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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, starting at 5:00 PM at Fire Station Number 2 in Caviness on FM 1499 we will have our **ANNUAL FUND RAISER**. It will be a BBQ dinner and Silent & Live Auction. Dinner tickets are \$7 for adults, \$3 for ages 5-10 and children under 5 eat free. As always, there will be many wonderful items to bid on! **Please contact Rena Clark at 903-785-0643 if you can donate items or desserts for the auction and/or meat or desserts for the dinner.** All proceeds will go toward funding the purchase of equipping firefighters with new structure gear and tools, grants and other needed items. All donations are appreciated. Come join us to visit with your neighbors, view the equipment used in our community, and meet your volunteer fire fighters who donate a lot of time away from their home and families to help protect and serve in our surrounding communities.

Last year your VFD responded to a total of **72** calls. Most calls were for grass or structure fires, but we did respond to vehicle accidents/fires, a plane wreck, medical calls as well as storm watches plus assisted other volunteer fire departments. We really appreciate all our **volunteer** fire fighters who are willing to respond day or night to emergency calls.

Our meeting day is the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M at Station 2. We encourage everyone to attend the meetings to keep up to date on the activities of your VFD. We now have over **30 volunteers**, which include Active Firefighters, Operational Personnel, Junior Firefighters & others that assist with many other things. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us.

At the December meeting officers for 2014 were elected. They are: **Tim Hudson**, President; **Rick Pirtle**, Fire Chief; **Joe Pretre**, Assistant Chief-Station 1; **Ronnie Bass**, Assistant Chief-Station 2; **Ronnie Bass**, Training Officer; **Magean Pretre**, Safety Officer; **Rena Clark**, Secretary; **Rena Clark**, Treasurer; **Keith Brown**, Parliamentarian. This past year by appointment, we have also added two Captains, **T.J. Hudson** and **Connor Wideman**. We appreciate those that are willing to serve!

We were all greatly affected by the December ice storm. When it initially happened, several of our volunteer firefighters went out & worked on clearing as much of the roads in our community as they could, but we realize many people are still cleaning up from the storm. Our department would like to offer to anyone in the communities we serve, who is in need that has no way of getting limbs or brush cleared on their own or needs help burning brush piles, to please contact Rena Clark to be put on a list, so that when we organize some community clean up days in the near future, we will do what we can to

help.



2014 LPVFD Leadership Team – Rena Clark, Magean Pretre, Joe Pretre, T.J. Hudson, Ronnie Bass, Rick Pirtle, Jim Jones, Tim Hudson, Conner Wideman (not pictured), and Keith Brown (not pictured).



**LAMAR POINT VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTERS
& JUNIOR FIREFIGHTERS**

Our LPFVD Junior Firefighters
Magean Pretre(Leader), Jerica Newman, Lauren Patterson, Rex Tuttle, Dakota Hudson, Jace Wright, Mason Stumbo, Robyn Wilhelm, Tim Hudson(Leader)



If you would like to place an ad in our newsletter, please call Rena Clark at 903-785-0643.

To rent our community center, it will be \$100 plus a \$100 refundable deposit. There will also be a lease contract for both building & equipment rental.

Contact Rena to reserve your date.

Don't forget to visit our website at www.lamarpointvfd.org . It has our calendar, minutes from prior meetings, prior newsletters & more. **PLUS** we are on **FACEBOOK**

at

www.facebook.com/lamarpoint.vfd . Check us out!

It is time for 2014 membership dues to be sent in. If you already sent your dues in from the Sept. newsletter, you don't have to send it in again. Remember dues must be paid by **April 1, 2014** in order to be able to vote at meetings. We appreciate all the new members for 2013 as well as your generous support for our organization through your donations.

2014 DUES

\$5 per Person

Make checks payable to LPVFD.

MAIL TO: LPVFD, c/o Rena Clark, 6528 FM 1500, Paris, TX 75460

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone(_____) _____ e-mail _____

We are looking into email delivery of our newsletters. Please include your email if you would like to get newsletters via email in the future instead of a mailed copy. Thanks!

Amount enclosed _____ for membership

_____ for donation

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