



MT. LEMMON ECHOES

December, 1984

Homeowner News

As the winter sets in, the Homeowners Assn. continues to work on a neighborhood watch program for the mountain. It is our board's goal to have a workable plan ready for presentation to the homeowners by early spring.

Other ongoing projects, one relating to the sewer conservation charges and the other regarding renewal of expiring forest service leases seem to be an endless battle.

It is in conjunction with all these matters that your board is planning a special general membership meeting to be held in Tucson in April. We hope to implement the neighborhood watch and to report more fully on progress in other areas. Senator Dennis DeConcini will be invited to be our guest speaker. Date, time and place will be provided as soon as all arrangements have been completed.

Board meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month and are open to all members. If you have matters which you wish to have discussed, please attend. Or better yet, call one of your 12 members of the board of directors, and inform them of your concerns. It will give them time to gather as much information on the topic as possible prior to meeting time.

Ross Quigley, President

Fire Dept. News

The call went out to all volunteers to respond to a fire on Saturday night, Dec. 1st. This was the fourth cabin fire this year; and like the three previous, the fire was extinguished and damage kept to a minimum. I wish to commend each of our firefighters for their professional conduct displayed and an excellent job done once again. This fire started in the chimney of an improperly installed free standing fireplace. I am thus prompted to remind you to check your stove and fireplace chimneys. If they haven't been cleaned lately, do so now. Also make any necessary repairs.

With the November election came voter approval of the Mt. Lemmon Fire Dist bond question. Our new fire house could be built this spring! We are pleased this this will be the last winter that our equipment must be subject to the elements. However, with much time and effort on the part of Michael Stanley and Bill Brown (our new assistant chief), the pumper and tanker are mechanically "well", winterized and ready to roll upon need. You may notice also that the rescue van is in winter residence in front of the fire house where it, too, is being kept warm and ready to rapidly respond to medical emergencies. Emergency medical calls seem to accelerate in the winter, what with ice and snow adding their dangers to unsuspecting motorists and funseekers. Last Friday, Saturday and Sunday, each brought a call for medical assistance to victims of snow tubing accidents suffering serious injuries. Unfortunately tubes cannot be steered or braked and the rider always seems to loose in an encounter with trees, rocks or stumps. Please exercise care in all our outdoor activities.

Fred Keers, Chief

EDITOR'S DESK

This December Sunday evening, dusk descends dropping the temperature as quickly as the darkness. The 15 or so inches of snow that fell a few days ago remains fluffy and sparkling on the ground. Most of the weekend visitors and skiers are heading back down to the valley below. The night sky promises another brilliant display as if in payment for its bitter cold. The quiet settles in, interrupted only by the crackling of the fire in the old pot belly stove a few feet from my typewriter perched on the dining room table. I go over the collected articles and information to be published in the "Echoes". A national weather service report surfaces forecasting copious amounts of moisture and cold this winter. I am distracted by thoughts of a rather meager supply of wood in the yard. I push that thought away only to have it replaced with visions of "things to do" in Tucson next trip. Some way to get the paper published! But then that's what it's about....life on Mt. Lemmon. I'm beginning my third winter; it promises to be a harsh one, some predict. Maybe, but then it will be one of spectacular beauty then, too. I'll buy those cross-country skis right after the holidays; a new skill to learn, a new enjoyment to experience. Life on Mt. Lemmoneverything that makes it so special and wonderful extracts its payment, especially in winter. I'll gladly make those payments....it's Home.

For the past three years, the editor's desk has been occupied by Liz Hardy. It was upon her shoulders that fell the task of seeing the "Echoes" to publication. Beginning with this issue you may notice something missing; if so, it is her touch. In early November, Liz, Wendell, Heather and Todd moved away. And so, I am here.

The "Echoes" is published more or less bi-monthly as a service of the Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Assn. It is intended to convey news and items of interest to Mt. Lemmon home owners and residents. It is my opinion that the quality of this paper is directly related to the number of people involved in its publication. As editor, I welcome your opinions, suggestions, news, articles and original works. Send them to me at P. O. Box 659, Mt. Lemmon, AZ 85619. My sincere thanks to all of you who made contributions to this issue. Don't stop now.

Mary Moran

WATER CO-OP

Winter is upon us. That means frozen water pipes. Every user of water on the mountain usually shuts off their water and drains their cabin. This helps protect everyone on the system. Anyone shutting down their cabin for the winter should shut off the water meter and winterize all the cabin's water system.

The cabin owners that rent their cabins should winterize the water system so no freezing occurs. This is usually done with heat tape and pipe insulation. The owner should also mark his meter box location. The snow covers the meter boxes and in an emergency you can't find the box to shut down the cabin's water.

This winter I would like to keep cabin water loss at a minimum. I'm sure most owner users would like to do the same. If anyone sees a water leak please call me - Michael Stanley 576-1435 or 576-1538.

Michael Stanley is the operator of the Mt. Lemmon Cooperative Water, Inc. Jeanette Cowling-Bott, whose number is also listed above 576-1435, is the administrative assistant.

FOR SALE, 1945 Jeep, Female, has H.V. Plate No. 1945. Recently rebuilt original engine has less than 1,000 miles on it. New brakes needs "minor" repair, will consider all offers. Write P.O. Box 657, Mt. Lemmon, AZ 85619.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, Echoes:

Would like to take a moment to address one of my pet peeves about Mt. Lemmon and maybe it's one of yours, too. It involves getting here and I'm sure you've all experienced the same problem.....BICYCLES!

The Mt. Lemmon Highway is probably one of the most dangerous stretches of road in Arizona, yet a major hazard to life is constantly ignored.

Many times I have come around a sharp turn, going uphill, only to find a bicyclist in the center of the lane, traveling perhaps 2mph and I must not hit him. If I am lucky enough to stop in time, he probably will not move over so I can pass. Or, maybe I can't stop and I have to swerve to the left and risk more lives than just his. (A head-on with a car coming the other way)

In the East many states have banned non-motorized traffic from dangerous stretches of highway, and maybe this could be an excellent idea for Mt. Lemmon. If anyone has a better solution or further comment on this issue I would appreciate hearing from you.

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Editor's Note: The Hitchcock Highway to Mt. Lemmon is a federal roadway built in the late 30's - early 40's with federal funds by federal prisoners. It is maintained by Pima County but the question of jurisdiction needs to be researched as the U.S. Forest Service and Pima County Sheriff's Dept both also seem to have some involvement.

EXCITEMENT is in the air everywhere during this holiday season; holy to many, fun for most all. Families and friends reuniting, sharing memories and making new ones. Here on Mt. Lemmon, a warming fire after work or play in this winter wonderland enhances the spirit of the season. I hope that you will be able to include a stay short or long, in your mountain home. But no matter where you spend it, have a safe and happy holiday season.M

SCHOOL NEWS

We did a haunted house for the community. First they walked through a graveyard outside with school kids families names on the grave-stones. After they walked through the graveyard they entered the haunted house. Right when they entered the haunted house, there were three witches, Cristen, Jasmin, and Jayla. They were stirring their delicious, bubbly brew. We had a shadow show where we made Jeff look like he was eating brains. We had a blackout during the shadow show. After the blackout we had Mistie, who was supposed to be Cindy Lauper but she ran out of hair spray, brush people with a horse tail which made them scream. After Mistie was done brushing people with the horse tail, Todd, who was the host of the haunted house, showed the people around. First they went in the dark room where Rossy and Jeremiah were. Jeremiah looked like he only had a head and was saying, "They cut off my body and put it in 4 different boxes". Rossy was saying, "Welcome to our lovely home". Everyone stuck there hand in the 4 yucky boxes. When they walked out, they saw a gravestone with their name on it. Sarah and Jessica were in charge of the gravestones inside. Cynthia, who was our little angel, was in charge of spraying something icky that shot out at the people and got all over them. After the people were all shot at with the icky stuff, they walked into another room where Justin was resting in peace, or dead. He had bugs all over him that were eating him. Some people went through the beginning of the haunted house twice just to see Ross and Jeremiah again.

By
Cynthia Brown
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Cynthia, Mistie, Jasmin and Jessica, together with six others attend Zimmerman School under the tutelage of Dick Steen with assistance from Sarah Buglewicz.

Although you'll not receive your issue of the "Echoes" prior to then, on Thursday, Dec. 20, Zimmerman School will present its annual Christmas play at the Iron Door Restaurant, Ski Valley. It promises to follow in the tradition of all school events to which the community is invited, like the Halloween party described by students, above. Expect great fun, entertainment, and mouth watering treats, courtesy of the audience.

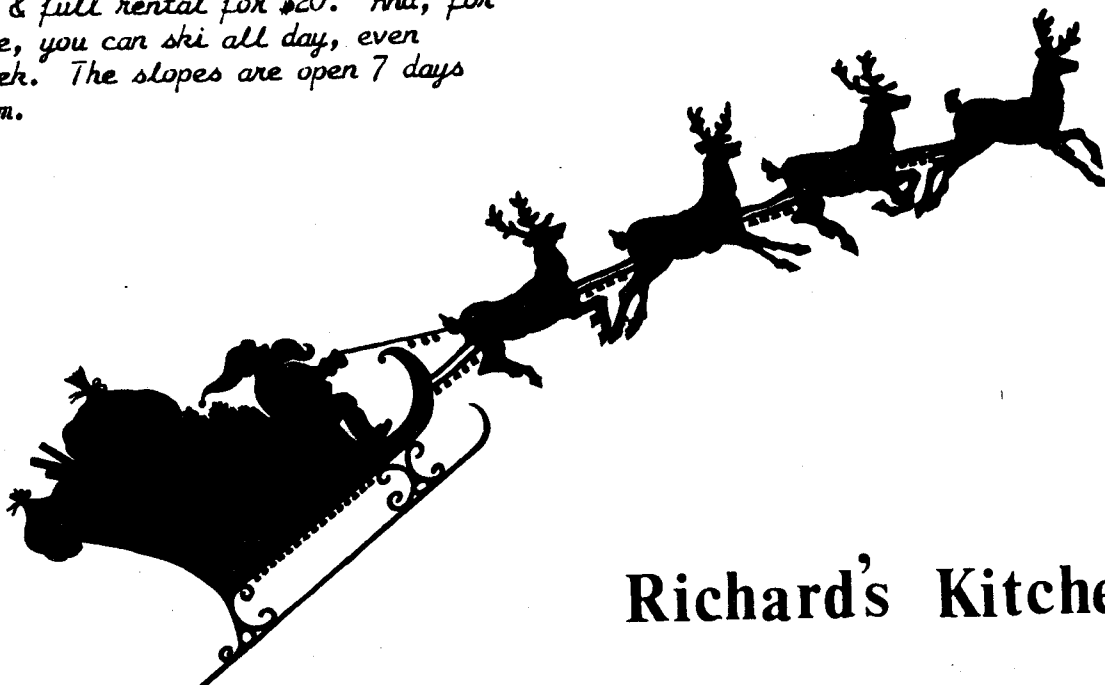
Ski Valley looked like a postcard last Saturday when I stopped by to watch some of the first skiers of the season delighting in the 36" base with powder up to their knees.

A new area is open this year featuring beginner and intermediate slopes. Lessons are available every day. They've got a great value for first time skiers incorporating beginner lift ticket, 2 hour lesson & full rental for \$20. And, for the first time, you can ski all day, even during the week. The slopes are open 7 days from 9am - 4pm.

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Richard's Kitchen

Fudge is a holiday favorite; fun and easy to make. This recipe has a bonus; it doesn't require cooking.

NO-COOK FUDGE

Butter sides of kitchen sink. Add 10 lbs sugar, 5 qts heavy cream and 4 lbs butter. beat until light and fluffy with jacuzzi motor. Add 20 pkgs melted chocolate chips and 6 qts marshmallow creme. Stir until well blended. Add 5 lbs chopped walnuts, if desired. Serves 3.

Richard Hammarstrand

Richard Hammarstrand, a Mt. Lemmon resident, recently leased the restaurant at the Alpine Lodge in Summerhaven where he acts as both manager and parttime cook. He tells me the menu will sport some major changes in January, including some very special dinners. The several times I've eaten there lately have been most pleasurable. The food was well prepared and tasty although the stew was a bit too spicy hot for my taste. Beginning with the next issue, Richard will offer us cooking and food preparation tips. ...M

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Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club

Our first Pinetop Days held over the Labor Day weekend was a huge success thanks to all those who worked so tirelessly. Our tri-chairman Danny Hayhurst, Betty Mobley and Chriss Sheldon with the help of Polly Crum, Doris Harris, Midge Swanson, Jeannie Gray and daughter Jeniffer, Katherine Lovett, Vernelle Force and Florence Wilhoite organized and attended numerous booths, including a fish pond with toys donated by Jean Martin, a raffle booth (prizes donated by Vernelle Force, Ski Valley, Living Rainbow, Peggy, and our club), the best selling, Sweet Tooth Booth, 2 rummage tables, book sale, Ye Boutique Shoppe. We also had arts and crafts for sale.

Jennie Gray and Helen Quigley continued our fund raising activities on following weekends by manning the fish pond, boutique, raffle and cotton candy booths. Robert Lee Industries donated the sweepstakes prize of a sliding mirrored wardrobe door which was won by Dick Steen, our school teacher. Congratulations!

Thanks to Greg Lelo of the U. S. Forest Service his assistance in supplying me with information, brochures and posters which made my workshop on beautification such a success at the AFWC Fall Workshop Session.

October brought our Southern District Fall Workshops and again I presented the Report Writing Workshop in place of our AFWC Dean of Departments. It was a most enlightening Day.

The clubhouse has been rented four times in the past several months, once for a wedding reception, the first wedding ceremony in our community church, and for the primary and general elections. You can see that the clubhouse is being used for our community, but we'd like it to be put to use even more. Please keep the Mt. Lemmon Women's Club in mind for any type of meeting, program or activity (well, almost!!!) Call Fran Zimmerman or myself for particulars.

Put Dec. 15 on your calendar. It will be our annual Christmas party at Katherine Lovett's of course! Those of you who have never attended PLEASE come this year. It's our best, brightest, funest, cheeriest gathering of the year. May you all be blessed with a joyous Christmas. Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Chriss Sheldon, MLWC Publicity

I'm sorry I missed the annual Christmas party on the 15th; as Chriss says, it's always a big, beautiful event. Chriss and George Sheldon have taken up residence in their Tucson home for the winter; while son Rick maintains their home here. Welcome back, Rick. Have a healthy, warm winter, George & Chriss. We look forward to seeing you next spring.

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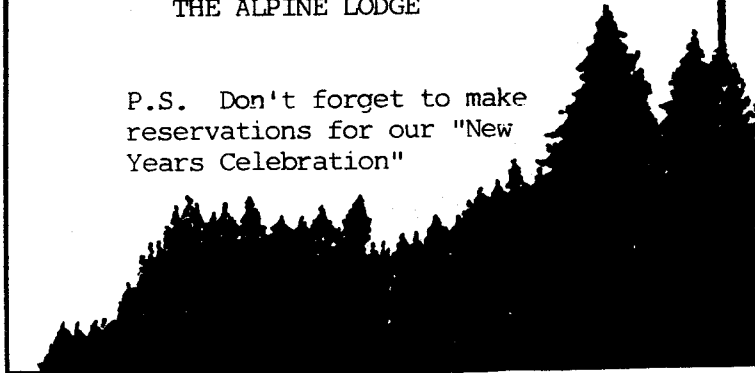
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