

Sugarloaf News

Sugarloaf Homeowners Association Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year! – The Board wishes all HOA members and tenants a happy and healthy New Year! We look forward to another year working on your behalf in the interests of the HOA.

What's on the Board's Mind?

Important HOA Business This Month:

Annual Dues – Your annual assessment (\$750 – no change!) is due now, and will be delinquent if not received by Feb 15. Please take a moment to make sure you've paid. If you have a financial hardship, please contact PML or the Board in writing to request a payment plan. Please do NOT ignore your dues obligation. Talk to the Board/PML to work through it.

Annual Meeting/Election – The Annual Meeting will be on Jan 23 at 6pm at the San Mateo Senior Center (2645 Alameda de las Pulgas). In addition to standard business of committee reports, kicking off the board directors' election process, and Q&A, we'll hear from guest speaker Melinda Martin, San Mateo Fire Inspector, on fire prevention and CA wild fire lessons learned! There's still time to volunteer to run for the Board! Please contact any Board member or PML to discuss. A short nomination statement is needed to be placed on the annual ballot.

Rental Restrictions: The Board still plans to bring an updated rental restrictions amendment to the membership for a vote, but this will not take place until the spring, after our annual election process completes. We'll be able to take questions about the specific proposed restrictions at our annual meeting. In the spring, we'll need people to help ensure votes are cast from every neighborhood. Please contact me if you can help.

Tennis Courts: There have been complaints that unauthorized people have been using the courts, and leaving the area a mess. We share the costs of maintaining the courts with Denali HOA, and are talking with Denali regarding changing the lock and issuing new keys. Stay tuned if you are a tennis player.

Thanks again for your support of our association.

Bob Kiss, HOA President (president@sugarloafhoa.org)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architecture:

Thanks for all the outstanding holiday lighting and sceneries!! Please plan to remove holiday themes by no later than Feb 15.

Landscape:

The recent California wild fires were a wake-up call for all of us. **We need to do everything we can to prevent forest fires.** The Sugarloaf Landscape Committee, with the help of The San Mateo Fire Department, will be concentrating on this in 2018. It is not just the common areas that need to be monitored. Homeowners must also take responsibility for their property.

There will be an increase of tree removal, tree trimming, brush clearing, in the common and easement areas. In addition, during the spring, a Fire Inspector will tour Sugarloaf reviewing our area, including homeowner property, and issuing citation where necessary.

Large Trees - Phase one of the new tree study will start in the spring. Most of the work will be removing dead trees. The once every 5-6 year 6 ft. trim project (required by the fire depart) is scheduled for the spring. Bids will be requested next month.

Drainage - The crew will continue to inspect and clean the drains in the common and easement areas.

Irrigation – The irrigation has been turned off in the common and easement areas for the winter. Our new climate controllers and new sprinkler heads have done a good job of saving water and covering the areas this past year. If you notice any sprinklers on in these areas, please let PML know.

Trim for View – Homeowners have mentioned that the Oak trees have really grown this year and reduced their views. If you want to trim these Oaks in the common areas for views at your expense, here is the procedure:

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

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.

Show your interest in landscaping by letting them know you care at landscapechair@sugarloafhoa.org

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.

Fire Safety: Please note our guest speaker on Fire Safety / Wild Fires at our Annual Meeting on Jan 23. This could save your home and your life!

PLEASE FOLLOW CC&RS AND CITY CODES

Trash/Recycling (subject to fines) -- 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. Let's all help keep the neighborhood looking nice. If your trash does not fit in your trash can, please don't leave it next to the can as they will not be collected. Contact *Recology* to get a bigger trash can.

Visitor Parking (subject to fines) -- We are still receiving complaints of homeowners and renters using the visitor parking spaces as their own private parking. Since there is no 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 in your personal newsletter copy).

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.

EVENTS AROUND TOWN

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 Feb 9) in the CSM Planetarium (Bldg 36). There are two shows, 7:30 and 8:30 pm, and admission is free! first come, first serve basis) www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/astronomy/planetarium.asp

CSM Spring Semester Registration: Now open through Jan 29; semester starts Jan 16. collegeofsanmateo.edu/apply

3D Printing at the CSM Library: Every Wed 2:30-4:30pm, CSM Library Bldg 9, 2nd Floor. Free! Collegeofsanmateo.edu/library.

Knit and Crochet Studio with Cassandra King: Every Fri 1-3pm from 1/19-5/18, CSM Library Bldg 9, 2nd Floor. Free! Bring your own yarn. collegeofsanmateo.edu/library/makerspace.php

Notify Me! The City of San Mateo makes it easy to stay up-to-date on city governance and the community. To sign up, visit www.cityofsanmateo.org/notifyme

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

HOW TO CONTACT PML/BOARD

Do you want to get in touch with your association manager or need a service request taken care of?

Call PML: (650) 349-9113 (ext. 100 for receptionist or ext. 121 for Debbie, our property manager)

Email PML: debbie@pmlmanagement.com

Do you have a topic to bring to the Board's attention?

Submit your concern in writing (email okay) at least one week before the next Board meeting (we meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month) and then attend to present your issue.

You want to know more about PML?

visit the PML web site at: www.pmlmanagement.com

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

PML Management Corporation

655 Mariners Island Blvd., Suite 301

San Mateo, CA 94404-1011

Telephone/Fax: (650) 349-9113/ (650) 349-9190

E-mail: debbie@pmlmanagement.com

Life Threatening Emergencies: 911

Other Emergencies:.....(650) 349-9113

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

YOUR BOARD of DIRECTORS

Bob Kiss ¹	President
Mitra Sadeghi ²	Vice President
Jack Albrecht ¹	Treasurer
Emile Nurisso ²	Secretary
Miles Dooher ¹	At Large

¹Term ends at 2018 election

²Term end at 2019 election

COMMITTEES

Architecture

Bob Kiss (chair) – (650) 212-5477

architecturechair@sugarloafhoa.org

Landscape

Miles Dooher (chair) & Jack Albrecht -

landscapechair@sugarloafhoa.org

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

Public Safety

Bob Kiss (chair) – publicsafety@sugarloafhoa.org

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The next Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Jan 23**, at the San Mateo Senior Center, immediately after the Annual Meeting.

Directions - From 92 East-Bound

1. Exit Alameda de las Pulgas
2. Take a right at the exit light
3. The Senior Center is on the left side not far from Beresford Park. There is parking in the back.

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:
Draft Rental Restriction Amendment Proposal
7. New Business:
Approval of Insurance Policies
8. Correspondence Review
9. Executive Session (as needed)