

# SUGARLOAF NEWS

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### Happy New Year to Sugarloaf Association Members!

Our most important meeting of the year – our Annual Members Meeting – will take place on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the San Mateo Senior Center (2645 Alameda de las Pulgas). This meeting is where we will kick off the annual elections process. There are three open director positions – the one currently occupied by me, the one currently occupied by Vice President Jack Albrecht, and the one currently occupied by Miles Dooher. Thanks to these outgoing directors for their services! If you would like to help in running your association, please offer your services. We'd love to have your help! Please contact PML or a board member if you are interested or have questions. You can nominate another association member or nominate yourself. Nominations may be made from the floor at the meeting. Any member in good standing can run for election to the Board. Director candidates must submit a short candidacy statement (per a template provided to you by PML). The other important decision of the annual election process is the annual Tax Resolution. After the meeting, ballots will be mailed to each member. All ballots must be received by PML no later than Monday, March 1, to be included in the process. We must receive a quorum of votes (at least 114) to allow closure of the election process. Please send in your ballots as soon as possible. It only takes a minute.

As you may have noticed in your recent budget information and invoice mailing, your Board of Directors is pleased to announce that 2010 dues will remain at current levels - \$626 per year per unit!! The annual dues will be considered delinquent if not received by Feb 15, 2010. Please note that the delinquency date stated in the upper portion of your invoice (January 15, 2010) was incorrect due to a data error at PML.

Finally, the Board is still negotiating the long-term agreement with the city for cost-sharing of Firebreak costs. As with any agreement between distinct parties, care must be taken to ensure all potential issues are addressed. We were successful in receiving reimbursement from the city for relevant 2009 costs, so our current efforts simply need to be completed in time to support the 2010 efforts next summer. We're almost there, and hope to report closure in our next communication.

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:

**[sabrina@pmlmanagement.com](mailto:sabrina@pmlmanagement.com) or**  
**[debbie@pmlmanagement.com](mailto: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 its web site at: [www.pmlmanagement.com](http://www.pmlmanagement.com).

## ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

Thanks to all for the lovely holiday lighting. As in past years, the Board asks that you please remove your holiday lighting no later than the end of February. Thanks for you cooperation.

Please note that garage door color is an integral element of the home's color scheme. When replacing garage doors, an architectural project form must be submitted for approval. This will ensure that the proper door color is being provided. New doors often need to be painted to match the house color scheme. The rules for garage door coloration, as well as information on many other architectural topics, are available on our website. ([www.sugarloafhoa.org/architectural.html](http://www.sugarloafhoa.org/architectural.html)). If you don't have internet access, or want to speak to a human, please contact the architectural committee.

## LANDSCAPE

In December, the maintenance crew, in addition to their regular work:

- Removed leaf debris from the storm drain in the canyon basin at Parkwood and Broadview
- Trimmed all shrubs in the common area at Douglas-Cheryl Courts.
- Hand-weeded along Parkwood Dr.
- Removed litter from all common areas

In January, the crew will (in addition to regular work):

- Address landscaping needs on slope below 92

We welcome comments. Any questions, please contact Sabrina at PML: (650) 349-9113x122

## VISITOR PARKING

Please be reminded that, per Section 5.04 of our Declaration, all parking spaces (other than home driveways) on our private lanes are designated as guest parking. Owners or tenants shall not park in these spaces on a regular basis, including consistent overnight parking.

PUBLIC SAFETY

We hope everyone had a terrific Holiday Season. If you’ve enjoyed a Christmas tree at your home, please note that you can recycle your tree when you are done with it. Here’s what you need to know:

- Remove all lights, ornaments, tinsel and decorations
- Flocked trees **are** accepted
- Trees will be picked up curbside on our normal recycling days
- Leave the tree on the curb, **next to** (not in) your green Yard Trimmings Cart
- Trees **do not** need to be cut. However, if you can, please cut the tree in half. Whole or cut trees will be picked up. No special arrangements are needed.

Information Source: Allied Waste, 650-592-2411  
www.alliedwastesmc.com

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).

COMMITTEES

**Architecture**  
(Chair) Bob Kiss – (650) 212-5477  
[architecturechair@sugarloafhoa.org](mailto:architecturechair@sugarloafhoa.org)

**Landscape**  
(Chair) Miles Dooher – [jmdooher@comcast.net](mailto:jmdooher@comcast.net)  
Jack Albrecht – [Nothometoday@earthlink.net](mailto:Nothometoday@earthlink.net)  
If any member has any landscaping or sprinkler concerns, you can reach Sabrina of PML either by phone at (650) 349-9113 x122 or by email at: [sabrina@pmlmanagement.com](mailto:sabrina@pmlmanagement.com).

**Public Safety**  
(Chair) Larry Connell – [lconnell@cbtnorcal.com](mailto:lconnell@cbtnorcal.com)

YOUR BOARD of DIRECTORS

#Bob Kiss	President
#Jack Albrecht	Vice-President
*Larry Connell	Treasurer
*Rhoda Meade	Secretary
#Miles Dooher	At-Large
*Term ends at 2011 election #Term ends at 2010 election	

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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San Mateo, CA 94404-1011  
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Fax: ..... (650) 349-9190  
E-mail: [sabrina@pmlmanagement.com](mailto:sabrina@pmlmanagement.com) or [debbie@pmlmanagement.com](mailto:debbie@pmlmanagement.com)  
Life Threatening Emergencies: ..... 911  
Other Emergencies: ..... (650) 349-9113  
San Mateo Police (Non-Emergency) .... (650) 522-7700

SOMETIMES THERE IS A FREE LUNCH!?

**Please be aware of an ongoing property tax review scam targeting homeowners.** The San Mateo County Assessor’s office says scammers are trying to cheat property owners out of money for a service the assessor provides for free.

A Los Angeles-area company, identifying itself by mail as Property Tax Adjusters, is the most recent perpetrator of this scam. The company sends residents letters asking that \$189 be sent to a regional processing center in Granada Hills for a tax reassessment. Don’t be misled, even though the letter may contain personal information such as home value and estimated tax savings. You don’t need to pay a dime for a re-assessment – just contact the Assessor’s office directly.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 19**, immediately following the Annual Members Meeting.

- Directions**
- From 92**
1. Take 92 East
  2. Exit Alameda De Las Pulgas and go south (right)
  3. The center is on the left side across from Beresford Park

**San Mateo Senior Center**  
**2645 Alameda De Las Pulgas**  
**San Mateo, CA**

**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:  
Firebreak Agreement with City of San Mateo  
2010 Election Preparations – Confirm final candidates and ballot package  
Visitor Parking Policy Followup

New Business:

Correspondence Review