

News Release

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STRUCTURE FIRE –1000 Block of Royal Oak Dr. Vernon Hills, Illinois

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE –The Countryside Fire Protection District was notified of a structure fire in a single family home at 1:43 a.m. on Monday May 19, 2014. Upon arrival crews encountered heavy fire conditions on the first floor of the house, garage area. House was reported vacant and suspicious in nature and continues to be under investigation. The fire was under control in approximately 30 minutes.

The building is now unhabitable until the Fire and Building Departments complete their investigation. Preliminary damage estimate to the structure and contents is approximately \$200,000. The Countryside Fire Protection District was assisted by the Libertyville, Mundelein, and Lincolnshire–Riverwoods fire departments, along with the Vernon Hills Police and Building Department. Through MABAS other Departments covered both stations during the incident.

Any information on this incident, please contact the Vernon Hills Police Department or Countryside Fire Protection Bureau.

Safety Message: Be sure to have working smoke alarms on all levels in your home, in all sleeping areas and in the hallway outside of sleeping areas. Check the batteries in your smoke alarms each spring and fall with the time change, and test every month.

