Why join the Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association? We are not asking anyone to take time from their busy lives to attend meetings or events, write reports, or organize neighborhood programs, although we welcome volunteers. You should join the PLPNA because you like where you live and you want to support those who do take the time to volunteer on your behalf. These are people who take time out of their own busy lives to try and preserve the character of the neighborhood we all love.

For example, we are nearing the completion of the Sloat Boulevard Pedestrian Safety Project. Already you can see a huge difference with crosswalks, bulb-outs, bike lanes, and paving and crossing signals. As Sloat Boulevard is a state highway as well as a city street, it was a very complicated project involving the co-ordination of multiple bureaucratic agencies, as well as PG&E. People from Pine Lake Park and surrounding neighborhoods went to these meetings and contributed to the final plans.

Now, we are currently looking into the following new projects to continue to improve our neighborhood.

1. We would like to try to reduce the speed and number cars on Crestlake Drive. This once quiet street has become a major shortcut for those driving to and from the Parkside and Sunset districts. The traffic is especially bad during the commute hours, when it is not unusual for our neighbors to have to wait for a steady stream of cars to pass before they can safely back out of their driveway.

2. We are still attempting to get the City to address the erosion issue on the south side of Pine Lake. This situation is potentially dangerous. In the park once buried sewer pipes from the homes above the lake are totally exposed, making them very vulnerable to breakage and the homes themselves are vulnerable to structural damage. It is quite possible that vibrations from the traffic above are exacerbating the problem.

3. We are looking the possibility creating a small parklet at the corner of Sloat Blvd, and Crestlake Drive. The idea is to beautify this dead space and enhance our neighborhood.

4. We are working with the 20 districts that make up the West of Twin Peaks Central Council to oppose the bill that State Senator Scott Wiener has proposed, SB 827, which would radically alter the character of all San Francisco. The proposal would allow for a radical change of zoning laws and height limits within a quarter mile of all major transit routes and half a mile of transit hubs. SB827 would eliminate low-density zoning for 96% of San Francisco and allow for buildings 4 to 8 stories high to be built throughout the city, including our neighborhood.

Why join the Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association? As a member you will regularly be sent email updates about events and issues that affect our community. To learn more about the Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association, you can visit us online at www.PLPSNA.org; go to the PLPNA Facebook page; or look for announcements in Nextdoor Pine Lake Park. If you have any questions you can always email us at plpna2016@gmail.com.

See you around the neighborhood!

— David Hirtzel, President

Welcome to the Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association plpna.org

Save The Date — PLPNA Social

April 28th at the United Irish Cultural Center
5:30 pm — 8:00 pm
Light hor d'oeuvres provided by PLPNA
— No Host Bar —
members & non-members welcome!

Watch for flyer, Facebook posting, and plpna.org
Community Concerns

PLPNA representatives attended many community meetings to learn more about projects and issues that impact our neighborhood. President David Hirtzel and board members welcome your input on issues that are of interest and concern to you. We try our best to express your position at these meetings and commit to follow through on issues.

Sloat Boulevard Traffic Safety Improvements

January 2018 board representatives attended a meeting at Taraval Police Station regarding the completion of the pedestrian safety work being done on Sloat Boulevard. Various agencies were represented, including the Mayor's office, SFMTA, Caltrans, SFPD and Senator Scott Weiner's office. While work should have been completed by December 2017, the project has stalled due to lack of communication between agencies. Of the four HAWK lights installed, 2 are awaiting city permits and the other 2 still require neighborhood notification to excavate on their property. There were assurances given that the neighborhoods would be notified when work would resume. They also discussed the enforcement of the red and yellow loading zones on Sloat, in front of the shopping center.

Safety on Crestlake Drive

After discussing neighborhood concerns about the increase of traffic on Crestlake Drive, the Board has considered ways to address the problem. Seeking a solution, Board member Natalie Simotas, is currently looking into the steps required by the City to conduct a traffic study of Crestlake Drive and the streets that merge onto it. If you have any information regarding previous traffic studies on or around Crestlake Drive, Natalie would appreciate you contacting her at bluesgyrl2@yahoo.com.

Pine Lake Maintenance Issues

- President Hirtzel has corresponded with Recreation and Parks GM, Phil Ginsburg and staff, regarding the maintenance upgrades at Pine Lake and the West Meadow. The irrigation system is operational now and the main support system has been replaced with some additional parts still on order.
- Erosion on the south side of Stern Grove bordering Pine Lake and the West Meadow has worsened. The lake pump repair to limit the erosion is estimated to cost $100,000. There is no word on funding or when the work can begin.

Home Break-Ins

At a September community meeting, Chief of Police Phil Scott reported that SFPD has arrested more suspects involved with home break-ins. The SFPD’s goal is to put more officers on the street.

Lakeshore Plaza

Lakeshore Plaza was sold to Blackstone in 2017. Galen Spencer of Shopcore Properties is the new manager for the mall. There have been drug issues reported and drug paraphernalia has been found on the property. If you see problems at Lakeshore Plaza, call 311, 911 or security 415-720-5663 (or ask a merchant to do so) or Mr. Spencer directly at 209-478-9900.
2017 PLPNA Happenings

Bowling Night

PLPNA Spring Social

Annual Barbecue at Pine Lake

Design for the Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association Newsletter donated by PLPNA associate members, Emilia De Geer & Sudhir Puri.
This year’s annual dinner meeting was held at Harding Park and enjoyed by a full house of Pine Lake Park neighbors. Kathy Montague and her dinner committee delivered a terrific evening of dining and socializing! A hosted wine hour kicked off the event and a delicious full buffet dinner followed. Also, the traditional after dinner raffle for generous prizes donated by local merchants and Board members generated a lot of buzz and contributions to the treasury.

President David Hirtzel gave a brief update on 2017 activities that addressed neighborhood concerns. He also polled the group to see which activities from this past year were of interest for 2018. There was strong interest in the Sunset Cruise, BBQ at Pine Lake, Garage Sale and Bowling.

John Gates conducted the nominations for expiring board seats and available openings. All in attendance confirmed the nominations and addition of Keena Golden as the newest addition to the Board. Congratulations Keena!

“Lake Merced Past and Present”

Woody La Bounty, the Executive Director of the Western Neighborhoods Project and “San Francisco History Guy,” grew up in the neighborhood and has written books and blogs/articles about the history of SF. His passion is to find ways to use its beauty, character, and history to improve and strengthen communities. (http://www.woodylabounty.com/)

Mr. La Bounty gave an lively and informative presentation about “Lake Merced Past and Present”. You can find all of the photos if Lake Merced over the years that he shared at www.outsidelands.org as well as a wealth of information about the history of the western neighborhoods of SF. Also, look at the massive historical photo project, OpenSFHistory.

A big thank you to the dinner committee members Vicky Cevalos, Emilia de Geer, Diane Kennedy, Kathy Montague, Norma Panina, Natalie Simotas, Gail Sorrough, Janet Bonilla, and Joy Hou for a great job!
Annual Dinner Live Auction & Raffle

LIVE AUCTION

San Francisco Giants Home Game
These 2 premium field level seats are fantastic for watching all the action from the right field side of home plate. Bring your glove and be ready for pop-ups! Lot A parking pass is provided making getting to & from the ball park a snap.

Donated by PLPNA member Tim Halloran

The Toll House in Los Gatos
Enjoy the quaint town of Los Gatos with this 1 night stay at the boutique hotel, “Toll House,” including a lovely bottle of wine and complimentary breakfast.

City Hall Dome Tour
Head up the stairs for an Exclusive Tour of the City Hall Dome for 10 people, compliments of San Francisco Supervisor, Katy Tang.

San Francisco Symphony & Trattoria Da Vittorio
Experience a range of French interpretations of classic texts featuring Debussy & Ravel… Two tickets for “French Greats” on Friday April 20, 2018 at 8:00 pm and take advantage of the pre-talk session to learn more ($198 value). Dine beforehand with a $100 certificate to Trattoria Da Vittorio. $298 Total Value.

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“Mr. Shap” Balloon Artist
New Tsing Tao Restaurant
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West Portal Spa

Many thanks to the individual members of the Pine Lake Park Board of Directors, the Annual Dinner Committee, and the local merchants for their generous donations. Special thanks to our invitation graphic designer Emilia de Geer, photographer Linda Lee, balloon artist Rob Shapiro, and our friendly bartenders Richard Lee & Mike Montague.
more 2017 PLPNA Happenings.....

**Sunset Cruise**

**Summer Festival Concert at Stern Grove**
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Please email **Richard Lee** (sfrdlee@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending one of these events or joining a planning committee. Additional information about each event will be sent out via email and posted on our website at: [www.plpna.org](http://www.plpna.org).

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**It's not too late to pay your 2018 PLPNA membership dues!**

For those of you who were members in the past, we sincerely miss you and would like to see you back as a member of the Association. If you have not joined the Association for 2018, dues are $25 per household annually and you can still join — fill out the membership application on the next page and send your check, payable to Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association, to the attention of:

**Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association**  
Attn: Don Ellison, Treasurer  
2715 - 35th Avenue  
San Francisco, CA 94116
Don’t miss Stern Grove Festival’s 81st Season!

Free Concerts

Sundays at 2 p.m.
June 17 – August 19, 2018
Sigmund Stern Grove
19th Avenue and Sloat Blvd, San Francisco

The 81st Season kicks off on June 17 with Jeffrey Osborne and Peabo Bryson.

Join the Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association

Since 1939 the PLPNA has provided social activities as well as an active voice for neighborhood policies. There is no obligation to participate, but just by becoming a member of the PLPNA you help to make our voice just a little stronger. Our city is changing and we need to ensure that we maintain a safe, community-oriented neighborhood. But why not participate? Every year we have a barbeque, garage sale, Bay cruise, bowling night, neighborhood dinner, Symphony tickets, concerts in the Grove ... and more!

Please support the PLPNA in 2018 by sending your annual dues of $25 along with the form below to:
Checks may be made payable to “PLPNA.”

Pine Lake Park Neighborhood Association
2018 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________

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