

# The Mt. Lemmon Echoes

Sunrise photo by Michael Stanley

## THE MOUNTAIN MAN, FRANK ROSE

by Louise Rose

In 1982, three months before we moved to Tucson, Frank arrived for a visit to the congregation he was going to serve here. A young friend who was a student at the U of A offered to drive him up Mount Lemmon one afternoon - and thus began his love affair with the mountain. He had never seen it before but from that day, it became his "habitat" where he spent blissful hours finding and photographing flowers, trees, and gorgeous views.

Eventually we began renting a cabin on the mountain for the month of August most years. In the mornings we would hike then, in the afternoons, he would paint watercolors while I wrote.

The two places where he felt most alive were at Sunrise Chapel and on Mt. Lemmon.

Last year 2019 we rented the Altitude Cabin and some of our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren came to be with us. Over the years, they had all absorbed his love of the mountain and without exception, they treasure their time in this heavenly place.

On August 1st, 2019, Frank retired from leading his weekly plant walks. A small group of grateful botany hikers gave him a splendid farewell picnic, a signed poster and many kind words of love and gratitude, which touched him deeply.

When the weakness from the blood condition that he had grew more severe, this man who had hiked nearly every trail on the mountain, had to use, first a walker, then a wheelchair and eventually a hospital bed. We moved furniture so he could have a view of the sky, the trees, and his beloved mountains.

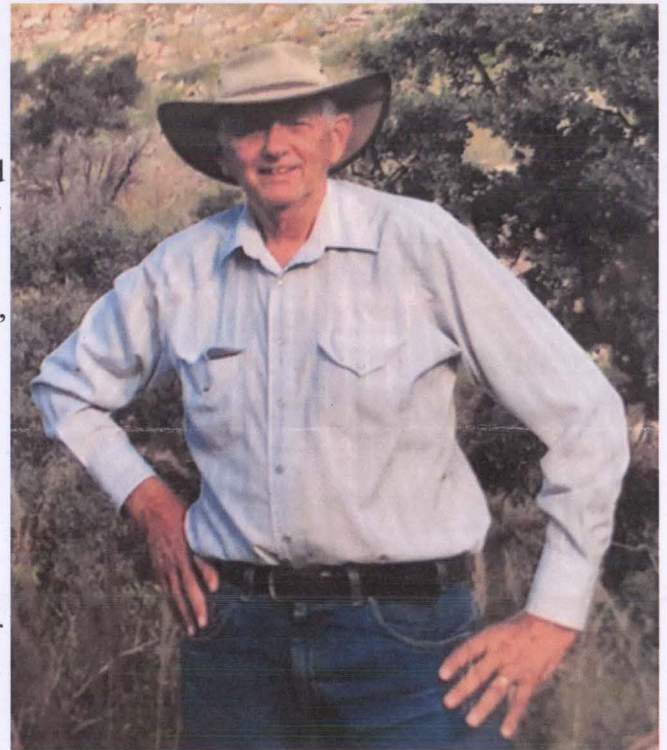
Loving messages poured into the house and brought him great consolation.

Frank died peacefully without pain, aged 93 on Oct. 15th, 2020 in his own home, with family near.

Our family and I want to thank you dear people of Mt. Lemmon who took him straight into your hearts, walked endless miles with him, attended his lectures at the MLCC, treasured and used his books, and were part of the best retirement anyone could have had.

When you see a beautiful flower on Mt. Lemmon, think of Frank.

*A link to Frank's Memorial service, with many lovely photos, is available through [sunrisechapel.org](http://sunrisechapel.org)*







# November

3rd	Election Day
11th	Veteran's Day
21st	Third Saturday Board Meetings (via Zoom) 8 am MLWD 10 am MLHOA 1 pm MLWC
26th	Thanksgiving Day
30th	Full Moon

## December

5th	MLWC Holiday Brunch (Zoom)
10th	Hanukkah begins
21st	Winter Solstice
25th	Christmas Day
29th	Full Moon
31st	New Year's Eve

## January 2021

1st	New Year's Day
18th	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
28th	Full Moon

## ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS, RESIDENTS AND GUESTS

The winter season is upon us, and it is extremely important for homeowners, residents, guests, and renters to take precautions once snow arrives. If you live on a paved, Pima County-maintained road, it will be plowed, so please park your vehicles in your driveway if possible. Most roads are narrow, and snowplow drivers will plow around vehicles on the roads which may cause icy conditions and hazardous traffic situations, and your vehicle might be unable to get out of the snow. As you know, temperatures drop during the nights which can cause problems until snow and ice melts.

Please practice being good neighbors and guests to make this a safe winter. We all look forward to much-needed moisture and a Happy 2021! Thanks to all for your cooperation.

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by Michael Stanley, MLHOA Board

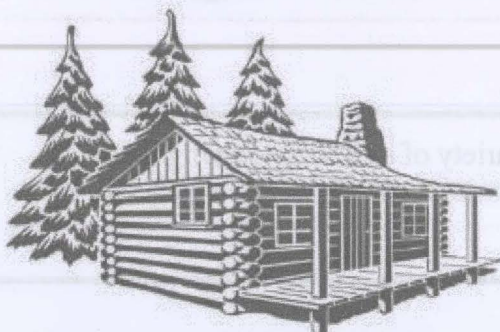
Finally, November is here. Thanksgiving and the holidays are within reach. There is so much for which we are thankful. The mountain escaped major damage during the Bighorn Fire, and we were able to return to our peaceful setting. Now, we hope there is a somewhat normal winter with snow and refreshing rain. The area needs that to settle the dust and lessen the fire danger. The autumn colors are spectacular. Turkey Run and Carter Canyon have Aspen yellows and Maple reds that bring us joy as we pass through. Ski Valley is a photo of days before ski season. We are ready for Father Winter and a season of change. Our water supply is low, and many of you have helped by conserving during this record-breaking heat and dry weather. Thank you! You have helped keep the water storage above the mandatory emergency notification levels. Please remember with the cold weather coming, winterize your cabins, drain the pipes, and be sure to shut off your water meter to prevent any leaks. Think snow!

We have missed the regular functions of the MLHOA's potlucks, pancake breakfast, the freeze-off, Firewise party, concerts, our annual dinner and just getting together. Things will change, and we are hopeful for a better situation next year. Be thankful for all that we have in our lives. Remember, be helpful to those who have little and be blessed with your family and friends. Have a great holiday season, and we will see you in February with our next edition of the Mt. Lemmon Echoes.

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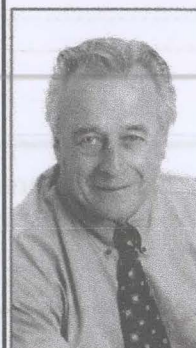
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Pima County has said the MLHOA is the strongest and most respected homeowner's organization in the entire county.

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 Matthew 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, Currin, treasurer at 520-247-2582 or [lcurren@q.com](mailto:lcurren@q.com).

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### From the Desk of Supervisor Steve Christy

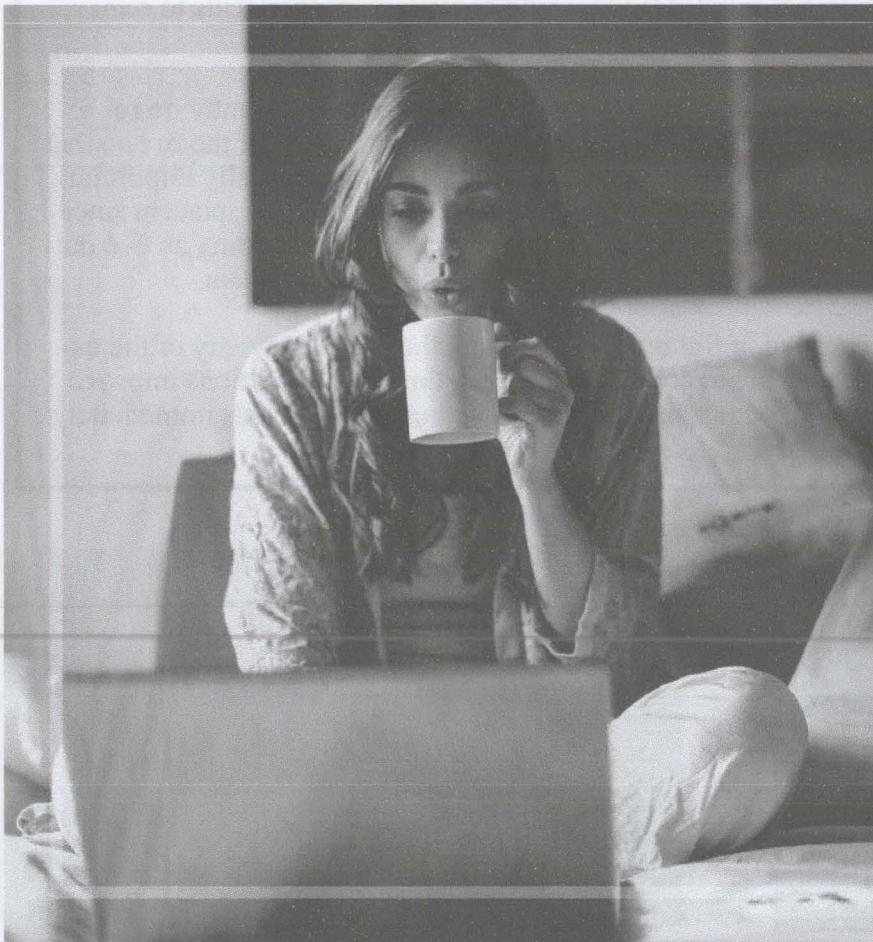
It's hard to believe November is upon us. With all that we have been through this year, it is a good time to take a moment to reflect on 2020 and express gratitude to those who make our mountain community the special place it is.

I know we all will be forever grateful to the skilled firefighters who kept the Bighorn Fire out of the village and the now infamous "doughnut hole."

A hearty thank you to...

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## The Mount Lemmon Business and Economic Association

We know that *everyone* has felt the burden of 2020. Between Covid-19 and the Bighorn Fire, the small businesses of Mt. Lemmon have taken a huge hit. So, when you start thinking about the gift-giving holidays around the corner, please, think LOCAL! Avoid the (germ-filled) crowded malls and shopping centers, as well as the backorders, shipping and other issues that come with shopping online. You can fill your gift-giving needs at your neighbors' shops and/or restaurants. If you don't find the perfect item at the moment, gift cards or gift certificates are available at each of the restaurants and the gift shops.

When you shop at the mountain businesses, you help them keep their crews employed, their suppliers paid (and *their* employees), as well as the taxes and overhead paid. It creates an immediate, direct trickle-down effect. So please remember, shopping LOCAL really does make a positive impact on your community.

## Stay vigilant! Fire danger remains

By Dan Leade MLFD

As MLFD is sure most of our residents are aware, the monsoon this year was virtually non-existent. Because of this, the forest is unseasonably dry and susceptible to wildfire in a time where we would not normally have high intensity fires. With this in mind, MLFD would encourage our residents to remain vigilant while out and about on the mountain.

If you notice and confirm an unattended fire anywhere along your travels (there are currently no restrictions preventing attended fires on the forest), immediately call 911 with a location of the fire so that resources can be dispatched to suppress the fire as quickly as possible. This is an especially important reminder right now because this time of year it is generally common to become more complacent since we are not accustomed to such conditions. MLFD thanks you for your support with keeping an eye out as we hope for A LOT of snow to improve the potential for wildfire to impact our mountain.

In addition, due to forest resources still engaged in fighting wildfires and the current severity of the existing drought on the mountain, we are still unable to collect slash at this time. As conditions improve and we are approved by the USFS to begin collecting slash again, we will update residents immediately.

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## Mount Lemmon Woman's Club

by Carol Niehoff

Wait! Is everyone seeing more turkeys in Summerhaven? Yes! Thanksgiving is around the corner and once again, it will be quite different this year! We are advised to only celebrate with our "close bubble." These challenges continue! The MLWC Zoom meeting in October was a pleasant break. It ran smoothly, with Dorothy Johnson's orchestration. We committed \$2,000 to be matched for the Fire Fighter's Foundation and we set in motion the plans for our annual Bazaar at the Catalina Village on December 9th. Linda Mulay [ljmulay@gmail.com](mailto:ljmulay@gmail.com) coordinates gathering of the donations. Candy left over from Halloween, as well as sodas, are always a hit and for a complete list, revisit the October Echoes.

There are many activities in the works. Terry Wilson is working on a **Stock-the-Pantry for Emerge!** We are hoping to coordinate with Catherine Kinghorn to **Tour the Church** in small groups. For our **Holiday Brunch, December 5<sup>th</sup>**, we will meet on Zoom and share Mimosas and Memories; and when we would normally have our **Coffee on February 8<sup>th</sup>**, we will again meet on Zoom for a presentation by Christina Grossman, revealing the many uses of herbs!

As a reminder, when you are thinking of donations at the end of the year, the following organizations are affiliated with GFWC: Heifer International, HOBY, March of Dimes, Operation Smile, Prevent Child Abuse America, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, and UNF Shot @ Life Campaign. Please track the donations you make to these worthy charities.

We wish you all a moment during the holiday to recognize the many blessings of good friendships on the mountain and the unique gifts of the mountain itself...turkeys included!

MLWC co-presidents, Carol Niehoff and Tina Hanks

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## Bighorn Fire Closure Order Update

by Charles Clark, Deputy District Ranger, SCRD, Coronado National Forest

The closure order implemented as a result of the Bighorn Fire is expected to be updated by November 1<sup>st</sup>. As hazard reduction work progresses in the area, the Forest will continue to modify the order to provide as many recreation opportunities as possible.

Forest officials are implementing necessary safety precautions to protect the public from potential hazards in the areas affected by the fire. The number one priority of the Coronado National Forest is the health and safety of the public. As recreation areas and trails continue to open, please continue to be mindful of your safety, and do not enter sections that are closed.

Forest Service crew members and a limited number of partners are working together to assess and address hazards including, but not limited to, down and leaning trees. Efforts to redefine and re-build trails are underway, as we move towards additional closed trails opening in a safe manner for public use.

There continues to be no specific timeframe for when additional partners and volunteers would be able to join the restoration efforts. Information about volunteer opportunities through our partners will be shared online as they become available.

Please see the frequently asked questions on our website or our alerts and notices for a complete list of information on restricted areas within the Closure Order. For any other questions or concerns contact the Santa Catalina Ranger District office at (520) 749-8700.

## The Use of E-Bikes and eMTBs within the Coronado National Forest

Currently, e-bikes are allowed on Forest Service roads where motor vehicles are allowed. To find a road where motorized vehicle and e-bikes are allowed on the Coronado National Forest, please visit the interactive visitor map at <https://www.fs.fed.us/ivm/>.

The Forest Service will continue to monitor the use of e-bikes and potential expansion for use in other areas. The Forest is committed to listening to the people we serve and exploring new ways to incorporate new trends. The main priority of the Forest Service is to ensure the safety and health of the people as well as ensuring the proper care and protection of the land and its natural resources.

For more information on the use of electronic bikes, please visit the main Forest Service site for more information.

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## Winter Driving Tips

by Dan Leade, Capt./A-Shift

Winter is right around the corner, and since we have arrived at the last Echoes of 2020, this seems like the best possible time to discuss safe driving in the upcoming winter weather. Driving a winding mountain road can be perilous, but the addition of snow, ice, and inexperienced drivers can certainly increase the risk of driving. Thankfully, the American Automobile Association (AAA) has put together some tips that are helpful for everyone who may be driving in adverse weather.

Their first suggestion is simply to stay home if you do not need to be out in unfavorable conditions, but if you must, remember to drive, accelerate, and decelerate slowly. Know your brakes, but do not stop if you do not have to so that momentum is not lost. This is especially true when traversing uphill. Also do not attempt to power uphill because your tires can begin to spin and lose traction. Make sure your tires are properly inflated and in good condition before leaving. Make sure the 4x4 is in working order or that your chains and/or snow tires are ready to go.

Sometimes emergencies happen, and it is best to be prepared for them in advance. AAA recommends that "if visibility is severely limited due to a whiteout, you should pull off the road to a safe place (like a pullout) and do not drive until conditions improve. Avoid pulling off onto the shoulder unless it is an absolute emergency. Limited visibility means other vehicles can't see yours on the shoulder." This is a very important recommendation since we have lots of blind curves and heavy equipment to contend with. You should know where the pullouts are and prepare to use them if an emergency occurs.

Finally, besides just knowing what to do when an emergency occurs, understanding some preparation basics is paramount for survival if you get stuck in the snow for an extended period of time. AAA suggests that drivers "keep a bundle of cold-weather gear in your car, such as extra food and water, warm clothing, a flashlight, a glass scraper, blankets, medications, and more." Consider a shovel to keep your exhaust pipe free from becoming packed with snow (carbon monoxide poisoning) and make sure you always start your trip with at least half a tank of available fuel.

MLFD hopes everyone has a wonderful winter, and we will be back in the Echoes in 2021. If you want more tips for winter driving refer to the link below. Safe driving!

<https://exchange.aaa.com/safety/driving-advice/winter-driving-tips/#.X2KirvZKi01>

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## MLWD Moves Toward Finish Line

by Doug Mance, Mt. Lemmon Water District board chair

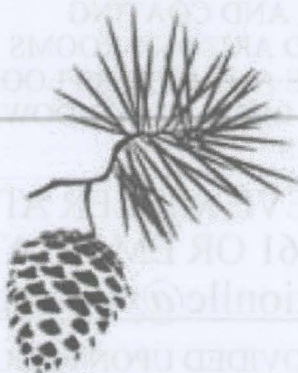
This is the final Echoes publication for this year, and here's hoping we can wrap up lots more things before 2020 ends and leave them all behind. It has been quite a year, hasn't it? The Board of Directors of the Mt. Lemmon Water District held their last October Zoom meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup>, and some important topics were discussed.

No less than two dozen contractors from all over the state requested plans for the MLWD/MLFD/USFS joint water line project. Bids from interested parties were due on Thursday, 10/22/2020, at the WLB Group, and by the last week of October, the company selected will be on board. Work should begin during the first part of November with a two-week time frame predicted for project completion. Please continue to send your good vibes and wishes for good weather, good contractor, and no underground surprises.

Our tanks...are NOT full; as of this writing, we are at 75% capacity because of spring flows not keeping up with water usage. Michael Stanley has requested we go to Stage 2 Water Use Curtailment. All water customers will be mailed the summary of Stage 1-5 Curtailment descriptions, but the short version of Stage 2 is voluntary and a request to cut your normal water usage by 50%. Thanks to all of you for your help in this effort, and please, please shut off your cabin water to prevent leaks when you are not there. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mike Stanley. This is yet another opportunity to be creative, smart, and considerate. Mountain veterans, please educate our new owners on this and all the other ways we look out for each other and our special community.

Finally, by the time you read this, Election Day, 2020, will be upon us, and hopefully soon to be another "thank God it's behind us" event. The results of the MLWD Board of Directors election are already known, and I would like to give special thanks to retiring Gordon Hunter for the many years of skill and service he has given to the water district and to all of us here on the mountain. Stu Schacter has been absorbing all he can from Gordon and will join us on the board. Welcome, Stu!!

So, we can almost see the finish line for 2020. Let us look forward to tucking this one away in the history books, shall we? Be smart and be safe, all.



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## CORDILLERAN FLYCATCHER RESEARCH PROJECT UPDATE

### Summerhaven provides quality stopover habitat for Migrating Songbirds during the Fall of 2020

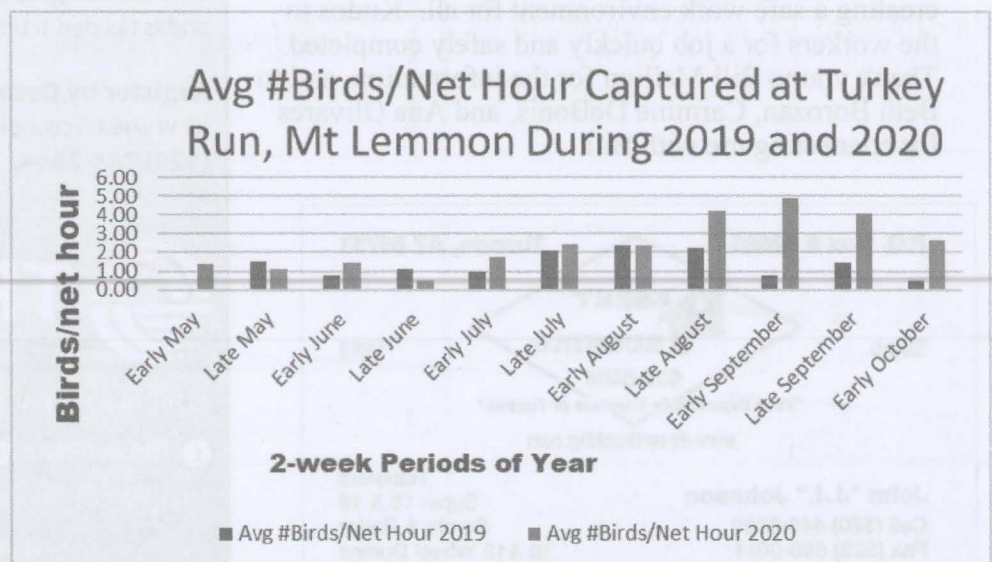
This is our 4<sup>th</sup> year of the Cordilleran Flycatcher research project on Mt Lemmon. Like all of you, 2020 was certainly a difficult year for us on Mt Lemmon, initially with COVID-19 concerns, then the Bighorn Fire, and finally US Forest access restrictions. But we have been able to keep our research moving forward through all this year's obstacles. Although we found that the Mt Lemmon Cordilleran Flycatchers migrated to Mexico in late July and early August this year, you may have noticed more birds flying around this fall. We have been able to keep up our mist netting efforts along Sabino Creek on Turkey Run, and the results of those netting efforts have demonstrated a large increase in the number of migrating birds using the Summerhaven area for stop-over habitat. We believe this increase it may have to do with the small patch of unburned habitat that remains around Summerhaven following the Bighorn Fire.

Mist netting is how wild birds are captured and subsequently banded for future identification. (proper federal and Arizona state banding permits are required to conduct mist-netting). Mist nets look like long black fish nets, strung between two poles. The nets are 12-meter, 30-mm mesh, four-tier, black, tethered, nylon mist nets. One 12-meter net operated for one hour represents an effort of 1.0 net hour. By placing mist-nets repeatedly in the same locations, and recording the amount of time they are open, we can compare bird numbers captured among different time periods.

During our 2019 bird research on Mt Lemmon we captured an average of 1.37 birds/net hour. Numbers of captures began to decrease in late August 2019 and remained below 1 bird/net hour up through November. This year, numbers of captures were similar to 2019 throughout the summer, but instead of falling off in late August, numbers of captures began increasing and reached up to 4.91 birds/net hour in early September 2020. Many of the resident breeding species had left by September, so our increased capture numbers were due largely to migrating birds using the Summerhaven area as stop over habitat. The increased bird numbers in 2020 might have been the result of food availability, but our flying insect capture data shows lower numbers of insects this year than occurred throughout 2019. Again, this points to the importance of our small patch of unburned habitat that remains around Summerhaven.

We have captured and banded over 1,000 birds on Mt Lemmon during the Cordilleran Flycatcher project. This fall we captured several unusual species such as the Northern Water Thrush (*Seiurus noveboracensis*) and Least Flycatcher (*Empidonax minimus*), along with the normal mix of resident birds and migrating warblers, flycatchers, and vireos. Next year we will try to provide more frequent updates about the Cordilleran Flycatcher project in shorter articles in future ECHOES. We wish to thank Bill and Cathie Brown, BJ Singh, and Terry Hopper for permission to mist-net along Sabino Creek on their private lands. If anyone would like to become involved with the Cordilleran Flycatcher network on Mt Lemmon, please email us at [charlesvanriper3@gmail.com](mailto:charlesvanriper3@gmail.com). We also wish each of you a safe and enjoyable winter season.

Drs. Charles van Riper III and Harold F. Greeney, School of Natural Resources and the Environment & US Geological Survey, University of Arizona, Tucson.





## Mt. Lemmon Guard Rail Repair After Bighorn Fire

by Anne Skelley Ross

While driving up the mountain at 25 miles per hour after the Bighorn Fire, I was intrigued by the activity. What was being done, how many people were doing it, what were the challenges, and how much was it costing? Bill Mellum, who managed the contractors during the project, graciously took time from his other responsibilities to provide answers.

After the Pima County Department of Transportation (PCDOT) inspected and identified burned guard rail posts that needed to be removed and replaced between Milepost 17 and the Control Road, two contractors, Southern Arizona Paving and KE&G, were procured on Wednesday, July 22. The work began on Monday, July 27, and was completed in three phases by August 20.

**Phase I** (July 27 - July 31) - Critically fire-damaged guard rail posts were replaced to safely open the road by August 1. Eight to twelve contracted workers, and 6-8 PCDOT Traffic Control support teams completed the work in 850 hours.

**Phase II** (August 3 - August 10) - The same team of workers spent 680 hours to replace additional fire-damaged guard rail posts on the remaining part of the roadway.

**Phase III** (August 17 - 20) - A smaller crew of 3-4 contract workers and 4-6 PCDOT Traffic Control support teams completed the remaining work: replaced fire-damaged road signs, performed maintenance, and project cleanup in 360 hours. All work was completed and the reduced 25 MPH speed signs from milepost 17 to Ski Valley were replaced with the existing 35 MPH speed signs by the end of shift, August 20, 2020.

The rocky and steep terrain made post replacement challenging. In some places, the vertical drop-offs, some as great as 50 feet, required workers to be tied to existing rails for fall protection. Removal of the burned posts required not only augers and backhoes, but also a variety of hand tools. Hand tools were also needed to backfill and compact the soil around new posts.

The cost of the project was \$197,318.00. Funding came from the Pima County Emergency Management Grant for the Bighorn Fire. Thus, no reallocation from other budgeted projects was necessary.

Mr. Mellum said the PCDOT thanked the Mt. Lemmon community and the traveling public for respecting the reduced speed limits and work zones, and for creating a safe work environment for all. Kudos to the workers for a job quickly and safely completed. Thank you to Bill Mellum for the information, and to Beth Borozan, Carmine DeBonis, and Ana Olivares for connecting me with Bill.

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## Generator Update

by Sally Crum

WOW! What a year it has been. It is hard to believe this is the last issue of the Echoes for 2020; wasn't it just February, and we were planning the Annual Dinner and the Firewise Committee was meeting to plan our activities to create defensible space? Through Covid-19, the Busch Fire, the Bighorn Fire, evacuation, forest closure, and now water restrictions, we've continued to accomplish GREAT things as a community.

The near destruction of our Fire District buildings on June 17 focused my attention on how fortunate we are, but also on the age and condition of some of the equipment. We've been very fortunate in the last few years to receive a number of grants which allowed us to purchase all NEW turnout gear for our firefighters, as well as improved radio equipment, wildland firefighting gear, extrication equipment and hoses. We are currently waiting to hear on a grant application for evacuation sirens. One thing identified as a critical need was a replacement for our aging generator, which supplies emergency power to the Fire Station. Our current generator was built in 1953, and its warranty expired 65 years ago!!

We launched the fundraising campaign to replace the generator during the Bighorn Fire, and our Mt. Lemmon Community has been incredibly generous. You bought Jim Click 'Millions for Tucson' raffle tickets as well as made direct contributions to the Mt. Lemmon Fire Fighter Foundation. It took some time for me to figure out the GoFundMe campaign setup, and it has been successful. Thanks to Amy Schoenherr for sharing the link with KOLD, which ran a short story and followed up with an interview with Chief Joe Gunia and Capt. Dan Leade. We immediately began to receive calls and donations from people interested in helping, and we're currently exploring some of those possibilities.

The MLHOA donated \$2,000 toward the effort, and the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club issued a \$2,000 matching challenge! We received a \$1500 match challenge from the Greater Tucson Fire Fighter Foundation (and we received the match)! The Tucson Quilt Guild saw the story on the news and has generously donated a number of BEAUTIFUL quilts which we will use for further fundraising purposes. All of this has brought us extremely close to reaching our goal of \$40,000 for the generator. It seemed like an unsurmountable challenge, but like all the other challenges we faced this year, we pulled together, while apart, and we DID IT!! THANK YOU!!

Hopefully, when we can gather again, we will have a celebration/dedication of our new generator!!

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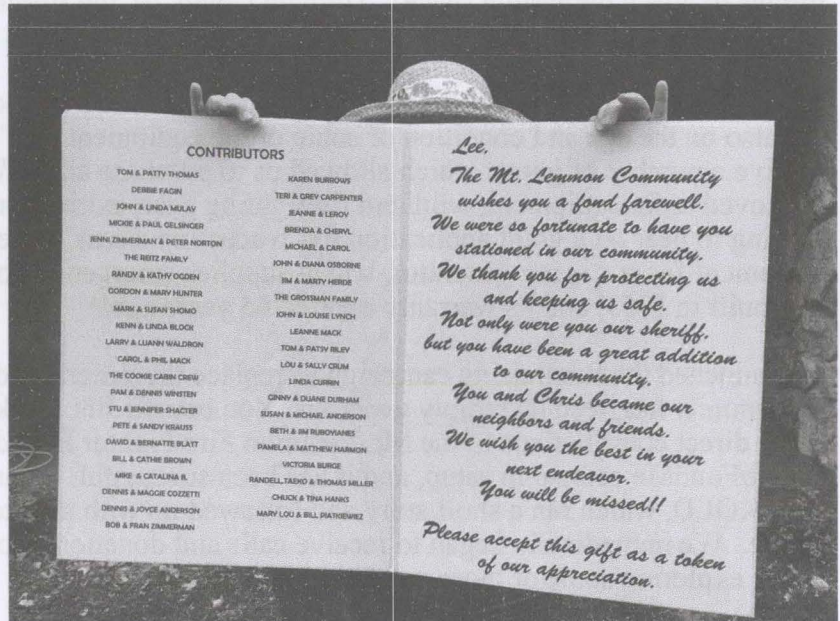




## Lee Hays Is Celebrated by Diana Osborne

Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> saw many locals come to say (an early) farewell to Lee and Chris Hays and wish them the best for the future. (Deputy Hays will be transferring off the mountain in January, but this was the best chance before they left to gather for an outdoor celebration.)

The beautiful setting at B.J. Singh's D-1 cabin was lush with fall colors. Michael Stanley led the event with his usual good humor. Patty Thomas and Susan Shomo presented a huge, professionally crafted card with names of the many individual contributors of a cash donation given to Lee and Chris prospectively. The Mount Lemmon Homeowner's Association and the Mount Lemmon Woman's Club each presented \$200 donations to **Shelter to Soldier** on Lee's behalf.



Deputy Dave Conto roasted and toasted the couple, Lee (the roasting) and Chris (the toasting), telling the story of how Lee came to Mount Lemmon. And Friend of the Mountain, Victoria Burge, presented Deputy Lee a box of fresh donuts. Tears and laughter were shared by all. We will miss knowing Lee is there to keep us safe, but we know that he is heading toward a new adventure in Green Valley. Good luck and best wishes, Lee. And, if you catch us speeding on I-19, maybe you'll give us a hug instead of a ticket!



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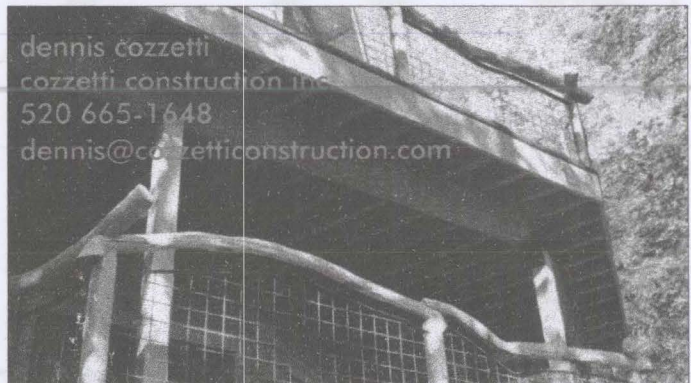
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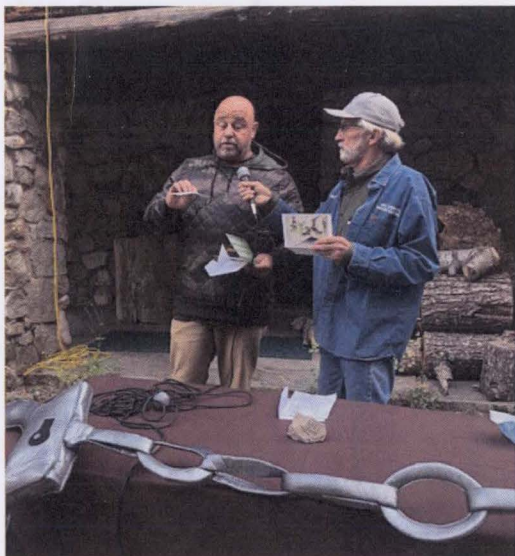
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