

# SUGARLOAF NEWS

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The summer weather is upon us ☺! As mentioned last month, that means, amongst other things, our annual **firebreak program** is kicking into gear. We've completed much of the annual brush clearing at this point – thanks to our landscape committee, led by Miles Dooher, for making that happen! We're out to bid now for our **large tree trimming** effort we do about every five years in the common areas. We'll update you in the next month on those plans as they come together. As a homeowner, you should have received a letter recently from the San Mateo Fire Marshal reminding you of your obligations on your property. Please don't hesitate to contact the Board or PML if you have any questions about our ongoing firebreak activities for the HOA, but please do keep in mind your obligations as a homeowner. **Please also see:** [www.fire.ca.gov/communications/downloads/fact\\_sheets/defenseflyer.pdf](http://www.fire.ca.gov/communications/downloads/fact_sheets/defenseflyer.pdf) for details from the state.

There is a lot going on in San Mateo this summer, including the County Fair and Music in the Park – see the details under the *Events Around Town* section of this newsletter. Have a great summer!

Thanks once again for your support of our association.

Bob Kiss ([president@sugarloafhoa.org](mailto: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](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 the PML web site at: [www.pmlmanagement.com](http://www.pmlmanagement.com).

## ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

**Annual Exterior Audit** – The committee recently completed the annual exterior audit, per CC&Rs Article 4.02(b), looking for homes that are in need of landscaping work, painting work, or other exterior attention to help in keeping property values as high as possible in Sugarloaf. Owners whose home has an issue will be notified in writing by PML in the coming weeks, with specific timelines required for remediation. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this regard.

In response to requests from homeowners, the committee is looking into the use of **paver stones** for updating driveways.

Because this would be very new for the HOA, guidelines are being developed to ensure such renovation would be done in a manner that would not negatively impact the neighborhood appearance.

## LANDSCAPE

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

- Annual brush clearing (weed abatement) in the common/easement areas – big job!

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

## Oak moths

We are experiencing a large infestation this year. The larvae of the oak moth can cause visible damage to the oak trees. They are striped black and yellow and at full size are 1 inch long. The adult moth, which may be tan or gray, has a 1 inch wingspan and noticeable veining on its wings. There are two generations per year. Adult moths lay their tiny eggs in groups of two or three dozen on oak leaves in May and June and in October or November. After hatching, the larvae mature into caterpillars. How do we handle this infestation? I asked an arborist, and he said that, in a small area, spraying with a selective pesticide could be effective when the caterpillars are at their early stage. Power washing of the egg masses may also be effective. We have over 20 acres of common/easement land, so neither method would be affordable or practical for 20 acres. But, it could work for a homeowner's two or three trees. The flying moths normally have a life cycle of about three weeks, if the birds don't get them first. Defoliation of an oak in one year is acceptable; the tree will recover. Consecutive years would be more of a problem. We will continue to monitor this situation and consult arborists.

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 in 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. 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](http://www.pgecurrents.com/pipeline-safety). Also, you can find a map showing transmission pipelines near Sugarloaf at [www.pge.com/pipelinelocations](http://www.pge.com/pipelinelocations). Enter your address at the bottom and hit “Go”.

**Car Speed** – Please abide by the 25 mph speed limit on residential streets, and remind your visitors to do so as well!

## 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 in the CSM Planetarium (Bldg 36). There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:30 pm, and admission is free! (first come-first serve). For more information, visit [collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium](http://collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium).
- **CSM Summer and Fall Sessions** – Summer session begins June 17, Fall begins Aug 19. Registration is open at [collegeofsanmateo.edu/schedule](http://collegeofsanmateo.edu/schedule).
- **San Mateo County Fair** – June 8 – 16, for more info, see [www.sanmateocountyfair.com](http://www.sanmateocountyfair.com).
- **Central Park Music Series** – Free music in Central Park every Thursday evening June 20 to Aug 8, 6-8pm. *Native Elements* on 6/20; *Mustache Harbor* on 6/27, *Apple Z* on 7/4.
- **Bag It! The Movie: Is Your Life Too Plastic?** – Free showing of this award-winning educational film. June 27 and July 23, 6:30-7:30 pm, Main Library, Oak Room, 55 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.
- **Notify Me!** – The City of San Mateo makes it easy to stay up-to-date on what’s happening in city governance and in the community. Visit [www.cityofsanmateo.org/notifyme](http://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](http://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](http://www.RebuildingTogetherPeninsula.org).

## COMMITTEES

### Architecture

(Chair) Bob Kiss – (650) 212-5477

[architecturechair@sugarloafhoa.org](mailto:architecturechair@sugarloafhoa.org)

### Landscape

(Chair) Miles Dooher & Jack Albrecht -

[landscapechair@sugarloafhoa.org](mailto:landscapechair@sugarloafhoa.org)

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

### Public Safety

(Chair) Bob Kiss – [publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org](mailto:publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org)

## YOUR BOARD of DIRECTORS

#Bob Kiss	President
#Miles Dooher	Vice-President
#Jack Albrecht	Treasurer
*Emile Nurisso	Secretary
*Bob Kozak	At-Large
*Term ends at 2015 election #Term ends at 2014 election	

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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E-mail: [debbie@pmlmanagement.com](mailto:debbie@pmlmanagement.com)  
Life Threatening Emergencies: .....911  
Other Emergencies:.....(650) 349-9113  
San Mateo Police (Non-Emergency) .....(650) 522-7700

## NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on **Monday, June 17, 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
  - New Owner Welcome Letter Revisions
  - Firebreak Project Update
7. New Business:
  - Discuss Draft Policy for Driveway Paver Stones
8. Correspondence Review
9. Executive Session