

# MT. LEMMON ECHOES

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*Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association*

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## YEARLY PROJECT OF THE MLHO

As you all know, membership is our main project for the year and it is progressing greatly. We have 151 members and 67 of these are new members. THIS IS GREAT!!!! Our goal is 250 members. We urge all of you who have not yet sent in your dues to do so before the picnic. There will be someone to take dues there too, just don't miss this annual meeting. The picnic will be in the Sykes Knob picnic grounds on June 21, 1980 at 1:00 P.M. Bring a large dish (with food in it), and your own table service. Anyone wishing to help with arranging of the picnic please contact Madonna Miller at 791-9779. Bring your horseshoes etc., and be prepared to have a fun time. This will be a good time to get acquainted with your neighbors, and friends on the mountain and to keep up on what is going on. Extra stickers for your cars are available at \$1.00 ea.

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## FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Fire Department is advancing rapidly now that spring is here and we can get out more. Our new Chief is Gary Mitchell, and the assistant Chief is Donald Miller. Both Gary and Donald have been taking training with the Tucson Fire Dept. On April 18, 19, and 20, Tucson had training on Basic fire fighting and Donald was certified at this session, on April 25, 26, 27 both Gary and Donald attended classes at Golder Fire Dept. which was put on by the State Fire Marshall, both were certified on Hazardous Materials. On April 28, we held an equipment class at our station with the U. of A., and the Forest Service to better acquaint everyone with the others equipment. Also to build a better relations with one another. We also have very good relations with the new State Fire Marshall, Bill Martin, in Tucson, as well as Chuck Mohlander, who has a cabin on the mountain and the Tucson training officer, Warren Shumaker. The Tucson Fire Dept. is a big help to us, by making their training manuals, film etc. available for our classes. The Forest Service will be giving some of our training classes too. With the Forest Service and these 3 officers from Tucson we see a great improvement in our department. Donald Miller is our training officer and will be taking extensive training to better programs.

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held May 2, 1980, with all members present. We are in the progress of getting the siren in place and hopefully this time next week it will be on top of the station. The County Finance Department has appropriated \$1998.00 to help with our needs until July 1, 1980. We are in need of more air packs, as the law requires that all fire fighters, have air packs, or they will not be allowed to help with fighting fire. We voted to purchase as many as we can now and the others as money is available.

We would like to give our THANKS!!!! to Louise Colthorp for donating \$10.00 towards the purchase of the flag that was stolen and to Gary and Theresa Mitchell for the other \$10.00 to pay for it. To Craig and Donna Smith for the \$50.00 donation to purchase Training Manuals which we so

desperately need to put in our library. Donald Miller donated the balance of these, which was \$10.00, and to John Miller for the welder and welding materials for repairing the new fire truck.

The following phone numbers may be called in case of fire and you can place them near your phone. HOPE YOU NEVER NEED THEM!!!!

FRED KEERS----- 791-9804

GARY MITCHELL ----- 791-9785

BOB ZIMMERMAN--- 791-9758 or 791-9772

JOHN MILLER----- 791-9779

TED CHOATE----- 791-9778

BOB MURPHEY----- 791-9782

STEVE MERRICK----- 791-9707

FOREST SERVICE----- 791-9861

GEORGE SHELDON----- 791-9731

SKI LODGE----- 791-9721

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### MT. WATER CO-OP NEWS

The Mt. Lemmon Water Co-op held it's annual meeting April 22, 1980 at 7:30 P.M. at the Moose Lodge in Tucson. The new officers are as follows, Bob Zimmerman, Pres., LeRoy Scalf, V. Pres., Joyce Howell, Treas., Madonna Miller, Sec., Bruce McKeller, Jim VonDell, Fred Keers, Bob Murphey, and George Sheldon. There were 33 members present.

From your out-going president:

Dear Customer:

As of May 1, 1980 the cooperative will begin the metering system of water service on Mt. Lemmon. The following rates and regulations have been set by the Arizona Corporation Commission, for charges by the Mt. Lemmon Cooperative Water Co. Inc.

1- \$10.00 per month, plus \$2.25 per thousand gallons used or any part thereof.

2- If any customer disconnects for a period less than 12 months, there will be a \$75.00 charge for reconnect.

3- For new construction and/or new customers connected after Jan.1, 1979 there will be a \$100.00 meter fee plus \$25.00 membership or service connection fee. ( This section also pertains to old customers who has refused their new meters ).

Please notify the Co-op when you are coming up to use your cabin, so that the maintenance man will have ample time to turn your water on at the meter.

Billing will start the first of June so all customer PLEASE!!!! notify the Co-op if they want their water on or off. We must have your signature either way for the files. These signatures must be in our files by June 1, 1980.

From your in-coming president:

As the newly elected President, I want to say that it sure pays to attend all meetings. I missed just one meeting and got elected President. But I shouldn't complain because Fred Keers, the past President, told me that's how he got the job. The problem with this job is that it takes a lot of time for which there is no pay and the only time you hear from the membership is when they have a problem.

If my first impression of the condition of the Co-op is correct it has some serious problems that have been there for a long time. First off, there seems to be a general lack of operating funds. Every meeting I have attended there seems to be a question as to where money is going

to come from to pay the next months bills. Second, from what I can tell there are a lot of folks who are mad because they have had to pay for water they didn't use or they can't get winter water or it seems that everytime they want to use their cabin the pump is broken. Finally, not only is there little money, but nothing has been set aside to pay for improvements and replace some very old and inadequate equipment.

If these and other problems are ever going to be solved, it's going to take the support and efforts of the entire membership. I will be asking everyone to help. The first thing you can do is pay your water bill whether you get water or not, in order to insure water in the future and to keep the Co-op alive.

Each month, I will be asking for your help. You can expect to see fund raising projects and work projects to winterize pipes early this summer.

In the next issue, you will find a phone number to call for "trouble" calls and a number to call for billing information. We are going to put a "trouble" phone in Gary Mitchell's home with an answering service which brings me to my first request for assistance. We need to set up an office for the Co-op and need a telephone answering service, a fire proof file cabinet, just to name a few items. Please call me if you have office equipment which you will donate. If you don't have any office equipment, please set down and send a check for \$5.00 or \$10.00 marked "donation" in the memo blank. With your active support there is no reason that this Cooperative can't get itself into the black and stay.

An additional \$125.00 per month was given to Gary Mitchell for the reading of the meters and Fran Zimmerman was given the position of Administrative Assistant, she will be doing the billing etc.

Bob Zimmerman, President  
MT. LEMMON WATER CO-OPERATIVE

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#### MT. LEMMON WOMAN'S CLUB

Our ladies participated in the Pioneer Day Festival at Fort Lowell Park on April 12th. We had close to thirty cakes for a cake walk and later sold the remaining cakes. It was a good day for we raised \$110.00 for our club. I would like to thank all the ladies who took the time to bake the cakes for this event.

May 4-6th. the Arizona Federation of Woman's Club had their 77th. State convention in Phoenix. Representing Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club were the following members: Chriss Sheldon, Katherine Lovett, Madonna Miller, Regina Rhind, Kasey Murphey, Eden Hackney and Fran Zimmerman. We sure had a good time and won ourselves some money. We placed 3rd. in the state for the C.I.P. (Community Improvement Program) and \$100.00. Our C.I.P. was the Mt. Lemmon Volunteer Fire Department. Francie Morse wrote the report and did an excellent job, also Francie won second in the Arizona Heritage essay contest. Katherine Lovett won 1st. prize in the Arizona Heritage essay contest. The club is very proud of these two ladies' writing accomplishment. The club won first place in International Affairs Department, Family Living, Health Division, And second in Community Education, International Aid Division International Affairs, and Leadership Division. The club hosted an open house in the Adams Hotel to kick off our forthcoming centennial for 1981. That's right, Mt. Lemmon will be celebrating its 100th. birthday in 1981. The club has many celebrations planned for that year.

REMINDER: May 14, 1980, Wednesday at 1:00 P.M.

PLACE: Regina Rhind's Home  
3232 E. Flower Ave.  
Tucson, Arizona.

The occasion is the installation of officers for the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club. Regina Rhind will be installed as President, Frieda Botkin as 1st. Vice President, Betty Mobley as 2nd. Vice President, Fran Zimmerman as Secretary and Florence Wilhoite as Treasurer.

PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND!!!!!!

See you all soon!!

Fran Zimmerman  
President  
MT. LEMMON WOMAN'S CLUB

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### ZONING

There is another scheduled meeting in the Hearing Room of the County Board of Supervisors, May 27, 1980 at 9:00 A.M.

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The water is now on in the Soldier Camp and the Loma Linda areas so enjoy your cabins this summer and be careful with fires.

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The population is expanding on the mountain. Mr. & Mrs. Richard Carter the school teachers had a baby girl born April 12, 1980, named Robin Lynn, and Mr. & Mrs. Gary Mitchell had a baby boy born April 11, 1980, named Wesley Gary. Congratulations!!!!!!

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Another first on the mountain is that George Sheldon has been going to Pima College to train for Paramedic. He has been getting alot of good experience and doing quite well with his grades. He didn't get a report in for this issue, but by the time the next one is out he will have completed his course and have been certified by the state for our fire department. GOOD LUCK GEORGE!!!!. WE NEED THIS. Tell us all about it next time O.K.?

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### MONTHLY MEETINGS

WATER CO-OP----- First Sunday of the month at 9:00 A.M.

HOMEOWNERS ----- At a convenient time for board members

FIRE BOARD ----- First Friday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

WOMAN'S CLUB----- First Wednesday of the month

The times and places for the Woman's Club, varies and the Homeowners are on the mountain in the summer and in Tucson in the winter. So just ask if you would like to attend as they are all open meetings and any member is welcome to set in on these meetings. There are no secrets involved in any of these. There has been a awfully lot accomplished the last two years by all of these groups working closely together.

# Govt. Land-Grabbers Are Plowing Under Tax \$Billions

By **ROBERT TERPSTRA**

Those lunatics in Washington have gone on an insane land-grabbing spree that's cost taxpayers \$606 million since 1973 — and in the next decade will cost a mind-boggling \$10 billion more!

The federal government already owns more than one-third of all the land in the U.S.

But that's not enough for our wild-spending bureaucrats — they want more, more, more.

The excuse for this outrageous plunder of the taxpayer is protecting the environment. But that could be accomplished through many other means, such as zoning and other regulatory controls.

Purchasing — by far the most expensive method — is supposed to be used only as a last resort. But if the money is there, the bureaucratic hogs

spend it and to hell with the taxpayer.

The chief culprits are the Dept. of Agriculture's U.S. Forest Service and the Dept. of Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service and National Park Service.

Between 1973 and 1977 alone, these three departments bought 2.2 million acres of land — and such purchases usually "prevents the land from being used for resources, agriculture and family dwellings," according to the General Accounting Office (GAO). "It also removes the land from local property tax rolls."

What's more, noted the GAO, "the cost of many projects has doubled, tripled, even quadrupled from original estimates and authorizations."

And the worst is yet to come. Bureaucrats already have permission to spend \$10 billion on land in the next 11 years — and you can rest assured they'll go through every penny of it.

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The following are the P.O. Boxes of the organizations on the mountain.

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P.O. BOX 99  
MT. LEMMON, ARIZ. 85619

MT. LEMMON FIRE DISTRICT  
P.O. BOX 686  
MT. LEMMON, ARIZ. 85619

MT. LEMMON WATER COOPERATIVE  
P.O. BOX  
MT. LEMMON, ARIZ. 85619

There will be a number for the Co-op next time, but if you mail it as above we will get it.

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MT. LEMMON WATER COOPERATIVE CO., INC.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want Water.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not want water.

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Signature

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