

The Mount Lemmon Echoes

Pancake Breakfast Photos 2017

A good time was had by all at this year's Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. Walgreens had their people up again this year giving flu shots that for most people were covered by their insurance and were free. Thank you all who attended, volunteered, and spent time visiting with your neighbors!



Mount Lemmon Woman's Club

by Mary Hunter, president

The summer of 2017 has come to an end and the activities of the Woman's Club are fewer and fewer. As I look back over the past months, I would like to recall a couple of our projects.

The **SPEAKER PROGRAM** was a huge success and well attended. In May, Michael Bernstein helped us to understand the Nextdoor Summerhaven application. During the Burro Fire, this was a valuable source of information. In June, Bill Gillespie gave a fascinating talk on the development of Sabino Canyon and the building of the Mount Lemmon Highway. In July, following the Burro Fire, Heidi Schewel explained the Forest Service and its limitations and the politics involved. In August, Katie Van Zant spoke on project "BAER" (Burned Area Emergency Response) - post fire plans. And finally in September, Craig Reed and Clague Van Slyke gave us an interesting history of the San Xavier Mission and recent restoration. The success of the speaker program is due to the organization and hard work of Robin Kirk. Thank you Robin! We will continue this program next summer. If you have a suggestion for a speaker, please contact me (mary@hunteraz.com). This program is open to the community and we appreciate your input.

Another activity which we participate in is our "DONE-IN-A-DAY" project. Each month we select a non-profit organization to support with our donations. The organizations we supported this past summer are:

MAY- "Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation is an all-volunteer parent-run support network for families in Southern Arizona with children who have cancer. Our members donated arts and crafts supplies enabling us to fill 40 art supply bags for children with cancer attending Camp Laughton here on Mount Lemmon for the first weekend in June.

JUNE- "Literacy Connects" works to help children and adults improve the skills they need to succeed. Our members donated new and used books for children and adults. Monetary donations were also received which were matched by the Woman's Club for a total donation of \$500.00

AUGUST- TUSD Clothing Bank which provides clothing for low-income and homeless students. Our members donated new and used clothing in various sizes.

SEPTEMBER- "Youth on Their Own" is a dropout prevention program that supports High School graduation and continued success for over 1,600 homeless youth in Pima County. Our club donated various school supplies plus gift cards to Target, Walmart and grocery stores. The next meeting of the Mount Lemmon Woman's Club is Saturday, October 21, 2017 at 1:00pm at the Community Center.

A Special Thank You

by Lorri Hans

Our turn out this year for the Annual Pancake Breakfast was above last year! We love to see everyone come out and have a good time while donating money to our local Mount Lemmon Fire Department! We raised \$1386.00 that will go towards further education for our firefighters. There are so many people who just seem to show up and go directly to their position, I was amazed at all of the volunteers! As this is my first year as the Event Coordinator (Carrie Reitz has retired from this position) I wanted to say thank you to as many folks as I could remember! John Mulay, Linda Mulay, Dennis Cozzetti, Linda Currin, Debbie Fagan, Mickie Gelsinger, Sally Crum, Lou Crum, Tom Thomas, Jenni Avram, Carrie Reitz and a special thank you to Sean and Barb Magee for rounding up tables for me! Even though so many people were there to help there was one person who stuck out in my memory. I didn't know this gentleman's name until recently but he showed up at 6:30am and immediately started helping set tables, making coffee, getting grills ready and at the end of the event, there he was helping us divide the tables up to return and stacking chairs. His name is John Perchorowicz and I want to personally thank you for all of your help! Looking forward to next year!

Mount Lemmon Homeowners

by Michael Stanley, president



Welcome to the fall season on the mountain. October is the start of color changes for the trees, ferns and aspens. The wind has picked up and the temps in the morning are starting to drop into the 50's and high 40's. The sun is peeking up a little bit later each morning and soon it will be dark at 7am. That is a clear sign that cold weather and frost on the pumpkin will be here soon. Everybody will be shutting down and winterizing their cabins in the next few weeks. As the trees will put on the colorful display for all of us to see, we enjoy coming up and down the mountain all the more. Oktoberfest is another place you will see different colors of fall and hear polka music in the forest. I hope you are able to enjoy this change of season!

Looking back on the summer there were many things that stand out. Our Labor Day Pancake Breakfast was another success along with the Wedding, the Ice Cream and the Palisades Party, all happening just this last month. The Nextdoor app has served our community well by providing direct information to all of us in a very timely manner. Remember to sign up with Nextdoor (Summerhaven) if you have not yet tried this wonderful service. If you are signed up with Nextdoor for your neighborhood in town, you will need to use an alternative email address to sign up for Mount Lemmon. The Burro Fire brought our need to be diligent to FIREWISE and be ready for the next wildfire. We all need to get the FireWise information to better protect the community. The MLHOA Board has been working with the Forest Service to get a buffer around the assets in and around the communities. Please be careful with fire and be safe! Hope to see you soon!

MLWD News

by Michael Stanley

Yes, water freezes at 32 degrees and will cause damage. Please shut off the water meter when you are away from your cabin. The weather can change rapidly and a cold front can make travel on the highway impossible. Take the time to shut off your water meter and drain your cabin pipes. It is a good time to update your SHUT OFF PROCEDURES before the cold is upon us. Last year there was a leak amounting to over 70,000 gallons lost of our precious resource and a large bill created for the customer. You can prevent a major water loss and large bill by shutting off your water.

THANKS FOR CARING AWARD

The Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association honors:
Christine Hays and Vickie Conto

Christine Hays and Vickie Conto have just thrown themselves into the community lately and the result has been amazing! These women organized, shopped, and prepared food for darn near the whole mountain! At last count 240 residents and their families attended the Labor Day Bash at Palisades. Of course, their husbands will try to take some credit for the BBQ Cook off that these ladies prepared but we all know who did the hard work! Good job ladies and we are all looking forward to next year and a repeat of one of the largest successful parties of 2017! Thank you!!!

Looking For a Few Good Volunteers

by Pete Krauss

We need people to spend a few hours in the MLCC Visitors Center to greet Mount Lemmon guests, primarily on Sundays as Paul usually covers Friday and Saturday. A good way to learn the ropes would be to spend a little time with Paul. He is always ready and willing to teach others. The hardest part is putting up the flag and operating the copy machine. The rest is just visiting with our guests about what there is to see and do on the mountain.

The tourist season is really starting to happen with the warmer weather in the valley. It really is fun and interesting to talk to our visitors who come from all over the United States and the world. Keeping our center open is good for businesses on Mount Lemmon, it supports the Forest Service, reinforces our relationship with Pima County Parks and Recreation (who provides us with the MLCC facility for our many meeting, parties, and programs).

Contact Pete Krauss at teamkraus@msn.com if you'd like to volunteer or call him at 520-887-0524, or 520-576-9136, or 520-235-6904

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MLCC Visitors Center Update

By Pete Krauss

Between three regular and a few periodic volunteers, the MLCC Visitors Center has been open and available to the public most visitor hours on Friday, Saturday and Sunday throughout the summer. Response from the many visitors has been terrific and they're always appreciative of the information regarding hiking trails, camp and picnic areas, Summerhaven attractions and businesses and the Mount Lemmon history and activities.

We have met people from throughout Arizona and the United States as well as many from Europe, Asia, South America, and some as far away as Australia and New Zealand, Japan and recently Siberia. It is very interesting and totally enjoyable to exchange ideas, thoughts and information from folks from all over the world.

While the rush of the summer tourist season is slowing somewhat we still have many hikers, bikers, sight-seers, birdwatchers and many who come up to enjoy Fall and the turning of the leaves and the colors and the peace and quiet that comes with it. The Visitors Center will stay open to accommodate them and we always need volunteers to make it happen. It is good for the Summerhaven business, supports the Forest Service and reinforces our relationship with Pima County Parks and Recreation providing us with the MLCC facility for our many meetings, parties and programs.

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SAVE THE DATE!!!

***WHAT? Chili Cook off
WHERE? MLCC
WHEN? October 21st
AT? 3pm-?***

Quilt Raffle to Benefit the MLWD

by Christina Hanks

The folks from the water department worked tirelessly during the Burro Fire and really, all the time! I would very much like to find a way to show them appreciation and raise a little money for their upcoming moving and other challenges. We always seem to really enjoy making quilts together so I am organizing and funding the making of a quilt to raffle off to make a little money to give to the department.

The Woman's Club will sponsor using the community center to work in. I will be gone for a few weeks so our first meeting will be Sunday, October 8th at 2:30pm at the MLCC. At that first meeting we will discuss the design and cut out the fabric. Anyone with ideas or suggestions as to the design, please call me at 520-576-6624 or email me at tinahanks5077@yahoo.com. I'm looking forward...it should be lots of fun!

Symmetry, the Bilateral Kind: Looking into Nature to Find the Balance

by Christina Grossman



As we approach Autumn, things will be slowing down for us on the mountain and in the desert. This is a very important time to still be able to go outside into Nature and find the balance. Take pictures, enjoy the time outside and when it starts to cool down, notice what the plants are showing you in terms of symmetry, especially the bilateral kind.

Yes, there are different types of symmetry, but what we are all familiar with is the type that we know when we can “cut” something in half, or see the same image reflected on the other side, or even think of it as a mirror image. However young or young-at-heart we are, this is something that we can all enjoy learning about!

Go for a walk soon and figure out what is symmetrical. This would be also a great time to put together a math nature journal too! Take this mushroom above, where would you place the mirror to reflect the same image? The place that you have the mirror is called the line of symmetry. How many lines of symmetry could this mushroom have? One? Two? More? Go with those questions when you go for a walk outside. Don't have a mirror? Take a pencil or straight stick with you. Place the stick where you would a mirror and eyeball it. Where's the line of symmetry?

If you are not able to go outside right now and explore, print out the pictures from the website, or place them up on the screen. Get out a mirror and see where the mirror can be placed so that the same image can be seen. Play with it! In some cases, it might not be exactly symmetrical, but close enough.

Something to think about:

Have a conversation with your child, or with someone else about what it means in Nature to be symmetric. What does a symmetric plant tell the pollinators: the bees, the hummingbirds and the butterflies? Is it still alright for something to not be symmetrical? Yes! There are many beautiful examples of what is not symmetrical, or what we call symmetrical. Everything in the Mathematical world has a place and importance, so asymmetrical is also wonderful and tells us a great many stories too! Hmmm, I think I see a future post here!

Learning about Mathematics is not about getting to the finish line first, it is actually getting there and having an understanding and an appreciation for it. The more we can connect with how our world is tied to Mathematics, the more we can see the patterns unfolding and even the importance of balance. Also remember that a good rule when we go out to explore is that the only thing we take are pictures, drawings, notes and memories. It is best to leave the plant in the natural habitat.

Want more pictures? Go to [**www.learningmathwithmom.com**](http://www.learningmathwithmom.com)



The inaugural REVEL Mt Lemmon Marathon & Half will take place on **Sunday, November 12, 2017**. The race will be donating roughly \$2,500 to the community. Runners will run from Summerhaven to Tanque Verde High School. The race begins at **6:30 AM** and all runners will be done by **1:00 PM**. During the race there will be special police escorts performed by Pima County Sheriffs. The Sheriffs will make it possible for people to travel up and down the mountain during the race, but please be advised that there will be delays and plan your travel accordingly. Please email any questions to mtlemmon@runrevel.com

Improved Cell Phone Service is Coming, Hopefully!

by Larry Waldron

In March of this year, it came to my attention that Summerhaven would suffer reduced cell phone service by May 1st, when we lost T-Mobile, Sprint and most of Verizon. Since then, AT&T and T-Mobile have restored their systems, but Verizon and Sprint coverages have remained very poor. I was asked to intervene on behalf of Commnet Wireless and later became directly involved with the Verizon issue. During the last 2+ years Verizon has been unable to secure a site lease on Radio Ridge. Because we desperately need coverage for community safety reasons, I approached Verizon to see if there was some other site for a cell tower for our community, especially on USFS land, which unfortunately was not going to happen.

A resolution to this issue is one of Verizon's highest priorities in Arizona. Currently, Verizon is negotiating for a site on private land in the Summerhaven area, but as of this writing, nothing has been signed. The currently proposed site is in the LSHOA Water district area which has two water tanks and communications systems. The LSHOA Board has approved the continuation of getting more detail for the proposal so that the board can determine whether this proposal makes sense for LSHOA, the Summerhaven community, and the Fire Station. If the proposal goes further, there would be a Pima County Zoning approval process which would include a public participation process. Verizon is proposing a "Stealth" site, which means the tower will look like a 70+ foot Ponderosa pine tree amongst other 70+ ft. Ponderosa pines. The perimeter fencing will be comparable to a nearby cabin's railing, and the site will blend in with the surrounding area. The site is planned to potentially add another carrier. Verizon must eventually seek Pima County approval for a conditional use permit.

The Mount Lemmon Fire District (MLFD) desperately needs Verizon for safety reasons because their vehicles have Verizon data terminals for the transmission of medical information to Tucson hospitals. In addition, MLFD uses Verizon to contact volunteers for fire-fighting, traffic control, medical issues, etc. Also, MLFD has no cell coverage inside the station. According to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), 70 percent of 911 calls are made by cell phones. Statistics also show that the cell phone is becoming the default home phone because land line service has steadily declined. The USFS reminds hikers to have plenty of water and a charged cell phone before they hit the trails. Cell sites are needed for communicating emergencies and for modern conveniences.

Health concerns are among the issues discussed when living near a cell tower. These concerns are somewhat refuted in the following studies: American Cancer Society and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) study.

<http://www.cancer.org/cancer/cancercauses/othercarcinogens/athome/cellular-phone-towers>

<http://www.fcc.gov/oet/rfsafety/rf-faqs.html>

Hopefully we may soon have a solution to this difficult and ongoing problem. At some point our community will need individuals to vocally support this proposal. Please become educated and consider the importance of this issue. More information will be provided in the near future.

FireWise News for October 2017

by Sally Crum, FireWise coordinator



Will It Survive Embers?

There will be a meeting of those of you who have volunteered, or would like to participate on our FireWise committee on September 30th at the MLCC at 11am. The FireWise Plan Outline and Recertification process is much more complex this year than in previous years. I'll appreciate all the help I can get with this, and in planning our future FireWise activities. Please bring all of your ideas and suggestions. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please email your ideas and let me know what areas you would like to help out with @sbc602@gmail.com.

The FireScope Committee has been meeting regularly with the Forest Service and we're anticipating news of the approval of the plan very shortly. Upon approval and following a period for objections and responses to the objections, activities in the Marshall Gulch area COULD begin as early as the first quarter in 2018.

Forest and Campground News

by Lorri Hans

During the monthly Mount Lemmon Homeowners Association meeting on September 16, 2017, Christopher Griggs, USFS, caught us up on the status on many topics concerning plans for Marshall Gulch and other important issues to residents and cabin owners.

Beginning on November 1, 2017, winter fuel permits will begin to be sold for gathering wood on Forestry land that will be staged by the Forest Service. This wood will be cut into rounds but not split and is to be used only for heating homes on Mount Lemmon. Christopher said he is busy getting locations approved that have downed trees that can be used for winter fuel. Once Christopher gets approval for the areas, his teams will get stacks of rounds set up for those with permits to remove. This procedure will also help FireWise these areas as we will be removing much of the low lying wood that could possibly fuel a wildfire, thus making our surrounding forest areas safer and FireWised.

The upper campgrounds (Spencer, Rose Lake, White Tail) are scheduled to close near or around October 1, 2017 and campers will be directed to the lower campgrounds for the winter season. Molino Basin will remain open through the winter months and General Hitchcock will be open as long as the weather permits.

So, if you're interested in buying a wood permit this year, remember they can be purchased starting November 1st. The money made from these permits add revenue to the Forestry budget that helps get future projects funded as well as providing affordable winter fuel for residents and guests on the mountain during the colder season.

The Kids Get Back to The Lake

by Lorri Hans



The hike home was long and tiring, not just for the kids but also for Grandpa Squirrel. As the morning sun came up over the mountains, the gang stood high on a hill, looking down at the lake. Stewie and Danny were overcome with joy as they anticipated the first hug from their moms. But as quickly as they had the vision of a happy reunion, they remembered why they were just getting home and their thoughts went to how much trouble they were still in and they hoped their parents would be so happy to see them that the ride on the motorcycle to Summerhaven wouldn't even come up.

The boys all took off running down the hill towards home. Sliding, rolling, laughing and skipping all the way down! Grandpa however was very tired and slowly made his way down the embankment. The toll on his old body was more than even he knew. He would certainly need to rest before heading back to his own home. As the boys hit the waters edge, Danny jumped head first into the lake, letting the water roll off his downy feathers and catching a small fish while he was under the water. When he finally let his head pop up he was smiling as big as any child ever had. Oh how he had missed the lake! Stewie yelled for his friend to come give him a ride. Franklin the Fox (or Frankie as the boys had dubbed him) wasn't sure what all the fuss was about. He wasn't sure where he would fit in at this new place and his heart was heavy as he thought about his own Mom and family. Stewie yelled for Frankie to come with him and to jump on Danny's back and they would float to their parents. So with Stewie hanging on to Danny's neck, Frankie backed up and then with a running start, he flung himself atop Danny. He had no more than made contact with Danny and the 3 of them were under water. Not realizing that Danny's body couldn't take the weight of both of his friends, they were all shocked when they sunk like an old boat. Danny just popped right back up but Stewie was still under water and couldn't be seen. Frankie managed to swim to the shore, shaking the weeds and sticks from his tail as he found his way to higher land. Danny was starting to panic and was diving down over and over again looking for his friend. Finally he saw that Stewie had come up a few feet away from him and was doing his best to tread water. Stewie was quickly running out of energy when Danny went under the water again and came up right under Stewie. Stewie hung on with all his might and said, "Maybe you should just take me to the shore and I'll walk."

As the boys neared their homes they were spotted by Rufus and immediately the call of the Raven could be heard throughout the lake. "Caw Caw! The boys are home! Caw Caw!" Sweet Pea raced to her son and hugged him so tight the little guy could barely breathe but it didn't bother him one bit, he was safe in the arms of his mom again and that felt better than anything he had ever felt. Danny's parents had also found their young son and were busy preening him and hugging the downy right out of him.

Grandpa caught up to the gang during their hug fest and was happy to join in and hug his daughter. He hadn't seen Sweet Pea since the wedding and she was so grown up now, it brought tears of joy to his eyes. Once the commotion settled down, a question that was on everyone's minds was finally said out loud. "Who belongs to this baby fox?" Frankie walked up with his head held low, saddened because his own mother wasn't there to greet him, he looked up at Sweet Pea with the saddest eyes she had ever seen and said, "My name is Franklin the Fox the third, from the long time legacy of the Foxes. I used to demand that all should kneel at my feet as I am royalty, but now I am just an orphaned fox hoping you will be my forever mom." Sweet Pea looked at Sammy with uncertainty but was overwhelmed by this boys pain so she simply said, "Franklin the third, I am Sweet Pea the first and I will do all I can to make sure you have a home." As everyone headed towards their homes the boys were told not to think they were out of trouble for taking the motorcycle ride but it was decided the punishment could wait. For today they would celebrate being safe and sound at home where they belonged...



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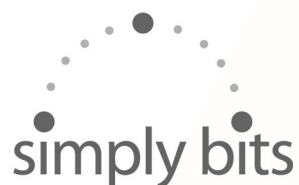
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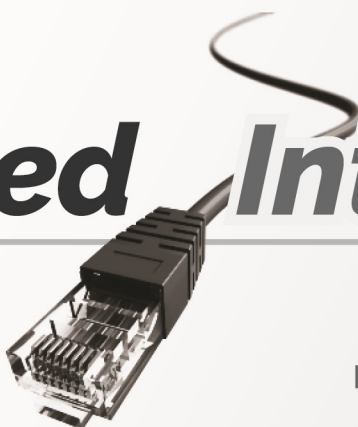
Becoming friends with our local firemen, EMT's, and law enforcement officers is bound to happen when we see them so often. It has become second nature to just call them directly instead of using the 911 services. It is very important to their budgets that we utilize the 911 dispatch and not call directly 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!



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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; Jenni Avram, vice-president; Linda Currin, treasurer; Sally Crum, secretary; Lorri Hans, Event coordinator; John Mulay; Pete Krauss; Debbie Fagan; Glen Schager; Mike Bernstein; Tom Thomas, Bill Piatkiewicz; Carrie Reitz, and Jerry Taylor.

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October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Oktoberfest Ski Valley- noon	2	3	4	5 Full Moon Harvest Moon First day of Sukkot	6 BUNKO 5:30 At MLCC	7 Oktoberfest Ski Valley- noon
8- Oktoberfest Ski Valley- noon Quilt planning Meeting MLCC 2:30pm	9 Columbus Day Native Ameri- cans Day	10	11 Last day of Sukkot	12	13	14 Oktoberfest Ski Valley- noon
15 Oktoberfest Ski Valley- noon	16 Boss's Day	17	18	19	20	21-MLWD 8a MLHOA 10a MLWC 1pm Chili Cook off 3pm MLCC
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Halloween				

BUNKO IS BACK!!!

Friday, October 6th at 6:30pm-9:00pm at the Mount Lemmon Community Center

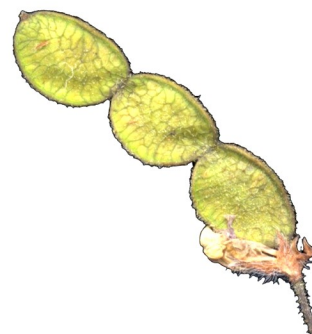
Bring snacks to share, what you want to drink and your smiling faces. Linda Mulay will go over the rules for those who don't know how to play.

Questions? Call Linda at 520-576-1417

Arizona Tickclover, Arizona Ticktrefoil, *Desmodium Arizonicum*
A Member of The Bean Family
 by Frank Rose

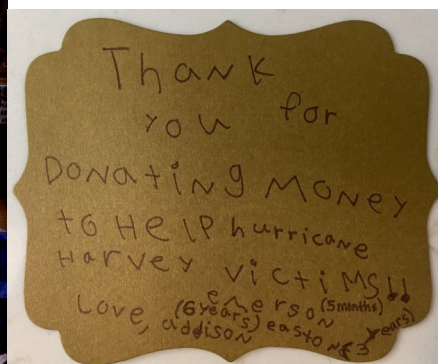
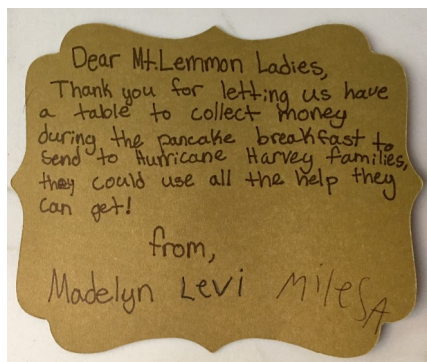
There are at least 8 different species of Tickclover (*desmodium*) in the Catalina Mountains, but only one that is found above 8,000' and that is the Arizona Tickclover (*Desmodium Arizonicum*). It is a fairly tall plant, up to about three feet high, with beautiful rose-colored flowers. Note the white butterfly on the top left side of the plant. The rounded seeds are connected in sequence and stick to your clothing (I like to say they "Tick to your clothes"). It blooms from July into September and may be found in Marshall gulch, Box Camp trail, Oracle Ridge and other places.

There are other tick clovers lower down the mountain, at Windy Point, in Gordon Hirabayashi and Molino Basin. One way of telling the different Tickclovers apart is the shape of the leaves. The smallest, *Desmodium roseii*, has tiny flowers.



Kids Rake in \$314 for Harvey Victims at Pancake Fundraiser!

Photos and Notes Provided by Dayna Anderson and her kids (Mike and Susan Anderson's Daughter)



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