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## A WARM SUMMER GREETING FROM THE MLHO PRESIDENT

by John Mulay

Well, I am sure that many of you are getting good use out of your cabins with the present heat in Tucson. I sure wish that I could stay up on the mountain all summer. Where did all that snow go?

Be sure and attend all of the events that go on for the 4th of July. I know that Mount Lemmon has one of the best parades in the state each summer thanks to the hard work of Fran Zimmerman. This is a great event for the mountain so be sure and bring your family and friends to this event.

The Saturday morning hikes (walks) are in full swing and those attending are having a great time. Be sure and join the

Mount Lemmon walkers at 8:00 a.m. at the post office on Saturday. This is really a great way to meet people and learn more about the mountain.

We have had two Bunko parties at the Alpine and a great time was had by all that attended. With the beautiful evenings it is great out on the patio for dinner and to play the game. Please come join the next Bunko party.

I would like to welcome the new members that have recently joined the homeowners association. Please keep checking with your neighbors and try and get them to join.

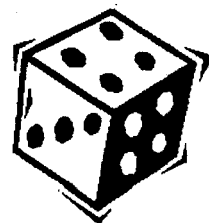


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Saturday, July 11th at 6:00 p.m. Linday Mulay has planned another Bunko party at the Alpine Lodge. Barbeque chicken or ribs will be served on the patio for the special price of \$12.15, including tax and gratuity.

Please RSVP to Linday Mulay by Sunday July 5th with your choice of ribs or chicken so she can let Don Underhill know quantities to order.

Don't miss this evening with your Mt. Lemmon neighbors.



# RAMBLINGS FROM BILL WINDSOR

Bill Windsor and his family, wife Michele and daughters Page and Maddie, have lived on Mt. Lemmon for three years. During that time Bill has become very familiar with the Catalinas and its vegetation. Bill has graciously agreed to write articles for the Echoes describing what he has learned. This is the first in a series of articles created for your enjoyment and to enhance your knowledge about what its like in the Catalina Mountains.

## Spring At Last!

I love living on Mount Lemmon in the winter. I enjoy the magical transformation of the environment and the quiet serenity that comes during a snowfall. I also like having the Mount Lemmon Highway to myself when I return home in the evenings. But this winter was a bit tougher and longer than usual. Winter storms and strong winds kept a chill in the house, water pipes broke during a long freeze and deep snows put an edge to driving even with my "snow-master" International Truck. Bye-the-way, kudos and thanks to all of the hard working locals for their fine work in clearing our roads and keeping our infrastructure up and running. I personally gave up shoveling snow in late February. Michele, kept our deck clear just about all winter. The Windsor family is ready for spring!

With the record snowfall this winter, this spring promises to be spectacular. If we get any rain at all this spring Wild flowers will be plentiful, and it should be a great year to collect edible and medicinal plants and wild mushrooms.

Herbal remedies and wild foods are becoming quite popular. One of my greatest joys is eating a meal of wild mushrooms and I frequently use herbal remedies to strengthen the immune system and help with mild distress symptoms. Users should beware though that even over-the-counter products can be dangerous and potentially deadly when used incorrectly. Plants and mushrooms are miniature chemical factories, some with extremely potent toxins. A person for-

aging for wild foods must be knowledgeable about the plant being used and all possible "look-alikes". For example, there are two species of mushrooms that grow on Mt. Lemmon that, to the untrained eye, look very much alike. One will reward you with a delicious meal, the other will kill anyone who takes even one bite of a dish cooked with even one small mushroom. If you get sick after eating this mushroom you will be lucky if you can find a hospital that can save you. Most who eat this mushroom will not get sick right away, or they may feel slightly nauseous and then feel better in just a few hours. Meanwhile, the mushroom's toxin is killing the liver. In a matter of days, and before you show any symptoms, the liver will be completely dead. At this point you

either get a liver transplant or you die. This deadly mushroom and its close kin are responsible for about 90% of all mushroom poisoning deaths in the United States. Never consume wild foods that you cannot identify with absolute certainty.

Having related this nasty bit of information, let me assure the reader that foraging for foods can be completely safe and a great deal of fun. Certain plants and mushrooms are very distinctive and cannot be mistaken for anything harmful. The study of field identification is a relaxing way to pass long winter nights.

Spring brings a special treat to our mountain environment. By mid June, wild bracket strawberries can be found in the canyons. These are very small and difficult to harvest before critters get to them, but the reward of a sweet tasty treat makes it well worth the effort. The plant and flower looks exactly like small commercial strawberry plants. The fruits are very small, usually less than 1/2 inch, but they are delicious and have a stronger flavor than store bought strawberries. Find the flowering plant, then return to the area about two weeks later. The trick is to beat the critters to this wonderful treat!

After any rain fall in July the delicious and healthy Wood Ear mushrooms can be found. I will tell you how and where in the next issue of Echo.



# 4TH OF JULY PARADE!

Saturday, July 4th, the Mt. Lemmon Women's Club will be hosting the 4th of July parade. This is a fun event that truly brings everyone together on a beautiful summer afternoon. By-standers gather early in the village for the exciting presentation of floats and characters that begin at the post office and continue down the road through Summerhaven.

If you would like to be one of the participants just fill out the form enclosed in this issue and give it to Fran Zimmerman at Mt. Lemmon Realty, P.O. Box 1. It is a lot of fun being in the parade so don't delay in signing up.

This is a great way to begin your celebration of the fabulous Fourth!

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### Don't Forget!


The Saturday morning hiking group is still meeting every Saturday at 8:00 am in front of the post office.

If you have any questions call  
Luann at 743-3034 or  
576-1568

## KIDS' CLUB GOING STRONG!

Since June the kids of Mt. Lemmon have been coming together every Saturday morning, from 10:00 until noon, for the Saturday Morning Kids Club. Everyone involved has had a lot of fun.

The first Saturday involved a little play acting, and games including sherades. The next Saturday the group met at Kimball Springs where they made tortillas with Ragie Garcia, learned a few magic tricks from Julian Garcia and played some more games. Last Saturday the kids learned a little about musical instruments, lis-

tened to Peter and the Wolf, and danced the Hokey Pokey and the Chicken. 

The remaining Saturday's promise to be just as fun. A nature hike and a trip to the Steward Observatory at the very top of Mt. Lemmon are among the things planned. Don't miss another Saturday morning. The group usually meets at the cabin of Olga and Fred Pace. If you need more information call Olga Pace at 576-1420 or Suzanne Hensel at 576-1272.

# A Hot Spot Of Activity Gives A Boost To Fire Department

by John Roads

Things continue to be fairly quiet at the fire station so far this year. The department has handled only 84 calls to date

this year. Forest fires are down at the moment for June. There was a man caused 2 acre fire two weeks ago near White Tail. Fires continue to plague Florida and Texas, way out of season for those areas. The timeliness of the monsoon storms will dictate future conditions here. If the storms are delayed and light in moisture, fire problems could result, late into the summer and fall. If the storms provide high moisture, the fire

season may stay low. Either way, diligence is a necessity to prevent any fires from occurring.

The week of June 22nd, firefighters resumed pile burning in the village. This is rare for June, however, fuel moistures are just right to allow sufficient burning while at the same time, keeping the fire in control.

On June 6th, the Fire District was the recipient of the

proceeds from the Fire and Ice Chili Cook-off. This year proved to be quite successful, many thanks to many local

volunteers for their assistance and extra chili. Typically chili supplies run out quickly forcing the Fire Department to turn away money. This year, several local chili chefs made large batches of non competition chili so cup sales could continue. Many thanks to all the local businesses for their donations to the raffle, and especially thanks to Julian and Ragie Garcia for again allowing the cook-off to be held in the parking lot of Kimball Springs.

The new water

tender discussed previously should be on the mountain within the next couple of weeks. The tender is undergoing a paint job in Phoenix before State Land delivers the unit.

Just a friendly reminder, let's make sure that all cabins have working smoke detectors. **SMOKE DETECTORS DO SAVE LIVES!** If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Chief at 576-1201.



Julian Garcia not only hosted the Cook-off, he also helped out by making snow cones. He was eagerly assisted by 8 year old Chandler Miranda.

# THE ARTS COME TO THE MOUNTAIN IN STYLE

by Neil Bloomfield

All of us in the Mt. Lemmon Business Alliance want to express our sincere appreciation to Diane Lisle, owner of Clay Hands Gallery in Tubac and one of our mountain's newest residents. The time and effort Diane spent in producing our first Fine Arts and Crafts Show paid off in a big way! The comments heard from the artists, business owners, cabin owners, and mountain visitors confirmed that the weekend was an overwhelming success.

Having a limited number of such talented artists set up their booths throughout the village not only created the festive congestion and parking problems that posed a potential problem. We hope to sponsor a similar event each year to welcome in the summer season, continuing to limit the number of participants by invitation only and insuring the high quality of future exhibitors. By doing so, we look forward

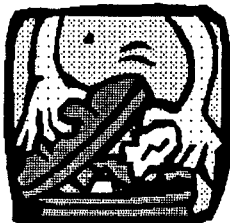
to having the continued support of mountain residents as well as a manageable number of enthusiastic visitors.

The artists all agreed that they were definitely well fed during their brief stay on the mountain. Don Underhill of the Alpine Lodge served the artists complimentary lunches; and one of the high points of the weekend was the community potluck dinner held Saturday night on the deck, around the fire, at Cabins and Cookies. Thanks to Vic Zimmerman, who provided all the burgers, everyone left full, relaxed, and warmed by the camaraderie of new friends.

A special thanks, too, to those residents who so generously hosted several of the artists for the weekend. It meant a great deal to them. The foundation for new relationships was laid and the entire community benefitted from their hospitality. Here's to next year!

## HARBOR DAYS CLEAN-UP

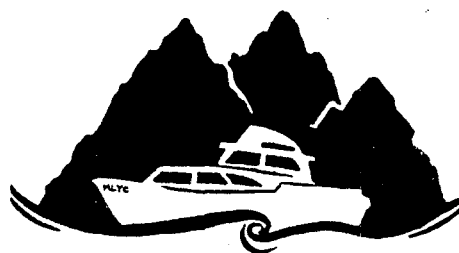
by Captain Queeg



The first annual "Harbor Days" clean-up of the Sabino Creek were held on June 6th and 7th. About 20 members met at 7 a.m. each day and worked their way downstream from the Alpine Lodge to

Middle Sabino Road. Our waters yielded three and a half truck loads of tires, signs, bottles, cans, pipes, and plastic. A lot of plastic.

Joan Klinger hosted refreshments and Bloody Mary's each morning, and the weekly Sunday breakfast at the



**Mt. Lemmon Yacht Club**

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Alpine was hosted by the Yacht Club for about 25 members and guests. The plan is to repeat the process at least twice a year.

Watch for the fall Commodore's Ball and the first sailboat race down the creek in April of '99.

# CALENDAR REMINDERS

**4th Of July Parade** - Don't delay! Get your entry form to Fran today so she can find a place for your group in the parade.

Parade starts at noon and marches right through the center of Summerhaven.

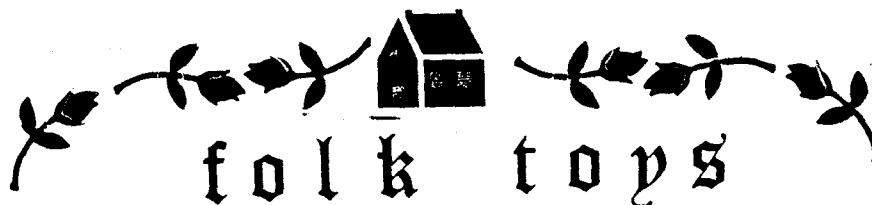
**Kids' Club** - Every Saturday through July (except on the 4th) from 10 to 12 p.m. usually at the Pace's. Call Olga Pace at 576-1420 or Suzanne Hensel at 576-1272 for more details.

**Women's Club Meetings** - The August 1st meeting is tentatively planned for the mountain home of Barbara Haynes at 12:30.

The September meeting will be held on the mountain at Thompson Huges' place

**Bunko** - Alpine Lodge patio, Saturday, July 6th at 6:00 pm. Please RSVP to Linda Mulay by Sunday, July 5th at 327-4615.

The next Bunko party will be held August 15th, so mark you calendar!



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Please write below what you want the announcer to say about your group:

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