

# *The* Mt. Lemmon *Echoes*

MAY 1991

## Town hall meeting with Supv. Lunn a success

By Roy Garcia

On Sunday, April 28, a town hall meeting was held at the Firehouse with Greg Lunn, the Pima County Supervisor for Mt. Lemmon, as the speaker. It was open forum and, as one could expect, a great variety of subjects were discussed. Some of these included asbestos in the school, the need for more sheriff's deputies and EMT's, in stream flow and, of course, better communication between Mt. Lemmon and Pima County.

The meeting came about because of feelings I had that persons in Pima County government, including Mr. Lunn, needed to be better informed as to the concerns of the majority of the community. In addition I hoped for the community to get to know Mr. Lunn a little better and for him to get to know us. I believe the meeting was a success and hope that another such meeting will be held again, possibly this fall. Watch the

Echoes for notification or the bulletin board at the post office.

I would like to thank those that were able to attend and Mr. Lunn for giving up a good portion of his Sunday.



## Catalinas may become part of National Recreation Area

You may recently have seen on Channel 6 a program referring to 'Islands in the Desert' National Recreation Area (NRA). We have been in contact with the Forest Service, but can tell very little about it.

We do know they have a plan afoot locally to create the NRA. Legislation must first be written, introduced, and passed to make it happen. Former District Ranger Steve Plevel is now, among

other things, working on this project. When it would happen and what it would mean for us as homeowners is not clear.

We have asked and have been told that it may OR may not affect the renewal of leases to leased land cabin owners. We will keep you advised as best we can when the Forest Service reveals the latest developments.

## Annual Homeowners' Meeting held for 22nd year

By Sheri Lee

On Tuesday night, April 16 (the first Tuesday after taxes), 148 hungry members and guests assembled at the Savoy Opera House to renew old friendships, enjoy T-bone steaks or mesquite broiled chicken and catch up on what happened on the mountain last winter.

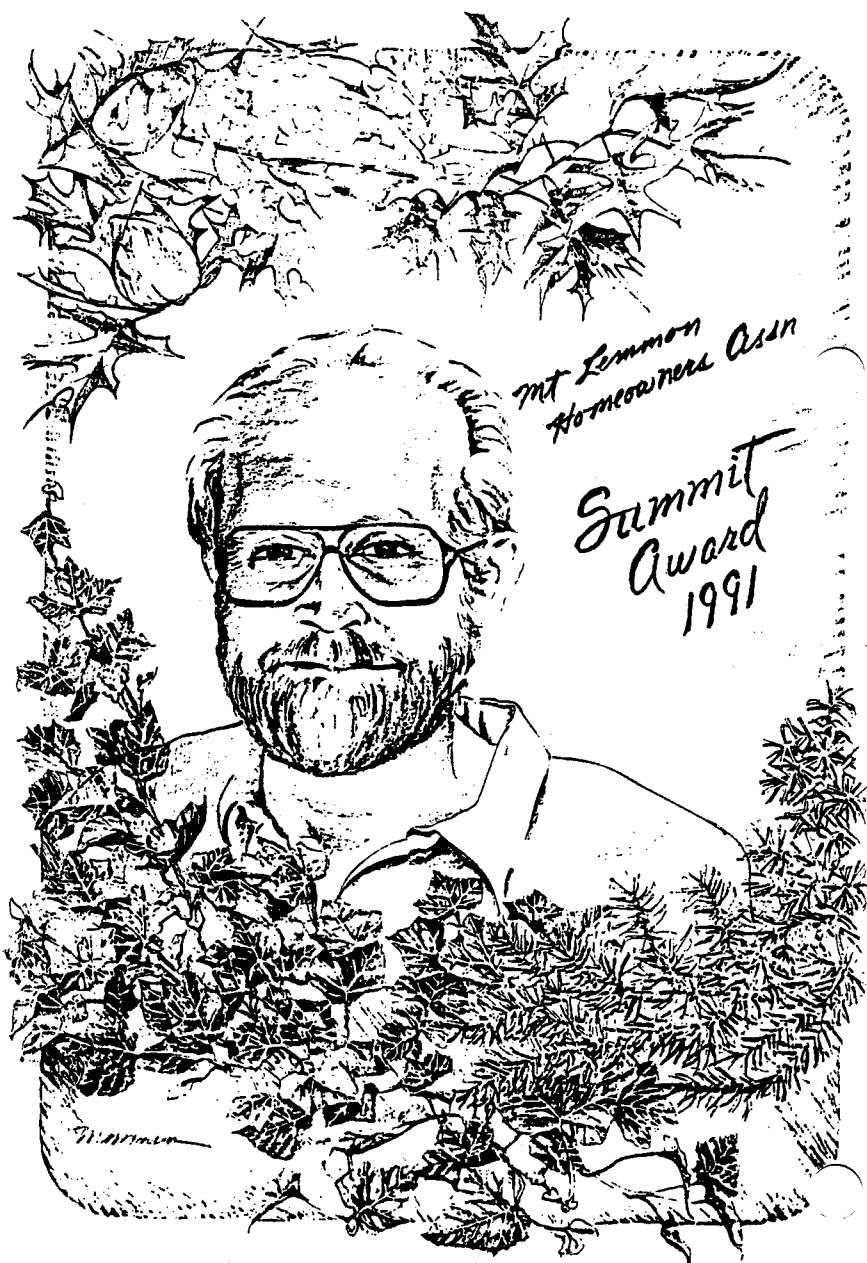
The business aspect of the program was brief with the election of officers being the only order of business. The Board has fifteen members and eight of their terms had expired. The Nominating Committee presented a slate of nine names for election. (You wonder why there were nine names when only eight vacancies? They were unable to contact one member to learn if he would run again so the finally selected another person in they event this man wouldn't run.) There were no nominations from the floor, and the slate was elected by affirmation. Those folks elected are: Bob Evison, Paul Hawkins, Dannie Hayhurst, Pete Krauss, John Mulay, Fred Pace, Fran Zimmerman, Vic Zimmerman (no relation), and Debbie Vought is the alternate. Debbie will fill any vacancy should any arise during the next year.

The program was emceed by funny man and former resident Steve Coppock attired in tux with floral bow tie and cummerbund. Between speeches Steve amused us with jokes, puns and funny stories.

There were nine guest speakers and, like last year, all speakers limited their speech to five minutes or less. The speakers were Fire Chief Chuck Hammel, Water Co-op Manager Michael Stanley, District Ranger (soon to be promoted) Steve Plevel, Cathie Brown for Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club, dumpster man Harry Alexander of Pima County, new acting District

Ranger Bill Lewis, Marv Athey of Trico and Summitt Award presenter and last year's recipient Bob Zimmerman. This year's Summitt Award was presented to Michael Stanley in recognition of his many years of service to the community.

Door prizes were handed out throughout the program. The program ended by 9:15.



Michael Stanley 1991 Summitt Award winner

Notes from the Chief...

## MLFD - The year in review

By Chuck Hammel

Since last April the look of the Mt. Lemmon Fire Department has changed. We now have two new (to us) trucks plus a reserve rescue truck. The first truck purchased is a 1960 Ford pumper/tanker. It has a class A fire pump that allows us to increase our pumping capacity by almost four times. It also gives us 1500 gallons of water the scene when the truck arrives. The importance of this was demonstrated on its first call at the Girl Scout Camp. We were able to control the fire and extinguish it without further loss from when we arrived.

The purchase of this truck was made possible by a loan from Mr. and Mrs. Max Klinger. Joan and Max, your fire-fighters thank you!

The second truck is a 1972 military 2.5 ton fuel tanker that holds 1200 gallons of water. We purchased this truck from state surplus for \$2500. The Fire Board allowed us to spend another \$2500 to rebuild it and make it fire ready. The department wishes to thank

Ed Pace for arranging to have it painted at no cost to the department and for selling Big Red (the old tanker) for us.

The Department of Health Services has lent us an old ambulance to use as a rescue truck when needed, and it has been used several times.

The manpower of the department has had almost a full change-over. The only one left is yours truly. After over nine years of service to the mountain, Larry Higgins has left to join the Drexel Heights Fire Department. This is a big step for Larry and we wish him all the best in his new endeavor. Larry was replaced by Audy Amos, who hails from Whiteriver, Arizona and was with the Flowing Wells Fire Department.

Chris Shaw is now working for Tucson Estates Fire Department. Chris was replaced by Luke Adams who hails from Tucson and was with Avra Valley Fire Department. Luke is now the acting Captain of the Department and brings with him an array of skills. Luke also brought with him a part-time volunteer in Michelle Despain, who works full time as a firefighter with the Avra Valley Fire Department.

The last firefighter to leave us was Tim Shaw last October. Tim was last with the forces in the Middle East. He was replaced

by Robert Arnold. Rob's wife Penny and their three year old son Cody hail from Tucson. Any time you are on the mountain, stop in and meet your new fire-fighters.

Now that spring is here, it's time to clean up around your mountain home. If you would like to see what fire can do to mountain homes, stop by the station and view the film about a fire in Colorado in 1989. It should bring home what can happen in a forest when fires start. That's all for now...



**MEETING THU, MAY 9  
9 AM @ FIRE STATION  
TO DISCUSS THE  
PROGRESS &  
CURRENT ROAD  
CONSTRUCTION**

**--AND--**

**MEETING THU MAY 23  
9 AM @ FIRE STATION  
TO DISCUSS PHASE 3  
(1993) TOP 8 MILES.  
WILL BE SUMMER  
PROJECT DUE TO  
WEATHER. BE THERE  
ESPECIALLY IF YOU  
CARE ABOUT THE  
HOURS ROAD IS  
OPEN.**

## TPAC here for 2nd year

By Sharon Thomas

The Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club is proud to again sponsor the showing of the Rural Arts Exhibit. This year's TPAC poster features a sketch by local artist Mary Moran. Mary has also donated a pastel entitled "Home Grown" to be auctioned off for the benefit of TPAC. Be sure and buy a chance - only \$1.00.

Other local artists to be featured are George Campbell, Shirley Ewell, Gini Thatcher and students from the Zimmerman Accommodation School: Alex Buglewicz, Jace Hopkins, Jodie Hopkins, Clara Peterson and Leland Vought.

Please come and join us for our Open House!

AT

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May 25 - Open House &  
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May 26 - 1:00 - 3:00 PM

June 1 - 10AM - 3:00 PM

And anytime the Library  
is open. Watch for the  
BLUE FLAG.

For further information  
call Sharon Thomas at  
297-0990.

# RURAL ARTS TRAVELING EXHIBITION

## 1991



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## JANUARY THRU JUNE



## Annual MLFD benefit just around the corner

**"BE ALL THAT YOU CAN BE FOR MLFD"!**

"Be All You Can Be For MLFD" is the name of the first annual local talent show scheduled for Sunday, May 26 at 7:00 PM at the Fire House. Preceding the talent show is the annual Homeowners' Potluck at 5:00 PM and following the show is a dance. All three events are benefits.

For the Potluck at 5 bring your own chair or take a chance that we may be able to borrow enough from the Woman's Club. Bring a dish to share along with a serving utensil. (It's a good idea to put your name on the dish and utensil.) Cups, paper plates, napkins and plastic forks will be provided. The Firemen will sell soft drinks. **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND NO DOGS OR OTHER PETS PLEASE!**

The organizers of the talent show are still looking for performers. Sarah Roads wants to encourage everyone to "expose themselves to Mt. Lemmon". She and Debbie Vought are looking for singers, musicians, magicians, dancers, jugglers (even if it's just your bills), storytellers, comics, etc.. Please help out. Contact Sarah or Debbie at 576-1519. We have recently

### TRICO plans improvements for Mt. Lemmon

Marv Athey of Trico informs us it has one major project in the works for us this year. That is to bury 2.5 miles of new copper conduit cable up the west side of the mountain. The original cable was laid in the early 70's and has been faulty lately.

The project is scheduled for September and October of this year. Should Trico not get approval by the Forest Service in time to do the work this year, then they will do it the following fall.

There shouldn't be any interruption in our service during this time.

learned that the Mt. Lemmon Cub Scout Den # 2 Pack 185 plans to entertain.

Following the talent show will be a dance...records...and music for all ages. Dessert and coffee will be available. If you really can't/won't/hate to dance, just sit around and visit with your mountain neighbors...they're interesting people just like you.

### MLHA elects new officers

By Sheri Lee, Secretary MLHA

Your new officers elected by the board are President: Fred Pace, Vice President: Fran Zimmerman, Secretary: Dannie Hayhurst and Treasurer: Florence Wilhoite. The eleven other Board members are Bob Evison, Susan Garcia, Red Greth, Paul Hawkins, Pete Krauss, Sheri Lee, John Mulay, David Ostapuk, Ross Quigley, Ken Van Zandt and Vic Zimmerman.

**TALENT WANTED!  
FIRE DEPT. BENEFIT  
TALENT SHOW  
SUNDAY MAY 26 AT  
7 PM  
Contact Debbie or  
Sarah at 576-1519**

## MLWC Clubhouse open

By Dannie Hayhurst, Pres.  
MLWC

The clubhouse has experienced its brief spring cleaning ritual, and the water system is functioning (with the turn of a valve). Hopefully, some wonderful activities will occur over the summer at the clubhouse.

The library in the clubhouse will again be open in the afternoons, especially on the weekends! You can easily acquire a library card, and there are NO hidden costs. (If you want to be a volunteer library "opener upper", just let us know.)

The Tucson-Pima Arts Council (TPAC) exhibit will be shown through the end of May. Look for posters around the village for dates and times. Our school children and some of our own local artists have their works displayed for your viewing pleasure.

Also of news - the dumpsters are coming, the dumpsters are coming! Check behind the chocolate factory - I mean sewer treatment facility. Remember not to throw any "no no's" into the dumpsters. A large roll away dumpster will be available for building materials refuse on July 19th. Please keep that date in mind if you have large bulky materials to discard.

Special note to ALL the young people on the mountain for completing another year of their education: congratulations

and enjoy your summer break.

Mary Moran is offering art classes for young people (a lot younger than most of us reading this). If you have a grandchild, child or young friend with you this June, contact Mary for details.

Dues are again due and payable. Send your \$12.00 to Sharon Thomas, treasurer.

Welcome to new member Carol Jones and returning member Gini Thatcher Zimmerman.



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## ZAS has busy spring semester

By Florence Koch

There is always a lot of activity at the school because of various projects going on and visitors coming to bring information from the outside world.

The week of April 8 the Iowa Test of Basic Skills was given to let us show what we are doing well in and what we need to work on. Everyone attended each day and worked very hard on them. Here's to good results.

The children have been doing special interest reports and these are their interests presently: Jace - Bugs Bunny; Jodi - butterflies; P.J. - gila monsters; Daniel - bats; Paul - horned lizards; Leland - snakes; Alex - Egypt; Andy - temples of Egypt; and Corey - Mars. Annie Hayhurst and Debbie Vought have been volunteering time in the classroom listening to students read, helping write letters and organizing books in the library. These things make the children feel good that someone new is spending time and helping them.

Dr. Anne Miller has also been spending time at school observing and joining in doing things with the children. She was present the day of the Green Tea and helped set the table for our "all green" lunch on St. Patrick's Day. The menu was mashed potatoes, celery, lime jello, grapes, candies, punch, peas, kiwi desert and Wrigley's gum.

On one of our snowy days the children were pleasantly surprised by the arrival of the zoomobile from the Phoenix Zoo driven by Ken Ryan. Ken gave an interesting presentation including a tarantula, Gila monster, Harris hawk and a hedgehog. After an hour he hurried to get back to Tucson before the storm really hit Mt. Lemmon.

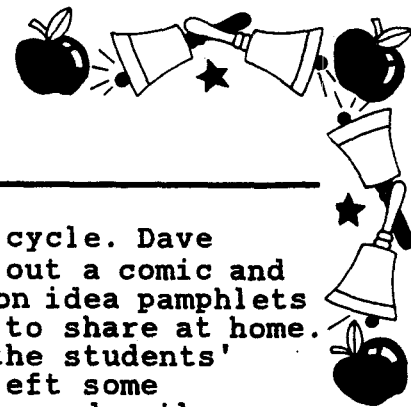
As a follow up to class discussions involving water, Michael Stanley gave a talk about

the hydrological cycle. Dave Chesleigh passed out a comic and water conservation idea pamphlets for each student to share at home. After answering the students' questions, Mike left some watermelon candies and smiles on the faces of the audience.

Some computer improvements have been made which include headphone adapters, mouse pads, disk files and blank disks for students to create some of their own programs.

Paul and Leland have started some flower seeds in the terrarium. They are awaiting their germination at this time and will notice they take quite a bit longer than the beans that were grown by Paul and Corey.

P.J. Buglewicz and Leland Vought had perfect attendance for the past nine week period. They have not missed any days so far this year. Keep up the good work boys! You are about to set a record.



### *Visitors Are Welcome To Zimmermann Accommodation School*

However, we do ask you to observe the following policy:

- Contact the teacher (576-1340) or the Pima County School Superintendent's Office (740-8451) ahead of the time and indicate the date/time you'll be coming into the classroom.
- If you choose to volunteer, the teaching staff will provide you guidance and direction upon your arrival.

*Thank You For Your Assistance and Cooperation!*

## New book about Catalinas now available

(Ed. Note: Cabin owner and Homeowner member, Kathy Alexander, has recently written and published a book on the history of the Catalinas. We asked her to tell us a little about why she decided to write it and about her new Skunkworks Publishing Co. on Mt. Lemmon. The following is her response.)

I first became fascinated about the history of the Catalinas during my work on the "Remembering Tucson" oral history project at the Arizona Historical Society which I directed from 1982-83. Edwin Knagge was one of the men we interviewed during this project. Knagge and his family ran a burro and mule team up and down the mountain from 1915-1918 carrying supplies for the campers at the top. His tales of the early life on the mountain were especially entertaining. At that time, Summerhaven and Soldier Camp were populated by women with their children who arrived on the mountain as soon as the school term was over and did not leave until it was time for school to start again in the fall. They were occasionally visited by their husbands on the weekends who unfortunately had to spend the long hot summers in Tucson tending businesses.

At first, I thought that I might write an article about the history of the Catalinas, but the story somehow grew into a book. In addition to several personal interviews, I drew information from the archives at the Arizona Historical Society, the University of Arizona's Special Collections, military records at Ft. Lowell and the clipping files at the Tucson Public Library. The pictures in the book came from the Historical Society, the UA Lunar and Planetary Lab, the Coronado National Forest and the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Wyoming. (Buffalo Bill owned mines in the northern slopes of the Catalinas.) My search

for "new" pictures from private collections was fruitless except for two photos of the Knagge mule team which were held by Katherine Lovett and were donated to the Historical Society. Most of the writing for Paradise Found was done on my laptop computer at our cabin. As I wrote, I sometimes wondered whether anyone else would care about this subject. I know now that a great many people are very interested in what has happened in the Catalinas and am pleased that the book has had several favorable reviews.

Some of you who have lived on the mountain for a lot longer than I have may remember some of the events differently than they are presented in the book. Some of you may have some very interesting stories which I omitted simply because I did not know about them. If so, I would like very much to talk to you about your experience as I am still collecting material on the history of the Catalinas.

Several people have asked why we named our Mt. Lemmon publishing business Skunkworks Productions. There were two reasons. Spotted skunks were frequent visitors and sometimes residents of our old cabin. We grew quite fond of those skunks and the name honors those usually sweet natured critters. In addition, "skunkworks" is a business term denoting a nontraditional research operation. And so, for both reasons, the name seemed fitting.

Paradise Found: The Settlement of the Santa Catalina Mountains can be purchased at Kimball Springs and at most locally owned bookstores in Tucson. It can also be ordered directly from Skunkworks Productions, PO Box 672, Mt. Lemmon, AZ 85619. The price is \$8.95 plus 5% sales tax and \$2.00 shipping. I hope the book will inform and entertain you!



## Mini-transfer stations available beginning May 7

Following is a reprint of a letter from George A. Brinsko, Director Solid Waste Division, Wastewater Management Department of Pima County.

April 15, 1991

Residents of Mt. Lemmon:

**SUBJECT: SOLID WASTE (GARBAGE) DISPOSAL FOR MT. LEMMON**

Please be advised that a waste hauler contractor will be retained by Pima County to service the Mt. Lemmon mini-transfer stations. Their work will begin on May 7, 1991 and will conclude on October 31, 1991. The Pima County Solid Waste Division is paying for a majority of the costs associated with providing this service to the residents of Mt. Lemmon. Businesses utilizing these bins will pay their fair share of the costs.

The following information outlines the locations and correct usage of the dumpsters for Mt. Lemmon residents and businesses:

Materials you may put in the  
dumpsters

Household garbage  
Rubbish  
Yard clippings

Please place materials **INSIDE**  
**THE DUMPSTERS - THANK YOU**

Materials you may NOT put  
in the dumpsters

Bulky items, including:  
Appliances, Furniture, Cement  
Products, Bricks, Cinder Blocks  
Large Steel Pipe, Construction  
Material

(Tentative hours for the treatment plant to be opened are 3:00 PM to sundown daily.)

For disposal of BULKY ITEMS, the Pima County Solid Waste Division currently provides the Trash Round-up program. This program can provide on a pre-arranged short-term basis, a container(s) in your area for the sole purpose of your bulky items. (TRASH ROUND-UP IS SCHEDULED ON MT. LEMMON FOR THE WEEKENDS OF JULY 19 AND SEPTEMBER 13, 1991.)

In order for the May-October dumpster service to continue, we are asking the residents and businesses authorized to utilize this service to help keep the area clean and free of litter; and to utilize the appropriate dumpsters and dispose of the correct material, as outline above.

## **Mini-transfer stations cont.**

(In addition, we ask that you:

- Please keep food items tied in a plastic bag so that animals are less likely to be lured to dumpsters.
- Do Not put liquids in the dumpsters because it drains out and gets into the stream.
- Keep doors on the dumpsters closed.)

The Pima County Solid Waste Division is also providing four containers for RECREATIONAL USE ONLY. These containers are located at the Bear Canyon campground, Loma Linda picnic area, Marshall's Gulch, and in the area next to the Palisades toilet facility.

In implementing a program of this type, certain decisions on the location, type and number of dumpsters had to be made. Our overall/primary goal is to make the program both viable and worthwhile. Your cooperation in making the mini-transfer station a success, as an environmentally sound means of handling your waste materials, is appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact Harry Alexander, Wastewater Management Department Project Manager, at 740-6500.

## **HOW ABOUT PLANNING A NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP?**



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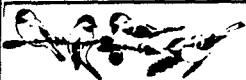
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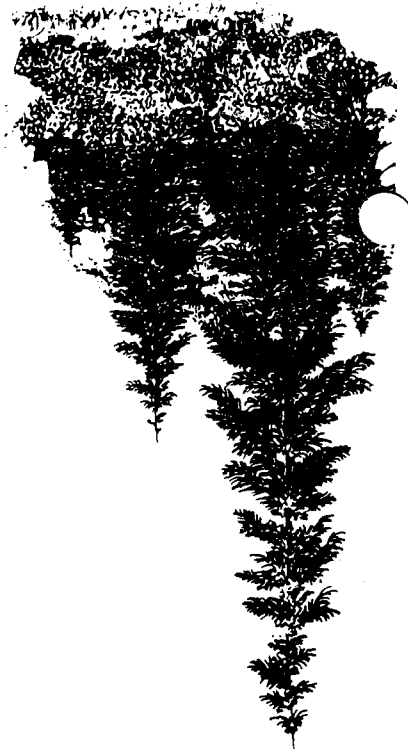
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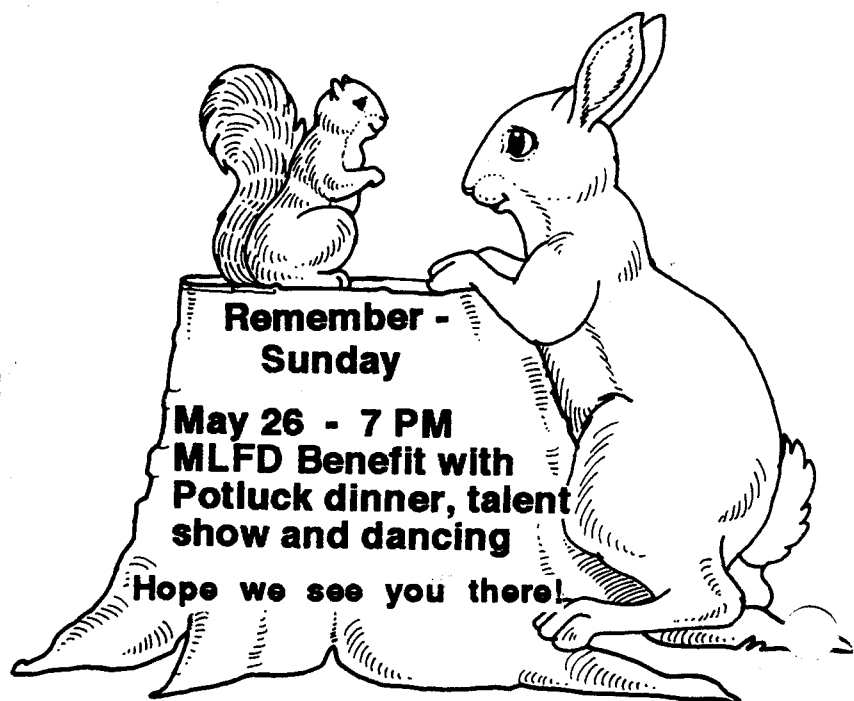
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**Remember -  
Sunday**

**May 26 - 7 PM  
MLFD Benefit with  
Potluck dinner, talent  
show and dancing**

**Hope we see you there!**