

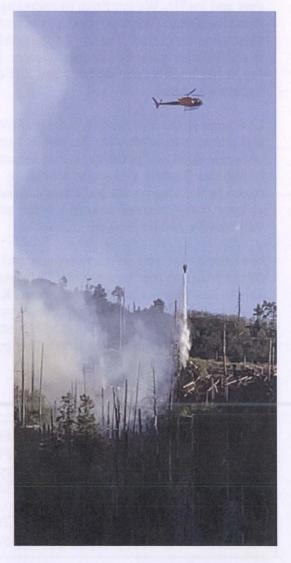
This is why we Firewise!

The Busch Fire started Thursday May 23rd; in the same basic area that the Aspen Fire started.

Fortunately, the Forest Service had ground crews and air support on hand; they dealt with it swiftly.

Stay vigilant, take care of your space and thank a fire-fighter and all our volunteers!

Photos courtesy of Jill Kennedy and Jennifer Rollins



Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association by Michael Stanley, president

Summer is upon us! The aspens have shown their green, and the ferns have popped out of the ground. We have had some warm days, but the nights are still in the 40's and provide great sleeping weather. Both Sabino and Carter Creeks continue to flow. As most of you know, it has been beautiful up here.

The mountain has experienced a larger than normal number of visitors. Every day there is a large group parked at the Rose Canyon Lake area, and most of the pullouts and picnic grounds have traffic. Willow Canyon continues to be inundated with traffic with little regard for the forest and homeowners. The Village and Marshall Gulch are packed heavily on the weekends. Access is hampered due to the parked cars and traffic. We continue to encourage trash removal and make it known that all the trash cans and restrooms are closed. The only open public facility is in the Village at the Community Center. Needless to say, it has been extremely busy and difficult to keep supplied and clean.

Everyone in the Village has had a positive attitude and attempts to work with this public intrusion. It tests our skills and patience, but so far our community remains friendly and accommodating. All want to return to the way it was, but change is inevitable, and as long as we continue to keep a better attitude we will survive and be blessed.

We hope to see you on the mountain and perhaps as things return to the "new normal," we may even be able to have some kind of group event. Keep your fingers crossed and remember to wash your hands. In closing we wish to give support to Deputy Dave Conto during these difficult times. Our prayers are with him and his family.



5th Full Moon

13th MLWC 11 AM D-1 Cabin Vote for Officers & Installation

20th Summer Solstice Board meetings via ZOOM Water District - 9AM MLHOA - 10AM



In lieu of our traditional live 4th of July Parade, we are having a "virtual" parade on YouTube. Please complete the **REVISED** Entry Form (page 3) and read it carefully. After submitting this form to me, you will then be able to consult with Matthew Grossman who will assist to determine how you can most effectively create your video clip given your individual/specific technology. We are looking forward to seeing your patriotic creativity!

Susanne Drolet, parade coordinator

The Mt. Lemmon Community Center is part of Pima County's Natural Resources Parks and Recreation (NRPR) department. The center is located in the heart of Summerhaven. The facility is dependent upon local volunteers to staff and support the visitors center. The mission is to welcome all who visit the facility and to promote Summerhaven, Mt. Lemmon and Pima County, Arizona. To reserve the MLCC, call Kelly Cheeseman, Pima County Parks and Recreation, 520-724-5208, or email Kelly.Cheeseman@pima.gov.



MT. LEMMON 45th ANNUAL JULY 4TH PARADE Saturday, July 4th, 2020 – 12:00 Noon

Our 2020 Parade will be on YouTube so it's time to get ultra-creative! Get out your 4th of July attire or costumes and create an entry. Yes, that's you, Mt. Lemmon residents and interested general public! That means your family or small group following social distancing protocols, of course.

You'll need to complete this form and send it to susannedrolet@gmail.com no later than June 12, 2020.

Instructions for submitting your entry will be sent upon receipt of the form. Videos must be received by June 15, 2020.

Do your best! As always, entries will be judged by our panel,

Be sure to follow the guidelines at the bottom of this form!

Name of Group				
Main Contact Person for Your Group				
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Telephone Number(s)				
All the above information is needed in case we need to get in touch with you with questions or last minute updates				
ENTRY CATEGORY: () ORIGINAL () PATRIOTIC () HUMOROUS				
This is your chance to participate in our Mt. Lemmon 45 th Annual 4 th of July Parade via YouTube. As stated above, return this form no later than <u>Friday, June 12, 2020</u> to <u>susannedrolet@gmail.com</u> . Instructions for submitting your entry will be sent upon receipt of the form. Videos must be received by <u>Monday, June 15, 2020</u> .				
Please write what you want the announcer to say about your entry. If you don't write something, we'll have nothing to say about you or your group!				
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2020 July 4th Parade Video Guidelines				
Film horizontally if using a phone and use 1080p resolution. Video clip must be less than two minutes. Entry must NOT contain material violating rights of others including but not limited to privacy and intellectual property.				

Entries must be in compliance with YouTube's Community Guidelines, available at https://creatoracademy.youtube.com/page/course/community-guidelines

By submitting a video, entrant certifies that s/he has obtained and hereby confers to the Mt. Lemmon Womens Club and Mt. Lemmon Business Economic Association, authorization to display the likeness of all individuals visible in the submission, including

MLFD Safety Message

by Dan Leade, Capt/ A-Shift MLFD

As I write this, please know that all of us at MLFD are hoping that everyone is doing very well with all the concerns currently facing us. We wish to keep everyone informed with the most up-to-date information available during these trying times.

As far as the state of your fire district, we are currently responding to calls as normal. With so many people coming to Mt. Lemmon who are out of work, we have been slightly busier than average compared to recent years. If you have not been made aware, our station is closed to visitors so that we do not accidentally spread anything we may have come into contact with.

Coronado National Forest has moved to Stage II restrictions. This means that no fires of any kind are allowed on Federal lands. This also means that our slash collection is suspended until restrictions are lifted. We will resume with that program when we can. All firearms sports are also off limits. Be sure to follow the Firewise guidelines and programs that are in place on Mt. Lemmon. Sorry for any inconvenience. https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/coronado/alerts-notices

Regarding Covid-19, information has been changing daily. We encourage you to follow the recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention https://www.cdc.gov/ coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.ht whoml.

Stay home if you can...we will get through this. Stay safe!!

Mt. Lemmon Water District Update

by Michael Stanley, MLWD

Howdy, May 23rd began our summer season. I am sure you are ready to come up the mountain and enjoy your home. The water system is full, and currently there are no



restrictions on water use. Please be aware that as the summer progresses things could change. We always wait for the needed monsoon weather pattern to appear around the 4th of July. The spring flow slows down in June, and the rain is necessary to replenish the ground water supply. Keep aware of changes if we are required to change our water status. As always, be conservative with your water use during these lower flow times. As things dry out PLEASE be careful with fire. The fire danger is now at "HIGH" and we are in Stage 2 restrictions. If you see fire or smoke, report it to 911. Remember, only you can prevent Wildfire! Please give us a call at 520-576-1538 for water questions.

Cheatgrass Update for June 2020

by Lindy Brigham

Cheatgrass season is in full swing. As of last week, most of it was green but maturing rapidly. Keep in mind the area it is growing in determines how tall and how fast it grows and matures, so just because you see it green in one area does not mean it is all green. You can only spray when it is green and actively growing. If you wish to spray, glyphosate products are available in many stores. Otherwise, you need to pull before the seeds mature and drop off. Once that happens, it is too late. If the cheatgrass is young and green, you may pull it and leave it on the ground. This helps reduce the amount of plastic and trash in the landfill. If the grass has started to turn purple, pull it gently and place it in a bag and dispose of it in your trash. To refresh your memory on cheatgrass, check out article #4 on the Firewise section under Resources on the Mt. Lemmon Fire Department website, mlfdaz.org. If you have questions do not hesitate to email me at labrigham@msn.com

Thanks to each and every one of you who helps eradicate this highly flammable invasive.



Newspaper Delivery

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

Pilates on the Mountain, Summer 2020

Beginning Date: Saturday, June 13, 2020

Location: 12807 N. Upper Loma Linda Place On the deck (enter on north side of the house)

When: 8:30 - 9:30 AM, Saturdays and Thursdays

Coronavirus Precautions: I will be wearing a mask and masks will be provided. Hand sanitizer will be provided before and after class. Deck will be cleaned before and after class. Students will be 6 feet apart. I will not be making corrections with the "touch" method"; I will demonstrate correction with my body. Breathing method will be changed for the summer

Materials needed: Mats 3/8" thick (the dense ones, not the soft, spongy ones). Mats are necessary to protect your back on deck boards. (Mats are available at Big 5 Sporting Goods Store on Speedway and elsewhere.)

Diana Osborne has graciously allowed us to use her parking area (12829 N. Upper Loma Linda Rd) during class time. I hope to see you soon. Thank you and stay healthy and safe! Susie Pearce



Sky Island Kids Club Summer 2020

By Christina Grossman

We are so proud of all our Sky Island Kids and Families for doing whatever we could with stay-at-home orders and online learning. Beginning the first week of June, there will be an activity to do each week. Things may change, depending on volunteers who would like to offer their ideas, or activities. Remember, to stay connected, feel free to email me at christina@grossman.com. So, let us kick things off with a few ideas that we can do at home, or outdoors!

Week of June 1st: Learn Morse Code.

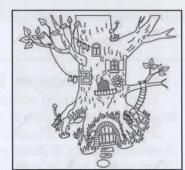
Make your own message and see if your parents, grandparents, or fellow Sky Island Kid can decipher it. There will be a demonstration on the FB private group and via email.

http://www.mykidsadventures.com/fun-flashlight-activities/

Week of June 8th: Make a Fairy House, or Elf House

I bet either you or your grandparents have a spot for a Fairy house on the mountain! I will share ideas and instructions on how our family has made fairy houses out of milk jugs, juice bottles, and such. We even made clothes for the clothesline! After you make this, find a spot at your house, or send it over to your grandparents, or friends, (following social distancing of course!).

http://www.mykidsadventures.com/elf-or-fairy-house/



Week of June 15th: Kindness Rocks

Do you remember the very first summer making kindness rocks? We hid them at the Faul Preserve for others to find. Let's do that again! Whether you are able to do this in Tucson and leave some behind on your walks, or able to visit the mountain and leave some at the Faul Preserve, we need to let our creative juices out! A demonstration will also be available on video on the FB page and via email.

https://www.favecrafts.com/Most-Popular-Crafts/Kindess-Rocks-With-A-Free-Printable-66421 https://jekyllandhydemusical.com/rock-painting-ideas/

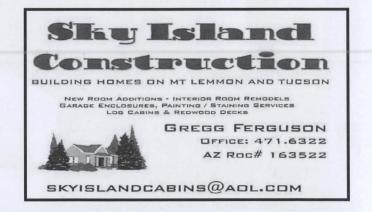
Week of June 22nd: Bingo Night! (tentative for Friday, or Saturday night)

Our family tried this out over Facetime and it was fun! Pdf documents for you to either print out, or draw will be made available. If you want to get started, here is a link to get you on your way of doing your own at home! https://myfreebingocards.com/numbers/1-75

Week of June 29th: Fourth of July Virtual Dance Practice

We have no idea what the Fourth of July will bring, but we can prepare through dancing! Via Facebook and email, you will be shown a dance move to the Macarena! Be prepared to take a video of you, or your family dancing together to send back to me. We will then put it together as a movie to show all of us dancing together.





Trico offers financial assistance for Members during COVID-19 crisis

Trico Electric Cooperative is committed to helping our Members and the communities we serve as we face the health and economic challenges presented by the COVID-19 emergency.

In partnership with the Trico Foundation and the Trico Electric Charitable Trust, Trico has adopted a COVID-19 Assistance Program that will provide bill credits and payment extensions to qualifying Members who are negatively affected by this pandemic.

"As a non-profit, member-owned utility, putting our Members first is a guiding principle that has never been more important than it is now," said Vincent Nitido, Trico's CEO and General Manager. "We will continue to support our membership and the communities we serve throughout this crisis."

Qualifying Members, including individuals and small businesses, can apply for bill assistance through a quick screening process that can be found on Trico's website at www.trico.coop/help-from-trico.

In addition, Trico is providing funding for non-profit and charitable organizations that help local communities in need. The cooperative will continue to provide financial assistance to qualified Members, non-profits and charitable organizations for the duration of this emergency.

The list of non-profits and charitable organizations that Trico has assisted with \$10,000 grants includes United Way of Tucson, Interfaith Community Services, the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona and Marana Health Care. Trico also has pledged an additional \$200,000 to Wildfire, an Arizona non-profit group that works through local agencies to aid low-income families and individuals. Trico is currently accepting grant applications from non-profit and charitable organizations that serve Trico communities with food and other basic needs.

Relevant Phone Numbers: Emergency —911				



NEWS FROM THE MT. LEMMON WOMAN'S CLUB

Connie Taylor, president

As many of you know, several of our mountain organizations have not been able to meet due to the Covid -19 pandemic. Our organization was, again, not able to meet in the month of May. On May 6^{TH} I sent an informational article to our members through MailChimp to keep them informed of our local GFWC and

our own chapter.

"Cabin Tours" on June 6th have been canceled. Sally Crawford is hoping that we may have that activity later in the fall or just wait until next year. There are so many people who like to go on that tour (70-80 and food) that social distancing would be impossible to enforce. Sally will keep us informed. Also, the "Membership Luncheon" on June 13 may not occur. (30 people with food) This would be Carol and Tina's first event. Both ladies are still thinking about it and will let us know what they would like to do.

We need to vote on the new board of directors and install all five ladies, soon. Carol Niehoff and Tina Hanks will let us know when and where (most likely an outside, small gathering). Jennifer Shacter has vol-

unteered to be the installing officer. Thank you Jennifer.

Our 2nd Vice-President, Teresa Wilson, writes all of our reports and sends them to Southern District and State. We received 4 awards from GFWC-AZ Southern District, they are:

First Prize, GFWC-Advancement Area, Communications and Public Relations

First Prize, International Outreach, Public Issue, MLWC Honor Flight Southern AZ #29

First Prize, GFWC-Community Service Program, MLWC Catalina Village Assisted Living Facility

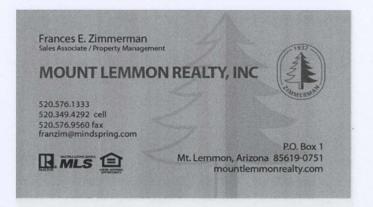
First Prize, GFWC- Community Service Programs, Conservation, Chipper Crew

(Thank you Sally Crum)

Teresa writes: "It was a pleasure to research and write about the wonderful works that our MLWC produces to make a difference that touches many lives and Mt. Lemmon."

Thank you Teresa.

Please Stay Healthy and I hope to see you on the Mountain.

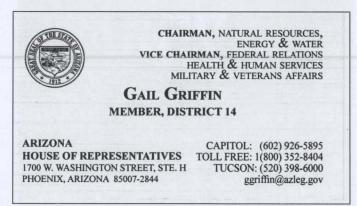




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USFS Update and Concerns

by Linda Currin, with input from CJ Woodard, Santa Catalina District Ranger

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, Mt. Lemmon campgrounds, picnic areas, the Catalina Highway and Summerhaven have all been overwhelmed and stressed by thousands of visitors seeking respite and refuge during the past few months. Many of those out of work and unable to find relaxation and places to escape, seek cooler weather and a sense of "normal" on Mt. Lemmon. The U.S. Forest Service has struggled as well, and now the Coronado National Forest (CNF) is preparing to schedule reopening opportunities. Acting Regional Forester Elaine Kohrman stated, "We know that outdoor recreation at national forests in Arizona is vital to our communities during the spring and summer." This is a nationwide problem, not just on the Coronado National Forest.

Services have been limited for the health and safety of CNF employees, especially since many who normally maintain the facilities on Mt. Lemmon have been lacking personal protective equipment and sanitizers. We are now seeing more employees on the mountain emptying trash and patrolling the picnic areas watching for unlawful campfires. Many abusers are exhibiting signs of graffiti and other illegal activities which are unacceptable and disturbing.

The CNF is developing plans to safely open and maintain the recreational areas in the near future, so thousands of Tucsonans may once again enjoy our forest legally and safely. These plans will depend on risks, conditions and mitigation opportunities. Of course all will depend on the fire danger and extreme weather conditions.

Please keep in mind that damage to our recreational sites will need increased care to repair destruction and

vandalism. Many local residents have been picking up trash, debris and garbage and you are greatly appreciated. We will get through this, and we appreciate CJ Woodard, Santa Catalina District Ranger, Coronado National Forest, and those employees dedicated to working through this very difficult time. Look for more information regarding reopening of CNF campgrounds, picnic areas and specific recreation sites at http://fs.usda.gov/goto/r3/safety. Those of us who truly love and care for our national forest will prevail and maintain the unique treasure and value of Mount Lemmon.





Firewise During this Period of Peak Wildfire Danger

Did you witness the harrowing sight of flames above Summerhaven on May 21 as hotshot crews, helicopters and a tanker plane battled the Busch wildfire near Mint Springs Trail? For those of us who did, it was irrefutable evidence that the danger of wildfire is real and can arrive in a matter of hours.

As the glow of flames lit up the ridge through the night, stacks of bagged pine needles and slash sat along our streets waiting to be removed on Memorial Day weekend. Many Mt. Lemmon neighbors had already worked hard to Firewise their cabins and properties—despite limitations imposed by Covid-19 stay-at-home orders. Anyone who saw the flames and checked their phones for possible evacuation orders is likely to agree that even more can be done to protect our cabins, properties and the community during the hot, dry, dangerous month of June.

The **Firewise Directory** on the MLFD website has a wealth of information to get you started or help you continue with ember-proofing your cabin and removing wildfire fuels from other parts of your property. Go to **www.mlfdaz.gov** and click on **FIREWISE** in the drop-down menu under **RESOURCES**. The very first link ("0.0 Directions...") highlights any recent developments and will guide you through the rest of the resources in the directory.

A. Prepare for Possible Evacuation

Now is *absolutely* the time to develop a household evacuation plan, especially since a lot of folks might actually be spending more time at their cabin this year:

— For step-by-step suggestions of how to prepare, read "Ready, Set, Go!", which is newly posted in the

online Firewise Directory.

— <u>To receive electronic emergency alerts</u>, instructions and information for evacuation (or other public emergency) on your email, smartphone and/or tablet, sign up on Pima County's Everbridge system at Myalerts.pima.gov (or update your contact information if already a member).

B. Start or Continue Your Firewising Efforts

Please note that Stage 2 restrictions are in place throughout the Coronado National Forest, and the MLFD burn pile remains closed. Also, at this time we do not anticipate having any more dumpsters in Summerhaven for pine needles. Unless/until this changes or other resources become available, all types of Firewise waste (slash, pine needles, mature cheatgrass) will need to be *transported off the mountain*. Also, cheatgrass is now up and maturing; for removal of this highly flammable vegetation, carefully follow the guidelines in "Cheatgrass: Identification and Control" in the online Firewise Directory.

If you have done some Firewising on your cabin/property and are able to do more:

— <u>Continue ember-proofing</u> your cabin according to the "Action List for Owners" in the Firewise Directory.

— <u>Move outward</u> to remove dead/flammable vegetation from other parts of your property (also in "Action List for Owners").

— Pull, bag or spray any cheatgrass around your property.

If you haven't yet started to Firewise:

— <u>Visit the Firewise Directory</u> at mlfdaz.org and begin with the very first post ("0.0 Directions...") to learn how to use resources in the directory. Also watch at least one video with Dr. Jack Cohen ("2. Firewise Video Links") to see how Firewising does make a difference.

- Follow the guidelines in other directory articles, especially "1. Safe Firewising," "3. Action List for

Owners," and "4. Cheatgrass."

— <u>Contact your Neighborhood Firewise Captain</u> (see page 11 of this issue) with any questions and to provide your phone number and email to receive important updates.

— <u>Hire a vendor</u> from the list in "5. Service Providers" in the Firewise Directory if you need help Firewising and/or transporting pine needles or slash off the mountain.

Raking and bagging pine needles can be dusty work that might disturb the soils beneath, along with organisms that wouldn't normally be airborne. Please wear a mask to avoid inhaling anything that might irritate your lungs and nasal passages, and socially distance if you are interacting with a service provider.

C. Stay Current with Changes to Firewise Resources and Developments

To learn about any changes that result from new or lifted Covid-19 orders/advisories, new resources that might become available to property owners (think Boy Scouts), changes in the MLFD burn pile status, etc.:

— <u>Periodically check "0.0 Directions"</u>—the very first post in the online Firewise directory.

— <u>Give your Neighborhood Firewise Captain</u> your telephone number and/or email to receive any important updates.

— <u>Join Summerhaven Nextdoor (email bernablatt@gmail.com)</u> and the Mt. Lemmon Google Group mailing list (email matthew@grossman.com).

Thank you for your participation in this all-important annual community effort. Let's all hope for an early and robust monsoon season and responsible behavior from everyone who stays on or visits our beautiful mountain.

Neighborhood Firewise Captains				
Neighborhood	Firewise Captains	Phone	Email	
Loma Sabino HOA, including Middle Sabino and Upper Loma Linda	Louise Lynch John Lynch Diana Osborne Craig Orozco			
N. Tucson (north end), Bisbee, Gila	Marty Herde			
N. Tucson (south end), Ray, Retreat	Bernadette Blatt			
Phoenix, Globe, Hayden, Upper Goat Hill, Winkelman	Matt Grossman Carol Bender	I		
Casa Grande, S. Ajo	Tami Arthur			
Loma Linda Extension, N. Ray, Z, Yuma	Marie Ahmann (captain) Tami Arthur			
Tempe, Florence, N. Ajo	Carole & Joe McCollough			
Carter Canyon, Miami, Miner's Ridge, Flicker	Mickey Gelsinger Paul Gelsinger			
Turkey Run, Wren, Grossbeak, Guthrie, Tanager, Cap Rock	Jenni Zimmerman			
Willow Canyon	Sandi Triplett Les Corey Bonnie Corey	1		
Soldier's Camp	Chuck & Linda Huber Sue Clark			
Sabino Canyon Parkway	Dorothy Johnson (captain) Louise & John Lynch			
Red Ridge	MLFD or a selected Firewise Captain			



From the Desk of Supervisor Steve Christy...

With the US Forest Service issuing Stage 2 restrictions in mid-May and reopening the campgrounds in time for the Memorial Day holiday, we have been working diligently to activate the measures successfully deployed in 2018, when we last had these restrictions.

First, the Transportation Department will be placing temporary signs in three locations, as well as replacing permanent signage vandalized by mountain visitors.

Pima County's Communications Department is working with us to produce Public Service Announcements alerting the public to "Be Fire Safe This Summer" when visiting Mt. Lemmon.

Finally, we hope to have the Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers handing out "Fire Safe" pamphlets soon at Milepost 0, as well as bilingual alerts flashing on the message board at the base.

As always, keeping Mt. Lemmon communities safe is the priority of your District 4 team.

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About the MLHOA

Mt. Lemmon Homeowner's Association (MLHOA) was formed in 1969 to protect the welfare of the Mt. Lemmon community and to be involved in all aspects of its improvement. The concerns of the organization are not limited to private property owners. Full membership with voting rights is accorded to private owners and leased land holders upon payment of yearly dues. Being organized, having a legal fund and having active local voice participation enables the Association to accomplish most of its goals. The Association organizes social events such as potlucks, pancake breakfasts, ice cream socials and raffles, enabling owners to mingle. The Annual Dinner and Meeting is traditionally held each year on the first Tuesday after taxes. Unfortunately, this event was canceled this year due to the current health crisis.

Pima County has said the MLHOA is the strongest and most respected homeowner's organization in the entire county.

Members of the board of directors are: Michael Stanley, president; Jenni Zimmerman, vice-president; Linda Currin, treasurer; Sally Crum, secretary; Pamela Selby-Harmon Echoes editor; and members-at-large

John Mulay, Pete Krauss, Debbie Fagan, Mike Bernstein, Tom Thomas and Matt Grossman.

The Mt. Lemmon Echoes is the primary communication arm of the MLHOA. It is published monthly, from February to November. Advertising in the Echoes for one year (10 issues) is \$100 for a proportional business card, \$250 for a quarter page and \$500 for a half page.

Membership dues for the MLHOA are \$35 annually. To join or renew, clip the form below, fill out all the information and send it, along with a check to the MLHOA. If you have questions or concerns regarding your membership status, contact Linda, Curin, treasurer at lcurrin@q.com or 520-247-2582.

Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association Annual Membership \$35 (payable to MLHOA) Mail this form and your check to MLHOA, PO Box 699, Mount Lemmon, AZ 85619				
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The MLHOA website provides access to information about a variety of issues concerning the mountain community as well as archives of The Echoes, history, current events,, and instructions on how to join the Association, Nextdoor Summerhaven and the Mt. Lemmon listserv. Check it out at **mtlemmonhoa.org**

It is a work in progress, so leave suggestions and/or volunteer to help with its development.

THANKS TO ALL OF OUR FIREWISE HOMETOWN HEROES

by Sally Crum, Firewise Chair

This year has certainly started out with a few challenges, hasn't it? We have all learned to be flexible with our plans, schedules and expectations. When your Firewise committee met earlier in the year, we had no idea of the many times and ways we'd need to arrange and rearrange our plans, because while many things were changing, the wildfire risk has remained.

I want to thank ALL who have helped make this Firewise season a phenomenal success. This program is designed to be a 'neighbor helping neighbor' type of program, with many people pitching in to get the work done. These friends, neighbors and sponsors are the backbone of our successful activities, and I am so very grateful for their time and efforts.

Dorothy Johnson: Neighborhood Captain Leader

Bernadette Blatt: Publicity

Paul Gelsinger: Pine Needle hauler extraordinaire

Gordon Hunter: Pine Needle loader Lindy Brigham: Cheatgrass Leader Chief Joe Gunia: Mt. Lemmon FD

Loma Sabino HOA: Pine Needle Dumpsters Willow Canyon HOA: Pine Needle Dumpsters Mt. Lemmon HOA: Pine Needle Dumpsters

Pine needle dumpster support: Soldier Camp, Karen Burrows, Tom Partridge

Chipper crew: Henry Werchan, Lou Crum, Dennis Cozzetti, Merle Triplett, Sally Crum

Chipper crew lunch: Linda Currin, Luann Waldron, Sandi Triplett

Neighborhood Captains (see the list on page 11): Assessments, communications,

encouragement, education

NFPA, Firewise Communities USA, State Farm: \$500 grant, used for chipper rental

And, in the words of PBS "AND contributions from viewers like you."

When we can once again get together, we will have a party and celebrate our successes!

THANK YOU (and I apologize in advance if I forgot to acknowledge anyone, you are ALL important)



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The Firewising Chipper crew, May 23









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On the Covid front, several of our community members have been creative and quite busy! Mary Hunter rallied her excellent sewing skills and made a huge collection of washable facemasks, seen above. Leigh Anne Thrasher came to the post office a week ago and told me of her adventure with her sidekick Jasmine, as they went on a spirit-lifting excursion to St. Joseph's Hospital. The pair, dressed in their large goofy hats with donkey ears, walked around the campus several times, waving at staff and patients, spreading joy and smiles of gratitude. Leigh Anne said she didn't realize that the low, darkly tinted windows they were walking past were for the maternity ward—until folks came outside to show off their newborns and get photos. What a memorable way to mark the start of a life during the Covid-19 quarantine! These are just a couple of stories of our neighbors creating joy for others; there are many. Begin thinking outside the "parade route" and share your creativity with us for the Fourth of July! Take care and be safe. Pamela.