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# Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association

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The Echoes is a few days late, due to the fact that we were waiting for the Forest Service to get the rates of the permits out to the people first, so that we might get word to you through the paper as to our comments.

#### PLEASE READ THIS!!!!!!!

This Newsletter is being sent to all permittees in the Santa Catalina Mountains. If you think this new fee schedule is too high, appeal at once to Supervisor K.R. Weissenborn, whose address is on one of the letters you received. Your letter should identify specifically the decision being appealed, including it's date, subject, the Forest Officer who made the decision, and the Reviewing Officer to whom the appeal is directed. You should state specifically the reasons supporting the appeal.

Decisions of a District Ranger are subject to review by the Forest Supervisor, then by the Regional Forester, who is M.J. Hassell, Federal Building, 6th. Floor, 517 Gold Avenue, S.W. Albuquerque, New Mexico 87101. Then they are reviewed by the Chief, and May then be reviewed

by the Secretary of Agriculture at his discretion.

Within 30 days of receiving the appeal each of these persons responsible for the decision shall prepare a responsive statement of reasons and a copy shall be furnished the appellant. If you wish to reply, fill a concise reply within 15 days after receiving the statement. This information is taken from a Forest Service Manual. When filing your original appeal, you may request in writing the opportunity to present your views orally to the Reviewing Officer, whoever that may be, and include documentary evidence relevant to this. An example-- Might be an independent appraisal, especially for those of you in Willow Canyon.

To the best of my knowledge, all the presidents of the smaller associations are members of the Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association, and have been invited to our Board Meetings since June 1980. Our Association is the only one to which ALL cabin owners in the Catalina's may belong, and we welcome your membership, and suggestions to improve

life on the mountain.

We have been told that individual letters are much more effective than petition's and state your reasons for appealing this larger amount. Our Board of Directors will do what we can (the other Boards may wish to take similar action), but individual letters need to be sent in.

Several of you are lawyers (and I may be unaware of who some of you are); we need your advice and expertise. If you will help please let

me know (816 S. Langley, #102, Tucson 85710, Ph. 745-1997).

Some addresses you might want: Senator Barry Goldwater, 427 Senate Office Building, Washington D.C., 20510.

Senator Dennis DeConcini, 3230 Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20510.

Congressman Morris Udall, 301 W. Congress, Tucson, Ariz. 85701

and to these numbers after January 20, 1981: Secretary of Agriculture John Block, Mall between 12th. and 14th. Sts. S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250.

David Stockman, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20503.

In Steve Plevel's letter he said the Office of Management and Budget has ruled that summerhome fees are exempt from the President's guidelines on inflation. They may not realize many of us are retired people on limited incomes, some even are original permittees when the Forest Service first invited people to build cabins on the mountain.

YOUR PRESIDENT,
JOYCE HOWELL

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#### WATER NEWS

We have been blessed with a mild winter so far. Usually by this time we have all heard the chug-chug of the arc welder thawing frozen pipes. I am quite anxious to see how the new system will weather a hard freeze. The main pump has continued to be plagued with problems. Bob Murphey is meeting with George Barr, the engineer, to determine a corrective course of action.

It is apparent that the present trial water rate schedule set by the Corporation Commission are inadequate to meet the normal operational expense plus the payment of the debt to Farmer Home. Until the rates have been reviewed by the Corporation Commission next Spring steps will have to be taken to meet the Co-op's current obligations. The Board is considering several alternatives to get by until rates can be established.

A NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER TO KEEP HANDY IS 791-9717. You will get a recording, so wait for the beep and then leave your message and someone will get back with you as soon as possible.

Mary Keers is our new Administrative Assistant and doing a good job.

Bob Zimmerman, President

#### FIRE DEPT. NEWS

Well since last month we have had response to some of the letters I had written. One from Senator Goldwater, saying he will be doing some investigating and will be in touch later. One from Senator DeConcini, a very lengthy one and that he is investigating on the Fire situation & the raising of fees. So will keep you informed as I hear more.

We have purchased some communication units, mechanical tools and

ladders and equipment that we needed badly.

5 fighters went to Ajo for 3 days of structural fire training and 6 more will be going to Tucson the last of the month for recruit training, 6 are taking E.M.T. training at Pima College now also.

On Feb. 2, 1981 a representive from Phoenix will be here to go over our equipment and be working for us a more desirable rating for insurance. When we hear from him after the investigation we will let you know so that you can let your insurance companies know of any changes to get lower rates. We are all covered with fire protection and this is another advantage to us.

Our THANKS to Bill and Amelia Huggin's for a \$500.00 donation to repair the pump in our truck, which has been leaking since the first year we had it.

Madonna L. Miller, Chairman

#### MEMBERSHIP

Some of you did not receive a statement the first part of December as I ran out of stickers and had to have new ones made and they are just now ready to be picked up, but after not being able to get the stickers for awhile I went ahead and mailed the other statements. Now when the stickers come in I will attach yours to the following Echo. That way we can save the 15¢ stamp. Any extra stickers can be purchased for \$1.00 each.

There has been a good response to the membership drive. We already have 132 paid members and 13 of these are new ones. We very much need a 100% membership to help with the raising of permittee fees. This is going to hurt us all if they get this done.

There has been a delay in the fire hydrants, as they had to be made different to take care of the water pressure we have on the mountain. We will be receiving one the 19th. of this month to install and try for awhile. This will be a test one free of charge.

Madonna L. Miller, Chairman

#### WOMANS CLUB

Now that the Holidays are behind us and we are into a New Year, we are rolling up our sleeves, putting on our bonnets, stitching up our pioneer skirts and turning our thoughts to the Mt. Lemmon Centennial.

We had two lovely parties during the Holidays, our party at Katherine Lovett's on December 13th. was full of food, fun, gifts, song and laughter. Ruth Irving invited us to her home for our first meeting of the New Year. As usual we always leave Ruth's with not only lovely thoughts of having spent the afternoon among the beauty of her lovely doll collections, but Ruth always gives us an inspiring thought to carry home with us.

Our first event of the Centennial will be a Snow Carnival, but one can't very well have a Snow Carnival without the Snow, so we are making our plans just the same and will announce the date with the coming of the

The Annual State Convention will be held in Tucson this year and we are making plans to co-operate with the other Clubs in Tucson in hosting this

On January 5th. I represented the Mt. Lemmon Womans Club at a Luncheon and meeting at the Tucson Woman's Club at which State President, Katie Wagner presided. On January 10th. three of our members attended a Southern District Reporting Workshop which was presided over by the District President, Marlene White.

I can only tell you that with the New Year only 10 days old it has been a very busy 10 days for several of our members making plans for the year of 1981.

#### REGINA RHIND, PRESIDENT

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#### -- REMINDER!!!!

This will be your last Echo if you have not paid your 1981 membership dues. M. L. M.

You can also rent spaces this year to help with the expenses of printing the Echoes. Business card size is \$5.00 per month. We had about \$400.00 last year in ads. Contact me for more information.





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