

# The Mt. Lemmon Echoes

*Serving the Homeowners of Mt. Lemmon*

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*Notes from the Water Co-op President...*

## Will monsoons bring relief soon?

By David Ostapuk,  
Mt. Lemmon Water Co-op

As I sit at my desk in Tucson and write this report on Sunday morning, July 17th, I am watching rain wet down the patio tile and moisten the browned leaves of patio plants that just a few weeks ago were green and lush. The desert is in desperate need of monsoon relief. Everywhere there is talk of a water shortage.

The City of Tucson recently announced a summer-use surcharge plan. The Metro Water District and Avra Valley both were reported as having water shortages lately in newspaper reports. Both of those water systems were appealing to their customers to conserve water. The Metropolitan Water District even installed a dedicated line to tap into City of Tucson water if their own reserves run out.

The Mt. Lemmon Cooperative Water Company does not have the luxury of looking to the City of Tucson for help. As a spring-fed system on the mountain "Island of Catalina", the Water Co-op is very much a captive of mother nature's whims at this time.

Our spring flows, which run at or above 50 gallons per minute in good times but were down to 10 gallons per minute in early June, are now below 6 gallons per minute. You can watch the streams dry up in their beds as the summer drags on.

We still have some water in our storage tanks. But, if we fall below 350,000 gallons, we'll send out notice that we will be in Phase 3 of our Water Curtailment Plan which will mean mandatory water-use restrictions, as opposed to our present voluntary conservation Phase 2 status.

In the meantime, recent reports of the mountain being "out of water" are both unfortunate and inaccurate. Such reports interfere with Mt. Lemmon businesses and unnecessarily scare people from

using the mountain. Clearly, water is a real concern, and the Board of the Water Co-op wants all customers to conserve water. Visitors to the mountain should be encouraged to also conserve and perhaps, bring their own water and ice when coming up to the mountain for a visit.

The Board will also take steps to insure that future statements to the news media from or by Co-op representatives are either pre-approved by the Board or are given out by a Board-approved spokesperson to help insure accurate news reporting of the problems.

With the cooperation of everyone, including Mother Nature, we'll see the stream flows steadily rising again soon.



### Congressman **JIM KOLBE**



**JULY  
TOWNHALL MEETING**  
Mt. Lemmon  
Saturday, July 23  
2:00 to 3:30 p.m.  
Mt. Lemmon Fire Station

## Special Homeowners meeting Aug. 6th

By Dannie Hayhurst, Pres.  
MLHA

The Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association needs a few minutes of your time. It's been 25 years since we formed and incorporated. Our incorporation has expired, and we want to renew it PERPETUALLY. We need you at the special meeting as a warm body or the enclosed proxy to vote for this renewal of incorporation.

The meeting is set for Saturday, August 6 at 4 p.m. in the fire station. If you are unable to attend, simply send back the enclosed proxy designating the attending board members to vote in your behalf.

This is all that will be done at this meeting, but it is important that 51% of the membership vote either in person or by proxy. The board members are:

Dannie Hayhurst	Fran Zimmerman
Bob Evison	Florence Wilhoite
Carolyn Autrey	Sandra Ostapuk
Red Greth	Larry Waldron
Carrie Reitz	John Mulay
Pete Krauss	Frannie Crowe
Paul Hawkins	Sheri Lee

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Homeowner's Association is:  
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*Thanks for your help!*



## Firefighters Morale & Welfare Fund off to a great start

By Ed Hardesty, PCSO

The pot luck dinner and concert held on July 3rd was an overwhelming success that resulted in our raising over \$1400.00 after expenses for the Firefighters Morale and Welfare Fund.

My plan that Sunday evening was to give my thanks to and recognize those who did so much to help make our fund raiser the success that it was; however, Mr. Murphy was in attendance that night as well, and it goes without saying what happens to the best made plans when he's around! So I'd like to take this opportunity now to give credit where credit is due.

100% of the Mt. Lemmon merchants got involved, starting with Susan Garcia of Kimball Springs. Susan got our fund off and running by naming it her charity to receive the proceeds of over \$600 from the Annual Chili Cook-off held at Kimball Springs on June 11th. In addition, Susan donated door prizes that were given away during the evening.

Other Mt. Lemmon merchants that donated door prizes, food for the pot-luck and/or donations to the Morale and Welfare Fund were-Ski Valley, J.K. Realty, Jimmy Cox, Aspen Trail Bed and Breakfast, and Other Treats Gallery (special thanks to Gini Thatcher for allowing us to use her place of business), Alpine Lodge, Summit Realty, Mt. Lemmon Realty, Mt. Lemmon Cafe and the Living Rainbow Gift Shop. Joan Klinger and Lea Patterson did a great job in contacting merchants in Tucson who donated door prizes as well. I hope to have individual letters of thanks sent out in the near future to all the businesses that contributed.

My thanks also to all of you who

saw where your help was needed during the evening and just pitched in. Thanks again to the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club, Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association and the Mt. Lemmon Merchant's Association for your support from the very start.

There was a point in time when the idea of a Firefighters Morale and Welfare Fund stopped being an idea and became a commitment that I had to see through to the end. Throughout it all, when there were those who saw only reasons why this couldn't become a reality, when the occasional problem would arise that didn't seem to have a workable solution, or on those days that it seemed I just wasn't getting anywhere towards our goal, my wife, Debbie, was always there beside me to offer her ideas and suggestions and to encourage me on. I want to thank her especially for all she did.

I think we've accomplished two goals: not only did we enjoy an evening of superb western heritage entertainment by Tom and Becky Chambers under the pines and bright stars with many friends and neighbors, but by the support shown by the various Mt. Lemmon organizations and the number of you attending the pot luck and concert. We sent a clear message of our support to our firefighters. This means a great deal to them. I know Thanks again to all of you!



### BULLETIN

**Sunday, July 17, 5 p.m.  
Kimball Springs reports  
that it has rained off and  
on all day today. Keep  
thinking rain!**

## Beaver's Bandbox Band is big hit of July 4th Parade

Many thanks to everyone that participated in our July 4th Parade.

We were pleased this year to have real live music from Howard Beaver Bandbox, thanks to the energy of Olga and Fred Pace. The many parade attendees enjoyed a variety of patriotic and marching songs. Fred and Olga not only arranged for the group to be up here, but they fed them, too! Thanks also to Jean Martin for the use of the Alpine's deck for the band and viewing stage.

The following are the names of the entries: Den #1 Pack 115 Cub Scouts from St Cyril School; The Famous Lounge Chair Drill Team consisting of the Autrey family from Mesa, AZ; Whispering Pines Girl Scouts; Stephanie Crowell, Troy and Perry Miller; Jacque and Jenny Genung, Kristen Engle and Jeanette McEndree; Aurora and Samuel Greenberg; Lauren Lederman and Carly Rubin; Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club; Mt. Lemmon Cathy Brown Bear; Scott Rowe; Sunrise Chapel - Arizona Mountain Camp; Alan Abel and Diane Judge; Living Rainbow Gift Shop; riding with Carey and Linda Kent in their 1929 Roadster Model A Ford Pickup was 101 year old **Tony Zimmerman**; Dave Parnell and Fred Pace in a Grey Model A with Paul and Barbara Marsh in the rumble seat; Johnny Gibson Barber Shop; the Rhind's Model A; Alpine Lodge, Ed Pecktol; Forest Service with Smokey Bear and the Mt. Lemmon Fire Department bringing up the rear.

Thank you to Pat Hayhurst and Bill Brown for "parade control" at the intersection; to the Pima County Sheriff's Dept. for controlling traffic to Bob Zimmerman and Skip Andre for a fine announcing job. The efforts of many make this a success!

## Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club News...

By Sharon Thomas, Pres.

Pine trees, cool weather and the beautiful cabin of B.J. Singh set the scene for our Silver Membership Tea in June. Olga Pace was our Tea Chairman this year. Our sincere thanks to Olga, Mary and Cynthia Rugg and Sheri Lee for their help in setting up for the tea and to the ladies of the club for the scrumptious sandwiches and desserts that they provided. Our music this year was presented by the Arizona Aires who sang madrigals. It was a lovely afternoon. For those of you who couldn't attend this year put this on your calendar as a must for next year.

I want to welcome our new members Henrietta Terrazas, Betty Hunt, Dorothy Crawford and Nancy Capsuto. We are so happy to have you join us.

Wonders never cease! For the first time in I don't know how long, the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club won First Place for the most patriotic in the Annual 4th of July Parade. We always have such a fun time and thank you all for participating and Regina Rhind for getting our costumes together.

Our hiking ladies have been having a great time on the trails on Mt. Lemmon. If you are interested in joining our ladies for a hike on Saturday moorings, please call Luann Waldron for further information. The next hike will be July 23.

Vivianne Danielson has been hard at work again having Rummage, Book and Bake Sales. They had a great weekend and a lot of fun. A big thank you to Patti Haskell for the three days she spent hanging up clothing and helping Vivianne. She also brought the items from the Assistance League that were donated to us and donated baked goods. Our other donations were

brought by Jo Ann Foor, Judy Kreloff, Helen Hawkins, Betty Mobley, Gini Thatcher and other anonymous donors. Dorothy Crawford donated a lot of baked goods. Thanks to everyone!

Vivianne is planning to have another Rummage, Food and Bake Sale on July 23 - 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.. We need donations and baked goods. Please call her to help that weekend. She will be setting up on Friday.

We are offering PHOTO'S BY B.J. again this year. It is a great opportunity to have a professional photographer take pictures of you and your family on the mountain. This will be available in August. Please call me for further information.

Our Wine and Cheese Party will be on August 20th. Further information will follow. Mark your calendars...we have had some changes.



## Want to sell, rent, buy? Echoes to offer Want Ads

With this issue, the Echoes advertising layout sizes are smaller. We have experienced an increased interest in advertising, along with restrictions on space and mailing weight.

The Homeowner's Board has decided to follow the lead of other newsletters and include space for people wanting to run ads to buy, sell or rent, etc. along with regular business ads.

The price is \$5 for up to five lines in a 2 1/4 X 1 1/4 block. Ads must be in by the 15th of the month to be included in the next issue. Remember to plan ahead for calendared

information. Please include payment with your ad info.



## Echoes from the past

By Sheri Lee

There are at least two legends of how the CATALINAS got their name. Both say that Father Kino named them and they were originally the Santa Catarinas.

One story is that he named them after his sister. The other is that he first came to them in 1697 on St. Catherine's Day, and that it was a custom to name places for the Saint's Day upon which they were first visited.

Over the years the name has evolved to SANTA CATALINAS.

MT. BIGELOW - In the early 1870's a young Lt. John Bigelow, Jr. of the 10th Cavalry was a scout in the Santa Rita's. His father was the Ambassador to France from 1864 to 1867.

In 1974 the Mt. Lemmon Accommodation School was renamed the T.H. ZIMMERMAN ACCOMMODATION SCHOOL.. Tony is recognized as one of Pima County's outstanding retired teachers. However, Tony never taught at this school and Bob was never a student there.

SABINO CANYON: In the 1870's Sabino Otera had a cattle ranch near the mouth of the canyon.



## Pigs in paradise

By Cadie Pruss, District Wildlife Mgr., AG&FD

While the top of Mt. Lemmon may never have been home to a herd of javelina before, they do inhabit areas between 5,500 and 7,500 feet in elevation. Herds at these elevations were studied around the Mogollon Rim. This was considered marginal habitat because of the lack of adequate food and severe winters. The Summerhaven herd has combatted the adverse winter weather and lack of food by smuggling up against a warm house, covered by a porch and then going out for dinner.

The average homerange size is only one square mile (not much bigger than Summerhaven and surrounding homes). Within the homerange is a network of regularly used trails linking feeding areas to bedding and water areas. Javelina are territorial and will actively defend their homerange by raising the hair on their backs and making tooth and jaw popping to intimidate a potential threat. A vocalization called "woofing" alerts other herd members to possible dangers.

It is generally recognized that a herd of 7 or more javelina can adequately defend themselves, groups smaller than that are more susceptible to predation. Their sense of smell is very keen, while their hearing is only a little better than that of humans. They have very poor eyesight with studies showing that a javelina has difficulty seeing a moving man beyond 75 yards.

Their diet consists of roots, tubers and bulbs, cacti and other succulent plants, mesquite beans and they especially enjoy bird seed.

Many of you recognize that feeding the group on the mountain has created a people-dependant herd, one that has become more demanding. At the Memorial Day dinner I was invited to attend, we discussed ways to convince people who feed them that it is not only hazardous to other homeowners, but also potentially deadly to the animals.

As a rule of thumb, wildlife will stay wild and away from people when there are no enticements. All wildlife need food, water, shelter and space to survive. When people provide one of these elements, they are inviting the animal into "our" space and creating a dependency. More often than not this relationship goes bad. Wild animals do not respect property and, sooner or later, become a nuisance rather than a unique experience.

(The Mt. Lemmon "herd" has been spotted off and on all summer. At this time, there has been no attempt to move them. If you have any questions or comments, you may contact Cadie Pruss at 628-5376.)



### Calendar of Events

- July 23 2 ☞ 3:30 p.m.  
Townhall meeting with U.S. Rep. Jim Kolbe at Fire Station
- July 23-24 10 a.m. ☞ 4 p.m.  
Rummage, Book & Bake Sale at Woman's Club
- August 6 12:30 p.m.  
Woman's Club meeting at Franny Crowe's cabin  
4 p.m.  
Special meeting of Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Assoc. at Fire Station
- August 21 1 ☞ 4 p.m.  
Third Annual Cabin Tours - Please note date change from last calendar.  
Reservation form included in this issue.


### The Water Dude

Well if for a story you're in the mood,  
let me tell you all a tale about the WATER DUDE.  
Now the Water Dude stands long and lean  
it comes from running back & forth from tank to spring  
One day the water level got as low as could be.  
I saw him stick a tap in the side of a tree.  
When he turned that spigot came a rumbling sound, then  
came cool water from out the ground.  
Now he can get water DAMN near anywhere, he's  
probably even got some in his underwear.  
The DUDE keeps us in water from springs and tanks,  
but when's the last time we all said thanks?  
Without him making sure the water runs  
we'd all be some bad smelling sons of guns.  
So the next time you decide to go on that hike,  
When you return, showers thanks to Mike.  
Or when you play all day up on the hill,  
That thirst quenching drink is thanks to Will.  
So next time you turn that tap and the water won't fall,  
You reach for the phone to make that call,  
just say "I'm out of water, anything you can do?"  
And "Thanks for your efforts WATER DUDE".  
So suggesting to locals, I don't think it's rude.  
Let's show our appreciation for the WATER DUDE.

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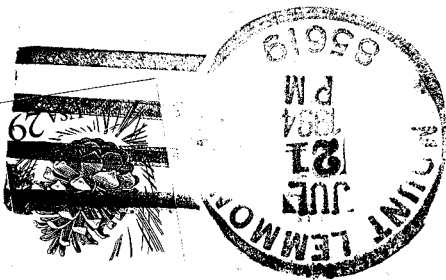
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