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Saturday night, November 17th, marks the return of the West Macon County Rescue Squad's Annual Chili Supper & Raffle. The event is slated to begin at 5:00 p.m. in the new squad building located at 3080 Rocky Mound Road, in the western sector of the county. All proceeds will benefit the new building, along with supplies and training costs.

Established to maintain and protect the people of our county, West Macon County Rescue was organized in August of 1993 at 29 Hawkins & Rocky Mound Road, in an old garage building with no running water and heat. Dedicated to meet the emergency needs of the folks in that area, the county commissioners argued for the funds to purchase property and build a new facility. Construction began on July 5 of this year and although they have not officially moved, they hope to be settled in by the weekend following the fundraiser.

"Our 16-member squad has been doing all the interior work," said 2nd Lt. Kimmy Warf. "After our regular day jobs, we have been working until 2:00 a.m. in the morning."

Lt. Warf says every minute is worth it as their dream of a new building is finally coming true.

This vibrant group is committed to the preservation and protection of life and property from the

effects of fire, medical or hazardous conditions through training education. They are bound by a code of ethics to go above and beyond the call of duty.

The chili supper will cost $5.00 and that will include the door prize raffle, which you must be present to win. Other raffle tickets are available from members of the squad and the cost of one ticket is $1.00, seven tickets for $5.00 and 15 tickets for only $10.00. These tickets will also be available at the event until 7:00 p.m.

This year's raffle items include a Remington 5997 Rifle, microwave oven, CPC Commodities $150.00 gift certificate, Walmart $50.00 gift card, and country hams from Hometown Foods & Piggly Wiggly in Lafayette. You do not have to be present to win these items.

Entertainment this year will be live music performed by Sons of the South and Self-N-Flicted. There will be a silent auction beginning at 5:00 p.m. and ending at 7:15 p.m. The cakewalk will start at 7:00 p.m. and raffle drawings will begin immediately after this activity.

Warf says that everyone is welcome and you are cordially invited to come and enjoy plenty of good food, along with good entertainment, good friends and good times.

"I want everyone to join us and meet the squad members," Warf said. "We appreciate all the support we can get. If you need more information or directions you can contact me at 615-670-5215 or Captain Thomas O'Saile Sr. at 615-670-6741."