



## **Budd Lake Volunteer Fire department gets fired up for its Annual Fund Drive**

As shown in the pictures that accompany this article, firefighters from the Budd Lake Volunteer Fire Department are shown during live fire training exercises that were conducted recently. However, what you do not see in the pictures is the 500 to 1000 degree temperatures that are being endured by the firefighters as the practice room and content fire fighting techniques. It is always said, practice makes perfect and that is one of the main focuses of the training that is conducted by the Budd Lake Volunteer Fire Fighters throughout the year.

As the title of the article states the volunteers are fired up about our 2008 Annual Fund Drive and we are looking for the support of our community to help keep us fired up.

As volunteers, the Budd Lake Fire Departments prides itself on our commitment to the public whether it is pumping out your basement after a heavy rain storm, removing your loved ones from a motor vehicle accident or saving your home from a fire. The volunteer fire fighters of Budd Lake are here for you.

Everyone loves to see the big red fire trucks coming down the road and children dream of being a fire fighter, but what most people do not see is the intense training that every fire fighter is put through before they can even enter into a fire situation as shown in the pictures. Each fire fighter needs to complete an intense 180 hours of basic fire fighting as required by the state of New Jersey, that means going to school 2 to 3 nights a week for six months and the training does not stop there; as mentioned in our article a few weeks ago about training on wild land fire fighting. Budd Lake Volunteer Fire fighters conduct drills every Tuesday and promote continual training to its members throughout the year.

The Budd Lake Fire Department has been committed for over 77 years to providing fire service to our friends, neighbors and the community, and your support through our fund drive has and is appreciated by the firefighters that volunteer their time and effort to providing the best possible emergency services to Mount Olive Township.

So we ask that you remember to mail in your donation and we wish to thank the community for its continued support of the Budd Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

**REMEMBER FIRE SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU**

Check and change your batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

Practice emergency exit drills in your house with your children.

Do not leave candles unattended.

Do not over load extension cords.

Wear your seat belt.

Keep gas and other flammable products in their proper storage containers.

Sincerely,  
The Fire Fighters of the Budd Lake Volunteer Fire Department