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NEW BOARD ELECTED!

Thanks to all of you for sending in your ballots. You have elected the following Board for 2002:

Richard Carrigan Marty Cooper Al Lerner Elliot Megdal Gary Patterson Shelly Rosenberg Elayne Rubenstein Tom Sawyer Joel Walker

At the February 7 meeting, the first order of business was to appoint two additional members - Lupe Lerner and Holly Sawyer – and elect officers for the coming year. They are:

President Tom Sawyer
Vice Pres. Shelly Rosenberg
Secretary Lupe Lerner
Treasurer Holly Sawyer

All of us on the Board – along with all Road residents, especially readers of our famous Newsletter – say a big THANK YOU to previous President Melanie Goudswaard for her years of excellent leadership and for all of the time and hard work she has devoted to keeping our Association active and strong – AND for her informative and witty Newsletters. She and they are definitely tough acts to follow.

We also thank Cindy Schofield for her years on the Board and all for her great skills in decorating the beach so beautifully for our Annual Beach Party!

The MRPOA is delighted to welcome two new members – Richard Carrigan and Elayne Rubenstein. They, along with returning members, pledge to work hard and be responsive to the needs

and concerns of *all* Malibu Road Residents – both owners and renters. So remember, whenever you'd like to talk to a Board member, please call 317-1040 and leave a message.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR MRPOA ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 20th!

We will hold our annual meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2002, in the Michael Landon Room at Bluff Park. Coffee and socializing will start at 7 PM. We'll call the meeting to order at 7:30.

This meeting is a great opportunity for all Road Residents to meet your Board, let us know what issues are important to you, express your concerns, ask questions, and become well informed about what's happening in your own neighborhood.

Malibu faces an issue of major importance to its future: specifically, the Coastal Commission's Land Use Plan for the City. We have invited two speakers to our meeting who will bring us up to speed on this topic and answer our questions.

City Councilperson and former Malibu Road Association President Sharon Barovsky will talk to us about current City Council business including the LCP – it's effect on Malibu, why the city is opposed, and what the likely outcome will be.

Malibu's new Planning Director Drew Purvis will bring the perspective of his office to this vital topic, including what the Coastal Commission's plan will mean to people living in possible ESHA's and explain the impact on rental properties.

So, mark your calendar now and plan to join us on Wednesday, March 20, at 7 PM.

CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

On April 9 we go to the polls again to elect City Council members. Five candidates are vying for two seats. The issues currently facing Malibu are huge and the only way to insure that we elect people who really represent our views is to be an informed voter. We urge each of you to talk to the candidates, attend their forums, ask hard questions, and read literature. Then be sure to vote on April 9. This is the best and only way we can be represented by a City Council that will work for interests.

FILMING

As many of you know, a major source of needed revenue for the MRPOA has been – and continues to be - from film and TV production along Malibu Road.

We therefore ask that if you rent your property for the purpose of such filming and/or taping, or for any kind of shoot that requires a permit from the City of Malibu, please ascertain that a member of the MRPOA Board has signed the permit. This will indicate that the road Association has received its fees.

IT'S DUES TIME AGAIN!

Thanks to all of you who have already paid your 2002 dues. If you received a dues envelope with this Newsletter, it's because we have not yet heard from you. So *please* stop whatever else you're doing and write that check! We need your money! Some of the many services your Association provides are:

- * This Newsletter!
- * Weekly Road cleanup
- * Notices of important local events or issues
- * Annual Beach Party
- * Speed control signs

- * Providing a forum AND taking action when faced with a crisis
- * Liaison with City, Sheriff's Department and other governmental agencies

We urge all Road residents to join. If you're the property owner the cost is \$75, and if you're a renter the cost is \$40. A bargain no matter how you look at it, so please write that check today!

<u>C'MON – TAKE AN *ACTIVE*</u> <u>PART IN *YOUR* MRPOA</u>

We believe it's important for everyone along the Road to <u>be</u> a part of the Road Association, to let us know about your concerns and gripes. Admittedly, we're not in a position, legally or otherwise, to solve every problem that comes up, but we <u>want</u> to help.

Moreover, we want the residents to be informed – and to inform us. In that way, we can all help each other.

For that reason, we urge you to sit in on our Board meetings, which take place on the second Thursday of each month (except for the upcoming Annual Meeting mentioned above). Because these meetings are held at the homes of the various Board Members, space is a bit limited, so please check with us in advance.

And, if you have something you'd like to get off your chest at a meeting, please let us know, and we'll reserve time for you to make your presentation.

We can be contacted at 317-1040, or Email us at MRPOA@aol. com.

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