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Cabin I.D. program proves useful in recent break-in

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We've had our first success with the Cabin I.D. program. Early on the morning of September 4, Will Jaster and Rick Gray were alerted to the sound of breaking glass and found a suspicious person outside their cabin. They detained the person until Deputy Gatenby arrived to interview and release him.

Later on that day, the cabin involved was located and the broken window found confirming that an attempted break-in had occurred. The owners of this cabin were unavailable. However, because they were registered with the cabin I.D. program, Deputy Hardesty was able to contact a responsible party (in this case, relatives) to inform them of the damage done to the cabin so they could arrange to have repairs done and the cabin secured.

Although it has taken longer than expected, the I.D. placards are now available. After unsuccessful attempts to deliver these placards door-to-door recently, we would like to try another method of delivery. If you would leave your name with Dannie or Fran at Mt. Lemmon Realty, 576-1333, your placard will be left with them for you to pick up. If you are unable to get through to Fran or Dannie before your next trip to the village, stop in at the Living Rainbow Gift Shop during regular business hours and Debbie Hardesty will arrange to get your placard to you.

The Cabin I.D. program will work towards reducing our problem of burglaries on Mt. Lemmon. How well it works will depend on the number of property owners we can encourage to participate in the program. It's very important to inform any guests or renters using your cabin of the importance of

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using the program.

A burglary on Loma Linda Extension in late July could possibly have ended with the arrest of the suspects. After the suspects got their car stuck in the driveway, a guest using the neighbor's cabin, inadvertantly helped them get out. He felt badly afterwards and wished he had insisted they wait until the Sheriff's department arrived to help.

So remember - report any suspicious persons and vehicles around your neighbors' cabins and

use your I.D. placards.

OPEN LETTER TO OUR COMMUNITY...

Five years ago the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club made arrangements for our trash bins during the busy months from May to October. This service provided the community with an alternative to carrying our trash back to town ourselves.

It has been noted that the dumpsters are also being used by many visitors to our mountain and the business community.

Since the dumpsters are now located on the main street in our village and have on many occasions become an eyesore, we are urging all users (business, cabin owners and visitors) to voluntarily pick up loose trash and keep the area clean around these receptacles.

We are concerned that the continued misuse of these dumpsters will result in 1) attracting animals, bears in particular, 2) polluting the nearby stream, and 3) making the unsightly nuisance on the main street even worse. The ultimate result of this misuse could well mean the removal of these dumpsters by Pima County Waste Management.

The Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club is asking for everyone's full cooperation and support in this community effort.

Thank You, Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club

Road construction nearly finished

If you have driven the Catalina highway recently, you've noticed that Ames Construction is nearly done with the last road widening project. The paving and curbing are almost finished and the hillsides are covered with plantings.

Hundreds of pine and oak seedlings have been planted with protective tubing around each one. The eight pullouts have been planted with larger trees, including aspen, ponderosa and oaks. The rock work has been completed, parking areas paved, and, all in all, it is looking good.

The heavy equipment is gone from the Palisades area, road closures and delays are finished and life can return to normal.

The good news from the Federal Highway Administration is that the next phase of reconstruction work won't begin until January 1996. An article in the August 29 issue of the Arizona Daily Star, quotes John Carver, FHA project manager, as saying the next phase will focus on an area between MP 7.5 and MP 10.3.

This last 4.2 mile segment which cost \$10 million, is part of the \$39 million federally funded project to widen the highway. The total miles now completed are 11.7 out of a total 24.9 mile project. Officials are unable to estimate when the entire project will be done since work depends on available funding yearly.

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