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Lions Club, Shaft VFD develop benefit auction

Food, home items to be sold

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FROSTBURG — The Frostburg Lions Club, in partnership with Rose Court Auction Gallery, Lou Bimatre, auctioneer, and Shaft Volunteer Fire Department, has developed a monthly auction program that will benefit both non-profit organizations. Lou Bimatre will be calling the auction banter June 8, July 13 and Aug. 3 at the Shaft Volunteer Fire Department Hall beginning at 4 p.m.

Lion Stefani Kirk, Frostburg Lions fundraising chairwoman, who is developing the project for the Lions, said, "This auction will be a unique opportunity here in the Frostburg area for folks to purchase food stuffs, and other items." Kirk, a longtime auction-goer, indicated that she is not aware of a regular food auction in this area.

Bimatre makes arrangements with regular food

suppliers to bring truckloads of food, laundry detergent and other household supplies to the auction site for sale to the highest bidder. All items are first quality, within sale date, undamaged and usually from nationally known manufacturers. "Food auctions are just like antique or collectible auctions, the only difference is quality food items are offered," indicated Bimatre. Deb Bimatre, apprentice auctioneer, will also be working the auctions as she develops her auctioneering skills.

The Shaft Volunteer Fire Department will provide the food concession, which will be in close proximity to the auction.

The auctions will be listed on auctionzip.com, where more detailed information about each sale will be listed. For more information and auction dates, call 814-935-0549.