

## The Mt. Lemmon Echoes

### **“Everything is Just Bits!”**

Watching Michael Bernstein share his enthusiasm, excitement and expertise about Simply Bits is a sight to behold! Its imposing facility at 5225 North Sabino Canyon Road in Tucson is filled with happy, intense and enthusiastic employees who promote their products for this growing and energetic enterprise, focusing on high speed Internet services to businesses and residents in the Tucson community and Mt. Lemmon. The name? To focus on Voice, Video or Internet? “At the end of the day, everything is just Bits!” They all won!

Michael Bernstein and family lived in the Los Angeles area during his early years. After realizing he wasn’t cut out for the family clothing business, Bernstein ended up in Tucson looking for challenges, finding lasting associations with his Simply Bits partners, Joe Cracchiola (son-in-law of Gordon Hunter) and Brad Feder. Each provides expertise in the various aspects of Simply Bits and blends them into a well-oiled machine. Begun in 2004, Simply Bits provides customer satisfaction, works on solving problems for residential and business services and “fills in the nooks and crannies” the mega-operations can’t provide. Bernstein believes that Simply Bits can do a better, more flexible job in helping customers in the Tucson area and on Mt. Lemmon. They have the best high-speed Internet service possible.

How did Simply Bits get to Mt. Lemmon? In 2012 Bernstein wanted a place to get away to enjoy the benefits of beauty and peace and quiet offered on the mountain. Soon realizing he couldn’t access the high-speed Internet needed for weekend computer

use, he began to experiment with ways to improve service, “unusable” at that time. Since radio and TV station towers were already available, he wanted to “light up the mountain,” and the rest is history. Now, with four distribution sites, some assistance from Mother Nature, and the challenge of providing excellent personal service to businesses and private residences on Mt. Lemmon, Simply Bits and Bernstein have the ability to “deliver” and have “fun!”



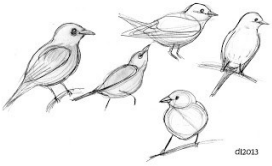
Simply Bits’ goal is to solve problems, improve personal service, be polite and grateful, and strive for complete customer satisfaction. But with any business, frustrations arise. Government red tape, regulations, taxes, fees, and increasing restrictions to name a few! Government oversight, reporting requirements and the looming net-neutrality concerns present more stress and frustrations on the horizon.

The Simply Bits entrepreneurs believe in the free market concept. Their philosophy is to create, promote and support local businesses. Simply Bits is a “big family” with like-minded partners and happy employees. Being profitable enables the company to support other local businesses and many non-profits in the Tucson community. They encourage young folks to stay in school and get real-world experiences through interning and hard work. Simply Bits provides excellent examples.

Michael Bernstein loves his “weekend fix” with family and friends on Mt. Lemmon, thinking about new business ventures, solving problems and riding his quad. The mountain is a huge asset for Tucson, a “captive paradise” that needs destination opportunities and “more stuff to do!” Excitement, enthusiasm and expertise? What’s next for Simply Bits, Mt. Lemmon and Michael Bernstein??

## Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association

by Jerry Taylor, president



### April 2015

- 1st - April Fool's Day**
- 4th - Passover (starts at sundown)**  
- Full Moon
- 5th - Easter Sunday**
- 18th - MLWD -**  
Board Meeting 8 AM - MLCC  
- MLWC  
General Meeting 1 PM - MLCC  
Crafts, Quilt and Scrapbook 2:30 PM
- 21st - MLHOA Annual Dinner**  
Viscount Suites Hotel - 6 PM  
- MLHOA -  
Board Meeting - After the Dinner

I have often wondered whose idea it was that the annual meeting of the Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association be held on the first Tuesday after tax day. This is the only function I have heard of that uses that date as a key to scheduling. It was a good idea, kind of a celebration I guess. I also believe this will be the 49th annual meeting. A lot has happened on the mountain in those years. Please try to attend this year's meeting which is again held at the Viscount on Broadway, as it has been for the last three years. We will again be in the banquet hall which seems to work very well, and we will have speakers relative to the wellbeing of our community.

I hope everyone has returned the cards regarding the cheatgrass eradication. We need to get started before it is too late this year.

Hopefully you are enjoying the 2014-2015 Echoes. Since Carol Niehoff and Linda Currin volunteered to be co-editors for TWO years only, it's time to find their replacement(s) for 2016. Please consider this important and fun position so training and takeover will assure the Echoes won't miss a beat! Contact Carol or Linda if you're interested.

## THANKS FOR CARING AWARD

The Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association honors

### Deputy Dave Conto

This month's award goes to Deputy **Dave Conto** for his many contributions to the community and his welcome presence on the mountain. Well, that is when he's not behind us with flashing lights! Deputy Conto has been a part of our mountain since he participated in the investigation of the Aspen Fire. He continues to add humor to our lives as he stops to say "Hi" while on patrol. We feel fortunate to have him at the ready to serve Mt. Lemmon.

**It's Time for Dinner!**

by Carrie Reitz

The annual Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's membership dinner will be held again at the **VISCOUNT SUITES HOTEL, 4855 EAST BROADWAY, ON APRIL 21st, 2015**. The Viscount Suites did such a great job on our dinners the last few years, so we're looking forward to their hospitality once again. Come early and enjoy seeing old and new friends, the no-host bar at 6:00, and buffet-style dinner. Price will be **\$37.00** per person and includes dinner and gratuity. We'll be in the ballroom again this year.

**MENU**

**GREEN GARDEN SALAD  
FRESH FRUIT SALAD  
BOWTIE PASTA SALAD  
CHICKEN MARSALA  
SLICED ROAST BEEF AU JUS  
NEW RED POTATOES  
RICE PILAF  
FRESH GARDEN VEGETABLES  
ASSORTMENT OF ROLLS  
CHOCOLATE CAKE**

Please send in your reservation **ASAP** to:

**MLHOA  
P.O. BOX 699  
MT. LEMMON AZ 85619**

Reservations need to be in no later than **APRIL 17, 2015**. We will have several interesting guest speakers and promise they will be brief. Your MLHOA board is looking forward to seeing everyone on April 21st!

**MLHOA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DINNER  
APRIL 21st, 2015  
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**TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

## **.This Cozy Afghan Could Be Yours!**

by Jennifer Shacter

Once again, Jennifer Shacter is donating a hand-crocheted afghan to be raffled off at the Annual MLHOA Dinner on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Viscount Suites Hotel. All proceeds benefit the Mt. Lemmon community either through the MLHOA or the MLCC. This year's afghan is filled with the colors of the Southwest – red wine, tan, chocolate brown, dusty rose, and ivory in a gentle wave pattern and is a generous 76" x 52". The afghan is made of easy-care, machine washable, machine dryable acrylic yarns.

Raffle tickets are \$3.00 each or 2 tickets for \$5.00  
Available for purchase prior to the dinner by calling  
Jennifer at 749-9233 or 576-9329.  
Tickets will also be sold the evening of the Annual  
MLHOA Dinner.

If you'd like to help sell raffle tickets in advance,  
please contact Jennifer  
**YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!**



## **ARE YOU PLANNING ON PAYING AT THE HOA DINNER?**

Did you forget to send your **Annual Homeowner's Dues** for **2015**? All dues were to be paid in the month of **February**. This may be your last issue of the **Echoes** if you don't pay at the dinner. Please look at your label if you have paid for several years in advance. This may be your year to renew. Thank you!

### **Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association Annual Dues**

Voting member (property owner) \$35.00 Non-voting member (renter or friend of the mountain) \$30.00

Make checks payable to MLHOA and mail to MLHOA P.O. Box 699 Mt. Lemmon, AZ 85619

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City/State/Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Email address** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **For your Records 2015 MLHOA Dues**

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**Date** \_\_\_\_\_



## **Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club Garners Awards**

by Linda Mulay, president

The GFWC-AZ Southern District convention was held Saturday March 7<sup>th</sup> in St. David. Linda Mulay, Fran Zimmerman and Linda Kent represented MLWC. Thanks to the report writing of Luann Waldron, our club received 1<sup>st</sup> place awards for: Arts, Education, Home Life, International Outreach, Communications and Public Relations, Leadership and Membership. We appreciate all of the members who submitted their volunteer hours to Luann. Our membership does a lot!!

We had several entries for the Arts and Crafts contest, and the following received 1<sup>st</sup> place.

Folk art/crafts-needle art crochet items - Robin Kirk

Fine arts/painting-Kokopelli painting - Robin Kirk

Folk art/crafts-flannel baby quilt & bib - Mary Hunter

Club scrapbook - Linda Mulay

Thanks to all who participated in this event, a great showing from our club.

MLWC members convened at Black Crown Coffee House on February 24<sup>th</sup> and stuffed the envelopes that you all received regarding information on our community effort to eradicate cheatgrass on the mountain. PLEASE do your part!!



Stuffing Envelopes:

Barbara McClean, Linda Kent, Sally Crawford, Bonnie Lohman, Mary Hunter, Kay Slocum and Linda Mulay

April 24<sup>th</sup> is the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs. Denied access to an event with Charles Dickens because of her gender, professional journalist Jane Cunningham Croly formed a club for women in 1868. At the invitation of Croly, 63 woman's clubs from around the country convened in New York to form the General Federation of Woman's Clubs in 1890. The 56<sup>th</sup> Congress of the United States chartered GFWC and designated that the Federation maintains its headquarters in Washington, D.C. in 1901. GFWC member Alice Lakey spearheaded a campaign essential to the passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act. The first chief of the Pure Food Bureau attributed the bill's passing to GFWC. More history will come next month.

The next MLWC meeting is Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at MLCC. Following the meeting, we will enjoy working together on the quilt restoration project, the 2014-15 scrapbook and other crafts as taught by our multi-talented members.

## **AZ Forestry Cheatgrass Grant Update**

by Lindy Brigham, Grant Coordinator

- First Quarterly Report submitted in January 2015 – Next one due April.
- Packets of information sent to 500 property owners 2-24-2015.
  - ◊ Letter of explanation, info sheet on cheatgrass and the risk
  - ◊ Stamped addressed postcard with permissions to check off
- As of 3-16-2015, we had responses from around 300 properties.
  - ◊ Most agreed to spraying and pulling
  - ◊ Some only wanted pulling
  - ◊ A couple wanted to deal with it themselves
- We are using feedback from this mailing to update the FireWise list with current mailing addresses.
- The Announcements Listserv is getting more people signing up.
- Equipment – working with Dennis Cozzetti and Chief Ogden to complete specifications for the skid sprayer. Have quotes from 4 companies ranging from \$2,600 to \$3,500.
- Department of Corrections (DOC) crews scheduling – in communication with Gene Beaudoin from Arizona State Forestry who manages several DOC crews. We will work with the crew leaders to schedule 3 days of crew work. Have funds for 3 12 hour days of work each year.
- Funds expended so far – covered by the T4ML funds
  - ◊ \$415 postage (500 letter, 500 postcard)
  - ◊ \$120 paper, ink, postcard stock
- Volunteer hours (reported so far)
  - ◊ MLWC – prepare property owners mailing – 18hrs (\$360)
  - ◊ Lindy - grant management – 42 hours (\$1,428)

### **Next steps:**

- Complete update of permission submissions.
- Create map with property preferences.
- Send update on listserv to start people looking for cheatgrass and reporting it.
- Initial sightings will be dealt with by volunteers.
- Once we have large swaths of cheatgrass, we will bring in the DOC crews to spray. This will be coordinated with volunteers to pull on properties that don't want to be sprayed.
- Since cheatgrass comes up throughout the early spring months, will space the DOC crew work to catch the new growth.
- Dennis Cozzetti will be spraying in between DOC days.
- Volunteer days will be scheduled on weekends to engage the community members including the MLHOA, LSHOA, School of Natural Resources and the Environment (SNRE) and Mt. Lemmon Fire.

**PLEASE NOTE!** We had some mailings returned because people have moved and the FireWise list was not updated. If you have NOT received a letter with a return postcard asking for your permission to spray/pull on your property, please email Lindy at [labrigham@msn.com](mailto:labrigham@msn.com) and we will send you the information electronically and update the mailing list.

## **Coronado National Forest Treats Bark Beetles and Non-native Invasive Weeds**

by Rachael Biggs, USFS

The Coronado National Forest is conducting buffelgrass treatments in Lower Bear Canyon. This project is part of the Forest Service's ongoing efforts to mitigate the effects of buffelgrass on the high-value Sonoran Desert ecosystems. Buffelgrass threatens these ecosystems by choking out native vegetation and increasing fire risk. Bear Canyon is one of the forest's most important areas for wildlife, riparian, wilderness and recreation values. We have observed a troubling increase in buffelgrass in Bear Canyon and are committed to protecting its natural resources for future generations.

The Bear Canyon Bark Beetle Sanitation Project was completed at the beginning of March. Bark Beetle infested trees were felled with chainsaws and removed from the Bear Canyon Recreation sites to a non-forested location. Cold temperatures during treatment increased the likelihood of successfully reducing the bark beetle population in the area. Although the removal of infested trees will mitigate future tree mortality, it is likely that lower, but still elevated, levels tree mortality will continue. The Forest Service may need to do additional tree removals next winter in this location or in other high value locations on the District.

### **Where Was the Winter?**

by Michael Stanley, MLWD

Mr. El Niño was going to be here this year. Why did Boston get all of our snow? The 6" of rain we received really helped the forest and our springs. Our flow has been up to 38 gallons per minute, and all of the tanks are full. Because of sparse occupation of the community during winter months and insufficient usage, we flush main lines to provide better quality water.

Construction last year provided an additional 4 fire hydrants, giving fire service water to parts of the community not previously protected. The Water District Board of Directors has attempted to lower ISO rating for the community's insurance rates. Having a fire hydrant within 1000 feet of your cabin helps get this lower rating. The Board has a goal of getting hydrants within 500 feet of a structure, giving fire fighters the ability to protect both what is built now and in the future. We hope to do a joint exercise to test the newly installed fire hydrants this spring while water is plentiful.

Slightly off subject, yours truly survived a scare recently while working with George Herman, Mt. Lemmon property owner and contractor for our water system improvements on Tucson and Ray Avenues. A sudden and severe onset of dizziness happened to me which needed prompt assistance of 911 and MLFD paramedics. Thanks to Peter Norton, lead medic, and reassurances from Chief Ogden, my symptoms were diagnosed as vertigo or form of it. This inner ear problem is caused when crystals in the fluid move in to the semicircular canals. Happily, there has been no recurrence of this scary event. Mt. Lemmon is so fortunate to have such great fire department paramedics!



## It's Time to FireWise!

by Susie Pearce

It's time to get last year's leftover weeds, brush, and slash cleaned up. The burn area near the fire station is still available to drop off your cleaned up natural materials. We are very susceptible to a brush fire, so please do your best to clean up your property. Give a call to Glen Schager at 520-465-6906 if you need someone to transport your bagged up materials.

### HARD FACTS:

Homes are much more likely to burn due to small flying embers than by contact with large flames. Embers may be burning leaves, twigs or pine needles. If they land on anything flammable, chances are they will start a fire.

Pushed by winds, burning embers often get inside attic vents and ignite homes from the inside. They may smolder in sawdust, newspapers or insulation for hours before starting to flame and spread. Sometimes those fires aren't visible from outside until several hours after the main fire passes. **If no one is present to put out these fires while they are small, the home will burn down.** This is a major reason that so many homes are lost in wildfires.

Cover all vents with meal mesh or window screen material with openings of 1/8" or less to keep embers out. This is the single most important, and least expensive, way to save your home from burning due to intruding embers. Vents designed to trap embers are also available.

Burning embers can also land on the roof or in gutters. Gutters and roof valleys full of dead leaves, needles and twigs are major culprits for carrying fires to flammable sub-roofing materials. **Clean debris from gutters and roof every week during fire season.**

The roof is the most vulnerable part of your home. If the roof is damaged or has openings, embers could enter, so be sure to repair it and seal all the openings.

Embers can also blow onto your deck or porch, or under it. If embers land on something flammable, they can start a fire. **Keep your deck and the area under it free of all flammable materials at all times.**

The worst hazards are little things that ignite quickly, then catch larger objects on fire. Weeds, leaves, pine needles, wood scraps, jute doormats, wooden planter boxes, lawn chair cushions, even brooms.

Keep the area within 5 feet of your foundation and walls free of flammable materials. This is crucial! Also, create a "fire buffer zone" around your home by pruning or thinning trees and bushes, removing dead grass and weeds, raking up debris, and moving all flammable items away from buildings.

Large tree trunks close to your house are not a fire hazard. Think how long it would take a green log to ignite in your fireplace! The leaves, needles and twigs that trees drop are a major problem! Think smart and think **FireWise!!**





## The Origins of Firefighting Symbols

by Peter Norton, MLFD Paramedic

In the United States, professional and volunteer firefighters have a long history of heroism, tracing back to colonial days. What began as a loose, community-based organization in the 1600's, evolved into an organized system of volunteers in the late 1700's and early 1800's. The first fully-paid department was established in 1853 in Columbus, Ohio.

Appropriately nicknamed "bravest," these men and women put their lives on the line to respond to millions of calls each year. The firefighters wear badges adorned with symbolism of the history of the firefighter role. Common symbols include:

- **Maltese Cross.** The 8-point Maltese Cross originated during the Crusades. The Knights of St. John were fighting for possession of the holy land. During an epic battle of that fight, located on the island of Malta, fire was used as a new weapon of war against the Knights. In response, the knights banded together to fight the flames and rescue injured brothers from a fiery death. Later, these heroic fighters were awarded a badge of honor similar to the Maltese Cross. It has come to symbolize the protection provided by the wearer of the cross and the loyalty with which he serves.
- **St. Florian.** It is believed that Florian von Lorch (a high ranking Roman soldier) was tasked with forming military fire brigades. It is said that he saved a town during a terrible battle with only a prayer and a single bucket of water. Ironically, he was captured and set to be burned at the stake. Florian, as legend goes, told his enemies to go ahead and light the fire - he would use the flames to climb to heaven! Just incase... they drown him in the Enns River. Because of his role as a firefighter and his steadfast faith, which resulted in his martyrdom, St. Florian has become the patron saint of firefighters.
- **Scramble.** The center seal of the firefighter badge typically depicts a grouping of fire symbols. The elements of the scramble can vary from department to department. Typically scrambles contain a ladder and an axe. Some contain more modern tools of the trade, such as a helmet or a fire hydrant. Others contain some more traditional tools such as a pike pole. As a group, the elements of the scramble symbolize preparedness.
- **Bugles.** In the early days of American firefighting, prior to wireless radios, orders were given at a fire scene using a brass megaphone known as a bugle. The person holding the bugle (and therefore giving the orders) was easily identified as the leader. Today the bugle is a symbol of leadership in fire department insignia, with an increasing number of bugles typically signifying more rank (captain, chief, etc.).
- **The Color Red.** Many fire badges contain red in the scramble or in the Maltese Cross. The use of the color are twofold. First, the color red is most commonly associated with flames. Second, fire trucks and engines have historically been red for visibility purposes. MLFD has white truck with red reflective stripes (all future MLFD trucks will be red).

The fire service is steeped in honor and tradition. The MLFD firefighters proudly wear these symbols as we serve you, our community and those who visit our district.

## High Altitude Fresh Raspberry Muffins

by Mary Rollins

### Ingredients:

2 cups fresh raspberries  
2 large eggs  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup buttermilk  
1 tablespoon lemon zest  
4 tablespoons butter, melted  
1 teaspoon vanilla



2 cups all-purpose flour  
2  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoons baking powder  
(for 8,000 feet)  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon sea salt  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  cup granulated sugar  
4 tablespoons coarse sugar

### Instructions:

Preheat oven to 400F degrees.

Line standard muffin tin with muffin/cupcake liners. I like to use the foil liners.

In a large bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, melted butter, grated lemon peel, and vanilla.

In medium bowl, sift together the flour, baking powder, salt and sugar.

Stir the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients just to blend; don't over mix.

Gently fold in the fresh raspberries.

Divide the batter evenly among the muffin liners. I usually get 15 muffins from this mixture.

Generously sprinkle the coarse sugar on top of each muffin.

Bake for 20 minutes or until the muffins are golden brown and a cake tester inserted in the center comes out clean.

These muffins are delicious either warm from the oven or at room temperature.

## Reminder - MLFD Needs Your Slash!

by Dan Leade, Capt./A-Shift MLFD

MLFD is now accepting slash below the Helipad next to the Station (the old sawmill property). The gate will be locked, so you must notify the on-duty staff to unlock it. You may bring as much slash as you have on your property. Please do not bring stumps, trash or metal. **All slash MUST be delivered by May 1st.** This date will allow the piles to be burned off before fire restrictions go into effect. We will begin accepting slash again as restrictions are eased after the monsoons, and dates will be announced as they become available. If you have questions, call MLFD at 576-1201.

Thank you for your support in keeping our mountain FireWise.

## Newspaper Delivery

Jenni Avram will provide the Sunday paper for residents at a price of \$2.50, payable in advance. Please contact Jenni at Mt. Lemmon Realty to place your order 576-1333. Delivery will be by 11:30 on Sunday mornings at Mt. Lemmon Realty.

## Remember to Light up the Mountain This Summer!

by Patty Thomas

Our Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association is sponsoring the "Summer of Lights." EVERYONE who has a cabin or a business on Mt. Lemmon is reminded and encouraged to participate and make this an annual event. We're asking you to "Turn On" your lights (use a timer if needed) EVERY SATURDAY night from dark until 10:00 PM, beginning Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> of Memorial Day weekend. We will light up every Saturday throughout the summer, with the last Saturday night ending on September 12<sup>th</sup>, the Saturday after Labor Day weekend.



We hope to have great enthusiasm and FUN with this event. We're thinking of doing some "theme" Saturday nights at the Community Center, with potlucks, desserts and movies, etc.... Families might like strolling down to the Community Center on these "theme" Saturdays and enjoying the lights as they walk. You can invite friends to your cabin, sit on your porch, and enjoy your neighbor's lights too.

As with any successful event, this ALL DEPENDS on COMMUNITY SUPPORT. Everyone is encouraged to be involved to make this "Summer of Lights" enjoyable and fun for your friends and families! If you need lights, many stores now carry them for the summer months, including patio lights. The Big Lots stores also have summer lights. If you have any questions, contact Patty Thomas 576-1616, or Jenni Avram at Mt. Lemmon Realty 576-1333.



The picture is of Ben (Beno) Hill, fishing in Soldier's Pond. Beno was married to Peggy Hill, and Ben and Peggy inherited Ben's parent's cabin in the Lower Soldier's Camp area. This picture was taken in about 1950, when Beno was approximately 14 years old. The picture is a historical artifact that was loaned to us by one of our neighbors.

- Chuck and Linda Huber

## The Fourth of July Parade Is Coming!

by Jennifer Shacter

It seems so far away, but July will be here before you know it! It's not too early to begin gathering YOUR ideas for the 2015 Mt. Lemmon 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Our parade will be held July 4<sup>th</sup> (that's Saturday this year) at 12:00 noon and will run (walk, ride, your favorite mode of transportation) down the main road in Summerhaven. Your help is always appreciated, so I'm asking for your assistance in helping the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club with our traditional 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade planning. Please plan on attending the MLWC meetings (generally held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at the MLCC at 1:00 PM) with YOUR ideas. Do you have any contacts with marching bands, clowns, baton twirlers, veterans groups, scout troops, fiddlers or has your own family considered an entry or float? We hope to see kids, dogs, horses (maybe even mules) and mountain neighbors having fun and being patriotic!

To volunteer or offer suggestions please contact Jennifer Shacter at [520-749-9233](tel:520-749-9233), [520-576-9329](tel:520-576-9329) or [kksowner@gmail.com](mailto:kksowner@gmail.com).



## Mountain Spring Flowers Show Off For You!

by Pam Haskell

Frank Rose reports that he has just seen hundreds of this month's featured flower in Molino Basin along the Arizona Trail. This beauty can be viewed late in the morning when it opens, so the earliest hikers may miss it! Sometimes, the early bird misses the worm, or in this case, the flower!

*Anemone tuberosa*

Desert anemone

Blooms: February to April

Elevation: 2,850'-5,350'

Habitat: Rocky slopes in desert scrub, riparian scrub, desert grassland, and oak woodland.

Flower: 1 3/4"

Plant: 8"

Flower Color: White tinged with pink, aging to a deeper pink. Desert anemone flowers open late in the morning. Anemone derived from the Greek word for "wind," so it is sometimes called a windflower. A deciduous perennial forb.

The above information is an excerpt from Mountain Wildflowers of Southern Arizona by Frank Rose.



Pam Haskell



**Mt. Lemmon Listserv**

Receive information from the Mt. Lemmon community by signing up on the **Mt. Lemmon Listserv**. Send an email to the listserv at [Announcements@mtlemmonhoa.org](mailto:Announcements@mtlemmonhoa.org) with your name and email address. We will sign you up and you will receive instructions on how to use the listserv.

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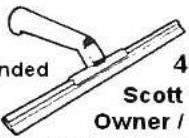
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**Mt. Lemmon Community Center**

The Mt. Lemmon Community Center (MLCC) is part of Pima County's Natural Resources Parks Recreation (NRPR) department. The Mt. Lemmon Community Center, Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable, social and educational purposes. The facility is dependent upon local volunteers to staff and support the visitor's center. Our mission is to welcome all who visit the facility and promote Summerhaven, Mt. Lemmon and Pima County Arizona.

The MLCC board would like to encourage local social & charitable use of the community center. The community center can be used at no charge, with approval, for our local events.

Reservations to use the Community Center can be made by calling Kelly Cheeseman at the Pima County Parks and Recreation phone number: 520.877.6155 or E-mail [Kelly.Cheeseman@pima.gov](mailto:Kelly.Cheeseman@pima.gov)

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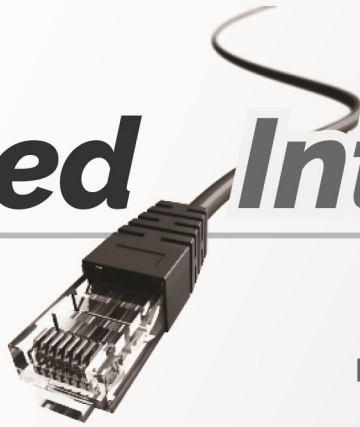




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