

**Huletts Landing Volunteer Fire Company  
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**WE WANT TO GET TO KNOW YOU...and ...WE WANT YOU TO GET TO KNOW US!!**

That's why we are holding another "Open House" (or Ice Cream Social) on Sunday, August 21, at 3:00-5:00 pm. We are continually updating and improving our equipment and abilities to serve you in this community and we want you to see this first hand. Our theme for this year is Fire Safety. We would rather prevent them than fight them!!!

**WHAT WE DO....**

During the seasonal months for the past several years, we have conducted drills and learning sessions at least three times a month with an average participation of 14 volunteers. These drills consist of actual exercises utilizing all three trucks responding to a simulated fire emergency under different circumstances... a structure near the lake... or a forest fire ... or other burning situation away from a water supply. We also conduct classes in response activities such as the use of hand-held radios and portable pumps, lights etc.

We provide annual CPR classes for any in the community to learn to use the defibrillators that are available in several locations around the Landing.

We have provided training and equipment for three First Responders who have applied preliminary medical aid in a significant number of local emergencies.

We work to update and maintain our equipment and supplies in order to be able to provide the best assistance to the community at all times. This summer we acquired a new (to us) fully-equipped fire truck from Brant Lake for a very good below-market price. This, #374 truck, will be one of our main attractions at the Open House.

**WHAT WE NEED....**

To continue to upgrade our capability, our main concern is with our #371 pumper truck that has been the mainstay of the fire company since 1965! Built in 1963, it has become a bear to keep in running order. Replacement/repair parts are almost non-existent so we have decided to look for a newer pumper to replace it. Also, most of our hose is over thirty years old and for safety we need about 2000 feet of new hose.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO...**

Our annual income consisting of your donations and receipts of fire tax funds from Dresden have been keeping us solvent for operational and maintenance expenses but we need a boost for our capital expenses. The recent purchase of the #374 truck put a big dent in our capital reserve funds and we will need to fill that dent and pay for the new pumper described above.

Therefore, we ask that you consider giving an additional amount especially for that replacement fund when making out your regular donation check to your Huletts Landing Volunteer Fire Company.

Thank you for your help and we look forward to seeing you at the "Open House" on Sunday and the Christmas party the first weekend in December, if you are available.

The HLVFC volunteers