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Gas Leak in Vernon Hills Evacuates Strip Mall.

Countryside Fire Protection District responds to a strip mall in the 200 block of Evergreen Drive in Vernon Hills for a natural gas leak. Crews arrived on the scene found an outside gas leak, monitored inside suites and found unsafe explosive limits using monitors. Crews successfully evacuated the strip mall and immediately called for utility companies to the scene. Crews on the scene continued to monitor and work with the utility companies to secure the scene in the safest way possible. The gas company successfully shut off the gas to the building so that repairs could be made. Occupants to the strip mall were moved to the village hall across the street. Call lasted approximately four hours until scene was secured.

Safety Message: Reminder to please contact the fire department immediately for gas emergencies prior to investigating or calling the gas company. Make sure you have working Co detector on every level of your home.

