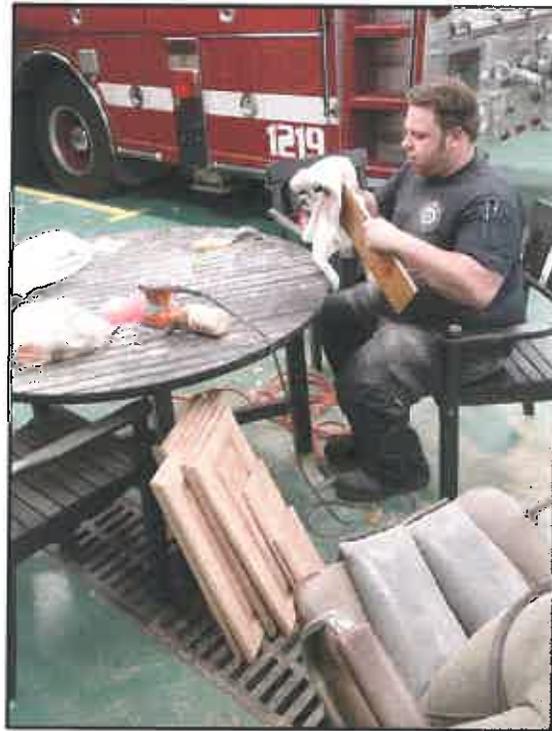


La Grange Park Fire Department Monthly Report November 2015



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Village Board Meeting Fire Department Activity Memo

To: Julia Cedillo, Village Manager

From: Dean J. Maggos, Director of Fire & Building



Date: January 20, 2016

Re: Fire Department Activities – NOVEMBER 2015

As requested for insertion into the Village Board meeting agenda packet, the following is a brief summary of Fire Department activity highlights for the month of November. As usual, a more comprehensive monthly report is kept within the department for your review.

EMS Responses for this month - 142. There have been 1587 YTD compared to 1479 YTD in 2014.
Fire/Rescue Incidents this month - 62. There have been 485 YTD compared to 463 YTD in 2014.

In-house staffing was added to both stations during the Winter Storm Warning that was issued during the month.

Personnel responded to Plymouth Place for a family member of a resident who suffered a cardiac arrest. EMS staff, with assistance from Plymouth Place staff, were able to revive the patient.

Our Fire Department assisted the La Grange Fire Department with EMS coverage during services for one of their retired members, Bryant Ruhl.

Personnel attended a short Veterans Memorial ceremony at Memorial Park.

The Fire Department implemented a Temporary Response Plan for EMS calls east of the IHB during the time that the 31st St. crossing was closed for repairs.

Staff provided a tour and fire safety presentation for a group of children celebrating a birthday party during the month. Also, staff assisted with the Nazareth Academy State Championship Football Team send-off and return.

During the month, staff completed annual training on Blood borne Pathogens and Infection Control Procedures. Also, EMS continuing education was completed regarding the topic of medication safety, and also on additional policies and procedures regarding the use of Narcan.

On November 13th, a fire occurred in the kitchen of a home in the 600 block of Robinhood. Fire and police worked together with a caregiver to rescue two elderly women from the home, one of which was disabled and the other who suffered from dementia. The fire was also quickly extinguished.

On November 21st, firefighters responded to a vehicle crash at 29th and Ostrander where they had to extricate a victim from one of the vehicles.

On November 22nd, a fire occurred at a home in the 300 block of La Grange Rd., in the wall above a fireplace. Firefighters disassembled portions of the wall and fireplace to locate and extinguish the fire.

Incident Reports By Incident Type, Summary

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Incident Type	Total Incidents:
111 Building fire	2
113 Cooking fire, confined to container	1
3110 EMS Assist (In Town)	12
3111 EMS Assist M/A Received	1
3210 EMS Call (In Town)	102
3211 EMS Call M/A Received	9
3213 EMS Call M/A Given	10
322 Vehicle accident with injuries	3
352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle	1
381 Rescue or EMS standby	1
440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	1
444 Power line down	2
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	1
600 Good intent call, other	1
611 Dispatched & canceled en route	11
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	1
736 CO detector activation due to malfunction	2
740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, other	2
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	3
745 Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional	8
746 Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	3
815 Severe weather or natural disaster standby	2
Total Number of Incidents:	179
Total Number of Incident Types:	22

Print Date: 1/18/2016

**LAGRANGE PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
RESPONSE ACTIVITIES – NOVEMBER 2015**

NATURE OF CALL:

Cardiac	011
Injured Person	034
Medical Emergency	055
Road Accident	007
Respiratory	014
Assist Patient	009
Mutual Aid Given	011
EMS Stand-by	001

OUTCOME OF SERVICES:

Treated/Transported	108
Refused Services	025
Assist Patient Only	009
Other	003

LEVEL OF CARE PROVIDED:

Advanced (ALS)	062
Basic (BLS)	046
Refused Care	025
Other	012

TRANSPORT FACILITIES:

LaGrange Hospital	087
Loyola Medical Center	011
Hinsdale Hospital	006
MacNeal Hospital	000
Good Samaritan Hospital	000
Hines VA Hospital	003
Elmhurst Hospital	001
Not transported	037

RESPONSE ACTIVITY:

Total Calls – Month	142
Total Calls – YTD	1587
Total Patients – Month	145
Total Patients – YTD	1607

LOCATION OF CALL:

Commercial/Industrial	004
Educational	
Brook Park School	000
Barnsdale School	000
Nazareth Academy	003
Park Junior High School	000
St. Louise School/Church	000
Forest Road School	000
Bethlehem Woods Complex	
Residential Towers	021
Assisted Living Center	004
Institutional	
OLB Center	002
The Grove Health Care	004
Plymouth Place	029
Scheck Senior Center	000
Residential	
Single Family	039
Multi Family	014
Miscellaneous	
Police/Fire Station	004
Street/Road/Park	007
Mutual Aid Given	011

MUTUAL AID ACTIVITY:

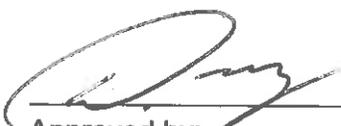
Provided to:	
LaGrange	004
Darien Woodridge	001
Westchester	005
Broadview	001

Received from:

LaGrange	006
Brookfield	002
Western Springs	003

Rick Ronovsky

Submitted by:
Rick Ronovsky, Division Chief
EMS Division


Approved by:
Dean Maggos, Fire Chief



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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ACTIVITY REPORT – NOVEMBER 2015

Ambulance Responses:

This month, EMT and Paramedic personnel responded to a total of 142 requests for emergency medical services treating a total of 145 patients. There were 113 calls located west of the IHB Railroad and 18 calls east of the IHB Railroad. Year to date, there has been a total of 1587 requests for service providing care to 1607 patients.

This compares to last year (November 2014) when there were 150 requests for service with a year to date total of 1479 service requests.

Training and Continuing Education:

EMT and Paramedic Continuing Education consisted of an on-line review program for Medication Administration Safety.

During November, all Department EMT-Bs completed in station education on the administration of Narcan. All Department apparatus now carry the medication Narcan with all personnel certified to use it as required.

During November, all personnel received annual review training in Blood Borne Pathogens and Infection Control procedures.

Probationary Firefighters Chorley, Dahl, Hughes, Johnson, and Joyce continue their EMT-B training through Triton College in River Grove.

Special Activities:

November 2nd – Firefighter/Paramedic Carbone attended the monthly Region 8 Education Committee Meeting at Good Samaritan Hospital.

November 3rd - Firefighter/Paramedic Carbone attended the EMS Coordinators Meeting at the Loyola EMS System Office.

November 14th - members provided ambulance and paramedic coverage at the Nazareth High School playoff football game.

In November – members attended the monthly Electronic Reporting Committee meeting at the Loyola EMS System Office.

Rick Ronovsky

Submitted by:
Rick Ronovsky, Division Chief
EMS Division



Approved by:
Dean J. Maggos, Fire Chief

**Fire Prevention and Education Activities for
November, 2015**

Fire Prevention and Education was conducted by Division Chief Carpenter

- Members conducted 0 Fire Inspections at the following type of occupancies:

- Residential: 0
- Commercial: 0
- Education: 0
- Industrial: 0
- Institution: 0
- Municipal: 0
- Office: 0

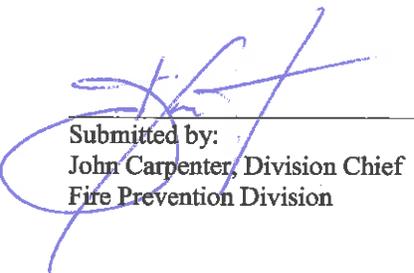
- Members noted 0 violations of the Village Fire and Life Safety code as follows:

- Alarm Systems: 0
- Fire Extinguishers: 0
- Electrical: 0
- Combustible Storage: 0
- Flammable Storage: 0
- Life Safety: 0
- Other: 0

- Members conducted 0 re-inspections with 0 of 0 outstanding violations corrected.

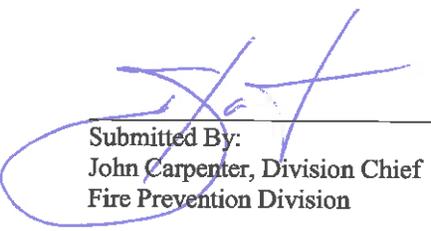
- The Department responded to 8 Fire alarm activation's during the month.

- Malicious: 2
- Malfunction: 2
- Smoke / Fire: 4

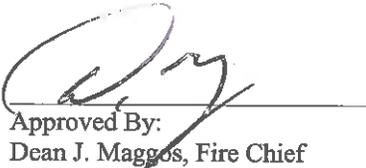

Submitted by:
John Carpenter, Division Chief
Fire Prevention Division


Approved By:
Dean J. Maggos, Fire Chief

- D/C Carpenter received fire sprinkler plans for review for 355 La Grange Rd second floor.
- D/C Carpenter conducted pre occupancy inspection for the new business at 1045 LaGrange Rd
- D/C Carpenter conducted final occupancy inspection for the new business at 907 E 31st.
- D/C Carpenter continues working with the Business owners in obtaining annual fire alarm and sprinkler testing reports.
- DC Carpenter continues updating Knox box keys throughout the village.
- D/C Carpenter continues to receive request for lock box applications and continues to place keys in new boxes throughout the village.
- Members conducted a fire station #1 tour and fire prevention lecture for a group of children celebrating a birthday party.
- Members attended the Nazareth Academy football championship celebrations at Nazareth.



Submitted By:
John Carpenter, Division Chief
Fire Prevention Division



Approved By:
Dean J. Maggos, Fire Chief

**LaGrange Park Fire Department
Division of Operations & Training
November 2015**

Monthly Training Summary

Regular Training

November 2 & 3	SOG & Pre-Plan Review
November 9 & 10	Extrication and Vehicle Stabilization / SCBA Fit testing
November 16 & 17	Extrication and Vehicle Stabilization / SCBA Fit testing
November 23 & 24	Equipment, Vehicle, & Station Maintenance / Driving
November 30 & December 1	Facility Pre-Plan & Tour – Deslauriers, Inc.

Training hour totals

	November 2015	2015 YTD
Regular Drill	293.50	2942.00
Other Training	106.50	2654.50

Monthly Operations Summary

Fire Call Activities

	November 2015	2015 YTD	November 2014	2014 YTD
Total Fire Calls	62	485	32	463

Fire Call Mutual Aid Summary

	November 2015 Aid Received	2015 YTD Aid Received	November 2015 Aid Given	2015 YTD Aid Given
Brookfield	4	34	6	54
La Grange	3	80	13	70
Western Springs	1	3	0	1
Other	0	14	1	13
Mutual Aid Totals	8	131	20	138



Submitted by:
Norman Rick, Division Chief
Support / Operations Division



Approved by:
Dean J. Maggos, Fire Chief

LAGRANGE PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT SIGNIFICANT FIRES - 2015

DATE	TYPE OF OCCUPANCY	ADDRESS	ESTIMATED LOSS	MOST PROBABLE FIRE CAUSE
01-08-15	Assembly (Restaurant)	1146 Maple	\$ 0	Overheat of Fryer
03-11-15	Multi-Family (Apartment)	1634 Barnsdale	\$ 150,000	Undetermined (potentially smoking materials)
03-14-15	Skilled Nursing Facility (Cooking)	701 N. La Grange	\$ 20	Overheat of Cooking Oil
05-15-15	Single-Family (AC Disconnect)	322 N. Ashland	\$ 500	Undetermined Electrical Issue
05-23-15	Single-Family (Refuse/Fence)	615 N. La Grange	\$ 1,000	Hot Ember / Ashes
06-20-15	Multi-Family (Stovetop)	14 E. Harding	\$ 20	Improper Use of Cooking Appliance/Utensil
08-02-15	Single-Family (Detached Garage)	640 N. Brainard	\$ 5,050	Hot Ember / Ashes
08-10-15	Single-Family (Box of Paint)	531 N. Stone	\$ 50	Undetermined (ignition of flammable vapors)
08-18-15	Single-Family (Electrical Wiring)	1215 Newberry	\$ 500	Power Surge
10-31-15	Single-Family (Countertop)	728 Forest	\$ 75	Combustibles too close to stove burner
11-13-15	Single-Family (Stove/Kitchen)	614 Robinhood	\$ 5,800	Overheat of unattended cooking oil on stove
11-21-15	Single-Family (Oven)	1233 Allma	\$ 0	Grease ignition during cleaning
11-22-15	Single-Family	334 N. La Grange	\$ 20,000	Improper vent pipe section for fireplace

Significant Fire - All fires and potential fires in and around structures, or other fires resulting in greater than \$5,000.00 damage.

Last Updated - 11/30/15

Incident Reports By Incident Type

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Incident Type: 111 Building fire

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151831	0	11/13/2015	8:11:00AM
151891	0	11/22/2015	3:11:00PM

Total Incidents: 2**Incident Type: 113 Cooking fire, confined to container**

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151885	0	11/21/2015	2:57:00PM

Total Incidents: 1**Incident Type: 3110 EMS Assist (In Town)**

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151799	0	11/6/2015	11:01:00PM
151814	0	11/10/2015	7:16:00PM
151826	0	11/12/2015	6:26:00AM
151830	0	11/13/2015	8:04:00AM
151841	0	11/14/2015	2:20:00PM
151842	0	11/14/2015	8:26:00PM
151860	0	11/18/2015	10:20:00AM
151861	0	11/18/2015	12:41:00PM
151878	0	11/20/2015	11:48:00PM
151881	0	11/21/2015	9:19:00AM
151882	0	11/21/2015	10:51:00AM
151892	0	11/22/2015	3:58:00PM

Total Incidents: 12**Incident Type: 3111 EMS Assist M/A Received**

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151866	0	11/18/2015	10:48:00PM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 3210 EMS Call (In Town)

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151762	0	11/1/2015	6:06:00AM
151763	0	11/1/2015	8:36:00AM
151764	0	11/1/2015	10:46:00AM
151765	0	11/1/2015	11:43:00AM
151766	0	11/1/2015	1:36:00PM
151767	0	11/1/2015	6:58:00PM
151769	0	11/1/2015	8:26:00PM
151770	0	11/2/2015	6:38:00AM
151773	0	11/2/2015	12:22:00PM
151774	0	11/2/2015	8:22:00PM
151775	0	11/3/2015	12:12:00AM
151776	0	11/3/2015	9:35:00AM
151779	0	11/3/2015	11:07:00AM
151783	0	11/4/2015	4:45:00AM
151784	0	11/4/2015	9:36:00AM
151785	0	11/4/2015	4:05:00PM
151786	0	11/4/2015	4:50:00PM
151788	0	11/4/2015	8:49:00PM
151790	0	11/5/2015	10:10:00AM
151792	0	11/5/2015	1:08:00PM
151793	0	11/5/2015	3:11:00PM
151794	0	11/5/2015	6:24:00PM
151796	0	11/6/2015	10:22:00AM
151800	0	11/7/2015	11:10:00AM
151801	0	11/7/2015	11:58:00AM
151802	0	11/7/2015	4:21:00PM
151803	0	11/7/2015	5:08:00PM
151804	0	11/7/2015	11:27:00PM
151805	0	11/8/2015	1:03:00AM
151806	0	11/8/2015	12:49:00PM
151807	0	11/9/2015	11:30:00AM
151808	0	11/9/2015	2:02:00PM
151809	0	11/9/2015	3:32:00PM
151811	0	11/9/2015	5:15:00PM
151812	0	11/9/2015	6:25:00PM
151813	0	11/10/2015	5:12:00AM
151815	0	11/10/2015	8:03:00PM
151816	0	11/10/2015	8:09:00PM
151818	0	11/11/2015	8:39:00AM
151821	0	11/11/2015	5:41:00PM
151828	0	11/12/2015	9:06:00AM
151833	0	11/13/2015	11:35:00AM
151834	0	11/13/2015	5:44:00PM
151837	0	11/14/2015	8:22:00AM
151838	0	11/14/2015	10:17:00AM
151843	0	11/14/2015	11:53:00PM
151845	0	11/15/2015	12:37:00PM
151846	0	11/16/2015	1:32:00AM
151847	0	11/16/2015	9:14:00AM

151848	0	11/16/2015	10:40:00AM
151849	0	11/16/2015	1:28:00PM
151851	0	11/17/2015	5:58:00AM
151852	0	11/17/2015	8:06:00AM
151853	0	11/17/2015	11:22:00AM
151854	0	11/17/2015	12:46:00PM
151856	0	11/17/2015	5:42:00PM
151857	0	11/18/2015	3:53:00AM
151858	0	11/18/2015	5:24:00AM
151862	0	11/18/2015	2:30:00PM
151863	0	11/18/2015	3:26:00PM
151864	0	11/18/2015	5:27:00PM
151865	0	11/18/2015	9:47:00PM
151867	0	11/19/2015	1:10:00AM
151868	0	11/19/2015	7:58:00AM
151869	0	11/19/2015	8:54:00AM
151870	0	11/19/2015	1:35:00PM
151871	0	11/19/2015	7:32:00PM
151872	0	11/19/2015	10:57:00PM
151873	0	11/20/2015	5:59:00AM
151887	0	11/21/2015	8:19:00PM
151893	0	11/22/2015	5:40:00PM
151894	0	11/22/2015	8:36:00PM
151895	0	11/23/2015	6:43:00AM
151898	0	11/23/2015	7:52:00AM
151901	0	11/23/2015	11:56:00AM
151903	0	11/23/2015	1:44:00PM
151906	0	11/23/2015	4:54:00PM
151907	0	11/23/2015	10:45:00PM
151908	0	11/24/2015	10:30:00AM
151911	0	11/24/2015	11:58:00PM
151912	0	11/25/2015	9:23:00AM
151913	0	11/25/2015	12:29:00PM
151915	0	11/25/2015	1:44:00PM
151917	0	11/25/2015	5:35:00PM
151918	0	11/25/2015	11:08:00PM
151920	0	11/25/2015	11:43:00PM
151921	0	11/26/2015	7:25:00AM
151922	0	11/26/2015	9:03:00AM
151923	0	11/26/2015	1:07:00PM
151924	0	11/26/2015	3:09:00PM
151925	0	11/26/2015	3:59:00PM
151926	0	11/26/2015	8:07:00PM
151927	0	11/27/2015	7:28:00AM
151928	0	11/27/2015	12:40:00PM
151929	0	11/27/2015	5:35:00PM
151930	0	11/27/2015	6:28:00PM
151932	0	11/27/2015	9:06:00PM
151933	0	11/28/2015	1:46:00AM
151934	0	11/28/2015	10:25:00AM
151936	0	11/28/2015	7:53:00PM
151937	0	11/29/2015	12:05:00AM

151938	0	11/29/2015	2:31:00PM	Total Incidents: 102
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Incident Type: 3211 EMS Call M/A Received

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151768	0	11/1/2015	7:36:00PM
151777	0	11/3/2015	10:29:00AM
151810	0	11/9/2015	3:43:00PM
151817	0	11/10/2015	8:12:00PM
151896	0	11/23/2015	6:51:00AM
151897	0	11/23/2015	7:00:00AM
151899	0	11/23/2015	9:09:00AM
151902	0	11/23/2015	12:05:00PM
151919	0	11/25/2015	11:25:00PM

Total Incidents: 9

Incident Type: 3213 EMS Call M/A Given

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151782	0	11/3/2015	1:30:00PM
151791	0	11/5/2015	12:59:00PM
151820	0	11/11/2015	12:07:00PM
151823	0	11/11/2015	9:03:00PM
151884	0	11/21/2015	2:08:00PM
151886	0	11/21/2015	3:21:00PM
151900	0	11/23/2015	11:50:00AM
151904	0	11/23/2015	3:13:00PM
151909	0	11/24/2015	5:08:00PM
151940	0	11/29/2015	10:52:00PM

Total Incidents: 10

Incident Type: 322 Vehicle accident with injuries

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151771	0	11/2/2015	7:53:00AM
151850	0	11/16/2015	6:34:00PM
151876	0	11/20/2015	1:58:00PM

Total Incidents: 3

Incident Type: 352 Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151883	0	11/21/2015	12:21:00PM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 381 Rescue or EMS standby

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151840	0	11/14/2015	1:00:00PM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 440 Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151825	0	11/12/2015	5:55:00AM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 444 Power line down

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151795	0	11/5/2015	10:13:00PM
151827	0	11/12/2015	6:53:00AM

Total Incidents: 2

Incident Type: 571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151797	0	11/6/2015	6:00:00PM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 600 Good intent call, other

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151832	0	11/13/2015	8:48:00AM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 611 Dispatched & canceled en route

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151772	0	11/2/2015	9:39:00AM
151778	0	11/3/2015	11:00:00AM
151780	0	11/3/2015	11:22:00AM
151781	0	11/3/2015	12:24:00PM
151835	0	11/13/2015	8:59:00PM
151839	0	11/14/2015	10:53:00AM
151855	0	11/17/2015	4:55:00PM
151888	0	11/22/2015	8:20:00AM
151890	0	11/22/2015	2:28:00PM
151935	0	11/28/2015	12:10:00PM
151939	0	11/29/2015	5:42:00PM

Total Incidents: 11

Incident Type: 735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151844	0	11/15/2015	7:03:00AM

Total Incidents: 1

Incident Type: 736 CO detector activation due to malfunction

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151819	0	11/11/2015	10:38:00AM
151931	0	11/27/2015	7:57:00PM

Total Incidents: 2

Incident Type: 740 Unintentional transmission of alarm, other

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151822	0	11/11/2015	7:29:00PM
151889	0	11/22/2015	9:50:00AM

Total Incidents: 2

Incident Type: 743 Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151787	0	11/4/2015	7:59:00PM
151829	0	11/12/2015	5:11:00PM
151880	0	11/21/2015	7:43:00AM

Total Incidents: 3

Incident Type: 745 Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151789	0	11/5/2015	9:38:00AM
151824	0	11/11/2015	9:06:00PM
151874	0	11/20/2015	10:12:00AM
151875	0	11/20/2015	11:31:00AM
151905	0	11/23/2015	3:35:00PM
151910	0	11/24/2015	8:45:00PM
151914	0	11/25/2015	12:47:00PM
151916	0	11/25/2015	3:45:00PM

Total Incidents: 8

Incident Type: 746 Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151798	0	11/6/2015	9:15:00PM
151836	0	11/14/2015	8:10:00AM
151859	0	11/18/2015	10:02:00AM

Total Incidents: 3

Incident Type: 815 Severe weather or natural disaster standby

Incident #	Exp #	Date	Time
151877	0	11/20/2015	9:00:00PM
151879	0	11/21/2015	7:30:00AM

Total Incidents: 2



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November 13, 2015

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Elderly Residents Rescued from Fire in La Grange Park

La Grange Park, Illinois – The La Grange Park Fire Department was called to a home in the 600 block of Robinhood Lane this morning for a reported fire. Fire companies were initially dispatched at 8:11 am, and upon arrival of the Fire Chief at 8:12 am, found a fire in the kitchen with three occupants still inside the house; two elderly residents and a caretaker.

Police officers assisted with getting the caretaker and residents out of the home, one who was confined to a wheelchair, while the fire in the kitchen was being extinguished with a dry chemical fire extinguisher. The occupants were evaluated by paramedics at the scene, but denied further medical aid and transport to the hospital.

According to Fire Chief Dean J. Maggos, "All of the personnel involved this morning should be commended for their actions, especially Police Sergeant Joe Renc and Police Officer Stephanie Christoferson, who were instrumental in helping to get the residents out of the home. In addition to ensuring a safe outcome and limiting damage, all involved greatly helped in providing comfort and care to the residents and their home immediately following the incident".

Actual fire damage was limited to a combination range/microwave unit, a cabinet and wall above, and a lighting fixture. There was smoke and soot damage throughout the home. Damage is estimated at approximately \$6,800. At this time, the cause of the fire appears to be related to a heating element on the stovetop being inadvertently turned on, igniting oil in a pan on the stovetop. The La Grange and Western Springs Fire Departments assisted with the incident.



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Firefighters Respond to Fire in La Grange Park Home

La Grange Park, Illinois – The La Grange Park Fire Department was called to a home in the 300 block of N. La Grange Rd. on Sunday afternoon for a report of smoke coming from behind a wall. Fire companies were initially dispatched at 3:11 pm, and upon arrival, found smoke coming out from the wall on the 1st floor near a natural gas burning fireplace. Upon further investigation, by opening up the wall, a smoldering fire was discovered in a concealed space above the fireplace involving wood framing for the mantel and adjoining space.

Firefighters extinguished the fire and removed the burnt debris from the home. They also assisted with removing smoke from throughout the rest of the home, and checked upper floors to make sure the fire had not spread.

Actual fire damage was limited to the concealed area above the fireplace, but the overall fireplace and mantel was also damaged in trying access and control the fire. There was some smoke damage to the first floor of the home.

Damage is currently estimated at approximately \$5,000. The exact cause of the fire remains under investigation, but it is related to combustibles being in close proximity to the fireplace chimney. The La Grange Fire Department assisted with the incident.