

SUGARLOAF NEWS

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Don't Forget to Vote (US) – As our neighborhood does not have a physical polling place, you should have received a ballot by US mail (unless you vote online). Please remember to cast your vote in this most interesting US Presidential Election to have your say!

Your Board at Work – The Board has been working hard on the 2017 budget planning. As previously mentioned, we plan to increase landscaping funds to address large tree work that is needed (fire safety, mechanical stability, cleanup, etc.). In addition, other costs have continued to increase. Without having an increase in our annual assessment in the last four years (dues at \$700), it may very well be necessary to institute a modest increase. The Board will discuss this at our next meeting on Oct 25. The outcome will be communicated in the next newsletter and in your annual dues assessment at the end of the year.

In addition, the Board has continued discussions on drafting an amendment to our Governing document to restrict the total number of Rental Properties in Sugarloaf, similar to restrictions that have been put in place by other associations. This amendment would require a vote of our members to be put into place, which would occur with our January Elections process.

Finally, I want to encourage HOA members to consider joining the Board. The work requirement is not large, and we have several current members who have served numerous times and would like a break! New blood needs to transition onto the Board. Please contact me or Debbie at PML to discuss, and feel free to attend a Board meeting to learn about the process.

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

As a reminder, all exterior changes to architecture / structure must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee or the

Board (Article 6). This includes fences, driveways, roofs, painting, decks, and other architectural modifications. For repairs, the approval process may be waived, but you need to check first! Please contact the architecture committee to confirm needs.

As a reminder, Municipal Code 23.06.060 (Hours of Work) prohibits building/construction work prior to 7am or after 7pm on weekdays, prior to 9am or after 5pm on Saturday, and prior to 12pm or after 4pm on Sundays and holidays. These limitations do not apply to construction work taking place inside a completely enclosed building, as long as it meets noise level requirements.

LANDSCAPE

Trim for View - We have had a number of questions from Homeowners on what is the procedure to follow to trim trees in the common area to increase their personal view. Here it is:

- 1) Take a picture of the trees to be trimmed.
- 2) Get an estimate from a qualified tree company (**must have** an arborist on their staff).
- 3) Submit all the above to Debbie at PML.
- 4) The Landscape Committee will review and determine approvability (***note***: Homeowner pays for trim for view work).

On a related note, please do not trim/cut trees in common areas without approval to do so. Branches from common area trees that overhang a homeowner's yard are trimmed by the HOA only if they present a fire hazard. Thanks for our cooperation.

Next Year's Landscape budget - Due to age and the drought, we are experiencing more and more problems with dead and dying trees. We intend to address this increased fire risk. Therefore, we will plan to increase our Landscape budget for 2017.

Water / Drought - We had a good rain last weekend! We will keep you posted on plans to turn off common area irrigation for the winter. If you see any distressed areas, please notify Debbie at PML.

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 under the new policy.** Let's all help keep the neighborhood looking nice.

Please remember that picking up after your dog in regards to neighboring properties means getting the poop off the ground and taking it way for proper disposal. Leaving a plastic bag of poop is not complying with existing law.

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 your copy).

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.

Rattlesnakes! – We’ve likely passed the highest risk time of year. However, recent encounters have reminded us that public agencies (police, animal control, etc.) are not likely to provide support in such situations. We’d like to identify guidance for HOA members in dealing with these situations. This will be a Board goal. If you have suggestions or references, please let the Board know or send email to publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org. Thanks!

EVENTS AROUND TOWN / DID YOU KNOW?

- **Ladies Weekly Walk in Sugarloaf** – This program will continue on Mondays, meeting at 9 am at the Sugarloaf Drive visitor parking area for a 3-mile walk, with the last walk prior to a winter break scheduled for November 14th.
- **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 Nov 11) in the CSM Planetarium (Bldg 36). There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:20 pm, and admission is free! (first come, first serve). For more info, visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium.asp.
- **CSM 19th John Noce Golf Classic** - CSM Baseball Fundraiser, Oct 28, 12:00 pm, Poplar Creek Golf Course, collegeofsanmateo.edu/golfclassic.
- **CSM World Chats** – Wednesdays 2-2:30pm, Free, with snacks! College Center Building 10, Room 310, International Student Center, collegeofsanmateo.edu/international
October 26 - Uyghur (Turkic minority in western China)
November 2 - Armenian
November 9 – Vietnamese
- **3D Printing at the CSM Library** – Tuesdays (10/25, 11/1, 11/8) 1-5pm, CSM Library, Building 09, Second Floor. collegeofsanmateo.edu/library.
- **CSM Sports in Full Swing!** – Football, baseball, softball, water polo, volleyball, basketball – www.collegeofsanmateo.org.
- **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.
- **Crystal Springs Reservoir** - Interested in exploring the trail above Crystal Springs Reservoir? The Fifiel-Cahill ridge trail overlooks Crystal Springs Reservoir. Enjoy a sweeping view of the bay and the reservoir from the top of the ridge. The guided

hikes and bike rides are by reservation only and offered on Saturday and Sunday mornings. The hikes range from 4 to 13 miles in length. To pre-register go to www.sfwater.org, then choose the heading titled: Community, then, choose: Fifiel-Cahill Ridge Trail on the drop-down menu. - 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 common area 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 2017 election #Term ends at 2018 election	

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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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 **Tuesday, Oct 25**, 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:
Rental Restrictions Discussion
2017 Draft Budget Review/Approval
7. New Business:
None Planned
8. Correspondence Review
9. Executive Session (as needed)