# The Mt.-Lemmon Echoes

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



#### Message from the Pres

by Debbie Fagan

A wonderful transformation is in progress on the mountain. Right before my eyes, flowers are emerging along with cow parsnip, apple trees are glorious in full bloom, and the aspens are holding out for the grand finale. I saw full grown Horned Toads Middle Sabino and Carter Canyon. Spring has sprung!

I'd like to thank everyone who attended our annual Homeowner's Dinner (approximately 153). It was wonderful to see all your beautiful smiling faces. Thanks to the following who donated raffle prizes: Trico, Mt. Lemmon Ski Valley, Mt. Lemmon Realty, Mt. Lemmon General Store and Gift Shop, Mt. Lemmon Café, MLCC'S, Living Rainbow and The Cookie Cabin.

Please remember the village cleanup scheduled for Saturday, May 6th, at 8:00 AM.. We will meet at the General Store. Also, the Memorial Day Potluck, will be held Sunday, May28th, 1:00 at the Fire Station. If you have any questions, feel free to call me. (576-1519).

### Fire District Updates

By the Barnella's

MLFD would like to thank the vendors, contractors, Forest Service, and volunteers in making this year's FireWise event a great success. The vast array of information and demos gave many property owners new ideas for rebuilding or remodeling. If anyone missed the event and would like to see the pictures and a booklet of hand-outs from the participants please contact the fire station.

Currently MLFD is working on a preparedness plan for emergency events. This plan is to assist both emergency responders and residents alike in the event of an emergency happening again on the mountain. The plan will also assist MLFD for preparing for leaving the mountain in the chance we are called to assist in an out-of-district disaster. MLFD is asking any resident or business owner that spends a majority of time in the mountain to please contact DeAnna at the fire station. This information will be used in the event of another mass evacuation.

The Forest Service has entered fire restrictions. The restrictions only allow stoves that the fuel source can be immediately shut off. MLFD is supporting these restrictions and asking all property owners to do the same. The monsoons should be upon us soon bringing much needed moisture and reducing the fire risk. Any questions can be directed to the fire station at 576-1201.

# Message from the Editor

Please make every effort to have articles to me by the 20th of the month prior to the publishing month. I will attempt to forward reminder Emails starting in May. Thanks for all your contributions.

Dean Barnella 576-1201 dean@mountlemmonfire.com

#### Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club

By Linda Mulay, President 327-4615 or 576-1417

Elected Officers for 2006-2008

President: Linda Mulay

Vice President: Fran Zimmerman 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Ginny Durham

Secretary: Kay Slocum Treasurer: Renate Beer

The March Southern District Conference in Casa Grande was attended by Linda Mulay, Fran Zimmerman, and Helen Quiqley. Our club was recognized for work in Beautification, Conservation, Education, Public Affairs, Citizenship, and Leadership. These awards were thanks to our report writer, Luann Waldron. We were recognized for keeping our membership numbers up...

Our April meeting was very informative on how we need to help our Tucson community with literacy problems. Carol Niehoff is our contact person for information on literacy. Please contact her if you would like to help with this program.

The April State Convention in Lake Havasu was attended by Linda Mulay. Our club received state awards for Beautification, Membership increase and a special award for Best Pajamas at the evening program by Linda. 143 ladies attended this convention.

Sally Crawford has the Woman's Club cabin tours planned for the season. The first is scheduled for May 27th.

The annual membership tea is scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup> at the D-1 cabin on Mt Lemmon. We would LOVE to see all of you ladies of the mountain attend. You are ALL invited!!!

Our next meeting is Wednesday May 24th, at 6:30 p.m. at the Tucson home of Pat Ewing. We will be installing the new officers and planning our summer activities.

Water District
by Michael Stanley

The full blast of summer is upon us. The Village Project is started and the dirt is flying. Hunter Contracting has many challenges on the work there is to complete. We have been working on the 8" main line in Turkey Run Rd. There will be a new 4" main line to serve the east side of Sabino Parkway. The old system installed in the 1950's is buried 8 to 10 feet deep. A new line will aid in service to the properties on the east side of the Village. As the months progress the contractor will be installing sections of new main line along with distribution lines in the area. Water service may be interrupted as these new lines are tied into the existing system. Remember to have extra water at your home to help supply your needs during these short outages. We will attempt to notify you when there will be an outage but some times getting the information out to all of the customers is very difficult. We expect these outages to only occur during Monday through Thursday from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

As all or you know we are yet into a sever drought. Water for the construction is being brought up from Tucson. We have plans to activate a portable storage tank at the end of Carter Canyon Road to capture the overflow from the Carter Springs. We will also be using the water from the well on the Main Road to keep the Ponderosa Tank (by the old Alpine lot) with additional water for fighting fires and some construction. Please conserve as much water as you can during this time. We will inform you if we need togo into Phase 2 of our curtailment plan. This is when we request you to voluntarily conserve 50% of your regular usage. We hope the monsoons will come in on there regular time around the first week of July.

We will be continuing the work on the Carter Canyon 6" Main Line Project as time allows. During the last 3 to 4 weeks we have been improving the water flow into the system. A month ago we were able to install a better connection at our small sources to increase the flow into the system and we have develop better flow from the Carter System. We will continue to keep you up to date on the progress.

Please remember to shut off your water valve to prevent any unneeded loss.

Thanks for your understanding and preparation during these dry times. If you have questions please call us at 576-1538

# Mt. Lemmon Cabins



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# Are You FireWISE...Will It Survive Embers? YOU CANMAKE ADIFFERENCE IN ONE WEEKEND

Does your chimney have a Spark Arrester?

Have you made sure that no portion of any tree is within 10 feet of the flue opening of any stove or chimney?

Are your roof surfaces and gutters clear of pine needles and flammable debris?

Are your under eaves and attic vents fully enclosed protected with wire mesh?

Are tree branches removed to a height of 15 feet within 30 feet of your deck and cabin?

Are your pine needles removed to a distance of 30 feet from your cabin?

Are all power lines free and clear of any tree limbs?

Are all combustibles such as firewood, picnic tables, and etc. stored 30 feet away from your structure?

Is your LPG tank clear of flammable materials and vegetation?

#### **Business Feature**

Every Echoes publication will feature a business that is associated with Mt Lemmon. The businesses are chosen at random so if any interests in having a feature on your favorite business please contact Dean dean@mountlemmonfire.com

# Living Rainbow

The Living Rainbow is located at 12789 N Sabino Parkway, Mt Lemmon. The owner and operator, Debbie Fagan has been running the Living Rainbow since December 1979. Debbie lost her store/residence in the Aspen Fire, but continued to sell her specialty items, with the help of Mt Lemmon friends until she was able to reopen the store December 31, 2004. The Living Rainbow has a great selection of stuffed animals, greeting cards, shirts, and of course her beads. The new arrivals to the store are colorful wind chimes that will definitely not be in the store long, so hurry and check them out! Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7 days a week. If she forgets to unlock the door or you are looking for a one on one shopping experience call Debbie direct at (520) 576-1519.

Next month look for a feature on Phil and Carol Mack's General Store and Gift Shop.

# \*\*\* Special Photo Sale! \*\*\*

Judy Epstein has reduced prices on In-Stock Matted & Framed Images!

If interested, Contact Judy at 760-2802 or Judy Epstein AZ@aol.com

Hurry...selection is limited!

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# "Forged by Fire"

"Forged by Fire" by Mary Ellen Barnes was recently named one of the ten top Southwest Books of the Year 2005. A Tucson-Pima Public Library project supported by the Friends of the Library, this annual guide was initiated 29 years ago by Arizona Daily Star's book reviewer J. C. Martin.

If you haven't gotten your copy yet, you can purchase one at the Mt. Lemmon General Store, Living Rainbow Gift Shop, Mt. Lemmon Realty and some book stores in Tucson.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fine Art Photography

Images by Melba

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My photos can be purchased at The Living Rainbow May 16 Volunteer Training 9am MLFD

May/27 Cabin Tours 1 to 4pm

May/28 Pot Luck @ Fire Station 1pm

June/17 Aspen Ball 6 pm @ Doubletree

#### **MLHO**

The Mt. Lemmon Homeowners' Association (MLHO) was formed in 1969 to protect the welfare of the Mt. Lemmon community and to be involved in all aspects of its improvement. The concerns of the organization are not limited to private property owners. Full membership with voting rights, is accorded to private owners and leased land holders upon payment of yearly dues.

The most visible product of the MLHO is the **ECHOES**; a newsletter published eight to nine times a year. The Association organizes social events such as potlucks, pancake breakfasts, ice cream socials and raffles enabling owners to mingle while at the same time raising funds for various community causes. This group has always depended upon volunteer support and found strength in numbers. An elected board acts on behalf of and for the benefit of the membership. Board members are Debbie Fagan, President; Bonnie Lohman, vice-President; Carrie Reitz, Treasurer; Kathy Shields, Secretary; Fran Zimmerman, John Mulay; Pete Krauss; Tom Thomas; Larry Waldron; Ross Quigley; Chip DeLay; Jerry Sparks, Gordon Hunter and Dean Barnella (editor of the Echoes). If you have any suggestions or comments about the ECHOES, Dean can reached at 576-1201 · or by dean@mountlemmonfire.com.

Being organized, having a legal fund and having active LOCAL voice participation enables the Association to accomplish most of its goals. Pima County has said the MLHO is the strongest and most respected homeowners' organization in the entire county. The Annual Dinner and Meeting is held each year on the first Tuesday after taxes.

Dues are \$25 per year payable in Janurary. Renters and friends of the Mountain may obtain membership for \$20 a year. Membership fees are prorated quarterly. To join the Mt. Lemmon Homeowners Association in 2005; Clip the coupon on page one and send your check and the completed coupon to address on the back

