



Palatine Fire Department

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STRUCTURE FIRE

861 W. Kelly Ann Dr.

Palatine, IL.

Incident # 1077

February 13, 2014

1135 hours

On Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 11:35 a.m., the Palatine Fire Department was called to a report of a fire at 861 W. Kelly Ann Dr. in Palatine. The first Palatine Fire Department crews arrived on the scene at 11:40 a.m. and reported smoke coming from the attached garage. The first fire companies stretched a hose line and aggressively attacked the fire through the overhead garage door. Other firefighters searched the smoke-charged building for any trapped occupants. The fire was contained to the garage but smoke traveled throughout the house. The fire was declared under control at 11:52 a.m. Firefighters continued to ventilate smoke and gases from the house.

No civilians or firefighters were injured in the fire, and the house was left habitable. Damage estimates are not available at the time of this release, and the fire remains under investigation by Palatine Fire Department. Working smoke detectors in the house alerted both of the sleeping residents to the fire in the garage, and they were able to evacuate the house prior to the fire department's arrival.

The fire was fought by 26 firefighters, staffing three engines, two ladder trucks, one rescue squad, three ambulances and one command vehicle which responded to the scene along with two command officers. Units from the Palatine Rural Fire Protection District were among the initial responders to the scene as part of an automatic aid agreement. Palatine Police officers assisted at the scene with traffic and crowd control.

The Palatine Fire Department reminds everyone to have working smoke detectors in their homes, whether a single-family dwelling, an apartment or a condo. Have an escape plan, practice it, and be prepared to use it in the event of any fire.

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