



## News Release

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### **STRUCTURE FIRE – 26770 Long Meadow Cir. Mundelein, Illinois**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** –The Countryside Fire Protection District was notified of a possible structure fire at 12:24 hrs. Prior to responding to this call, some Countryside units were on the scene of another possible fire in Hawthorn Woods due to a lightning strike, and a fire in neighboring town of Libertyville. Upon arrival, crews found a single family structure with an active fire on the roof. Crews were notified immediately that everyone was out of the house. Crews initially started attacking fire from the inside, until they noticed structural failure, then they back out and went defensive (or fighting fire from exterior of the structure). Fire was under control in approximately 35 minutes. Damage estimated to \$500,000.00 contents and structure. The fire was a Second Alarm Box due to neighboring departments on their own weather related calls. Stations were also covered during the severe weather and fire by Box Alarm companies.

**Safety Message:** In the event of a possible lightning strike to your house, please dial 911 immediately and leave the investigation up to the professionals. Always prepare and be ready for severe weather for the safety of you and your family.

