes and trees that hang over the sidewalks, so walkers don't have to avoid them.

Finally, please do not trim/cut any trees in common areas. Branches from common area trees that overhang a homeowner's yard are not trimmed by the HOA unless they present a fire hazard. If you want to trim for view (at your cost), or have a concern, call PML or talk to a Board member. We have a process to follow. The first step is for you to identify the work you would like done. The HOA has a list of approved arborists/firms that can perform work on HOA trees. You would submit a quotation from one of these approved firms to the HOA for board approval before any work is performed. 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 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. There was a car break-in recently on Parkwood. Use 650-522-7700 for non-emergencies.

Gas Pipeline Safety – If you are interested, PG&E has pipeline safety information at www.pgecurrents.com/pipeline-safety. Also, you can find a map showing transmission pipelines near Sugarloaf at www.pge.com/pipelinelocations. Enter your address at the bottom and hit "Go".

National Night Out – This national event is on Tue, Aug 6, 6-8 pm. Join your neighbors for our 2nd annual block party. Bring a dish or drink to share and get to know more of your neighbors. We're gathering at the "circle" at Parkwood & Broadview. Kids and pets welcome! Contact our ringleader Leslie Sakai: leslie.ma@gmail.com or www.nationaltownwatch.org.

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 2nd Friday of the month in the CSM Planetarium (Bldg 36). There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:20 pm, and admission is free! (first come-first serve). For more information, visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium.
- CSM Fall Session Fall semester begins Aug 19. Registration is open at collegeofsanmateo.edu/schedule.
- Central Park Music Series Free music in Central Park every Thursday evening through Aug 8, 6-8pm. *The Cottontails* on 7/18; *Solsa* on 7/25, *Bud E Luv Orchestra* on 8/1, *The Department of Rock* on 8/8.
- Notify Me! The City of San Mateo makes it easy to stay up-todate on what's happening in city governance and in the community. Visit www.cityofsanmateo.org/notifyme to sign up for email notifications from various city offices!
- 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.
- Rebuilding Together Peninsula nonprofit that provides free home repair services to low-income homeowners - including seniors, families, and people with disabilities. For more info: 650.366.6597 x226, www.RebuildingTogetherPeninsula.org.

COMMITTEES

Architecture

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

Landscape

(Chair) Miles Dooher & Jack Albrecht -

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If any member has any landscaping or sprinkler concerns, contact Debbie at PML.

Public Safety

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NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, **July 23**, **5:30pm**, 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. Unfinished Business:

Hillside Drainage Project Topic

SM Sewer Lateral Program Change – Sugarloaf Response Firebreak Project Update

Review Draft Policy for Driveway Paver Stones

- 7. New Business:
- 8. Correspondence Review
- 9. Executive Session

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