



MT. LEMMON ECHOES

May 1984

Homeowner News

It is Spring on the mountain and nearly time for our ANNUAL FATHERS DAY PICNIC AND MEETING. It is extremely important for as many members to attend as possible so we hope you will set aside Father's Day afternoon and come to the picnic at the Whitetail Picnic area.

As a Board, we have become increasingly well versed on many topics of interest to those of us who own property on Mt. Lemmon. We have dealt with the Transportation Department, Wastewater Management, the Sheriff's Department of Pima County and the Forest Service. All the administrative agencies of government have been attentive to our concerns and we are pleased to have made an impact on the problems which often have a long and complicated history. There are many issues which are extremely resistant, the Forest Service, to any input and certainly any change and we see them as an ongoing challenge.

Again, we see the importance of greater participation, MORE MEMBERS, so that we can have an even greater impact when we feel we need to do so. If you have neighbors who are not members of the Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association, please ask them to talk to Fran Zimmerman about joining. Whenever a community has problems, and all communities do, it is only through citizen participation that the problems are solved. First, because there is more input and therefore more intelligence applied to the problem and second, because there is strength in numbers. Help us to generate better solutions to our problems and greater impact where we need to apply it ..

YOUR NEIGHBORS TO JOIN THE HOMEOWNERS!!

If you notice something which needs attention please let us know.. we are here to enjoy the mountain and make it a better place to live.

As always, we wish all of you a happy, healthy summer and hope you enjoy the cooler weather. We hope to see everyone at the Annual Meeting.

JUDITH B. MAXIMOV, President
MT. LEMMON HOMEOWNERS ASSN.

The Homeowners Association is busy trying to get organized for Board elections and for the picnic at our annual meeting. The present Board has selected a nominating committee consisting of members Liz Hardy, Adena Stewart, Ross Quigley and myself to seek interested members for the next Board. Generally a Board member serves a 3 year term and is required to attend monthly meetings to discuss Homeowner concerns. If you feel you could give this sort of commitment to the Homeowners Association, your time and energy would be greatly appreciated. We always need some fresh blood on the Board, and it is very important to have Forest Service as well as deeded land homeowners represented. If interested in serving, please let us know by calling either me at 576-1333 or Liz Hardy at 576-1424. We need a slate by the Annual Picnic on June 17th, so do not delay!

Our big event is the Annual Picnic, and it is very important to have a good turnout this year. The location is once again in a lovely wooded area, the Whitetail Recreation Area, at about Milepost 22 on the Highway. It is a nice way to spend Father's Day and a great opportunity to gather with summer friends once again to catch up on the doings of the mountain. The Homeowners will provide the barbecued meat, and a committee of volunteers has been formed to call upon you to bring a dish to share. We will once again have a large assortment of door prize gifts, so please plan to attend. The picnic will begin at 1:00 P.M. and a business meeting will follow with the election of new Board members. If you or your business has any small door prize gifts you would like to donate, please let me know.

FRAN ZIMMERMAN



Just a word of caution as we fast approach the fire season....enjoy your retreat to the cool country, but remember, the fire dangers are high!! All you have to do is take a walk down any road up here and watch the dust rise. And, it will probably worsen before it gets better - so please, when you get the urge to Bar-B-Q outside, make sure it's the food you cook, and not your cabin... or the tall timber! Don't leave that fire unattended, even for 5 minutes; a short span of time, but with the right conditions those unattended 5 minutes can turn into alot of needless man hours. Let's enjoy what we have and keep it that way so we can enjoy it!

On another very important topic, we just received word this week that the Board of Supervisors has denied our application for a grant to build a new firehouse. This building would have also had space to serve as a Sheriff's substation, a headquarters for the Water Co-op., and a meeting room for the community. We understand that the reason our application was rejected is due to the fact that the overall community, summer and year round, is too affluent to qualify for the funding. We are still hopeful that we can pursue other alternatives for funding this much needed building.

FRED KEERS, Chief
MT. LEMMON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

Many of you who do not use your cabins frequently may have turned them into rentals. If you are giving your renters a key in Tucson and sending them up the mountain on their own, there are a few courtesies that might be in order. Very often, renters will start a bon fire next to the cabin for toasting marshmallows, whatever. A very romantic idea, granted, but often can lead to disaster in the form of a forest or cabin fire. Also, they may forget to bring firewood, so they search for trees to cut down. If they have permission to cut on your lot, fine. But please keep them off others property or off of Forest lands. Garbage can be another problem. Please have your guests take their garbage home with them! Parties are great and Mt. Lemmon seems to be a natural for gatherings, particularly in the summer. But there are many who seek serenity up here, and a "dull roar" is appreciated. Just a few common courtesies will make your renters a more welcome sight on Mt. Lemmon! Thanks.

WATER CO-OP

The first meeting of the New Board of Directors was held on May 20, 1984 at the Alpine Lodge. We would like to welcome Charles "Doc" Mobley, our new President. Stan Farnum will retain the office of Vice President. Terry Bott accepted the post of Secretary. Neil Kleinman remains as Treasurer and Norman Ulmer took the job of Maintenance Chairman. Other new members in attendance were Wayne Coates, Bryck Guibor, and Judith Maximov.

We have started discussing some of our major problems that need to be worked out this summer: capacity, tanks leaking and contaminating springs, problems with one of our springs - lot of work ahead. Many thanks to all who help with the water co-op.

JEANETTE COWLING-BOTT, Manager
MT. LEMMON CO-OPERATIVE WATER

PRESSURE RELIEF VALVES:

The plumbing codes of Pima County require a pressure relief valve. This device is installed on your hot water heater. Its function is to discharge pressure in excess of 150 psi. It should be piped to the exterior of the house. This valve is a protective valve, as it opens when the pressure inside the hot water heater exceeds 150 psi. The valve opens and relieves this pressure. The water co-op mains have extreme pressures. When regulating valves malfunction, the T and P valve allows discharge of pressure above 150 psi. If this is not on your water heater, it is possible to rupture the tank of the heater. Heater tanks are rated at 300 psi. With the heating element and main line pressure it is possible to blow up your hot water heater. This dangerous circumstance can cause personal injury and possible electrocution. If you have difficulty with installation of this device or questions, I will be happy to mail you information. Enclose a self addressed envelope to the Mt. Lemmon Water Co-op., Attn. Mike Stanley.

MICHAEL STANLEY, Maintenance
MT. LEMMON WATER CO-OP., INC.

I keep thinking that the time will come when I will have little to write, but members keep me sooooo busy that this shall probably never come to pass.

Southern District Convention was held March 24. We were presented with nine certificates of award for our Division Reports. We also took second place for our club scrapbook put together so beautifully by Betty Mobley. Betty also did our pressbook which brought an Honorable Mention Award. Betty must still love to cut and paste!!

The March Meeting was at Betty's Tucson home and we all felt we were transported back to the Erin with all the green decorations.

April's meeting found us being hosted by Florence Wilhoite whose table was laden. Her spread did not help our spread one bit!

April also brought about our fourth Annual Cake Walk during "Pioneer Days" at Ft. Lowell Park. Betty Mobley and Chriss Sheldon were chairmen. We made a profit of \$117.60. Thanks to all who baked or donated!

State Convention was at the Doubletree this year. Our club contributed alot. May baskets were made by members - 180 of them. Our President also took on the task of preparing scrumptious refreshments for the Southern District Reception for our newly installed AFWC President, Maggie Biesemeyer of the Suburban Woman's Club of Tucson. On the state level, we took first place in International Affairs and first place in Family Living Division.

Since our Valentines Party in February, the Clubhouse has been used six times for youth community programs - either dances or movies. I wish to thank Liz Hardy and Fran Zimmerman for their interest in this youth outreach program and also to Jean Martin who has supplied many of the goodies. Our children are so happy to have special activities, and one teenager, Samantha Heath, organized a bake sale, the proceeds of \$67 to go to this program. Right now, we are taking a break, and I believe a meeting of interested persons, including the kids, to do planning for future activities is in order. Please call me regarding this at 576-1574.

On to the Clubhouse. After a series of on again, off again dates since last fall, the steps are finally completed. On May 5th the framing was done, and on May 12th the concrete was poured. My son, Dennis, from Arivaca corralled several other guys to help with the laborious job of pushing all that concrete uphill. Many thanks to the following for their labor: Todd Linley, Terry Bott, Chris Hayes and friend Pete Krwzak, Richard Hammarstrand, Steve Hensel, and Dennis Frary. Our undying gratitude to these fine young men. Their efforts are so appreciated for creating proper access to the building. Thanks to Fran Zimmerman and Mike Stanley for outdoor lighting.

May 13th brought another first to the community - the dedication of Ted and Jonelle Moore's baby daughter, Chelsea. Mother's Day was also our first Community Service for the 1984 season. If any member would like their Church to be represented, please contact me immediately as I am working out the Season schedule. One more Church project has come to a close - that of searching for five months for a piano. One was brought last week and delivered on Wednesday. What a job! What a joy! Our Hymnals are ordered and will be here for the Memorial Day Service. I am so thankful for our "angel" donor who made these acquisitions possible.

Our installation which took place at the home of Danny Hayhurst was lovely. Our Southern District President, Sylvia Cordaro performed the ceremony in her special way using the Collect as she installed each officer. Our officers for the 84-86 term are as follows:

President - Vernelle Force
1st Vice President - Fran Zimmerman
2nd Vice President - Jean Martin
Secretary - Danny Hayhurst
Treasurer - Florence Wilhoite

Please help them in any way you can and please say "Yes" willingly instead of "no" shamefully.

Clubnotes - Vernelle Force and husband are in the Hawaiian Islands, and Katherine Lovett is somewhere on the Danube at this writing. Wouldn't both be nice?

CHRISS SHELTON, Publicity
MT. LEMMON WOMAN'S CLUB



THIS & THAT

We wish to extend our sincerest sympathy to Mary and Art DeFilippo and their extended family. Mary lost her mother this month after a long illness. As you know, Art is our school teacher up here on Mt. Lemmon.

Darlene Videen, Supervisor for the Mt. Lemmon Schools and related activities has announced, after a meeting with parents, that our children who ride the bus to Tucson for school - i.e. grades 7-12 are changing schools this next year. The Junior High aged children will be attending Emily Gray Junior High School and Sabino will become the High School. We are all quite pleased that our kids will not have to drive into Tucson at all. It's a long day for these kids, starting at about 5:00! A shorter ride is such a sensible thing to do!

ANSWERS TO MARCH TRIVIA TEASE:

1. There are 200 curves on the Mt. Lemmon Highway. My carsick-prone son can attest to every one of them.
2. Nobody cares how many pullouts there are on the highway. Residents are the only ones who use them anyway - right? (actually I forgot to count.)
3. That famous curve between Milepost 8 & 9 is Dead Mans Curve, because ice never melts there in the winter, thus making it very treacherous.
4. The actual name of the main road as it goes through the village of Summerhaven is Sabino Canyon Parkway.
5. There are approximately 500 cabins on the mountain.
6. There are over 100,000 acres in the Catalina Mountain Range.
7. Mt. Lemmon is the highest peak in the Santa Catalina Range.
8. According to Historian Tony Zimmerman, the deepest snowfall he remembers occurred the winter of 67-68 with a 6' coverage on the level. However, when he bought the Mt. Lemmon store from Dick O'Neil in 1943, he was told of an 8' level in 1915.

9. There are approximately 1.3 million people who visit Mt. Lemmon each year.
10. The history of Mt. Lemmon's Lodges is most colorful. There was the Mariposa, which became the Mt. Lemmon Lodge, which became the Ponderosa, which burned. Then up in Carter Canyon where the Quigley cabin is, there stood the Catalina Lodge where Tony Zimmerman cooked nothing but chicken dinners for guests. Then there was the Neoli Lodge built by five bachelors. Each partner could retain his interest in the property as long as he remained a bachelor. The remaining partner, Richard O'Neil, kept the Lodge solely until he married. It then became the Pine Tree Lodge and later burned. It was located at the Y in the road of Carter Canyon. Then came the Mt. Lemmon Store and Inn, built by Tony Zimmerman with wood from his new Sawmill in 1945. The Zimmerman Family ran the Inn, except for a brief time, until it burned in 1976. The only remaining Lodge on Mt. Lemmon is the Alpine Lodge owned by Jean Martin. It was previously the Vine and was owned by Richard Huff of Tucson.
11. The oldest cabin in its entirety is not still standing. It was owned by Frank Weber and was believed to be a log structure and was located just on the left as you enter Carter Canyon. The oldest structure still standing is the Breazele cabin. It was moved from its original location way down in Marshall Gulch to a new location atop Marshall Gulch.
12. The only other place where the Tassle Eared Squirrel (the Abert Squirrel) lives besides Mt. Lemmon is in the Kaibab along the South Rim of the Grand Canyon, and there are some differences in their markings.
13. Noone is quite sure when schooling actually began on Mt. Lemmon. Tony Zimmerman, the present school's namesake, never taught in it. School was taught in the 1940s from cabin to cabin until the school found a permanent home. Certified teachers were always used, however.

.....More Trivia next issue.

cool cookies

Rose Marie Montano is definitely a lady with the Pioneer Spirit. Mother of eight, she so had to give her two youngest the experience of the one room school and the expertise of our 4 year veteran, Mr. Art. Rosie stays up here during the week for school and then migrates to the valley on weekends to tend to the rest of the Montano clan. This has been a special year for their family and has given Rosie the opportunity to be a bit leisurely during the week and do lots of baking. Our recipe this month is from her cookie file:

BANANA NUGGET COOKIES:

Ingredients

1½ cups Flour
1 cup sugar
½ tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
¼ tsp. nutmeg
¾ tsp. cinnamon
¾ cup shortening
1 egg well-beaten
1 cup mashed ripe bananas (app. 3)
1¾ cup oats
½ cup chopped nuts
½ pkg. choc. chips (12 ozs.)

Method

Combine dry ingredients. Cut in shortening. Add eggs, bananas, oats, nuts, chips or leave out chips and add 1 cup raisins. Bake at 375 for 12-15 minutes

ROSE MARIE MONTANO

green thumbs

I have received many inquiries about what to plant on Mt. Lemmon around cabins. I have learned more from failure in the past years than from success, but I am finally getting my act together and can give you a pretty extensive list of what does well on the mountain and when you will have bloom. Fruit trees, such as apple, peach and cherry seem to thrive up here. Best planting time is in the Spring, and it is advised to pull off fruit for the first 3-4 years so that the root system can get a chance. Eastern lilacs do very well. They bloom generally in early June and should also be planted in the Spring. Bulbs such as tulips, daffodils or tulips will thrive up here, and should be planted in the Fall. All the flowers that do well in the Spring in Tucson can be transplanted up here in the summer - i.e. petunias, geraniums, pansies, daisies, marigolds and zinnias. They will bloom all

summer if the hail is not too strong and damages the flowers. Another risk is that the squirrels up here delight in munching on your tender blooms. So if you are an avid squirrel feeder as I am, don't count on much of a flower garden! Vegetables are generally a disappointment on Mt. Lemmon. Tomatoes won't grow - the nighttime temperatures are too cold. The vegetables that do the best seem to be potatoes or onions. (underground varieties.) If you wish to have a grassy look to your land, we have found that by spreading Kentucky Blue Grass seed right before the rains start in July, we then get a pretty substantial crop of grass by the end of July. Good luck with your green thumb - Mt. Lemmon can be tricky!

LIZ HARDY

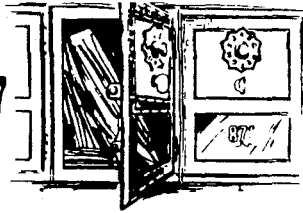
SEASONING

"Spring has Sprung" as the saying goes. Mt. Lemmon had virtually no winter this year except for two brief flurries of Spring snows in early and late April. No ski season, no sled season, no excuses to just sit by the fire and contemplate poetic matters. Those special times of winter are always missed in a snowless winter. In a recent quip in "Downeast Magazine", a magazine strictly about Maine, (I think I am the only subscriber west of Detroit) a Mainer wrote in with a postcard he had received in Blizzardy February from an old Mainer, now a diehard Southern Californian. It showed him leaned up against his lawnmower surrounded by flowers and sunny warm weather and said that this is how he had spent his New Years Day. This Mainer sent back to his chum in California a picture of himself in an easy chair sitting by the fire with his dog by his side, the snow falling out the window. The caption at the bottom reading "It's a darn shame you're still cutting grass by January!" My feelings exactly.

Now is the time for the hummingbirds, the Western Tanagers, the Grosbeaks, the Robins, the chipmunks - all this activity so indigenous to Spring on Mt. Lemmon. It becomes increasingly difficult to decide which is the most glorious season on Mt. Lemmon. Just watch for a Fall issue - how I love the Fall.

LIZ HARDY

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THANKS, THANKS, A THOUSAND TIME THANKS.....

In addition to our grateful thanks given to the fellows who donated their time for the Clubhouse steps, I would also like to shower heaps of appreciation upon the following: Joan Klinger for her donation of a Pool Table and accessories; Thelma Barnard for buying pots and pans for the Clubhouse at the Fire Department Swap Meet; Amelia Huggins for cups, trays and glassware, a stove and refrigerator; Bill Gobey of the Alpine Lodge for his interest in our youth program by contributing prizes, refreshments and movies; Lexie Lambert for the stereo and childrens games; Gary Vertigan of the Salvation Army for a much needed podium; and Lincoln and Martin Thomas who came to the rescue by delivering some wood from the sawmill for the steps at the Clubhouse. I hope that noone has been forgotten because you are all such special people due to your thoughtfulness!

CHRISS SHELTON
Clubhouse Chairman

We have many members in the Homeowners Association who own cabins on Forest Service lands. These permittees pay increasingly high yearly rates to the Forest Service for the "privilege" of being on Forest Lands. The actual services provided by the Forest Service are nihil, as we all know. Many of these permittees have joined forces to get things done on their own. The roads in Forest Service areas are atrocious, and cabin owners are naturally anxious to get improvements done. I hope that this next Board will help its Forest Service neighbors and members and try to get something done about these road conditions, perhaps with financial help.

LIZ HARDY, Editor
MT. LEMMON "ECHOES"

It's always hard to give up a good thing. After four glorious years, we must say Farewell to our friend and educator, Arthur Defilippo. He has been an enthusiastic inspiration for our children, and I'm sure my enthusiasm has been amply evident in my writings about the school and Art for the past four years. A one room school is only as good as its teacher, and we have had the very best. My children are the winners and our community has been touched by a truly creative spirit. Thank you, Art. You will be missed. All the best in your future endeavors.

LIZ HARDY

I am not a particularly political creature, but perhaps it is time to take a stand in behalf of our interests on Mt. Lemmon. I love the pristine forest as much as anyone. That's why I live in the middle of it. The wild animals are lovingly fed and admired on my deck. I pick up litter. I abhor the needles killing of wildlife and resources. But I cannot support politicians who threaten to take away my right to live in this forest and enjoy it. As appealing as some of our state's politicians may be personally, they do not always represent my interests or those of other homeowners or permittees on Mt. Lemmon. Mt. Lemmon Homeowners might be well advised to study the stands of Congressmen such as Mo Udall very carefully. I do not personally find them compatible with my lifestyle or future on Mt. Lemmon.

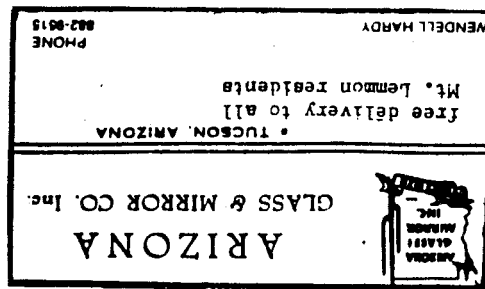
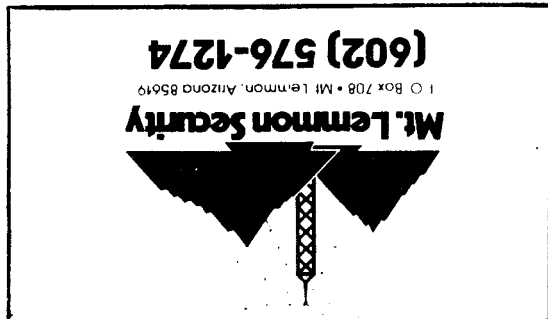
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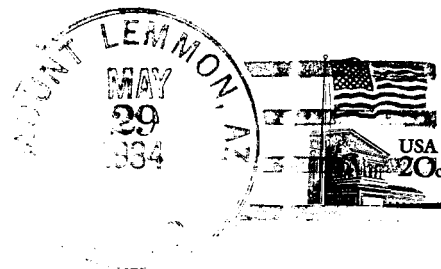
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