

SUGARLOAF NEWS

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome to Summer!! The summer has certainly said "howdy" with recent hot weather. This reminds us about and fire danger. Please see more information in this column and under *Landscape*.

Fire Safety – All homeowners should have received the annual notice from the San Mateo Fire Marshal's office about homeowner responsibilities for maintaining defensible space around their property. While our HOA is involved in annual firebreak work on our common areas and on the hillsides/canyon areas, homeowners still have responsibilities. Please take the time to read the Fire Marshal notice and respond appropriately. If you have questions about the letter, please contact the Fire Marshal's office. You can also find useful information on the Cal Fire (state department) website: <http://www.readyforwildfire.org/Defensible-Space/>.

Exterior Audit – As detailed under *Architectural Committee*, the annual exterior audit was recently completed. The audit is about preserving property values and quality of life in our neighborhoods. Notification letters will be communicated to affected owners soon, with timelines for corrective action. Your cooperation is appreciated. Please don't ignore; this will only make matters worse for you (e.g., fines).

Board Notes – As mentioned previously, the Board welcomed Mitra Sadeghi as our new elected member of the Board of Directors. At our last Board meeting in April, Mitra was confirmed as Vice President. All other officers remain unchanged. Please let us know if you'd like to be more involved in running our HOA!

Electronic Documentation – If you'd prefer to receive your HOA documentation in electronic form, please contact PML to provide your approval to do so. It saves the HOA \$ and gives you better archiving capability for HOA docs. Win-win. Please consider.

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 (email okay) 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 Home Exterior Audit** took place on Sunday June 4th, focused primarily on 'drive by' appearance of properties in terms of paint & roofing conditions, architectural damage (e.g. broken fences), landscaping condition, fences, trash bins, and other eye sores. This is about preserving property values and quality of life in our community. Please take a moment to assess your property: how would it appear to someone driving by? Observations noted were:

- Dirty paint, especially on north facing walls of chimneys, retaining walls, and walls facing courtyards. As of April 2017, it is now allowable to power-wash hard surfaces provided there is no run-off onto sidewalks or into the street.
- Aged and faded paint, especially on wood trim facing to the south or west.
- Dead and dying landscaping. It is now allowable to water lawns except within 48 hours after rainfall or when there is run-off from watering onto sidewalks or into the street.
- Fences in need of repair- broken slats, broken uprights.
- Garbage, compost & recycling bins visible, which is a violation of both city code and of the CC&Rs.

LANDSCAPE

Drought/Water – The drought is over, and the state has relaxed watering restrictions. So, please revisit your watering practices to keep the neighborhood looking good. There are too many brown lawns – Yellow is no longer the 'new green'. The annual exterior audit walk revealed over 20 homes with unacceptable front yard landscape. In many cases, these are repeat issues. All will receive a violation letter, and some will be subject to a fine given prior notifications.

Defensible Fire Space (Annual Weed Abatement Fire Break) - The fire threat this season could be especially perilous following ample growth of grasses and shrubs driven by months of rain. Next week, our maintenance crew will be cutting a 100 ft. defensive fire space in the common areas next to your property. The San Mateo Fire department Inspector will inspect the job, which must be approved. In addition, the inspector will be looking at your property to see if any problems exist. So, please make sure to remove any dead grasses, shrubs or trees on your property, Otherwise your could be issued a citation.

Trees - In July, Advanced Tree Care will be completing Phase 5 of our Large Tree Program, which will also help in fire prevention. It's been noticed there were dead trees on homeowner's properties. These are fire hazards and need to be removed ASAP.

Irrigation - We had a leaking control valve on upper Parkwood. Fortunately, a homeowner saw and reported it – Thank You, Homeowner! A valve is being replaced.

The Landscape Committee is always seeking feedback on this topic. Show your interest in landscaping and this topic by letting them know you care at landscapechair@sugarloafhoa.org.

Finally, please do not trim/cut trees in common areas without approval. Common area trees that overhang a homeowner's yard are trimmed by the HOA only if a fire hazard. Thanks!

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

Please remember, per CC&Rs Section 5.08 (and per SM City Code!), trash and recycling bins need to be kept out of sight, except on pickup day or the day prior. Bins may not be stored anywhere in sight from a street, neighboring lot, or common area. **This is an example of non-compliance subject to fines.** Let's all help keep the neighborhood looking nice.

VISITOR PARKING – PLEASE FOLLOW CC&Rs

Fifteen (15) new "Visitor Parking Only" signs have been installed on the private streets (thanks to Emile, Jack, and Miles for their volunteer services!). We have been experiencing more complaints of homeowners and renters using the visitor parking spaces as their own private parking. Since there is not room for street parking on the private streets, there are specific areas for visitor parking, whether it is a visitor from out of town or people visiting a home to provide service (landscape, handy work, cleaning). These spaces must be kept available for visitors, per CC&Rs Sec 5.04(a), **subject to fine.**

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 = first1).

PUBLIC SAFETY

"See Something / Say Something" – Please keep an eye out for behaviors that don't make sense; 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 2nd Friday of the month (next one July 14) in the CSM Planetarium (Bldg 36). There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:30 pm, and admission is free! (first come, first serve) – www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium.asp.
- **CSM Registration Open Now** – through Aug 29 for fall classes (starts Aug 16). Info at www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/apply.
- **Notify Me!** – The City of San Mateo makes it easy to stay up-to-date on city governance and the community. Visit www.cityofsanmateo.org/notifyme to sign up for email info.
- **City Newsletter** – Information about city programs and events: 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>.
- **San Mateo County/Silicon Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau.** Lots of great info! – check it out at www.smccvb.com.
- **Local Summer Hikes** - Looking for a local hike this summer?

Check out the Mid-Peninsula Open Space District web site: www.openspace.org. Under Docent-Led activities, you'll find the free group hikes offered from June-August. Hikes are offered on weekends and weekdays, and include leisurely walks as well as aerobic-level workouts. – By Joy Fry

COMMITTEES

Architecture

(Chair) Bob Kiss – (650) 212-5477
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Landscape

(Chair) Miles Doohar & Jack Albrecht -
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If any member has any landscaping or common area sprinkler concerns, contact Debbie at PML.

Public Safety

(Chair) Bob Kiss – publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org

YOUR BOARD of DIRECTORS

#Bob Kiss	President
*Mitra Sadeghi	Vice President
#Jack Albrecht	Treasurer
*Emile Nurisso	Secretary
#Miles Doohar	At Large

*Term ends at 2019 election #Term ends at 2018 election

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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San Mateo Police (Non-Emergency)(650) 522-7700

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 27, 5:30 pm**, at the office of PML Management (655 Mariners Island Blvd).

Directions - From 92 East-Bound

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 (655) 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:
PML Contract Renewal
Next Steps on Rental Restriction Proposal
7. New Business:
None
8. Correspondence Review
9. Executive Session (as needed)