

The Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association begins another year needing more members and more participation. If you have neighbors who have not joined, please ask them to stop in and see or call Fran Zimmerman. The problems on the mountain need as many people involved as possible. Our Board Meetings take place on the third Saturday of the month at 10:00 A,M. at the Alpine Lodge. Please plan to attend so you can be more aware of what's happening and so we can have the benefit of your input. We need volunteers for Board membership also.

Prowing of the highway is so good that unless blizzard conditions exist, it should be fairly easy to attend our meetings.

On behalf of the Board, I'd like to wish everyone a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

JUDITH MAXIMOV, President MT. LEMMON HOMEOWNERS ASSN.



Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association Membership Chairman, Fran Zimmerman, wishes to remind you that you will be receiving your membership renewals in the mail. Please send in your dues as soon as possible. Dues are \$15.00. Please encourage any of your cabin neighbors to join if they are not already.

WATER CO-OP

We have finalized the work to receive the resoft he money from Emergency Services for the flood of 1979. With the money we hope to make some much needed improvements. We also have started proceedings for another grant from Emergency Services for this last flood of October, 1983. Due to Michael Stanley's excellent job of documenting, we should get the aid much faster this time around.

There has been a big drain on the main tanks of the Water Co-op this winter due to pipes freezing and bursting while cabin owners are away. This would not happen if you would consistently turn off your meter when you are not in your cabin. Also, drain your water lines, and put anti-freeze in the traps. If you are unsure as to where your meter is located, please call the Co-op and someone will show you where it is located and how to turn it off. Please, having water up here is a privilege, one we cannot afford to waste.

JEANETTE COWLING-BOTT, Mngr. MT. LEMMON WATER CO-op.

Mt. Lem mon Woman's Club

ZZZZZZZ - Generally speaking, late Fall, early Winter is the time of year we get to snooze a little after the busy Summer and before report writing, convention time, elections, etc. Since the last newsletter in October not too much has happened.

On October 26th, Florence Wilhoite, Katherine Lovett and Chriss Sheldon met to write the much needed "House Rules" governing the use of our building. Then Chriss Sheldon called a meeting with Katherine Lovett and Shirley Campbell to write the Standing Rules for the MLWC - a much needed and long awaited job. These two sets were presented at our regular to iness meeting of December 7th at the home of Kasey Murphey. Both were accepted.

President Vernell Force presided over a report writing workshop on November 2 at Thelma Barnard's home. Hope all department heads are hard at work writing their reports in the various divisions. Time is running out. February 1st is 'post mark' day. If anyone needs help or has a question, please contact Vernell Force.

Also, during November, a sad thing happened. Katherine Lovett's lovely old cabin burned to the ground - a tragedy for all of us-through the years Katherine's cabin has been used by the MLWC almost as much as the owner herself. We are left with beautiful memories.

December 17th brought the annual Christmas Party at Katherine Lovett's Tucson home. She and Vernell Force prepared and served an elegant luncheon featuring all sorts of yummy goodies. We played a very different "drawing game." Did you know we had a couple of Rembrandts in our Club? Gifts were exchanged and our party ended on a beautiful note with the singing of Christmas Carols.

Ruth Irving entertained us again as she does every January with the sharing of her fabulous doll collection from all over the world and the telling of interesting stories concerning the acquisition of such. At this meeting, we were glad to see new member Danny Hayhurst.

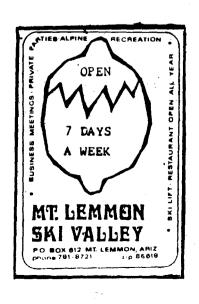
A letter concerning the revision and/or amending of our outdated By-Laws was presented to or mailed to each member for consideration. The club will vote on this matter at the next business meeting to be held at Katherine Lovett's home on February 1st. PLEASE be there!

Our best wishes and thoughts continue to go to Midge Swanson and husband and Helen Quigley and family.

CHRISS SHELDON MT. LEMMON WOMAN'S CLUB

The Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club is now available for Community Services; rental for individuals, clubs, organizations, for personal or group use.

Please call Chriss Sheldon at 576-1574 or Fran Zimmerman at 576-1300, 576-1333 or 576-1334 for further information, appointments or reservations.





We now have two more EMT Graduates; Mary Moran and Joe Monsanto. Mary's first weekend on the job was a busy one - courtesy of Ski Valley ski slopes.

Supplies for the Emergency Van are being replenished. Many thanks to "Friends of the Fire Department" and their donations.

> FRED KEERS, Chief MT. LEMMON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

Fred Keers sent to me an article on safety cips for fire situation, most of which is condensed herein:

Most residential fires occur between 11:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M., while most families are asleep. That is why it is so important to have an easy-to-follow escape plan. Start by discussing with your family what you would do in an emergency. Diagram two escaperoutes to the outside from each room, especially the bedrate. Then practice different routes. Make sure that your children can operate windows, descend a ladder, or open the door to the staircase. Start sleeping with bedroom doors closed, unless you have smoke detectors. The door can hold back smoke and fire while you

get away. Have children practice calling the fire department and saying the name of the

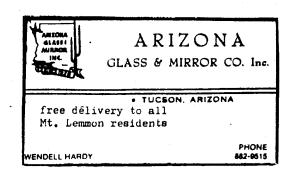
family, along with your address.

In the event of a fire, remain calm and do not panic. Teach your children to do the same. Often children become frightened during such emergencies, and run for cover, hiding under beds or in closets - two very dangerous places.

If in a closed room, touch the door or knob. If cool, open the door and leave quickly, following the escape plan, to the nearest exit. You only will have a few moments to get out. If there is smoke, crawl on hands and knees to safety. Breathing smoke and toxic gases can cause lung damage or death. Using a damp towel as a mask will help filter the air.

A hot door means the fire or smoke is just outside. In that case, do not go into the hallway. Open the windows for ventilation and shout to someone if possible. Use towels or sheets pushed up against the door to prevent smoke from seeping in. Many people live through a fire by staying in a room sealed off from smoke and harmful gases while waiting for rescue."

Alot of good ideas here you may want to disucss with your family considering the ever present danger of fire on Mt. Lemmon.







BOUQUETS once again to the Zimmerman School Players. They once again enchanted the Mt. Lemmon Community with a Christmas play on a December evening in the restaurant area at Ski Valley. Each year we look forward to the expertise of Art's Off-Broadway presentations, and we are never disappointed. This year's play was a home hewn script, giving us all the message of what the true spirit of Christmas should be, the symbol of a single candle burning for hope and love and sharing. Once again, our children leave us an indelible lesson in life. Bravo to one and all.

BOUQUETS to our very own Pima County Sheriff's Deputy Doug Mryvold - a most personal thank you representing all the kindness expressed to the community by our beloved Deputies. We had just returned from a trip, and our cupboards were bare. A snow storm was approaching, and I felt the obsessive compulsion to fill my bare shelves with canned goods enough to last until January, 1985. In the thick of the storm, I made my way to Tucson in our trusty Jeep and bought a case of everything at Price Club. Even though it was snowing, I knew I had my 4 wheel drive vehicle and would have no trouble climbing our quite steep 4 mile driveway with all these groceries. That confidence lasted until my Jeep just suddenly died just before the crest of the Loma Linda Hill, at which point I could have coasted into the village. In the midst of the nasty sleet and my desparation, Deputy Doug came along, just in the nick of time! Not only did he give me a gentle shove into the village, but we also transferred all my groceries into his vehicle for a very kind delivery to my door. How lucky we are on Mt. Lemmon to have the personal touch afforded us by the Sheriff's Department.

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The Mt. Lemmon Community wishes to extend a hearty welcome to our new Postmaster John Boerger. John began hisduties here around the first of the year, and we are most pleased to have him with us. It is particularly nice because John and his wife, Mabel, are cabin owners and members of the Homeowners Association and already have a sense of the Mt. Lemmon Community. Make it a point to stop in and welcome John, and also do your postal business on Mt. Lemmon, if possible. Your support is needed.

CONGRATULATIONS to Ross and Helen Quigley on the birth of their third child, and a son, Tom. Little Tom was quite premature and has spent the first two months of his life in the intensive care unit of Universit Hospital struggling with infections and the task of gaining weight. Upon last report, the baby was doing quite well, and we can expect to see the Quigleys back up on the mountain very soon. We are all so glad.

Again, from the Deputies, they are pleased to announce that they have a new Commander for the Rincon Station. He is Lieutenant Thad Curtis, and he can be reached at 296-8596. The Deputies wish to remind you to continue to drive in a safe manner since more units are being equipped with radar units. Also, the Alpine Lodge is to be congratulated for being cognizant of liquor limitations and not allowing patrons to drive the highway if they have had too much to drink.

Personal to M.M. from L.H: Beware! Bears make tracks in strange places.

On another note, Deputy Michael Duffey, on behalf of the Pima County Sheriffs Dept. wishes to express his appreciation to the residents of Mt. Lemmon and particularly to the trained EMTs who have had more than their share of rescuing ill-equipped valley visitors, who have had a large share of serious falls or accidents, which have become the responsibility of the steadfast Mt. Lemmonites to handle and to get these people safely back to Tucson. Your professionalism in crisis is a great credit to the mountain.

CHEF EXTRORDINAIRE

SOUPE D'EPINARDS EN CREME:

One of the hidden talents on Mt. Lemmon is the musical talent of Eden and Gerry Hackney. Over Fourth of July Weekend, Blue Grass Music fills the air from the front porch of

ir Mount Lemmon Cabin and good food abounds inside. Upon request (after request, and constant nagging, I might add) Gerry Hackney finally sent me his special recipe for a very delicate Cream of Spinach Soup.

3Tbsp. lightly salted butter

- 3 Tosp. chopped onion
- 6 Tbsp. flour
- 3 cups water
- 5 cups mild
- 2-3 chicken bouillon cubes
- 1 10 0z. pkg frozen chopped spinach

Boil bouillon and water in large soup pan. Meanwhile, put butter and onion in skillet over low-med. heat until onions are transparent and soft. Add flour and stir to make thick paste. Add bouillon to spinach and cook according to pkg. directions. While spinach is cooking, return to skillet and make a medium white sauce by adding milk, a little at a time, to the flour-onion-butter mixture, stirring until the milk is fully absorbed before adding more milk. When all the milk has been added, keep over low-

1. heat and stir constantly until mixture thickens. Stir out all lumps. Add the white sauce to the spinach-bouillon mixture. Do not drain off the cooking water from the spinach. Mix well. Serves 5-6/

Gerry suggests a number of variations to suit your palate:

- 1) Use abit more flour for a thicker soup.
- 2) Use a combination of more milk and less water for a creamier soup.
- Try Half and Half in place of all or some of the milk.
- 4) Substitute bacon grease for up to half the butter, for flavor
- 5) Season with ground nutmeg
- 6) Puree the soup in a blender
- 7) Try one or more of the following toppings: top with crumbled bacon sprinkle with Parmesean cheese float a slice of hard-boiled egg float a piece of toast

Men are certainly creative in the kitchen. Any other creative male chefs out there. Please send in your piece de resistance.

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APATHY RUNS RAMPANT:

I have lived in a number of small communities, but I confess Mt. Lemmon is far and away the smallest. The single common denominator of small towns is a strong sense of community, of working and playing together. Historically, Mt. Lemmon has a fine record of cohesive enthusiasm, as evidenced by such accomplishments as the development of the Volunteer Fire Department, largely inspired by Madonna Miller. The Mount Lemmon Woman's Club has typically jumped in with hard work or monetary contributions for worthy community projects.

The one outstanding characteristic of all of us who are attracted to live on Mt. Lemmon in some capacity is our unquestioning love for this mountain. Another sure bet is that no two people on this mountain share identical opinions on any one issue. It is a community composed of fierce individuals with equally ferocious points of view. Hooray for that!!

Yet, in the last couple of years, and perhaps I speak only for my own apathetic tendencies, I have seen a drifting away from community ideals. I have no sense that there is a community purpose or plan, just a number of cabins scattered about and people doing their own thing and Mt. Lemmon just stumbling along. Maybe that is the true nature of Mt. Lemmon. With much introspection, I really hope not. Wendell and I have chosen thoughtfully to raise our children in this community, and I now feel the urgency to make some belated New Years Resolutions to become more involved in making it a better place for our children and for all of us.

I do not think we need only to gather in crisis or to simply problem solve - though those are important moments for us. We have a large group of young people on Mount Lemmon this year - the school number has soared to twenty, the bus has never been more crowded. Other than school functions lovingly orchestrated by Mr. Art, we as a community fail to meet the needs of our youth, those who live here year round and those who summer on the mountain: purely indolence on my part anyway, and I resolve and hope you will join me in working to help our kids. I have a number of ideas gestating, and I believe that the Woman's Club and its new building is an untapped resource for our children, for one, - a potential gathering spot and community center. We, in a community effort, can make this a grand place for children to live and play.

I know that in the past Mt. Lemmon has had a Town Council formed by election, designated to represent all facets of Mt. Lemmon's divers community, with the purpose of planning ar problem solving and to act as a laison to Pima County. Perhaps it was this very diverse quality of the community that caused the Council to fade, but I believe it is a concept that bears scrutiny once again. New England towns are famous for their town meetings - such a proudly independent lot you could ever witness harranguing at each other about seemingly unimportant issues. But every townsman looks forward to the town meeting as a special time of fellowship and fighting a joyous occasion, believe me! What generally emerges from these events is a new resolve that their town has a unique purpose and a camaraderie transcending individual differences, and even some effective attempts at planning and change are set into motion. I really long for that type of thing to occur on Mt. Lemmon, and I challenge, urge, cajole, beg - whatever it takes to stir your inner voice to join together with me and concerned others to lift the spirits of this splendid Mt. Lemmon! We can make a difference for now and for our future.

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