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Fire Station Dedication and Ribbon Cutting: A Community Celebrates

On the morning of July 12, under sunny skies and in front of a crowd of about 75 community members, the Mt. Lemmon Fire District officially dedicated its long-awaited new fire station. The ribbon-cutting ceremony marked not just the completion of a much-needed facility, but the successful culmination of a years-long, community-driven effort.

Chief Joe Gunia opened the event with brief remarks, providing an overview of the project and expressing deep gratitude to the MLFD Board and the many community members who helped bring the station to life. His comments reflected a theme that would be echoed throughout the morning: that the station represents far more than just a building—it's a powerful example of what the Mt. Lemmon community can achieve when it works together.

MLFD Board Chair Todd Canale then acknowledged several key individuals in the audience, including the architects who helped design the station. He introduced former Board Chair John Perchorowicz, who played a pivotal role in launching the project and bringing together a team to see it through.

John emphasized that this was never a one-person mission. "This was a 'we' project, not a 'me' project," he said. He then read aloud more than 50 names—residents, volunteers, and contributors who played a part, large or small, in making the station a reality.

Following his remarks, Todd Canale presented John with a custom-made leather fire bucket—an homage to the early days of firefighting, when communities would rally together to pass buckets of water in a line. The gift symbolized the very heart of the project: individuals coming together to meet a challenge as one.

With that, Chief Gunia, John Perchorowicz, and the MLFD Board stepped outside to cut the ceremonial ribbon—appropriately made of "Fire Scene Do Not Cross" tape—and officially open the station.

Guests were invited inside to tour the new facility, which includes bays for fire engines, a turn-out room for gear, a new Chief's office, a study room with desks and a computer, and spacious bunk rooms for firefighters. A large communal bathroom, modern kitchen with three refrigerators, and a fully equipped dining area—stocked through a generous "kitchen shower" hosted by local residents—create a home-away-from-home for the fire crew.

The facility also features a workout room to help firefighters maintain peak physical condition, and a deck with a barbecue grill donated by the Mt. Lemmon Homeowners' Association.

The open house continued until 2 p.m., as visitors came and went, explored the station, and enjoyed a generous spread of cake, brownies, and homemade treats. It was a day of celebration, gratitude, and pride in what a determined mountain community can achieve together.



The official ribbon cutting! L to R: Tom McNurlin, Todd Canale, Brenda Schupbach, Sally Crum, Diana Osbourne, John Perchorowicz, Chief Joe Gunia, Mitch Cusolito, and two good-looking guys we couldn't identify.



Chief Joe Gunia, MFLD Board President Todd Canale, and John Perchorowicz



The new MLFD station



From the desk of Supervisor Steve Christy

Submitted by Beth Borozan

The first session of the 57th Arizona Legislature ended on June 27, with a whimper - for the measures we supported and tracked this session. Some 18 bills were introduced to address wildfire danger mitigation and homeowners' insurance affordability and when the body adjourned sine die, precisely one had been signed into law, and that law limits the liability of utility-caused wildfires. While a heavily modified version passed, I am sure we agree 0.056 is a lousy batting average.

In July, the Board of Supervisors passed its 2026 legislative agenda, our lobbyist's to-do-list for the next session. The Board unanimously approved the introduction of the following measures:

Directing the continued and adequate funding of the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management, critical to the emergency response to floods and wildfire in Pima and many other counties.

Addressing inadequate or unfair insurance policies and practices for homeowners who are potentially at risk of wildfire with the imposition of stricter guidelines.

Encouraging legislation that mandates the use of wildfire risk modeling for properties in smaller cities, towns and communities in wildland-urban interface areas, and requiring insurers to offer possible rate reductions reflecting mitigation efforts like Firewise USA designations.

Supporting any other amendment to State Statutes regarding fire insurance that modifies the grounds for policy cancellation and non-renewal, or significant rate increases, by limiting reasons an insurer can refuse to continue coverage.

The Arizona Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions' Resiliency & Mitigation Council wraps up its monthly meetings next month and begins preparation of its report of recommendations to the governor, due in December.

Updates to follow!



President's Corner

Sally Crum



Can you believe it's already July? Time flies up here in the pines! We were all thrilled to finally get rain—and even hail! Let's hope it's just the beginning of a good, soaking monsoon season.

July is always a special month on the mountain, and this one has been no exception. The 4th of July parade was a huge success—what a turnout! Thanks to everyone who helped organize, decorate, march, and cheer. It was a wonderful reminder of how lucky we are to be part of such a vibrant, close-knit community.

Another big moment was the opening of our brand-new fire station. What an important milestone for our village! We're so grateful to all who helped make it a reality—and to Chief Joe Gunia and our firefighters for their continued leadership and service.

Also: bears! Luann Waldron had a pair of cubs right on her porch, and reports from Soldier Camp tell of a bear stealing honey from a hive in a hollow tree. A mom and her cubs were also caught on camera in Willow Canyon. A good reminder to be *bear aware*—keep trash secure and avoid leaving food outside.

On a more somber note, wildfires have broken out across the West. In Arizona, the Black Fire in the Tonto National Forest has already burned nearly 12,000 acres. The White Sage and Dragon Bravo fires have led to evacuations and destroyed many structures. Most heartbreaking of all, the historic lodge on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon has burned.

We must all remain vigilant. Keep your eyes open—prevention starts with all of us.

Looking ahead, August brings even more fun to the mountain. Stay safe, stay alert, and keep your calendars open!



On July 15, Supervisor Steve Christy and the Board of Supervisors, together with Mt. Lemmon Fire District Captain Dan Leade and Mt. Lemmon HOA President Sally Crum, welcomed and thanked the Pima County Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers for their fire safety efforts during this year's USFS Stage 2 fire restrictions. Certificates of recognition were presented to Jerry Collis, Steven Permut, Barb Sterling, and Howard Zveitel. PCSD Lt. Erick Lindenau and SAV Board President Al Apalategui then surprised Supervisor Christy with a certificate of appreciation for his support of the volunteer organization.



MLFD News
Dan Leade

With the arrival of monsoons, it is easy to get excited about cooler temperatures and much needed precipitation. While always a welcome time of year, this season presents some unique hazards.

Flash flooding, as the name indicates, occurs very quickly and often with deadly results. If you are planning to be outside during the monsoon season, it is crucial to check local forecasts for flash flood watches/warnings. If caught in flooding conditions, never attempt to drive or walk through the flood waters. These waters are fast-moving, murky, full of debris, and difficult to gauge the depth of.

Lightning is another major concern during monsoon season. Lightning strikes are a frequent occurrence. Per the Arizona Emergency Information, if you are in a forest, seek shelter in a low area under a thick growth of small trees, while you should go to a low place such as a ravine or valley and be alert for flash floods if caught in an open area. If you feel your hair stand on end, lightning is about to strike. Do not lie flat on the ground. Squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet and place your hands over your ears and your head between your knees to make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground.

Other safety concerns to be aware of are rapidly deteriorating driving conditions, dropping temperatures, falling trees, downed power lines, and rock slides. Be especially cautious in previously burned areas.

Although this list is not all-inclusive, the safety tips listed are always worth an annual review. Enjoy the monsoons with all their positive advantages, but please do so safely.

Water Improvement District Updates

The recent rains increased our source spring flows briefly, but we are close to implementing Stage 3 curtailment requirements.

The District Board of Directors recently revised our curtailment plan to make it less confusing and more specific regarding when we go into or out of curtailment and what the curtailment requirements are for customers.

The new plan is posted on our website at mtlemmonwater.org. The Board has also revised the Service Agreement to bring fees and charges more in line with the costs of providing service. The new service agreement is also posted on the website. It went into effect August 1.

It's Freeze-Off Time!

It's time for one of the sweetest and coolest events on the mountain.... FREEZE-OFF! Organized by Mike Stanley this annual event lets us all taste a variety of yummy cold confections! Contestants bring their best, most creative ice cream to the Fire Station on **Saturday August 23rd at 5:30** for everyone to taste and then vote on their favorites.

You don't want to miss this one! Bring the kids!
A \$5 donation will go to the MLFD.

Folks making cream need to arrive at 5:00 pm for set up. Cups, spoons, and napkins are provided. We will have a cooler of ice, but do you what can to keep your ice cream cold for at least an hour!

August Calendar of Events

1	7:30 pm Movies on the Mountain (Lodge)
2	2 pm Paint & Sip (Lodge)
3	1 - 4 pm Music on the Mountain (Lodge) Jacob Acosta
9	2 pm Paint & Sip (Lodge)
10	1 - 4 pm Music on the Mountain (Lodge) Hey Bucko!
14	10 am - 2 pm MLWC Sewing Project (Community Ctr.)
15	7 pm BUNKO!
16	8:30 am Water District Mtg. 10:30 am MLHOA Mtg. (Comm. Ctr.) 1:00 MLWC Mtg. (Comm. Ctr.) 2:30 Speaker Series (Comm. Ctr.) 2 pm Paint & Sip (Lodge) 5:30 FIREWISE CELEBRATION! (Comm. Ctr.)
17	1 - 4 pm Music on the Mountain (Lodge) Little House of Funk
23	9:30 am Trico District Meeting Comm. Ctr. 2 pm Paint & Sip (Lodge) 5:30 ICE CREAM FREEZE-OFF! At the Fire Station
24	1 - 4 pm Music on the Mountain (Lodge) Susan Artemis
28	10 am - 2 pm MLWC Sewing Project (Community Ctr.)
30	1 - 4 pm Music on the Mountain (Lodge) Kevin Pakulis & Heather Hardy
31	9 am PANCAKE BREAKFAST! (Fire Station) 1 - 4 pm Music on the Mountain Joe Weinberg

MLHOA Meeting Updates

The July meeting of the MLHOA was held Saturday July 19. Here are the key takeaways.

- The Pima County Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers were honored for efforts distributing fire safety materials and trash bags in extreme heat during the fire restrictions. Supervisor Steve Christy presented certificates of appreciation to volunteers.
- Fire restrictions will be lifted Monday, July 21. While conditions have improved, officials caution fire remains a risk.
- MLFD is expanding Firewise efforts with new equipment, inspections, and engagement with cabin owners. A tiered approach is being considered to increase participation, including on-the-ground observation by fire department personnel and the HOA neighborhood Firewise captains.
- The *MyAlerts* system is available for residents to receive emergency notifications. Discussions are underway to improve local understanding and deployment of the system.
- Deputy Sloan introduced the new USFS law enforcement officer Ray Julmisses. Welcome Ray!
- The group discussed using door hangers to increase awareness of the HOA and Firewise. A suggestion was made to divide the outreach by Firewise neighborhoods for more targeted communication with cabin owners.
- Residents have requested a temporary speed hump to slow traffic. The proposal is under review by Pima County.
- A deteriorating cabin off Ajo remains a concern. Legal and community-based solutions are being explored, including action with the Fire District and Sheriff's Office.
- Plans are coming for a memorial tree honoring Bob Zimmerman
- New equipment, including a large grill and gym additions, has been installed. Furnishings and punch-list items are still in progress.



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When the District Ranger announced the end of fire restrictions at a recent MLHOA meeting, everyone was stunned. Yes, we had rain and some areas got up to 6 inches, but overall, it just seems too dry and too soon to allow campfires, firearms, and charcoal grills. But here we are. We hope everyone in our community will continue to observe the restrictions – no outdoor fires, no charcoal grills, and extra care using power tools that could throw a spark.

The decision to lift restrictions (which is made by several participating agencies) seems counterintuitive to many of us given the scope and severity of wildfires in our State right now; the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, ablaze, the historic lodge gone, highways closed, and communities evacuated... nevertheless no fire restrictions here in the Santa Catalinas.

On a related topic: the Firewise Steering Committee, the MLHOA and MLFD are working to better understand how the current emergency alerts work in the county and how we, as a community, can best use this system to our advantage. The Firewise Steering Committee will be discussing this at our next meeting on the 24th to see if we can help various agencies get together to ensure alerts are forthcoming from the relevant sources (including TRICO), and all our mountain communities and visitors better understand how to get these alerts. We encourage everyone to sign up for Pima County's alert system (myalerts.pima.gov). This will allow the County's Emergency Management team to notify you of specific public emergencies in your area (fire, flood, road closed/open)

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MLWC Updates

The well-attended July meeting of the Mt Lemmon Woman's Club was held July 19. Among the meeting highlights:

- A committee was formed to improve MLWC visibility in next year's parade, including highlighting supported charities.
- Members can order club-branded shirts, vests and the club's signature pine tree jewelry; payments due before ordering.
- Members voted to donate gift cards and additional funds to *Aviva Children's Services* for their fall sibling reunion.
- The club continues work on this global sewing project, "Dress a Girl" with the next pocket-making sessions scheduled August 14th and 28th. Members of all skill levels are encouraged to participate.
- Members discussed preserving commemorative shirts from the Aspen Fire and Aspen Ball; ideas include framing and displaying them in community spaces.
- MLWC Volunteers will assemble themed baskets for the pancake breakfast; the club will fund one \$50 basket, with additional baskets encouraged
- Members expressed interest in hosting speakers from the Arizona Game & Fish to educate us on bear safety.

August Speaker Series to Host Talk on Environmental Recovery After Repeated Wildfires

Ann Youberg and Rebecca Beers from the Arizona Geological Survey (AZGS) at the UofA will present Saturday, August 16, at 2:30 on how wildfires and their impact to the landscape have changed in the past few decades.

The AZGS and the UofA Dept. of Geosciences have ongoing and recently completed studies to help us to better understand how repeated high-severity wildfires change our risks of post-fire geologic hazards, and the time needed for disturbed landscapes to recover. They will present on a multi-year study that examined how the vegetation, soils, and soil hydrology of the Santa Catalina Mountains have recovered, or not, from these repeated wildfires, and how the recovery of the Santa Catalina Mountains compares to recovery in other parts of Arizona affected by repeat wildfires.



Public Safety Report

For the month of March the MLFD reported 21 calls:
9 fire calls (1 confirmed brush fire)
Remaining call were public assistance, trail rescues, and charcoal/propane calls

For the 30 days ending May 17 the Sheriff's Department reported 59 calls:
14 were in Summerhaven
Most civil not criminal in nature
1 DUI
1 accident
4 citations for fires restriction violations
Several search & rescue (all resolved)



Deputy Conto Says Farewell to Mount Lemmon

After 15 years of dedicated service to our community, Deputy Dave Conto is leaving the mountain. Deputy Conto will move into patrol in Tucson until retirement.

To honor and celebrate Deputy Conto's service to Mt. Lemmon, a farewell party will be held September 20th. Please plan to attend, bring a dish to share and show your appreciation to Dave.



Deputy Conto Farewell Party
September 20th
4 -6 PM
Potluck
@ Mt. Lemmon Fire Dept.

Trico Considers Offering Internet Service

Submitted by Matt Grossman

Trico Electric Cooperative, our electricity provider, is planning a fiber optic Internet offering in some parts of its coverage area. An evaluation process is underway to determine which areas will be served based on member interest. You can express your interest by completing this form available using the QR code.

This service will be a welcome replacement for CenturyLink's copper-based Digital Subscriber Line service which hasn't been upgraded since it was installed after the Aspen fire. The equipment is no longer supported by the hardware manufacturer, which may lead to customer cancellations if any of it fails and spare parts cannot be located.

Cabin owners with obstructions to Simply Bits' wireless towers and StarLink's satellite constellation will find this new offering particularly appealing, as will those requiring higher speeds since gigabit-speed symmetrical service is expected to cost less than current Starlink pricing.

Trico will hold a district meeting at the Mount Lemmon Community Center on August 23 at 9:30am. Fiber optic infrastructure will be on the agenda. Please feel free to attend if you have questions or would like to show your support in person.



Remembering.....

Submitted by Linda Currin

That hot, dry, windy June 17th, 2003, left its scars on all of Tucson, but mostly on Mt. Lemmon and its residents and business owners. To this day, most remember the terrible battles fought, many lost, some won, but much good has come from the Aspen Fire. Here is one such story.

Trees For Mt. Lemmon was "born" November 2003 by a group of "survivors" who tackled the results of the 84,000 acres and over 325 structures lost during the two months of fire that swept in and around the Summerhaven area and Catalina Mountains. How to even begin? Its mission was to "advocate for a sustainable healthy forest community."

- Protect remaining trees
- Provide education and resource materials for private and public entities
- Advocate for healthy forest policies
- Convene continuous dialogue between private and public entities affecting the Mt Lemmon watershed

A tall order for a small group of dedicated volunteers: John Jones, Lindy Brigham, Barb Eisele, Rose Mary Hinsch, Linda Currin, Linda Benziger, Jill Kennedy, Nancy Alfonso, and Carol Bender.

It began as a special project of the Coronado Resource Conservation & Development, a 501©3 non-profit corporation. The newly formed board met in homes to brainstorm ideas, apply for grants, ask for donations of personnel, time, and money. As the fire left its many scars, we realized the importance of education and providing support for all those who had lost their cabins and businesses, to bring the mourning community together for healing and hope.

After just three years, "Trees" was able to harvest thousands of Ponderosa pine cone seeds for propagation at Northern Arizona University for seedlings to be distributed to property owners. Since the Catalina Mountains are a Sky Island and have vegetation indigenous to its elevation, Trees wanted people to plant native seedlings and plants. Native wildflower and grass seed packets were made available, and Steve Hensel and the USFS provided several years of Aspen harvesting when trees became dormant. The only stipulation to get seedlings, Aspen, and other seeds for planting was to become educated!

A Trees for Mt. Lemmon website was created providing educational opportunities, ways to donate, (financial and in-kind), and general information about invasives, cheatgrass, volunteering, and other valuable resources.

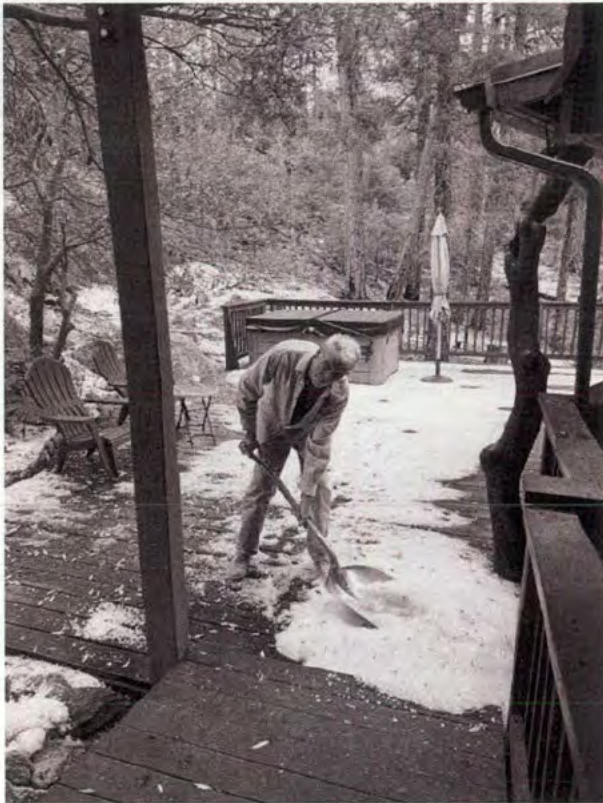
A most valuable contribution, perhaps an unintended consequence of Trees, was the healing and closeness the Mt. Lemmon and Tucson communities experienced on the mountain. Donations were made by many stores, grants from Patio Garden Club, the Cacioppo Foundation, and others to create three demonstration gardens as the village began to rebuild. To this day, The General Store, Living Rainbow, and Cookie Cabin still have plantings illustrating the kinds of shrubs, plants, bushes, and trees available for those rebuilding. And hundreds of adult Ponderosas, Aspen, Doug Fir, and White Fir are everywhere, created and planted by Trees and volunteers! And the Firewise program has been implemented since the rebuilding of Summerhaven.

Finally, the most successful fundraisers and joyful celebrations bringing people together were the three Aspen Balls, held in Tucson hotels each June 2004, 2005, and 2006 on the anniversary dates of the Aspen Fire. The first raised almost \$29,000 from ticket sales, generous donations, and a silent auction, the proceeds benefitting the

MLFD, MLWD and projects for Trees for Mt. Lemmon. The second ball netted over \$22,000 which also benefitted the MLFD and MLWD and propagated plants for property owners. Finally, "Discovering Mt. Lemmon, Then and Now" welcomed guests to the third ball, held Saturday, June 17th, anniversary of the fire. A DVD created featured cabins, old and new, old photos of memories, and the ballroom décor featured beautiful decorations full of mountain atmosphere. Truly a magical way to bring hope and longing for our mountain's future. Look where we have come since June 2003!



.....and when it was over, we planted trees.



Steve Brigham happily scoops hail off his deck after the storm in early July!

Photo by Lindy B.

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From the Arizona Daily Star, Nov. 20, 1948

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The Mt. Lemmon Lodge is famous for its colorful, rustic atmosphere that is reminiscent of a hunting lodge in Canada or a ski lodge in the Swiss Alps. During the winter months it caters to private parties, dances and special occasions.

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—(Adv.)

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Cody & the Secret of the Sentinel Pines

Cody bolted from the parade, still a little rattled from the brass-heavy music and the little girl who mistook him for a raccoon. He zigzagged between pine trunks and darted behind Elevated Espresso, not stopping until he reached the ridge above Carter Canyon. There, panting and wide-eyed, he looked out over the slope he knew as Sentinel Pines—a quiet, ancient grove whispered about in every corner of the forest.



This was the place. The spotted Old Owl had told him about. The final part of his test. According to the tales, only the wisest animals knew what to do here. Cody didn't even know what the test really was—just that it involved listening, looking, noticing. He crept into the grove. The sun filtered gently through the tall pines, and everything was still. No birdsong. No wind. Just the soft thud of his paws on the pine-needle floor.

Suddenly, he saw it: a circle of stones, arranged with care, surrounding a tiny pool of perfectly still water. In the reflection, he didn't just see himself—he saw the squirrel who'd helped him cross the icy stream last winter... the owl who'd warned him of the snowstorm... even the hummingbird who once gave him a ride on a gust of wind.

The test wasn't about bravery or speed. It was about remembering. About gratitude.

Cody sat quietly. For the first time in his life, he didn't move a muscle—not even his tail. Just then, a shadow passed overhead. A shape landed in the brush behind him. Cody turned slowly. It was her; the fox. The one creature he'd hoped to never see again.

She smiled. "You passed," she said. "But now comes the *real* test."

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Be Bear Aware



We have had lots of reports of bear sightings, including at least two sets of sows and cubs. They're cute.....but! Be bear aware at all times. Don't leave food outside, keep dogs on a leash, and stand big and tall (don't run!) if you encounter a bear.

Owners of the Monsoon Monkey gift shop had a juvenile hanging around their store and in their apple tree. Arizona Game & Fish have posted official advisory signs at the location.

Permit Fee Retention is Finally Here!

The Forest Service has now implemented the fee retention plan for national forest recreation residences, where permit holders' annual special use fees (about \$4,500) will be retained by the local agency. These funds are intended to be used for the administration and improvement of the Recreation Residence Program and other recreation programs on National Forests.

The Cabin Fee Act authorizes the Forest Service to retain these fees without further appropriation, and emphasizes most of the retained fees be spent locally, where the fees were generated.

Funds will be used for various expenses, including salaries for special use permit administrators, contracts, grants, agreements, and supplies that directly support the program.

In case you didn't know...

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Best Parade Ever!

Roaring F-15s, kids scrambling for candy, hands over hearts during the national anthem, Model Ts, tiny donkeys, drums, lawn chairs, coolers, balloons, and lots of American flags: the village of Summerhaven did Independence Day right.

With patriotic favorites played by the Tucson Concert Orchestra, emcees Christina Grossman and Susan Miller-Cochran announced the 29 parade entries, perfectly pacing the event.

Thanks to Tom McNurlin, a highlight of the parade was the spectacular flyover of two F-15s from Arizona Air National Guard. Very impressive indeed!

The street was lined with hundreds of people (and dogs!). The crowd extended from the post office all the way down to the Mount Lemmon Lodge where John Osbourne was also announcing the parade.

After the parade, the Sawmill and the Lodge were busying serving the hungry (and thirsty) crowd. Thanks to all those who worked that day! We appreciate you!

A special thanks to Hazel Rugg for once again coordinating the parade and the Mt. Lemmon Woman's Club for sponsoring this annual tradition. Also, thanks to Matt Grossman and his able Tech Team for streaming the parade on Youtube and doing an excellent job on the sound!

4th of July Parade Winning Entries

Creative & Humorous

- First place: Stars & Stripes Donkeys & Forever Home Donkey Rescue
- Second place: Mt. Lemmon Lodge
- Third place: Riley's Uncle Sam Bear

Service

- First place: Tami Arthur, Radiant Body Therapy
- Second place: Southern Arizona Rescue Association
- Third place: Pima County Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers

Patriotic

- First place: Southern Arizona Nurse Honor Guard
- Second place: Sons & Daughters of the American Revolution
- Third place: Joe Machado Family & Army Jeep

Deadline for submission to the September issue of *The Echoes* is August 20

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We sure had fun at the 4th of July Parade!!



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