

# THE OLD ROAD NEWSLETTER

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## MALIBU ROAD BECOMES FIRST STREET IN CITY TO INSTALL ITS OWN RADAR SPEEDING SIGN!

### *MALIBU ROAD ASSOCIATION BUYS SOLAR-POWERED SIGN - OPERATIONAL BY JULY 19*

Our own *permanent*, pole-mounted, solar-powered radar speed sign will soon be on the job 24/7, and we are confident that it will, along with our other signage, and enforcement by the Sheriff's Dept., increase safety and deter the speeding that has plagued Malibu Road for so many years.

As reported in our previous Newsletter (April, 2005), and announced at the March, 2005 Board meeting, the Road Association formed a special committee consisting of Board Members Lynn Griffin and Chris Reed to explore and carry out the purchase of such a sign. Lynn and Chris contacted manufacturers, sought bids, met with City Officials to secure permits and site surveys, and with the assistance of Public Works Director Yugall Lall, were able to expedite the process of installing the concrete base and pole to code specifications.

Purchased at a cost of more than \$6,300, the sign, with its vivid 18" numerals, should be up-and-running on or about July 19! Displaying the driver's current speed, the violation alert will flash when 30 MPH is exceeded, flashing more rapidly at 35 MPH. As most of us have seen, these signs are a highly effective "wake-up call" for inattentive drivers, an implicit threat to overt speeders. We invite all residents to watch the sign in action. You'll see brake lights come on as vehicles abruptly slow.

And please remember, this is one more example of your voluntary membership dues being put to uses that benefit *all* residents of the road. We hope it will convince those who are not members to join, and help improve and preserve our wonderful community.

### YO, NEIGHBORS - IT'S *BEACH PARTY TIME!*

Mark The Date – Saturday,  
Sep. 17 4 – 8PM!

This year, our indomitable, incurable party-person, Cindy Rhodes and her dedicated Committee have put together a **real beach barbecue**, complete with gourmet burgers, dogs, chicken, beans, salads, all the trimmings and much, much, much, much more! Catered by star chefs Thomas and Danielle Rivera ([www.saltcatering.com](http://www.saltcatering.com)), whose credits include Manhattan's famed Tavern-on-the-Green and LA's acclaimed Ciudad, the food and fixin's promise to be *truly* special.

The date:	Saturday, Sep. 17
The time:	4 – 8 pm
The place:	Field of Dreams
The cost:	\$45 adults \$25 kids 6-17 (under 6, <b>free</b> )

The Raffle Prizes: Meals at all the best local restaurants – still only \$1 per ticket!

Games and special events for the kids are all included the one low price.

There'll be a DJ playing a special mix from our very own beach party songmeister, Billy Rhodes.

Invitations will be mailed soon, but remember, **EVERYONE** is invited! Bring your friends and encourage your neighbors to join in the fun. PLEASE reserve early and pay in advance. For more info, call 317.1040.

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## MORE TRASH- TALK!

The Malibu Road Association Board continues to make progress toward a solution for our unsightly trash containers, which have been, for too long now, an eyesore on our beautiful road. On one important front, LA County has okayed two-day pickup (rather than the current three-day schedule). Wednesday we're locked into Green-Waste and Recycle, so the other choice, as yet undecided, is either Tuesday or Friday for trash.

First, in anticipation of negotiating a deadline date with the City of Malibu, after which, all containers that are not placed in enclosures will be cited and fined, the Road Association is looking into assisting those residents who request help in finding contractors who will build proper enclosures. And if you're having your own built, or doing it yourself, remember to specify heavy-duty doors and hinges.

Because of the once per week trash schedule, residents may wish to order (from GI Industries, at no charge) larger containers, or a greater number of them. To help determine the size of your enclosure, containers (referred to by GI Industries as Residential Carts) come in the following sizes:

### **32 Gallon Cart:**

Height: 38.5"  
Width: 22.75"  
Depth: 22.35"  
Wheel Diam: 8"

### **64 Gallon Cart**

Height: 42.2.5"  
Width: 26."  
Depth: 26.8"  
Wheel Diam: 8" or 10"

### **96 Gallon Cart**

Height: 46.5"  
Width: 28"  
Depth: 30.5"  
Wheel Diam: 12"

And for those absentee owners, and others who will be unable to comply with the regulations regarding times of day for placing containers at roadside for pickup, and then having them out of sight (or don't want the hassle), GI Industries has informed us that they will offer an optional "valet" service – which – for \$30 per month – will provide a person who will pull your container out of its enclosure and place it at the fogline for pickup, and another individual who will return the empty container to your enclosure.

Once all of this is in place, the Trash District will notify all residents of the date on which they plan to

start issuing warning citations for the misuse of and improper storing of trash containers. If/when the resident does not correct the problem, the resident will be fined for each offense.

**City Code states that trash receptacles can only be placed at roadside after 5:30 pm the evening before pickup, and they must be removed, out of sight, 24 hours later.**

Your Board has worked long and hard as a conduit between residents, the City of Malibu, and GI Industries, to find solutions that will beautify the Road and help all of us deal with the trashcan problem. Now we urge and implore you to please take responsibility for your trash and containers.

To order containers or request a special pick-up, please contact GI Industries at 800.773.2784.

## **Elayne Rubenstein Resigns From MRA Board**

The Road Association wishes to thank Elayne for her years of service to the Board. Her wit, good spirits and constructive contributions will be missed.

## **SOME USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS & MAILING ADDRESSES**

EMERGENCY, of course	911
Sheriff	456.6652
Fire	317.1122
City of Malibu	456.2489
Lifeguard	457.2525
Animal Control & Care	818.991.0071
Sanitation Dept.	800.773.2784
(For pick-up of oversize items or special requests)	
Wildlife Rescue	457.WILD
Dead seal on beach burial	317.4717
(We contract w/the Labor Exchange for this.)	
Malibu Road Association	317.1040
PO Box 415, Malibu, CA 90265	
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	
State Capitol, First Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814	
City Council, City of Malibu,	
23815 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu, CA 90265	

Remember, your **Malibu Road Association** is here to serve in any way it can, renters & owners alike.

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