

The Mount Lemmon Echoes

Donkey Jasmine
“One Cute _ _ _!”
 by Lorri Hans

The Echoes is a family friendly newsletter, therefore the blanks. However, like the Wheel of Fortune, just guess the title! Hint, it rhymes with class...which Jasmine is. She's a class act! I remember seeing this woman walking around the mountain with a donkey pulling up the rear, much like walking a dog. A very big dog! For years I had no idea what the name of the woman was that brought such joy to all when she arrived with her donkey. I simply called her “the donkey lady.” I knew Jasmine's name long before I learned Leigh Anne's.

Leigh Anne tells of how many donkey jokes she hears as she strolls through Summerhaven. Young and old alike comment on how cute she is. It took Leigh Anne a while to realize they weren't calling her cute, they were referring to Jasmine, thus explaining the title, “Cute _ _ _”. Leigh Anne's bubble was burst when the onlookers asked if they could take a picture of her donkey and would she mind stepping out of the picture. Jasmine is definitely a show stopper.

Jasmine and Leigh Anne met in Gallup, New Mexico in 2007. Her owner and Leigh Anne agreed to swap: her mule for her donkey. Loading an uncooperative donkey into her trailer was just the beginning of her education in understanding the heart and mind of a donkey. People say, “She's stubborn as a mule.” But that applies to donkeys as well. You are hard pressed to MAKE Jasmine do anything she isn't willing to do.

Jasmine doesn't respond to treats. Though she loves carrots, they don't tempt her to do anything,

good or bad. Jasmine has taught Leigh Anne cooperation begins with trust. Once she trusts you, she is a faithful, thoughtful, and willing companion. She walks freely behind Leigh Anne and her friends on the trail with her bell jingling. Jasmine has a herd of friends that she has acquired as they have hiked the trails. Some of their friends have hiked hundreds of miles with them and are fondly called “Jasmine's friends.” Jasmine is a true

trail warrior. She can tolerate extreme temperatures and reduced food and water on the trail. Her small shoeless hooves handle rocky terrain that would make most horses lame if they were shoeless. Jasmine carries the load of supplies for Leigh Anne and allows them to take longer treks than would be achievable if Leigh Anne had to carry the load. During overnight campouts, Jasmine stays alert and guards her weary travel companions while they sleep. She plays many roles in Leigh Anne's life, mostly being a

good friend to her. At first mornings light she wakes her travelers with a Hee-Haw for breakfast and she is ready for another day on the trail.

The attraction for me and I would assume for most people who see them out together is the genuine love you can see between them. As Leigh Anne stops to chat with curious visitors, Jasmine is content to nibble on any greenery around. Although I have seen her nudge Leigh Anne's arm, hinting it is time to move on. Seeing the delight in children's faces when they see these two walking is a wonderful thing to see. Next time you see them out and about, give a holler to Leigh Anne and a Hee Haw to Jasmine..you might get one back!



Mount Lemmon Woman's Club News

by Mary Hunter, president

WHAT IS THE WOMAN'S CLUB? The Mount Lemmon Woman's Club was founded in 1973 with 11 charter members. Today we have 104 members. The Woman's Club is not limited to the mountain. We are part of a much larger organization— The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC). This organization includes the state of Arizona, the nation and is international, all "Living the Volunteer Spirit". The national organization is based in Washington, D.C., supporting many congressional programs and resolutions. Most recently the GFWC supported legislation approving burial in the National Cemetery for women veterans. The Arizona organization puts children first, supporting child advocacy, well equipped schools, trained teachers and child safety.

The Mount Lemmon Woman's Club also supports "Living the Volunteer Spirit". Over the years we have worked to help both the mountain community and the Tucson area. We have raised money to help fund a new fire truck for the Fire Department after the Aspen Fire plus helped in purchasing radios and rescue equipment for the firefighters. We have made over 1000 chemo caps for the Cancer Center. Each month over the summer we select a non-profit organization and members donate needed items for a "Done in a Day" project. We have made wheelchair bags, bags for walkers and tote bags, all donated to Catalina Assisted Living Center. Our next project is to sew laundry bags for the children with cancer and their siblings attending Camp Laughton on Mount Lemmon the first week of June. We also sponsor many events. In June we hold our membership luncheon and a cabin tour. For the last 41 years we have sponsored the 4th of July parade. In September we enjoy bluegrass music and lunch. Each month during the summer we also sponsor Bunko. And we finish the year with a holiday brunch.

We hold our meetings the third Saturday of every month from March through November at the Mount Lemmon Community Center at 1PM. After our meetings we often have a guest speaker or a program which is open to the public. If you are interested in becoming a member or have questions, please attend one of our meetings or contact me at mary@hunteraz.com. Our next meeting will be March 18th at 1PM at the MLCC

This Mysterious & Cozy Afghan Could Be Yours

Approximately 48" x 58" size (It's not finished yet)

Once again Jennifer Shacter is donating a hand-crocheted afghan to be raffled off at the Annual MLHOA Dinner in April. All proceeds benefit the Mount Lemmon Community via the MLHOA.

This year's afghan color(s) and pattern are currently a surprise!

The afghan will be made of easy care, machine washable, machine dryable acrylic yarns.

Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00

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!!

Mount Lemmon Homeowners

by Michael Stanley, president



We hope all of the residents are surviving the winter of 2017. The snow is excellent but the wind is not. In the end of January, a forecasted storm was estimated to bring high winds and heavy snow. The power went off about 5:30 and the storm produced both as expected. This storm broke and uprooted hundreds of trees and 5 foot snow drifts were common in the forest and on roadways. Ski Valley lost hundreds of trees and their main lift was hit, causing the cable to lift from the rollers. The tree has been removed from the lift cable but there are still many issues to be resolved before it will be up and running again.

The power was out for 2 to 5 days and Trico had their hands full, first finding the problems and then getting to them for the repair. The snow was very wet and difficult to remove. The county and local plows worked extra hard because the snow needed to be removed but there was no place to put it. We all know snow is the best form of precipitation and helps both the forest and watershed.

In other news, please mark your calendar on April 25th for our Annual Membership Dinner Meeting. The form is included in this and next month's issues. The venue, menu and cost are the same as last year. Please send in the fee and, if you haven't sent in your member's dues, now is the time. We will be having our last Afghan Raffle at this dinner. Jennifer Shacter is crocheting a beautiful piece and the proceeds will be split between the Fire District and our HOA.

Other calendar events include the annual FireWise Block Party that will be held in the Community Center (MLCC) on May 27th. The MLHOA will sponsor another jazz Concert on June 24th. Our last event "Queens of King" was a great success and this Blues and Jazz event is expected to surpass it. There will be 100 tickets sold with the HOA members having priority and the proceeds going to our HOA. These funds will be spent for acoustics in the Community Center. Our monthly Board meetings are held at the MLCC on the 3rd Saturdays at 10AM.

On a side note, we have mentioned the need for all advertisers to pay for their ads before we can put them in the Echoes. Payments are being received but there are many that are still due. It is imperative that we receive your payments this month or we will have to pull the unpaid ads starting in the April issue. Advertising in the Echoes not only helps support the printing and mailing of the Echoes but is also a great way to let homeowners know who you are and what you have to offer the community. If you aren't actively advertising yet and have a business you would like to promote, this is a great venue for you. Please consider placing an ad in the Echoes and allow the other homeowners to support your business.

Well, Spring is approaching quickly and summer will be waiting.

Save The Date Plan B!!
Due to unforeseen circumstances...
June 24th, 2017-"Women of Blues" with Jeff Haskell
At MLCC
Sponsored by the MLHOA
More information to follow!!

Did You Do Your Dues?
Fill out the coupon below and mail it with your check to:
MLHOA
PO Box 699
Mount Lemmon, Az 85619

Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association Annual Dues

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

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

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Mount Lemmon Phone _____

Email address _____

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For your Records
2017 MLHOA Dues

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Date _____

THANKS FOR CARING AWARD

The Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association honors
Graham Davies

You might only run into Graham if you visit Ski Valley, he's always busy keeping things running at work. If you happen to need a tool, a jump, or help getting your vehicle on the road, then Graham is your guy. Recently a couple ended up getting a hole in one of their hoses on their car. They asked if duct tape could be found but instead of just handing them the tape, Graham went down and repaired their vehicle free of charge. Graham does these types of good deeds constantly so we wanted to acknowledge his acts of kindness publicly Keep up the good work Graham! Your deeds do not go unnoticed!

Membership Dinner 2017!

by Carrie Reitz

The Annual Mount Lemmon Homeowners' membership dinner will be held again at the **VISCOUNT SUITES HOTEL, 4855 EAST BROADWAY, ON APRIL 25th, 2017.** The Viscount Suites did such a great job on our dinners the past few years, so we are looking forward to their hospitality once again! Come early and enjoy seeing old and new friends, the no-host bar at 6:00PM, and buffet-style dinner at 7:00PM. 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 DECANDANCE CAKE**

If anyone attending the dinner has any special dietary needs, we can arrange that too, so please let Carrie know.

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

**MLHOA
P.O. BOX 699
MOUNT LEMMON, AZ 85619**

Reservations need to be in no later than **APRIL 18th, 2017.** We will have several interesting guest speakers and promise they will be brief. Your MLHOA board is looking forward to seeing everyone on April 25th!

**MLHOA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DINNER
APRIL 25th, 2017
VISCOUNT SUITES HOTEL**

NAME _____ \$37.00

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TOTAL _____



Mount Lemmon Firewise

by Glen Schager/Susie Pearce

We had a couple of nice snowfalls this winter. We also had some strong winds resulting in lots of downed trees and oodles of pine tree branches and needles that are now on your house roof, deck, and piled up next to your house. These are a major fire hazard and need to be removed. Plan on some time between now and May to pick up these items. The burn area by the fire station is still available for depositing vegetation, but not in the plastic bags. If you need help transporting your collected vegetation, give me (Glen Schager) a call at 465-6906 and I'll be more than happy to transport it for you.

Know that wildfire behavior is influenced by three main factors:

Topography- (lie of the land)

Weather- (wind speed, relative humidity and ambient temperature)

Fuel- (vegetation and man made structures)

Of these three factors, **FUEL** is the only one we can influence. Debris like dead leaves and pine needles left on decks, in gutters and strewn across lawns can ignite from flying embers. Fire moving along the ground's surface can "ladder" into shrubs and low hanging tree limbs to create longer flames and more heat. If your home has flammable features or vulnerable openings, it can also serve as fuel for the fire, and become part of a disastrous chain of ignition to other surrounding homes and structures. Regularly remove pine needles from roof valleys, behind chimneys, and in gutters. Also, remove flammable materials from around your home, the "home ignition zone". Harden your home against wildfire. This includes fences, decks, porches and other attachments. From the point of view of a fire, if it's attached to the house, it is part of the house.

Keep any flammables, including plantings and mulch out of the area within 5 feet of your home's perimeter. This includes stacks of firewood and lumber. You can't stop a wildfire, but you can greatly improve your cabin's survivability by taking a couple hours this spring to take care of the above items.

USFS News

by Ken Born, USFS

Introducing Chris Griggs as Santa Catalina District Forester and John Manthei as Fire Management. We are pleased to introduce Chris as the new district forester, replacing Rachael Biggs. Since 2014, Chris has been on the Cheoah and Tusquitee Ranger Districts of the Nantahala National Forest where he served on a timber marking and timber cruising crews, and as a team leader for timber stand improvement projects involving hemlock wooly adelgid prevention. Mr. Griggs also supported the recreation and fire programs on the Tusquitee District. He is a 2014 graduate of Western Carolina University, where he earned his degree in Natural Resource Conservation Management.

Please also join us in welcoming John Manthei as the Santa Catalin Ranger District's new Fire Management Officer, taking over for the recently retired Rodgers Wright. Mr. Manthei has held an Assistant Fire Management Officer position on the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, Black Mesa Ranger District since 2009, and has served in two detail assignments, including as the District Fire Management Officer on the Clifton Ranger District. Prior to 2009, he was working on interagency hotshot crews and engines, and has experience in forestry as a marking crew foreman and fuels technician. John has extensive experience in fire management leadership, with an emphasis on preparedness, prevention, prescribed burning, monitoring, and hazardous fuels reduction. He also possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in Forestry from NAU.

Blood Pressure Log

**Name:****Doctor:****MLFD EMT/CEP:**

Date/Time	Blood Pressure	Heart Rate	Comments

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS AT THE MLFD FIRE STATION

Mount Lemmon Fire District provides “walk-in” blood pressure screenings for the Mount Lemmon residents. Fire fighters can check your blood pressure “free of charge” during regular business hours between 8:00am to 5:00pm. If you are planning to come after 5:00pm, it’s best to call the station at 576-1201. Your physician may ask you to monitor your blood pressure regularly to see how effective your medication is working. Use the above chart and bring it with you to the fire station. Keep it in your MLFD “File for Life” envelope on your refrigerator as a health record for emergency responders.

If you are not feeling well and have symptoms such as; headache, dizziness, nausea, chest pains, or shortness of breath, we encourage you not to drive to the fire station to have your blood pressure checked. The best thing to do is call 911 and let us come to you!

Saint Patrick’s Day Special at The Sawmill Run Restaurant

MENU

Corn Beef and Cabbage
Baby Red Potatoes and Carrots
With
Irish Soda Bread

Serving on March 17th & 18th

\$14.99 per person

AMENDED BY-LAWS of the MT. LEMMON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

Attention all voting members of the MLHOA – Below you will find the proposed amended revisions of our non-profit organization's by-laws. The Board of Directors, upon legal counsel, has worked over the past few months to update and streamline the document that governs and controls the actions of its members. This had not been done since 1992 and is long overdue. Please review the draft below, and as a voting member of the MLHOA, be prepared to vote to approve the amendments at the annual meeting, to be held April 25, 2017, at the Viscount Suite Hotel. See ARTICLE VII Amendments Section 2 for procedure. If you have questions, please contact Michael Stanley, president, or Linda Currin, treasurer.

BY-LAWS OF MT. LEMMON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP**

SECTION 1. Membership in the corporation shall be open to all persons owners of real property or all owners of cabins who own real property on Mt. Lemmon or who own a cabin located on leased land on Mt. Lemmon. Membership shall cease upon loss of this qualification. Associate memberships shall be available to interested parties at a lesser fee. Dues are the same amount for both memberships.

SECTION 2. Membership shall be limited to one membership per person owner, or in the case of married couples, one membership per married couple, in which case both husband and wife shall be considered members, but each married couple be entitled to one (1) vote at membership meetings. Either husband or wife may cast the vote. Both husband and wife may not serve as directors or hold office at the same time. Associate members shall not vote, nor may they be board members.

SECTION 3. In the case of a property owned jointly or as tenants in common by two or more persons, such persons collectively shall be eligible to apply for membership and such membership shall have one (1) vote. Only one of said joint owners may cast the one vote. Said joint owners shall determine amongst themselves which shall apply for membership. Only one of said joint owners may serve as director or officer at one time.

SECTION 4. Membership shall be non-transferable.

SECTION 5. Any member of this corporation may be expelled by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the directors of the corporation at any regular or special meeting for acts of conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the corporation or its members.

ARTICLE II. DUES

SECTION 1. The dues of all members shall be \$25.00 \$35.00 per year and associates to a lesser amount of \$20.00 or as adjusted by the Board of Directors payable January February 1 of each calendar year. Any person joining after January February 1 shall pay dues prorated quarterly. for the full year. (Revised April 11, 1992.)

SECTION 2. No member shall hold office, vote, nor serve on any committee who has not paid dues for the current year.

SECTION 3. Any member in default in payment of dues after thirty day's notice in writing shall be ipso facto suspended from all privileges of membership, and if after notice in writing said default not be cured within thirty (30) days, the membership of such person shall automatically cease and terminate.

SECTION 4. There shall be no assessment levied against the membership at large under any circumstances. This provision, however, shall not prevent any member or group of members from making voluntary donations to the association.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of the members of this corporation for the election of directors and transaction of other business shall be held at a board-designated location in Pima County during the month of April, and printed or written notice thereof shall be given to each member as appears upon the corporation membership books, by the secretary, by mail, at least thirty (30) days before such meeting. One notice shall be mailed to husband and wife joint owners and shall be deemed sufficient notice to to all joint owners, both. Notice to One notice shall be mailed to joint owners shall be, said notice to be mailed to the joint owner designated to apply for membership.

SECTION 2. Special membership meetings may be called at any time by the president, or board of directors, and printed or written or telephone notice thereof shall be given each member appearing on the corporation membership books, by the secretary by mail, at least five days before such meeting, and such notice shall specify the purpose of which such special meeting is called. One notice mailed to joint

owners shall be deemed sufficient notice to all joint owners. Notice to joint owners shall be mailed to the joint owner designated to apply for membership. One notice shall be mailed to husband and wife and shall be deemed sufficient notice to both. One notice shall be mailed to joint owners, said notice to be mailed to the joint owner designated to apply for membership.

SECTION 3. The presence of twenty (20) members entitled to vote at a meeting shall constitute a quorum. Each member present in person shall have one (1) vote. Those who attend a meeting where a quorum cannot be obtained may adjourn from time to time until the meeting shall be regularly constituted.

ARTICLE IV. DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. A board of directors shall be elected annually, each member for a three (3) year term. ~~b~~By the members at the annual meeting. Directors shall be members of the corporation and are to manage the affairs of the corporation. The board shall consist of not less than three (3) or more than eleven (11) ~~twenty-five (25)~~, the exact number to be determined by the directors ~~directors~~ at any regular or special meeting. ~~(Determined to be no more than 15 on 5/9/92).~~

SECTION 2. Vacancies ~~on in~~ the board of directors shall be filled by the remaining directors, choosing from among the existing board members, a director to fill the unexpired term. Each board member must attend six (6) meetings per fiscal year to retain their membership on the board. ~~(Revised 5/9/92)~~

SECTION 3. A rRegular meeting of the board of directors shall be held in April each year immediately following the annual membership meeting at the location designated by the board for the annual meeting in Pima County, Arizona, and at any other time and place as the board may determine. The president or any two (2) directors may call special meetings by giving two (2) day's written notice ~~by telephone~~ to each director. A majority of the directors present shall constitute a quorum. ~~(Revised April 11, 1992)~~

SECTION 4. The directors shall have the general management and control of the business and affairs of the corporation. ~~—a~~And shall exercise all the powers that may be exercised or performed by the corporation, under the statutes, the certificate of incorporation, and the by-laws. ~~—delete~~

SECTION 5. No salaries or other compensation shall be paid any directors.

SECTION 6. Directors' action by resolution: The board of directors shall, except as otherwise provided by law, have the power to act in the following manner: A resolution in writing, signed by all members of the board to the effect therein expressed with the same force and effect as if the same had been duly passed by the same vote at a duly convened meeting, and it shall be the duty of the secretary of the corporation to record such resolution in the minute book of the corporation under its proper date.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of this corporation shall consist of a president, vice president, secretary, and a treasurer, and such other officers as shall from time to time be chosen and appointed. Such officers shall to be elected from and by the board of directors at the regular board meeting in April or May of each year. Officers shall be elected by majority vote. One person may hold any two offices, except p-resident and vice president may not hold any two offices.

SECTION 2. The president shall preside at all meetings of the directors and shall have general charge of and control over the affairs of the corporation subject to the board of directors.

SECTION 3. The vice president shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him/her by the board of directors. In case of death, disability or absence of the president, he/she shall perform and be vested with all of the duties and powers of the president.

SECTION 4. The secretary shall keep a record of the minutes of the proceedings of meetings of members and directors and shall give notice as required in these by-laws of all such meetings. He/she shall have custody of all books, records, and papers of the corporation, except such as shall be in charge of the treasurer, or of some other person authorized to have custody and possession thereof by resolution of the board of directors.

SECTION 5. The treasurer shall keep accounts of all monies of the corporation received or disbursed, and shall deposit all monies and valuables to the credit of the corporation as the board of directors shall authorize and direct.

SECTION 6. No officer shall be paid or awarded compensation for said services.

SECTION 7. Each officer, president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, shall serve for the term of one (1) year or until the next annual election held by the board of directors at the board meeting following the annual meeting or the next meeting.

ARTICLE VI. SEAL

SECTION 1. The corporate seal of this corporation shall be a circular seal with the name of the corporation around the border and the year of incorporation in the center.

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. Any of these by-laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the membership, or at any special meeting called for the purpose by a majority vote of all directors present.

SECTION 2. The board of directors may consider adopt additional by-laws in harmony herewith, or ask to repeal and modify these by-laws by the above procedure. Draft amendments to the above by-laws must be presented to the membership in writing by mail such as the monthly newsletter and voted upon for approval by two-thirds of the votes cast, or a majority of the voting power, whichever is less. ~~(Revised May 6, 1989, April 11, 1992, May 9, 1992)~~

Sweet Pea & Sammy...Plus One

by Lorri Hans



Sweet Pea and Sammy searched for weeks, trying to find the perfect home to start their family in. All of the trees they found were nice, but none were quite right. Finally one day Sammy came to their in-between home at a dead run, bending over to catch his breath. He tried to speak but couldn't make a sound. Sweet Pea was trying to guess what he wanted to say...was there danger near by? Was he hurt? Sammy kept shaking his head no. Finally he caught his breath enough to say, "Sweet Pea I have found our perfect home!" It was none too soon for this announcement as Sweet Pea was due to give birth any day now. They gathered their belongings and headed to their new home. Sammy was right, the tree was perfect! As they climbed to the middle of the tree, Sweet Pea gasped at the sight of their view. They were right above the lake and could see for miles from their branch. There was already a hole bored out at the junction of some of the limbs that was more than big enough to raise their family in. Within a day of moving in, Sweet Pea smiled at Sammy and said, "It's time dear, the baby is coming." Sammy started running around in circles, what do I do, who do I call...and then PLOP, Sammy fainted. Sweet Pea delivered their baby son all on her own and when Sammy came to he met his first son, Stewart.

In the days that passed, Sweet Pea nursed her baby boy while Sammy foraged for food. Rufus and Roxanne stopped by to see if they could do anything to help the new family. Stewart's eyes were about to open and he was a very strong baby so Sweet Pea asked if the Ravens would like to babysit while she and Sammy had some alone time. Without the blink of an eye they said, "Of course we will watch him. What could go wrong? All he does is eat and sleep...right?" Well, that's what they thought...

Rufus and Roxanne were relaxing on the branch outside the squirrels nest when they heard a little voice saying, "Mom? Dad?" Stewart hadn't found his focus yet but could see shapes and light outside the nest so he waddled towards them. When he got to the entrance of their hole in the tree he started to speak but suddenly a brisk wind whooshed by and off he went. With lightening speed, Roxanne went into a dive and flew under Stewart, catching him right before he hit the ground. She had swooped him up in her wings and was cradling the little squirrel. He was giggling and saying, "AGAIN! Let's fall again!" Rufus hadn't moved a muscle while watching Roxanne save their little godson. He finally flew down and grabbed Stewart by the scruff and flew him back to the safety of his nest. When the excitement died down some, little Stewart looked at them and said, "You don't look anything like what I thought my mom and dad would look like."

Laughter could be heard for miles when Rufus explained that they were not his parents, they weren't even the same kind of animal. Stewart was relieved to discover the Ravens weren't his parents because he wasn't sure his arms would ever be able to fly the way theirs did. Wondering how Raven's became his godparents started Rufus in telling the story of how he had met Stewart's mom. He told of the hawk that scared her so bad she rolled into a creek. They laughed about how she shook her legs one at a time to remove the unwanted water. Stewart was laying on his back just smiling and listening to the stories. He immediately wanted to visit this place called Summerhaven but was told he had some growing up to do first but that they would take him one day.

Sammy and Sweet Pea returned refreshed by their time away from the nest and were happy to see that their son had opened his eyes. When Sweet Pea asked if there were any problems, the Raven's smiled at each other and said, "Nothing out of the ordinary for a day in the life of a squirrel." The young parents looked at each other with question but decided some things are better left unsaid. As the Raven's flew away to go to their home they could hear Stewart telling his parents how he'd gone for a ride in Rufus's beak and had fallen off the branch...Sweet Pea yelled, "RUFUS!" but the raven just chuckled and kept flying. He knew he'd have to tell the story one day, but not today.

Math, It's What Soup Is Made Of: Counting, Measuring, and Shapes

by Christina Grossman



It's now beginning to look and feel like winter for us. That soon changed a few days later. However, my youngest and I made soup together and like so many times, I squeeze in a math moment.

Before we get to wash our vegetables, we count how many stalks of celery we have, how many carrots, potatoes, and zucchini we have. Then it is time for washing.

When we cut our vegetable, what shape does celery look like when we chop it this way? Crescents? How about the carrots? Circles? What about the zucchini? Don't forget the garlic and onions too!

What about potatoes? What types of shapes do you see? Why is it important to make sure we cut the potatoes the same way and size? Would it take longer or shorter to cook small pieces?

Then put the vegetables in a pot and start measuring. How many cups of water, or cups of chicken/vegetable broth do we add to the soup? How long do you think it will take to cook? These are great questions to ask. Even if your child says, "it will take a billion years to cook," that might just be accurate to them because in their world, a few minutes feels like a billion years anyway.

Something To Think About:

Making soup is not a new concept, but it is one of those moments to ask them to count, or identify shapes, or measure out in cups. At least do one of those things and you have placed math in your child's environment. Most importantly, you spent some time together, made a mess, and had fun.

To look at pictures for this article, please go to www.learningmathwithmom.com under the January post! Enjoy!

MLHOA

The Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association (MLHOA) was formed in 1969 to protect the welfare of the Mount 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. 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 MLHOA is the strongest and most respected homeowner's organization in the entire county. Dues are \$35 per year payable in February. Renters and Friends of the Mountain may obtain membership for \$35 a year. The Annual Dinner and Meeting is held each year on the first Tuesday after taxes. To join the Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association, send a check to Box 699, Mount Lemmon, AZ 85619.

The most visible product of the MLHOA is the **ECHOES**, a newsletter published ten times a year. The Association organizes social events such as potlucks, pancake breakfasts, ice cream socials and raffles, enabling owners to mingle. Members of the Board are: Mike Stanley, president; Bonnie Lohman, vice-president; Linda Currin, treasurer; Mickie Gelsinger, secretary; Carrie Reitz, Event coordinator; John Mulay; Pete Krauss; Debbie Fagan; Glen Schager; Mike Bernstein; Tom Thomas, Bill Piatkiewicz; Jenni Avram; Sally Crum and Jerry Taylor.

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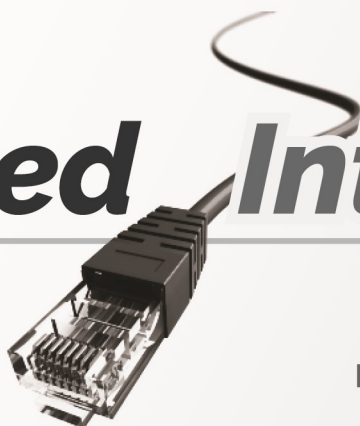
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12 Full Moon Day Light Savings	13	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 5p-St. Patrick's Dinner	18 8a-MLWD 10a-MLHOA 1p-MLWC 5p-St. Patrick's Dinner
19	20 Spring Equinox	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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Monday thru Friday 10:00 - 5:00 PM
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Saturday and Sunday
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Friday 10:30AM - 8:00PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Breakfast served from 9AM-11AM
Saturday and Sunday

Just Call 911

Becoming friends with our local firemen, EMT's, and law enforcement officers is bound to happen when we see them so often. It has become second nature to just call them directly instead of using the 911 services. It is very important to their budgets that we utilize the 911 dispatch and not call directly to the firehouse or our sheriff's cell phones. If we don't go through the proper channels, the agency doesn't get credit for the service they have performed. We ask that if you need medical attention, CALL 911. If you are in need of law enforcement, CALL 911. If you see a fire, CALL 911. It will benefit us all in the long run!

Willow Canyon News by Sally Crum

Willow Canyon, like Summerhaven, was hit hard by the last winter storms. Power was lost on Friday, January 20th and was restored on Thursday, January 26th. Cabin owners are advised to check refrigerators and freezer contents for possible spoilage.

Many trees fell across the roads and on power lines and the cleanup continues. Fortunately, there was no major cabin damage, but there were several “near misses”. The last of the downed power lines was repaired on February 10th and cabin owners were able to safely drive to their cabins the weekend of February 11th.

Please enjoy this photo of Lizard Rock after the storm, shown below.



Ah... Glorious Spring! by Frank S. Rose

It will soon be Spring and we should have some wonderful wildflower displays. One of the earliest to bloom is the Bush Dalea (Dalea Pulchra). This is a shrub that grows to about three feet tall, and can be covered with beautiful flowers that range from blue to purple to almost red. The petals cover the reproductive parts, so the pollinators have to work their way into the flower to get their nectar reward. There are over a dozen Dalea species on this mountain range. This is one of the largest and first to bloom. It grows in the valley and as high on the mountain as Molino Basin. Another, Oakwoods Prairie Clover (Dalea Vericolor), is very much like it and blooms a little later in the year.



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