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# Mt. Lemmon Echoes

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"You can overlook Tucson, but you can't overlook Mt Lemmon"

## From the President

by Larry Waldron

### Pima County votes to continue with the Mt. Lemmon Shuttle

The Mt. Lemmon Shuttle and Faul Museum project has been a highly charged issue for most of this summer. There has been much debate and effort expended from both opponents and supporters over the museum portion of the project. I would like to thank each of you that became involved. Many good ideas and valid concerns developed from both supporters and opponents alike. Because of your efforts many modifications were included in the final report given to the Pima County Board.

I will list some of the major changes included in the final report. The museum will no longer be used as a community center but will remain a community meeting room. In other words the museum will now be similar to that of a public library. Another major change was made to the reversionary clause. The property would have reverted back to the Faults had the shuttle failed for more than one year. Now the county will retain this property once \$250,000 is invested in construction. A dual water system using reclaimed water (from a planned hookup to the water treatment plant) will be used to flush toilets at the museum and hopefully at the comfort station. Flushing toilets with recycled water

will reduce the effective water usage. This design is much more beneficial than just leeching water into the ground through a septic field. Another change, in name only, is the property will now be known as the 'Faul Museum and Nature Preserve'. Since there are no picnic tables on the property the name change was made to remove any possibility that visitors might construe it as a family picnic area. The building location will now be slightly adjusted on site to reduce any major tree removal and also reduce the view from neighbor's properties. The shuttle trips were adjusted to reduce fixed operational costs. The shuttle will primarily be in operation on weekends, holidays and for group reservations to reduce grant requirements. A joint committee consisting of neighbors, businesses and community associations is planned to work with county staff in developing a mutually acceptable museum plan.

The Pima County Board of Supervisors voted on Wednesday October 17th to proceed with the shuttle project. It is now time for our entire Summerhaven community to find a renewed spirit of cooperation and make this museum a good neighbor to those living near it. Mr. Carroll and county staff want to work with our community to develop a final construction and operational plan that will minimize impact to neighbors and yet meet the project's objectives. Please be willing to share your constructive thoughts with a joint committee and develop a centerpiece that all of us will be proud of.

## Healing Words & Cooperative Spirit Is Hope of Pima County Supervisor Ray Carroll

Now that the Pima County Board of Supervisors has voted to support the Mt. Lemmon Shuttle and Faul Nature Preserve, we can all move on to planning and development of this great effort. This became a controversial issue, but now the people of Pima County and the residents of Mt. Lemmon should come together and move on.

We need to help each other heal some wounds that have been caused by this controversy. Those who have opposed this project need to be included in formulating the plans for the use of the museum and meeting room. We should not dismiss any concerns that the opponents have had.

I know that the Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association has attempted reconciliation with the opponents of the project. I believe that now we should all support this effort. The best way we can go forward is to create a cooperative spirit to deal with the future Faul Museum and Nature Preserve. I have learned that sometimes the fiercest of adversaries can become the closest of allies.

I sincerely thank all of those who supported this project, and encourage everyone — no matter what side they may have taken — to continue to be involved in this important project for Mt. Lemmon.

*Ray Carroll*

## Thank You All Around

October 1, 2000 M.A.S.

Today, I was faced with meeting the Fauls to ease their questions of why there was opposition to their donation and to tell them about yesterdays (September 30<sup>th</sup>) meeting. I arrived as they were unloading the car, I helped get the food and some fire wood into the cabin. The cabin had the same smell as my grandpa's house had. Jim is 90 years old and allowed me to take some of the stuff in. Mary was opening the shutters to the place and yelling at Jim to get the electricity on. There was some problem with the water since they had only been up in May, but there was at least 8 or 9 gallon jugs of water on the porch. Of course I was the one that could handle the water jug transport to the kitchen and the bathroom. After the car was unloaded Mary fixed coffee and had brought donuts for a snack. Jim, Mary and I set on the front porch and talked. The first words from Jim was "what's wrong with these people?"

Well, I laid it on the line about the small size of the opposition and that the majority of the Community and Pima County was in full support. They were happy to hear there were more "for" than "against" the plan. I gave them a copy of the returned results from the "Michael Stanley and Friends" mail out.

As I flipped through the 150 yes returns, Jim asked is this all the yes votes? I said no, there are more. His eyes told a happy story, he was

amazed!

About that time Jim Glinski and his girlfriend Sandy showed up. Jim Glinski is a major player in the Faul story. He is the builder friend of mine that presented the original plan to both the Fauls and Supervisor Carroll of Pima County. Jim Glinski is a good friend of the Faul's.

The 5 of us set on the porch and discussed every thing we could think

of the businesses & friends) had prepared a fantastic "large" gift basket to give to the Fauls in the name of support for their donation.

I went to the car and as I brought it to the porch, Mary said something to the effect of "Holy Christmas what do you have there?"

I told them this basket was from the supporters to show their

*Photo below was taken by Mike Stanley of Mr & Mrs Faul receiving their gift basket from the MLCECs, the merchants & friends of Mt Lemmon.*



of concerning the project and the public meeting (September 30<sup>th</sup>). It was a wonderful morning and in my opinion was very positive. The Fauls were still willing to continue with the project.

As most of you know, several supporters (the Mt Lemmon CECs with added contributions from some

gratitude for their generous contribution to the community. Mary was overwhelmed, Mr. Faul was stuck for words. I, in no way, could ever tell you in words the look on their faces. As Mary removed the gifts from the basket she would say "This is just like Christmas, I am so amazed there is

so much support" and be more overwhelmed with each item she opened. Mr. Faul would read each of the cards. Before the readings he would tap Mary's leg and say "now pay attention" then would read the card out loud. She loved all of the gifts and wondered if she would reach the bottom of the basket. Each of the items had a place, either here or "at the farm." It was a wonderful time. The meeting really showed the community's effort and all the support we are willing to give to a very worthwhile project. I feel very privileged to be a part of this project.

I must say, I have been discouraged in dealing with all the misinformation, lying and B.S. a small vocal minority has put out, but with a day like yesterday and today my feelings are renewed. The Fails, along with all of you can give the community something to be proud of.

A definite THANK YOU from the Faul's and from the bottom of my heart a THANK YOU!  
MICHAEL STANLEY

## News from the The Watering Hole

by President Chuck Autrey

Your Mount Lemmon Cooperative water company has full tanks and Michael Stanley is preparing the system for the winter months. We suggest you get your cabin's water pipes ready for the cold weather too. Here are some ideas that may keep you from wasting water and having some serious damage to your water pipes. Turn off your water at the meter when you leave. Open your taps and drain your lines as best you can. Flush your toilets and pour antifreeze in the bowl. Also pour antifreeze in all your drains to protect the p-traps. Everyone at the

water company hopes you have a safe and enjoyable winter.

## Weather Report

Weather as of October 18, 2000  
Year to date moisture is 30.92 inches, the normal is 36 inches.  
October moisture through the 18<sup>th</sup> is 6.33 inches (between the 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>).  
High temperature of 76 was on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October. Low temperature of 32 was on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October.

Information is courtesy of Mark Hopkins, our postmaster

*Reminder, it is now time to winterize your cabin.*

Monday morning (10/23): Mark said we have 3.5" more from this weekend's storm at the post office. You can add that to the year to date. Also there was 3" of snow at the top of the mountain.

## LOMA SABINO GATE CLOSURES ANNOUNCED

by Linda Currin

At the Loma Sabino Homeowners Association Annual Meeting held October 1, 2000, the membership voted to authorize the Board of Directors to implement the following regarding the subdivision's gates. For a 24 hour period beginning November 15, 2000, at 11:00 A.M., until November 16, 2000, at 11:00 A.M., ALL gates into the Loma Sabino subdivision will be closed and locked. The only access to the area will be available at the main entrance of Loma Sabino at the Catalina Highway and Loma Linda Picnic area where a Pima County sheriff's deputy will be available for assistance.

Please be aware that the following gates will REMAIN CLOSED as of November 16, 2000, at 11:00 A.M on a continuous basis:

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AVENUE

GATE AT ENTRANCE OF  
LOMA SABINO AT TUCSON  
AVE.

The Tucson Avenue gate will be closed on a continuous basis with the proviso that it be opened for snow plowing for reasonable access to the Retreat Subdivision area.

If you have questions, please contact Stratford Management, Teri Foust, Manager, at 795-6500.

Costco is having a recall on the 18 foot & 25 foot length clear rope lights - item #'s 290646 & 325367, purchased between 11/99 and 8/00. Return to Costco for a full refund. Any questions about this recall contact L'Image Home Products at its toll free consumer hotline

1-877-383-6399

## Bunko

Bunko is over for the year! Thank-you for your support, MLWC and MLHO! We all had a lot of fun and made many new friends on the mountain. We will start up again in May or June, if anyone has a suggestion on another way of getting together and supporting our businesses let me know. Linda Mulay

Highway Hotline  
**751-9409**



## WOMAN'S CLUB NEWS

Luann Waldron, president

More than 50 people attended the fall family potluck on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at the Hensel's cabin. What a great location for a Woman's' club picnic. It was a beautiful day with a light rain shower just as we were setting up, but we enjoyed sunshine for the rest of the picnic. It was great to meet many of the new members and their families. The children enjoyed the swing, trampoline and the pond. Thanks to the Hensel's for offering their home setting for this event.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. It will be a presentation by members of the Pima County Attorneys Victim Witness Program. Watch your E-mail's or Postcards for directions. Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> is our Christmas Brunch. Mark your calendars now.

The new directory is complete and is being handed out. If you will not be at the meetings in Nov/Dec please let me know so I can arrange to get the directory to you. Thanks to my husband, Larry, for all his work with helping put this directory together (and taking the picture for the cover).

If you would like information about joining the Woman's Club please call Luann Waldron, 743-3034 or Olga Pace, 577-1993.

## George P. Davies Generating Station to be Formally Dedicated November 3

RSVP to Trico Barb Ziemann  
by Oct 27<sup>th</sup> please 744-2944 ext1362

The early afternoon dedication of the \$250,000 George P. Davies Generating Station, just north of the Mt. Lemmon Fire Station, will be

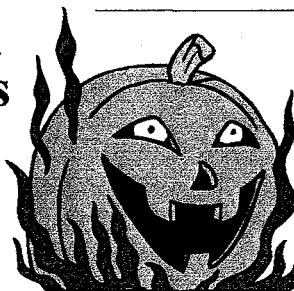
followed by an informal reception. All Mt. Lemmon residents and business owners are invited to attend. Please RSVP (see above).

Trico Electric Cooperative is inviting its members on Mt. Lemmon to the dedication of the George P. Davies Generating Station on the afternoon of Friday, November 3. The facility is named after George P. Davies, owner of Mt. Lemmon Ski Valley and Trico board president.

The George P. Davies Generating Station can supply the mountain with power if the 25,000-volt distribution line running from a substation near Saddle Brooke up the mountain is put out of service. The backup generator can also be turned on remotely from Trico's office if weather makes the road up the mountain impassible.

There will be enough diesel fuel at the generation site to keep electricity flowing for more than a week if necessary.

Trico serves about 700 customers in the Mt. Lemmon area, including Willow Canyon, Rose Canyon, Palisades and Organization Ridge, Soldiers Camp and the village area. About 75 percent of the Trico power line is above ground, with the top quarter under ground, and the mountain's peak demand is around 900 Kilowatts. The generator can produce 1,450 watts of power.



## Fire District Update

Chief John Roads is currently under the weather with pneumonia and will have an article for the December issue of the Echoes. Here's wishing him a speedy recovery.

**Upcoming Fire Board Election:**  
There are two seats available in the upcoming general election November 7<sup>th</sup> for the Fire Board.

Bob Zimmerman is on the ballot as a candidate. Stephanie Gilbert and Danielle Hayhurst are running as "write-in" candidates.

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The Chief has been drafting a proposal to recruit homeowners as volunteers one weekend a month. We have survived the toughest summer of all in respect to a lack of manpower. There has been a shortage of firefighters all over the country. This will involve recruiting homeowners to volunteer to be on call to assist with dispatching and handling EMS emergencies. If each homeowner volunteers one weekend a month, or even one weekend every two months, we would have the necessary manpower to handle each call more effectively and safely. More to follow – stay tuned or call the fire station if you have questions now.

A CPR class is currently being scheduled at the fire station. Call the station (576-1201) for details.

## Septic Systems

Bob Zimmerman asked Pima County Environmental Quality if they would come to Mt. Lemmon and talk to the community about the changes about to take affect regarding septic systems. They promptly agreed, but got to learn 1<sup>st</sup> hand about our road construction delays. The new director of the Department of Environmental Quality, Ursula Kramer, came and brought Richard Grimaldi and Larry Hawke with her. Ms. Kramer gave us an overview of the EPA requirements that affect the state

agency, and how those federally mandated requirements impact every county DEQ office in the state. The states are divided up into regions, and Arizona is part of Region 9, based in San Francisco. Arizona could lose its right to regulate itself if the national EPA deems that the state is not enforcing national EPA requirements. The down side is that the national EPA regulations would still be enforced. In the past, each county was allowed some discretion in design qualifications for septic systems that allowed for the soil differences around the state. The state's response to the national EPA requirements is to bring all counties

under the same guidelines - something called Engineering Bulletin 12. This has very little discretion for site constraints and will have a significant impact on Mt Lemmon, as well as other areas in the state.

Everyone seemed to agree that there would be more engineering work "up front" to qualify a site to specifications, but there was nothing in the rules about who would be qualified to do site specifications. This, when enacted, will remove some of the power from the county, and standardize the requirements statewide. That is great if a Phoenix company wants to bid a job in Flagstaff or Sierra Vista, but not so

good for areas whose soil and site size is inconsistent with the requirements of the EPA.

Ms. Kramer promised to review a list of questions given her staff at this meeting, and to take some of our concerns to the state administrative board reviewing these changes and get back to Bob Zimmerman.

According to the information Bob Zimmerman has, after the first of the year, it will be extremely difficult, if possible at all, to get a standard septic system approved. The alternative septic systems will be extremely expensive (in the \$14,000 - \$20,000 range) if possible at all.



**Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2000 Time 6:30PM -9:30PM**

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October 3, 2000

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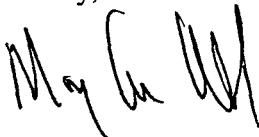
Dear Ms. Pace:

Thank you for the letter regarding playground equipment. There seems to be some confusion regarding how the Extracurricular Tax Credit Monies may be used. Arizona Revised Statute (A.R.S.) §43-1089.01 defines Extracurricular activities as "school sponsored activities that require enrolled students to pay a fee in order to participate". Since the School District does not charge the students a fee to use the school playground this law prevents the District from spending these donations for the improvement of the playground. Other cash donations can be made for the improvement of the playground but they would not have the same tax benefits that are available under the above referenced statute.

I was unaware of the donation of the slides. Pursuant to district policy, we need to evaluate the slides and the proposed modifications to the school yard that would be required to meet all safety guidelines before accepting this donation. I have asked Ms. Hensel to provide me with information regarding the donation of the slides including her recommendations regarding the use of the equipment. Once I have this information, my office will review the national playground safety guidelines in relationship to the proposed use and location of the equipment.

Please share this information with the other members of the Association. I thank you and the Association for your continued and on-going support of Zimmerman Elementary School. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Mary Grace Wendel, Superintendent

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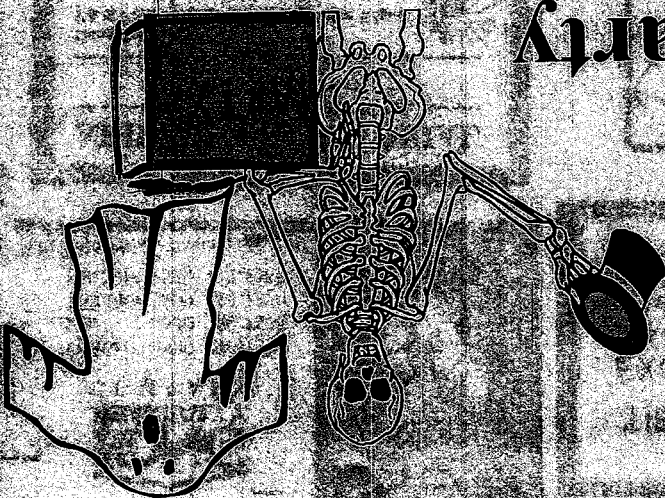
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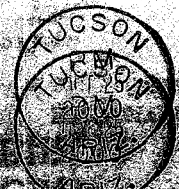
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