



COUNTRYSIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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STRUCTURE FIRE – 306 Almond Ct. Vernon Hills, Illinois

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE –The Countryside Fire Protection District was notified of a possible structure fire at 4:30am. Upon arrival, crews found a single family structure with an active fire in the attic and through the roof. Crews assisted one resident from the structure. Crews initially started attacking the fire from the inside of the house before backing out while fire was knocked down from the exterior. Multiple crews then reentered to finish extinguishment, salvage personal belongings, and later to investigate the cause of the fire. Fire was under control in approximately 40 minutes. Damage estimated to \$275,000.00 contents and structure. Fire appears to have been caused by a lightning strike during storm earlier in the evening. The Countryside Fire Protection District was assisted by the Libertyville, Mundelein, Lincolnshire – Riverwoods, Knollwood Fire Departments, Vernon Hills Police and Building Department. Other Departments covered both stations during the incident.

Safety Message: In the event of a possible lightening strike to your house, please call 911 immediately. Always prepare and be ready for severe weather for the safety of you and your family.

