# SUGARLOAF NEWS

The Newsletter of Sugarloaf Homeowners Association August 20, 2014

#### **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

It's hard to believe that the summer is almost over B. I hope it has been an enjoyable summer for you and yours. We are very lucky for the awesome weather in our area! At the same time, this year's great weather has stressed our water reserves. Please consider doing all you can to conserve. For information on water conservation, see www.calwater.com/conservation.

**National Night Out** – San Mateo's National Night Out on Aug 5 was a success in San Mateo. And, it was another great event in Sugarloaf, with a record crowd at the Broadview /Parkwood block gathering, including the Fire and Police Dept reps, featuring a police dog!! Thanks to Leslie Sakai for organizing, and to all other areas that participated. Let's keep it going next year.

**<u>Curbside House Numbering</u>** – Curbside house numbers will be repainted on Thursday, Aug 28, as part of a HOA-funded program. See more info under *Public Safety*.

**Private Lane Canyon Barriers** – The Board will be having the canyon barriers at the ends of the private lanes along De Anza repaired during the second half of August. These barriers are intended to provide safety in preventing cars or people from accidentally falling down the slopes. More info under *Landscape*.

Thanks once again for your support of our association.

Bob Kiss, HOA President (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**

**The Annual Exterior Audit** finding letters have been delivered to affected owners. Please contact PML if you have questions about your audit findings letter. Thanks in advance to owners for promptly responding to their audit letter.

**Garage Doors** – As a reminder, before replacing your garage door, you must receive HOA approval for this exterior change. And, importantly, the garage door color must conform to our painting rules. It must be painted per your home's painting color scheme.

### LANDSCAPE

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

- Removal of trash in common/easement areas each Tuesday
- Removed a plastic slide and wire fencing attached to trees in the common area near 1928 Parkwood that were impeding fire safety access
- Removed some blight-infected junipers along Parkwood Dr
- Adding a sprinkler in common area between Allison and Cheryl Courts (existing sprinkler was blocked by tree)
- Cleaned the common areas at the end of the private lanes

Phase 2 of our <u>large tree trimming</u> program is complete, with the exception of three trees awaiting City permits to be removed. We received payment from the City for their share of the annual weed abatement (brush clearing) fire safety work.

<u>Barrier project</u> - During the last two weeks in August, the wooden barriers at the end of the private streets along De Anza will be repaired (as needed). As part of the project, it was noted that some homeowners on those streets have placed their <u>mailboxes</u> on these barriers, which is not allowed for private homeowner property. The Board will be asking these homeowners to relocate their mail boxes to a typical post on homeowner property, as done for other homes.

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 personal copy of newsletter).

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

**Curbside House Numbering** – The Board has arranged for our curbside house numbering to be repainted on <u>Thursday, Aug 28</u>. Please note that this is a periodic activity funded through our Reserve Funds. You will <u>not</u> be expected to pay for this repainting when it occurs.

**PG&E Safety** – Before you dig, know what's below! Call 811 before any digging. A useful safety brochure is available from PG&E at www.pge.com/homeowners. The 811 safety video can be seen at www.pge.com/safetyvideo.

**"See Something / Say Something"** – As always, 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.

#### **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 (next one Sept 12) in the CSM Planetarium (Bldg 36). There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:20 pm, and <u>admission is free</u>! (first come-first serve). For more info, visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium.
- Jazz Under the Stars Observatory Star Party on Sat, Aug 30, 8-10 pm – www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/jazz.asp.
- **Community Education** Hundreds of short classes for you! More info at <u>www.communityed.smccd.edu</u> or 650-574-6149.
- 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.
- Local Hiking Have you wondered if you can hike the ridge overlooking Crystal Springs Reservoir? The answer is YES! Guided hikes are offered on Fifield-Cahill Ridge Trail. Nature lovers can enjoy hiking through Douglas Fir, evergreen and fragrant coastal scrub while enjoying ridge-top vistas of watershed lands, reservoirs, and San Francisco Bay. This land is owned by the S.F. Public Utilities Commission and close by for trying a hike. Hikers often meet at a gate on Highway 92 before the entrance to Skylawn Cemetery. Moderate level hikes ranging from 5-13 miles are offered on Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday mornings (free!). You must sign up in advance for at: www.sfwater.org/index.aspx?page=147, or conduct a search on Fifield-Cahill Ridge Trail. Submitted by Joy Fry.

#### 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
*Bob Kozak	Vice-President
#Jack Albrecht	Treasurer
*Emile Nurisso	Secretary
#Miles Dooher	At-Large

\*Term ends at 2015 election #Term ends at 2016 election

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

PML Management Corporation		
655 Mariners Island Blvd., Suite 301, San Mateo, CA 94404-1011		
Telephone/Fax:		
E-mail: debbie@pmlmanagement.com		
Life Threat	ening Emergencies:	
Other Emergencies:		
San Mateo	Police (Non-Emergency)	(650) 522-7700

#### NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 26,** at 5:30 pm 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: Sewer Lateral Program – HOA & San Mateo programs HOA Document Storage Review Private Lane Barriers Maintenance House Curb Numbering Plan
- 7. <u>New Business:</u>
  - Begin 2015 Budget Preparations
- 8. Correspondence Review
- 9. Executive Session