SUGARLOAF NEWS

The Newsletter of Sugarloaf Homeowners Association September 17, 2010

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope everyone is enjoying the last few days of summer!

"The coldest winter I ever saw was the summer I spent in San Francisco" – whether or not you believe Mark Twain actually said this (arguably not), we've certainly had an unusually cool summer!! That's certainly a plus when it comes to keeping down the risk of wildfires. Nonetheless, the association completed our fire-break (brush-clearing) project earlier in the summer. Please don't forget that owners are responsible for complying with state fire safety laws on their property. See the public safety story for more on that topic.

The other big project this summer was the paving (repair/reseal) project on the private lanes. This project was completely funded by our reserve account, which the Board carefully manages during each year's budget preparations. I want to give a special thanks again to the project manager, Jack Albrecht, and to his active team members Miles Dooher, Bob Bernicchi, and Emile Nurisso for completing the project on time and within budget. Also, many thanks to affected residents for their cooperation!

The Board is actively into the budgeting process for 2011. This process will ultimately determine our annual dues for next year. If you would like to get involved, please join us at the next Board meeting.

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

<u>immediate service</u>: 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:

<u>sabrina@pmlmanagement.com</u> or <u>debbie@pmlmanagement.com</u>.

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.

ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

The committee and Board thank those owners who have already responded to their annual exterior audit observations. Per CC&R Article 4.02B, owners are

required to maintain property exteriors in a state of repair conducive to maintaining property values. Please note that you will find project approval forms and much painting information and guidelines on our website. If you are correcting a landscape issue, you do not need to submit a project form. If you have questions regarding an audit finding at your property, please contact Sabrina at PML. Thank you for your understanding and your cooperation.

LANDSCAPE

During August and September, in addition to regular work:

- Trimmed shrubs on Parkwood and Toyon
- Trimming shrubs on Leafwood and Allison
- Installed new locks on irrigation clocks; Repaired irrigation at 1669-1677 Toyon Ct.; Working to resolve issue with 1826-1858 Parkwood Irrigation timing.

Some of our Pine trees along Parkwood are infected with gall rust disease. We are developing a 3-4 year program to remove seriously affected trees and replant, as appropriate.

Cal Water quickly repaired a water leak on Oakhill Ct

On the private streets, owners are reminded to please remove growth hanging over curbs.

As a reminder, please do not trim or cut any trees in the common areas. If you have a concern, call PML or talk to a Board member. We have a process to follow in these situations. Thanks for your cooperation.

PUBLIC SAFETY / FIRE SAFETY

Owners should have recently received a letter from the San Mateo Fire Department regarding your responsibilities in maintaining adequate defensible space around your homes. The city requires that all necessary abatement be completed by August 13. While the Association handles the common space issues, owners are responsible for trees and brush on their property. For more information, please see www.smcfiresafe.org or call 650-522-7940.

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).

TRASH RECEPTACLE REMINDER

You should have all received your new containers for trash, recycling (mixed paper/plastic/glass/metal cans), and compost (yard and food waste). We can start using these new containers now. Beginning January 3, 2011, our recycling collections will occur each week (currently every other week) along with weekly trash and compost collection. The new containers are compatible with

automated collection machinery, which will go live in January. Please see the information provided to you with your container delivery. For further info:

www.recologysanmateocounty.com,

our Sugarloaf Green Team Block Leader Bill Riley at w.riley@comcast.net, or Roxanne from the city offices at rmurray@cityofsanmateo.org.

Please be reminded that trash, recycling, and compost containers cannot be placed out for pickup earlier than the day before the scheduled pickup (CC&Rs Sec 5.08). For us, that means not prior to Sunday for our Monday pickups. To keep the neighborhood looking as good as possible, the Board requests that owners try to hold off on placing their bins at the curb until late afternoon on Sundays. While the Board recognizes that the new bins may require some garage cleanup to accommodate, we do expect owners to work quickly to establish their routine for keeping the containers out of site per Sec 5.08.

TENNIS COURT ACCESS

If you'd like to access the tennis courts at Denali, you'll need to obtain a key. Keys are available for purchase at \$25 per key, payable by check only. Please contact PML to obtain a key.

EVENTS AROUND TOWN

- September 25th 1 -- 3 pm, League of Women Voters: Pros and Cons of the November Ballot. League members will present the pros and cons of the 10 ballot measures (including Water Board (#18), Marijuana Legalization (#19). San Mateo County Community College District Board Room (at CSM), 3401 CSM Drive, San Mateo. Ncsmc.ca.lwvnet.org, 650-342-5853.
- Farmer's Market Every Wed and Sat 9am 1 pm. College of San Mateo (W. Hillsdale & CSM Drive).
- High Speed Rail There is a lot going on these days with the high speed rail project. The city of San Mateo just devoted over an hour to this topic at a recent council meeting. There are concerns for how the rail passage will impact various parts of the city, including the downtown area and areas aligned with CalTrain rails. Discussions and reviews are happening often these days. For more info: www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov (official web site) and www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov (official web site).

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 Sabrina at PML

Public Safety

(Chair) Bob Kiss - publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org

#Bob Kiss President

#Miles Dooher Vice-President

#Jack Albrecht Treasurer

*Emile Nurisso Secretary

* Bob Bernicchi At-Large

*Term ends at 2011 election #Term ends at 2012 election

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 28, 5:30 pm, at the office of PML Management.

Directions

From 92

- 1. Take 92 East
- 2. Exit Mariners Island Blvd.
- 3. Take a right at the exit light, at Mariners Island Blvd.
- 4. Keep straight until you reach Trader Lane (Approx. three (3) stop lights)
- 5. PML Management is located at the **FIRST** driveway on the right hand side after you cross Trader Lane.

PML Management 655 Mariners Island Blvd., #301 San Mateo, CA 94404

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:

Sugarloaf Monument Repair Water Usage Monitoring Sewer Laterals Topic Update 2011 Draft Budget Review

New Business:

Correspondence Review

Executive Session