

Palatine Fire Department

Incident Press Release

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Structure Fire at Cutting Hall

On Monday, November 8, 2010, at 11:53 a.m., the Palatine Fire Department responded to an activated fire alarm at Cutting Hall, 150 E. Wood St. The first Palatine Fire Department unit on the scene 2 minutes later reported seeing heavy smoke inside the building. The first engine crew entered the building with a 2 ½ inch hose line to make an aggressive interior attack of the fire which was located in an office off of the main lobby. The fire was brought under control within 10 minutes of the Fire Departments arrival. The fire caused significant damage to the office, and smoke damage to the lobby. There was no fire damage to the theater. The building was empty when the activated alarm was received.

23 members of the Palatine Fire Department along with crews from the Arlington Heights Fire Department and Palatine Rural Fire Protection District were on the scene.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

The Palatine Fire Department stresses the importance of having an escape plan when attending any event at an assembly occupancy such as a theater or restaurant. Know where the exits are and exit the building when the fire alarm activates.

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