



# The Mt. Lemmon Echoes

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

## *Message from Carrie Reitz*

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July everyone. Our 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade was, as usual, a fun affair. A big thanks to Karen Shunk and the ladies of the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club for all of their hard work in putting the parade together. I know Karen had her doubts that we would even have a parade when ten days prior to parade time, she had only 3 entries. But the Lemmonites didn't fail her. The parade had over 25 entries with some entering the morning of July 4<sup>th</sup>. I had a blast, marching with the "fairy tale" entry. Getting in make-up allowed me to get in touch with the kid in me. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Bar-B-Q was also a blast. The food was delicious and this year was not punctuated by lightening strikes as it was last year. We could have had a bigger turnout but those who didn't come missed some delicious pulled pork, chicken and cornbread muffins. Our thanks to the MTFD for their help in setting up and taking down the tables and chairs. It wouldn't have been successful without them. Donations collected to go towards outfitting our new Community Center totaled \$402.00. Thank you one and all.

Our new Community Center was dedicated right after the parade and before the Bar-B-Q. Our County Supervisor, Ray Carroll, several other county dignitaries and Phil Swaim, the center architect were on hand to celebrate the opening of our new center. Of course it isn't really opened yet...there are a few odds and ends to finish up before it will be available for use. But the restrooms are open...hip, hip, hurray!.. With toilets that flush.

The pre monsoon storms have brought some fire to the mountain once again. But at this time (July 8) the fire at Molino basin is fully contained and the firefighters are getting a handle on the fire near Kitt Peak. Let's hope that the mountain gets good and wet this monsoon season to discourage any lightening fires.

Our next event will be the Labor Day Pancake Breakfast. Please watch for more info in the August ECHOS. This is the event where we put the men to work flipping pancakes. And believe it or not, not too many of them hit the ground. You all have a great summer!

Carrie Reitz  
President,  
MLHOA Board of Directors

As Chairman of the Mount Lemmon Water District I would like to thank all the people that attended the water meeting on Saturday June 23 at the Fire Station. The water board was pleased to have the input from the community on the proposed Ad Valorem Tax. While no one likes taxes the board feels that taxing all the properties within our service area is the fairest thing to do at this time. With the additional revenue we will be able to make improvements on the system and keep people in water.

Again thank you for your support of the Water District.

John Mulay

## *Announcement!*

Bookmobile service to Summerhaven. The bookmobile will visit Summerhaven at the General Store on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Visits will be from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. Checkout books, DVD's, books on CD, magazines, apply for a library card. Request books by topic or title and materials by calling the Bookmobile office at 791-5506.

Visits will occur on the following dates:

August 8th  
September 12th.

## *FABULOUS FIFTY*

Linda Mulay was one of the "Fabulous Fifty" nurses recognized May 12, 2007. Fifty Tucson nurses were nominated by their peers and colleagues for their professionalism and special contributions to nursing.

CONGRATULATIONS LINDA!!

## *Calendar of Events*

Sept 2	Pancake Breakfast @ Fire Station 8 a.m.
Sept 8	Water Treatment Meeting @ Community Cntr
Oct 28	Halloween Party

**MT. LEMMON COMMUNITY CENTER (MLCC) NEWS:**

By the time this article is read the Community Center has been dedicated.

Pima County is building the center and is asking the community of Mt. Lemmon to manage it. The building is so beautiful and the credit goes to our Pima County Supervisor Ray Carroll, the persistent encouragement of Mt. Lemmon citizens, a team of dedicated volunteers and the generous funding of Pima County taxpayers.

Now is the time for the community to step forward to make this truly the center of community spirit. Some organizations and individuals have already done so much. The Trees for Mt. Lemmon and the Mt. Lemmon Woman's club organizations have committed \$5,000 each to furnish the Community Center with tables and chairs. Trees for Mt. Lemmon have done a great job on the landscaping and are now nurturing the new plantings. The Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association is funding the legal and accounting services needed to form the 501C3 management organization. The beautiful flag pole was donated by Olga and Fred Pace.

There are still several opportunities to volunteer and donate to our center. Some immediate needs are critical to a successful center. Cash is always a great option to material donations. All checks should be made out to Mt. Lemmon Community Center, INC.

If you are interested in donating any item or cash please do so through Fran Zimmerman at 576-1333 or Luann Waldron at 576-1568. Thank you for your consideration in this manner.

The Pima County Parks and Recreation and the Mt. Lemmon Community Center are actively forming an alliance to put a management agreement together. This agreement is temporary until a 501C3 organization can be completed. This could take up to 1 year. In one month we have approved bylaws for the organization, secured a tax ID, opened a checking account, opened a Mt. Lemmon mail box, created committees and begun the long and tedious 501C3 formation.

The following were nominated as representatives from their organizations and act as directors on the management board.

Mt Lemmon Homeowners' Association - Bonnie Lohman (Board Vice-President)  
 Loma Sabino Homeowner's Association - Larry Waldron (Board President)  
 Willow Canyon Homeowner's Association - Unknown Liaison  
 Soldiers Camp Homeowner's Association - John Lewis (Treasurer)  
 Trees for Mt. Lemmon - Lindy Brigham  
 Mt. Lemmon Community Center Public Arts - Steve Brigham  
 Mt. Lemmon Womans Club - Linda Mulay  
 Mt. Lemmon Fire Department - Chip Delay  
 Mt. Lemmon Water Dist. - John Mulay  
 Mt. Lemmon Merchants - Fran Zimmerman (Secretary)

**Committees:**

Volunteer committee: Linda Mulay and Pat Klein  
 Fundraising committee: Fran Zimmerman, Luann Waldron and Wendy Hunter

Please consider volunteering your time to work in the visitor portion of the center or work on either of the committees.

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by Larry Waldron

*Fine Art Photography*

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## ONE BOWL BREAD RECIPE BY CARRIE REITZ

2 cups warm water  
2 ½ tsp. Salt  
¼ cup powdered skim milk  
6 tbsp. Liquid shortening  
1 pkg. Active dry yeast  
6 cups sifted enriched flour  
3 tbsp. Sugar

1. Stir sugar, salt, dried milk and liquid shortening into 1 cup very warm water.
2. Sprinkle yeast over 1 cup very warm water in large bowl.
3. Add milk mixture to dissolved yeast.
4. Stir in half of flour mixture. Beat or mix until smooth.
5. Add remaining half of flour gradually. (More or less half)
6. Stir until irregular ball is formed and it comes away from the bowl.
7. Knead on floured board 10 to 12 minutes, until slight bubbles can be seen on the surface of the ball of dough.
8. Put in slightly greased bowl, cover and let rise in warm place until dough has doubled in size.
9. Punch down and cut dough into portions (depending on size of the bread pan) and place in slightly greased bread pans.
10. Let loaves double in size in a warm place, (covered with a cloth)
11. Bake at 350 degrees for approx. 40 minutes. Turn out of pans immediately and rub top of loaves with margarine or butter while still warm.
12. Let cool on a rack. ENJOY

## 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 Carrie Reitz, President; Tom Thomas, vice-President; Bonnie Lohman, Treasurer; Jeanne Mayer, Secretary; , John Mulay; Pete Krauss; Tom Thomas; Larry Waldron; Ross Quigley; Mark Shomo; Jerry Sparks, Gordon Hunter; Ginny Durham; Debbie Fagan; Karen Shunk; Gary Slocum and Dean Barnella (editor of the Echoes). If you have any suggestions or comments about the ECHOES, Dean can be reached at 576-1201 or by Email at 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 January. 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 2007; call or Email Dean.

## Turkey Run Wildflower Walk

Six intrepid flower enthusiasts joined Susan Fleming on Sunday, June 24, to see what was growing on Turkey Run. John and Linda Mulay, Carol Niehoff, Mary Ellen Barnes, Jeanne Mayer, and Mike Johnson started with a list of 56 plants that had been compiled over several years and at different times during the growing season. Scarlet monkeyflower, mountain parsley, cow parsnip, and sweet yellow clover were present in abundance, and the cliff bushes were in full bloom. Other plants that had flowered earlier could be identified by fruits that were beginning to form. These included baneberry, false Solomon seal, and gooseberry. Some plants, such as the bog orchid, were just forming buds. Other plants had one or two flowers open. These were either just finishing or just starting their blooming cycle.

Finding both the spotted and striped coral root was a real treat. At only five or six inches tall they can easily be mistaken for dried twigs. It isn't until you get down on your hands and knees, preferably with the assistance of a hand lens, that the exquisite little orchids can be fully appreciated. On the other end of the spectrum, deer's ears sends up a flower spike that can be over six feet tall, but the one to two inch wide green flowers can easily be overlooked.

In all we were able to identify 48 plants, two of which were not on the original list. A non-native apple tree and a native blue porch pentstemon were found near the water tanks.

Susan Fleming

***Trees for Mt. Lemmon***  
***By Sally Crawford***

**CHEATGRASS:**

We would like to thank everyone that helped with the eradication effort this year. This is a long term project. We will be asking for volunteers each spring when this grass comes up. The answer is "many hands." The more people involved the better job we can do to remove this invasive grass.

After the Bullock fire, residents were diligent about removing pine needles from their property to cut down the fire hazard. Cheatgrass is a fire hazard that burns much hotter than pine needles and other grasses. The concern is that it will get into the creek and spread down the mountain. If a fire occurs anywhere along that path, it could burn straight up the hill toward Summerhaven. We can prevent this by removing it on all private property and also forest service areas. It is especially prevalent along the roadway.

For more information about cheatgrass go to [www.unce.unr.edu](http://www.unce.unr.edu). When you get to that page in the upper right corner is a search option, put in cheatgrass, all one word, and it will give you several articles. One article says that cheatgrass can send flames 8 feet in the air and travel 4.5 miles in one hour. We all need to educate ourselves to protect our mountain community.

Next year when we put out the call for "pulling parties" please come. Everyone needs to know what it looks like and how to remove it correctly from their own property.

**SUMMER PLANTING:**

Watch for announcements of plant distribution dates. We will have the following plants available for a small donation:

500 Douglas Firs  
500 Ponderosa Pines  
500 White Fir  
Flowers and low growing plants

We will continue to collect maple seeds and hopefully be able to grow some seedlings.

**COMMUNITY CENTER:**

We are seeking the help of the community to insure that the landscaping around our beautiful new community center will become established and thrive. To this end we are looking for volunteers to take turns watering our newly planted vegetation. If you are going to be on the mountain in July or August and would be willing to help with this task, please contact Carol Bender (who is keeping the July watering schedule) or John Jones (who is keeping the August watering schedule). Your help would be greatly appreciated by all of us for years to come!

**Trees for Mt. Lemmon Board:**

Please feel free to contact us with your questions, comments and ideas!

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If you would like to receive information on community events and updates, select the "sign me up" option on the homepage of our website. [Http://www.treesformtlemonn.org](http://www.treesformtlemonn.org).

For questions or comments contact us at [info@treesformtlemonn.org](mailto:info@treesformtlemonn.org) or contact one of the board members.

**Mt Lemmon Womans Club**  
**Linda Mulay President 576-1417**

□ Our May 19th meeting, held at Ginny Durhams, speaker was Dave Hicks, Director of the Arizona Trail project. Jeanne Mayer-Day will work with him to find a better crossing of the Catalina Mountains for the trail.

We enjoyed a tour of Bigelow and Steward Observatories, conducted by Joe Hoscheidt on May 25th. We hope to make this an annual event as we all learned so much about the area and what great things are going on.

June 2nd, Sally Crawford put together another fabulous cabin tour for our members. Thank-you to the following couples who opened up their homes: Rosemary & Brett Hinsch;;Renate & Volker Beer;;Barbara & Michael Heisler;;Nancy & Bob Hutson; Gail & Ken Paulin. Thank-you to Rosemary and Brett Hinsch for hosting the party at the end.

Our club bought a fire hydrant for \$2,500 and will be decorating it.

Mt Lemmon Womans club and Trees for Mt Lemmon bought new tables and chairs for the community center.

Our annual membership tea was held June 9th at D-1 cabin. This was a tea to remember, as a big tree fell across Turkey Run, taking live wires down with it and blocking the road. Nineteen ladies were at the cabin along with Rachel and Joe providing music, while twenty ladies were on the other side waiting to pass. Unfortunately we were not able to get in or out until 6:10pm. The mountain ladies made the best of a bad situation with the music playing on. We hope to have better luck next year with our tea. Thanks to B.J. Sing for her kind hospitality with the stranded ladies.

June 24th several of us enjoyed the flower walk with Susan Fleming.

Luann Waldron is hosting game day, Wednesdays on the mountain. Call her for details if you can attend.

Please send in your membership forms ASAP!

### **CATALINA MOUNTAINS, THE HIGH COUNTRY**

This series is reproduced with the permission of the author. The complete guide is available at the RAINBOW GIFT SHOP... **it is accompanied by a great map.** I also suggest that a compass or GPS might be valuable tools on the more difficult hikes for those of you who have DDS as I do. (Direction Deficit Syndrome). I will first give you a little of the guides preface so you can get a sense of how this guide came to be, then I will start with one of the easy hikes described in the guide—Carrie Reitz

The collaborators of this guide, laugh, drink, and plot under the guidance of a long time local hiking loony tune and ne'er do well: Rumson Framboise. The collaborators take NO responsibility for your or your life. Lack of experience, inappropriate preparation, poor judgment, rotten weather, bad luck, or whatever—your trip is all yours and yours alone. If you aren't too sure, turn back. Or better yet, don't go at all!

One general guideline: if you really do get lost, disoriented, or can't figure out where you are or how to get back in this high country—then walk UPHILL... Many books suggest sit where you are and wait to be rescued. This only works if someone not in your group is going to come look for you and actually find you before it gets dark and cold. Walking downhill and off this mountain is a long and difficult project for the best outdoorsman. It will take one or two days if you make it all. Walking UPHILL for an hour or so will almost certainly get you to a location or road from which you can figure out your problem.

#### **Summerhaven to the Ski Valley—1 ½ mile**

Turkey Run Road heads west from the village by the new Community Center along Sabino Creek. Adequate village parking is in the plans so you can leave your vehicle there and really enjoy this lovely walk up the valley beside the creek. There are scattered private cabins along the way the no legal or safe place for public parking. Shortly after the pavement stops, the road is gated. Past the last water tank and some concrete foundations on the right (north), a parallel trail diverges left from the road track with the path lateraling along the south side of the valley. Actually this trail is a water line route. Water works and a couple old cabin sites may be noted along the way. The trail and 4WD track merge again later and continue meandering up this delightful streamside setting. There is a trail junction at the bottom of the ski run area. The right branch turns north across the creek and slides up the highway embankment to pop up on Ski Run Road behind the guard rail directly across the highway from the Iron Door restaurant. There is no trail sign or other visible identification here. The left or south branch from the trail junction is the Aspen Draw Trail (1.6 miles) to the top of the ski lift. This is a well constructed and well graded trail. Lovely old growth. This trail is wonderful any time of year, cool and green in the summer; gorgeous in autumn colors.

*Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club*

P.O. Box 673  
Mt. Lemmon, Arizona 85619

Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club dues are \$30.00 annually in May, We would ask that you get these in during this month, to make it easier for our treasurer. Please send this form with all the information filled out as we need to check our records for your correct information, especially E-mail address.

Check payable to: Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club

Please mail to Treasurer: Renate Beer  
6141 N. Camino Almonte  
Tucson, Arizona 85718

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### *The Parade and Grand Opening Were a Great Success!*

Much Thanks to all of the entrants who signed up for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade at the last minute! We had the largest amount of entries ever at 29!

Also, thanks to Michael Stanley for his great announcing abilities, Jeanne Mayer, Duane & Ginni Durham, Cathie Logan, Cathy Brown, Carol Niehoff, Linda Mulay for your help with decorating and setting things up, and to Pam Winston for making all of the "Spectators Only" signs!

Ray Carroll, Chuck Huckleberry, Lacey Gould, Joe Barr, and all our friends from Pima County did a fantastic job of the dedication of the New Community Center. Thanks to all of our judges, and to Ms. Larson from "Tucson Lifestyles" for not only attending, but also offering to be a judge! Thanks to all of the builders involved also for getting everything done on time for our Parade!

We were so fortunate that the "Trees for Mt. Lemmon" crew added their festival to the celebration! Thanks for all the ice cold Eegees for everyone, the band, and all the gifts! Also, Danni Gali and his band Galixy played in front of the General Store. It was an extremely hot day, and we really appreciated everyone showing up. We had a lot of changes this year, with the line-up, etc., but we all pulled it off with flying colors.

The only thing I forgot was the certificates for the winners! I am still working on that, and will get them to all of you as soon as I have them.

The winners were: #1 Mules, #21 Jeanne Mayer, #3 Mt. Lemmon Event Coordinators, #8 Seven Pipers Scottish Pipes and Drums, #8B Mini Mt. Rushmore, #18 Busy "D" Pumping, #11 Trees for Mt. Lemmon, and #14 LeRoy Day.

Thanks again to everyone for showing up and making our Parade and Grand Opening a Great Success, and to the Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association and the Mt. Lemmon Fire Department for the Wonderful BBQ afterwards.

We have an exceptional community, and we show it well when we all work together!

My heartfelt appreciation to everyone, graciously, Karen Shunk

### *Mt. Lemmon Service Area Watershed Study and Wastewater Management Plan Public Meeting*

Sept. 8, 2007

10 a.m. to noon

Presentation at 10:30

Mt. Lemmon Community Center

12949 N. Sabino Canyon Parkway

Summerhaven, AZ 85750

Pima County's Wastewater Management Department is finalizing a project, in partnership with the Pima County Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Forest Service, to develop the Mt. Lemmon Service Area Watershed Study and Wastewater Management Plan. The project team is seeking community comment on the study's findings and recommendations.

The initial effort collected data, developed management strategies, and sought community input through a public workshop, held Feb. 10, 2007. Forty-two members of the public attended the workshop and helped to prioritize public-interest factors and develop management options regarding wastewater system issues and activities on Mt. Lemmon. The study identified the conditions and circumstances existing in and around the Mt. Lemmon community, and the significant issues and challenges involved in planning wastewater systems for the future.

The Mt. Lemmon Service Area Watershed Study and Wastewater Management Plan includes the nature and sequences of all capital projects recommended for the Mt. Lemmon wastewater conveyance, treatment and discharge systems.

For more information about the meeting, or for individuals with disabilities who require accommodations for effective participation and communication in the meeting, contact Angie Brown at [angie@gordleydesign.com](mailto:angie@gordleydesign.com) or (520) 327-6077 to make appropriate arrangements. The meeting site is accessible.



*Donation to Fire District after  
4th of July Parade*

*Dressed up for 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade*



*Jonas Hunter  
dressed to raise  
money for the Fire  
District*

