

# The Liberty Extinguisher

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## Newsletter Idea:

Many of you may wonder why the Libertytown Vol. Fire Dept. is sending out a newsletter to you.

### "COMMUNICATION"

We feel that for us to understand your needs and for you to understand what it takes for us to help the community we must inform you of our changes, activities, equipment and fund raisers. We are a very active company with an array of activities for all ages and interests. We truly hope that this newsletter educates you and inspires you to come out and join us. Become an active member in your community and support the Libertytown Volunteer Fire Dept.

## What's New??- Brush 175

The Libertytown Vol. Fire Dept. recently placed into service a 1999 Ford F-550 4 wheel drive Mini Pumper. The body was constructed and placed on the chassis by Pierce Mfg. of Appleton, Wisconsin. This unit is painted the LVFD traditional colors of white over red. It holds 300 gallons of water and has a 500 gallon per minute power take off (PTO) driven pump. This allows the truck to pump water on field, brush and woods fires while being driven. This unit can also set up a water supply at a pond for refilling tankers on large fires and run structure fires on narrow lanes. It will also be used as an EMS (Emergency Medical Services) support unit. Your donations and support of our fundraisers are helping to pay for this \$118,000 unit. This unit replaces a 1975 Dodge, that was also built by Pierce Mfg.

Additionally, we took this unit to the Maryland State Fireman's Parade held in Ocean City, MD in June and won best appearing brush unit in the state. We are very proud of this honor as there is always a lot of participation from other fire departments throughout the state in the parade. (This is the second time we have won a first place award in the state, in 1980 we won best appearing 1000 gallon per minute engine in the parade).

Chief Nash wishes to thank the truck committee members Chip Stevens, Marty Fuller, Mike Purdum, Darrell Johnson and Richard Ridgeway for their long hours in planning this unit. He also wants to thank Chip Stevens, Marty Fuller, Kenny Poole and Bob Wiand for picking up this unit in Wisconsin, which took 3 days. And last but not least, Richard Ridgeway for his time in taking the unit to the state convention in Ocean City.

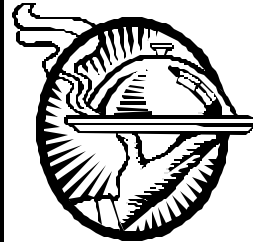
# Upcoming Events

## Food, Fun and More

### Libertytown Vol. Fire Company Annual Carnival 1999

August 9-14, 1999

Live Entertainment every night, designated ride all night for kids, all you can eat buffet with salad bar served in our dining hall, various other foods and activities will be available on the grounds and much, much more.



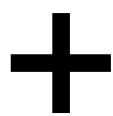
### Hungry for Dinner?

Let us dazzle your taste buds.

October 17, 1999

The Libertytown Auxiliary is serving Turkey, Ham & Oysters with all the fix'ns. Food will be served family style. So if you haven't come to a dinner at the Libertytown Fire Hall here is your chance. You don't know what you have be missing.

See you there!!



### Blood

August 26, 1999  
@ Libertytown @ St  
Church  
8 pm

To Make an Appointment Call  
Jackie Norris 301-829-0344  
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Your donation could save a life. Please take the time to donate, it may be your family member or friend that needs your help next.

### Drives

November 16, 1999  
Peters Catholic Vol Fire Dept  
4-8 pm 2-

To Make an Appointment Call  
Linda Potoschnik 301-829-2888  
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### More??? Yes, folks we have even more activities planned for 1999.

Keep an eye out for information on the following activities.

**B**INGO  
Sunday Bingo  
September 12th  
Call 301-898-9193  
For more information



Basket Bingo  
Coming on  
November 5th

### Banquet Hall

Need a place to have your banquet, wedding reception, anniversary or birthday party?

The Libertytown Fire Department's Banquet hall is perfect for any of these occasions. From the pastel wallpaper to the chandeliers and wall sconces you can set any abeyance. We have changed our menu to offer more variety in food and prices.

For more information please call  
Lucille Key at (301)898-9296 or  
Mary Morrissey at (301)898-9539



### Halloween Dinner & Dance on October 30th

For more information  
call 301-898-9193



### Celebrate the Arrival Of the year 2000

Annual New Year's  
Eve Dance at the Lib-  
ertytown Vol.

Fire Hall  
Tickets on Sale as of  
Sept 1, 1999  
call Mary Morrissey  
898-9539

### SOUND SOURCE

Call Sound Source  
to find out what is hap-  
pening at the LVFD

(301)695-2633  
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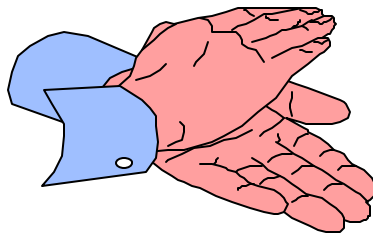
# Special Thanks

We would like to thank the Libertytown Mercantile & Antique Market for their donation of roses for our Valentines Dance. It was a special treat for all the ladies and helped make the dance a huge success again this year. We would also like to thank some of the other local business for their donations for the raffle held at the dance: Avalon Restaurant, Crum's Restaurant, F&M Bank, Glade Valley Golf Club, Liberty Road Seafood, M & N Quick Stop, Mealy's Restaurant, Morning Side Inn, Spirits of Liberty and Trout's Market. Thank you all for your support!!!



Our **8th Annual Golf Tournament** was held on May 28th at the Glade Valley Golf Club. This years tournament was a double shot gun start with 304 golfers participating. Special thanks to all sponsors & golfers for making this years tournament the biggest yet.

Look for information to come on next years tournament



## Helping Hands

Thank you to Peggy Stauffer, Luann Nash & Lisa Crabb for your continued help in packaging our bulk mail out information. We couldn't do it without you!!

## Be A Volunteer - Did You Ever Wonder Who They Are??

**Edith L. Myers**— Edith is a semi-retired office worker. She enjoys yard work, bowling, swimming & playing cards. Edith has been a member since 1964. She is currently the treasurer of the department. When asked what volunteering at LVFD means to her she replied, "I have held the treasurers position twice for a combination of 9 years." She also comments that "I seem to give more hours since I'm semi-retired." Edith is a hard worker and we need more people like her. Additionally, Edith volunteers for the American Red Cross, Military Family Service and is an Emergency Room Volunteer.

**Michael Purdum**- Michael is a 31 yr. old plumber. Mike has a wife Christy and 2 daughters, Caitlyn & Makayla. He enjoys fishing, hunting, softball and his family. He has been a member since 1993 and is very active the the department. Mike currently hold the position of Fire Captain. When asked what volunteering at LVFD means to him he replied, "I just love the feeling I get when I can help someone in need."

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Becoming a member of the volunteer fire department does not require any training, fire fighting or providing emergency medical care. We have many functions with in the department that does not require any special talents or knowledge. It **DOES** take a special individual who is a team player, wants to meet interesting people and take an active part in helping the community. **For more information about becoming a volunteer please call Fire Captain Mike Purdum (301)898-3833**

### JR'S

**Open to Boys & Girls**  
Young adults can also become volunteers with the Libertytown Vol. Fire Department. If you are between the age of 14-18 you can become a Jr. member. Jr members are involved in training drills, fund raisers and many other functions of the fire department. So if your interested or just have a little free time on your hands why don't you come in and check us

**The Auxiliary is a perfect place to meet new people and have a little fun.**

### AUXILIARY

This is a well rounded membership of men and women of all ages. The auxiliary plays an important part in our corporation. They schedule the rental of our hall and also prepare and serve food for various banquets, weddings and dinners. They plan the family picnic and holiday dinner for the members of the fire department. Does this sound like something for you? If you answered **"YES"**

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In An Emergency  
Dial 911



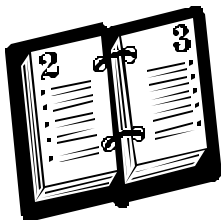
## B u r n i n g B a n

There is a state imposed burning ban in effect in Frederick County every summer from June 1 until August 31. Please help with the air quality during the summer months and save your burning until fall.

### \* SAFETY TIPS\*

Summer is here and backyard pools can be great source of fun for children. Unfortunately they can also be a great source of grief for parents who lose a child to swimming pool drowning. Before we give you this edition of safety tips, we give you a few statistics. **Drowning remains the second leading cause of death for children ages 14 & under. Drowning is the leading cause of death among children ages 1 to 4. Over 60 percent of all children who drown in pools are under age 4. Drowning usually occurs quickly and silently. The largest contributing factor of child drowning is leaving the child unattended or a brief lapse of supervision.**

- Never leave a child unsupervised in or around a swimming pool.
- Never rely on personal flotation device or swimming lessons to protect a child.
- Always use approved personal-flotation devices rather than toys to keep your child afloat.
- Install four-sided isolation fencing, at least five feet high, avoid chain link fences as this can act as a foot hold for a small child to climb.
- Keep patio furniture away from fence so that children can't climb in and over the fencing.
- The fence gate latch should be out of child's reach.
- Never prop open the pool gate.
- Purchase a pool alarm that goes off if anything over 5 lbs. falls in.
- Learn CPR!!!
- Keep rescue equipment and a telephone with emergency numbers at the poolside.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!  
HANG THIS PAGE ON THE REFRIGERATOR!  
THIS IS A MUST SEE EVENT!!!

Open house – Sunday October 10, 1999  
from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at The Libertytown Volunteer Fire Department

We invite you to join us for a little fun. The LVFD is going to hold an open house. Plans are still under way for this event, but some of the activities planned are a display of LVFD and neighboring companies Fire/Rescue/EMS apparatus. Other activities being planned are....

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| * Air Bag & "Jaws of Life" demonstrations | * Fire Truck Rides                     |
| * Maryland State Police Helicopter        | * Blood Pressure Checks                |
| * Smokey the Bear                         | * Smoke Detector & CO Detector Info    |
| * Sparky the Dog                          | * Electrical & Gas Hazard Trailer      |
| * Fire Fighting Simulation Trailer        | * Depart. Of Natural Resources Display |
| * Children's Education Trailer            | * Fire Prevention Handouts             |

Light refreshments will be served as well. So come out and join us and get a small glimpse of how your local fire department works!!