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A benefit for the volunteers

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Terry Quinn was looking a little flushed in the face as he rushed into the meeting room at the Prince Frederick Volunteer Rescue Squad. "Sorry," he sputtered as he flopped into a chair, "I've been running like a nut for the past four hours."

Quinn, the marketing manager for G.H. Clark Jr. Contractors in Prince Frederick, was meeting with rescue squad president Ronnie Estoque and rescue squad sergeant Ginger Weasenforth to coordinate the first Calvert Home Show. The home show will be held on the rescue squad's premises, Mother's Day weekend, May 9-10.

"Right off, please be sure to tell people," he said to me after catching his breath, "that they cannot park on Route 4. Ronnie and Ginger tell me they have more than 200 parking spaces right here at the rescue squad. "We've also arranged for overflow parking at the Calvert County Fairgrounds on Route 231," Quinn said, adding, "Keller Transportation has volunteered a bus to provide shuttle service to and from the fairgrounds. We will have the bus schedule posted on the days of the event."

"There is no fee for this event," Weasenforth explained. "But we are accepting donations at the door. Gil Clark [The 'G' in G.H. Clark Jr.] is



From left, Ginger Weasenforth, rescue squad sergeant with the Prince Frederick Volunteer Rescue Squad (Company 4); Pat Dize, Co. 4 assistant chief; Ronnie Estoque, Co. 4 president; Levi Clark; Gil Clark, owner, G.H. Clark Jr. Contractors; and Terry Quinn, G.H. Clark marketing manager.

sponsoring this home show to help us raise money to repair our communications and day room. Our Prince Frederick Volunteer Rescue Squad members will also be selling chances for a drawing with a \$10,000 cash prize.

"We are a 100 percent volunteer

organization, so when we need something, it's 100 percent fundraising," she said with a wry grin. "We're also 100 percent family-oriented, (note the toy box in the corner) and the dayroom, where we spend our downtime, is in the old section of the building that has

been diagnosed with a severe case of mold. That's what we need to renovate."

Estoque nodded in agreement. "This is our 44th year in this location and that particular area is the oldest section of the building. Right now, we have chairs moved out in

the truck bays so our volunteers have some place to sit and study during downtimes. You can understand how things get kind of hectic if something else is going on at the same time."

"We're trying to help make a difference," Quinn said. "So far, the

response has been terrific. We have about 30 exhibitors signed up, each with a different specialty. If someone is a homeowner, or ever plans to be, this is one show they don't want to miss.

"Did I mention that food and drink would be available? Well, they will be," he said.

"Calvert Home Show will be one of the biggest of its kind," Estoque agreed. "This event, held on Mother's Day weekend, offers those looking to spruce up their abodes the opportunity to explore the latest in building products, lawn and garden supplies, kitchen and bath ideas, decorating products and services, and much more."

"The Prince Frederick Volunteer Rescue Squad (Company 4) is located on the west side of Route 4, (755 Solomons Island Road) about one mile south of Route 231," he explained, adding, "We look forward to a nice family friendly event with food and drinks provided by Nick's of Calvert and Smoothie King."

"For show details and a list of participants visit www.calverthomeshow.com."

Show times are Saturday, May 9 from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday, May 10 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

The entrance fee is a donation to Prince Frederick Volunteer Rescue Squad Inc. (Company 4).

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