

# Isle La Motte Volunteer Fire Company

## 2014 Fire Chief Report

I am pleased to present to the town of Isle La Motte the 2014 Fire Chief's Report and 2015 IVFC Budget.

First I would like to thank the members of the Fire Department and their families. Members invest many hours both on and behind scene. They respond to various types of calls, keep up with training, attend meetings and perform maintenance duties. Thank you for your dedication. Without it we wouldn't have a department. I want to give a big thank you to our member's families for supporting all of this good work.

I would also like to thank the board members. Two members, Beverly Camp, secretary and Neil Hanna, vice president, have each served on the IVFC Board for ten years. Thank you Beverly and Neil. Steve Rowe, board president, has over 30 years of combined service to the IVFC as an active member and board member. Thank you Steve. Scott Newman, board treasurer, has over 20 years of combined service to ILMVFC as an active member and board member. Thank you Scott.

Thank you also to the many local companies and businesses who lose man hours when allowing our members to respond to calls during work times. Thank you for your flexibility and support.

I would like to thank Kathi Craig, Art Larvey, Mike Koss, Roy Rowe, Bruce Noble and Sons, Bonneville Brothers Construction and Beverly and Bob Camp for the great new sign for the station. What an addition to the building! Thank you!

### Company News

I would like to welcome two new members, Wade Lockerby and Ian Sasso. Wade was a junior member when in high school and has recently moved back to ILM with his family. It's great to have him back and he has hit the ground running. Ian Sasso, our new junior member, has been a welcome addition and is keeping the next generation of firefighters going.

Some of our members used knowledge gained when they took an advanced vehicle extrication class to put together a vehicle extrication tool kit for the departments use. This enables us quicker patient access on scene.

We also bought a new nozzle for the fire truck replacing one that was 30+ years old. Grants helped buy two new ice rescue suits, creepers and ice pics to help with ice and marine rescue.

Our rescue boat is better than ever! Bill Johnson, Assistant Chief, and his dad put a lot of hours into fine tuning Marine 1 and it's running great! We also had the radar fixed. Two years ago we decided to trailer the rescue boat for quicker access when responding to calls, so a good trailer is essential. This year we replaced the old worn out trailer with a good used one.

Medical still is the busiest part of the department. Over 50% of the calls received are EMS calls. We received a grant for a new vital signs monitor that we use on every call; it has cut patient assessment time in half.

We will be working on station maintenance including sheet rock and some roof work this year.

Have a safe year! Don't forget to check the batteries in your smoke detectors.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Rainville, IVFC Fire Chief

Steve Rowe, Board President

Neil Hanna, Board Vice President

Scott Newman, Board Treasurer

Beverly Camp, Board Secretary

Dan Rainville, Chief, EMT, Firefighter

Bill Johnson, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief, Firefighter

Joel English, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief, Firefighter

Bruce Noble, Captain, Firefighter

Derek Roberts, EMT

Bill Howland, ITECH

Al Bertram, Safety Officer

Jim Paquette, Firefighter

Cody Rowe, Firefighter

Jesse Rowe, Firefighter

Nathan Miller, Firefighter

Wade Lockerby, Firefighter

Mark Martin Jr, Firefighter

Travis Littlefield, JR Firefighter

Ian Sasso, JR Firefighter