

Palatine Fire Department

Incident Press Release



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1434 Carol Court Structure Fire

On Tuesday, January 3rd at 6:32 p.m., the Palatine Fire Department responded to a report of a fire on a balcony at 1434 Carol Court. The first Palatine Fire Department crew arrived on the scene in 5 minutes and reported heavy fire and smoke showing from the window of a second floor unit. There were initial reports of an occupant still trapped in the third floor unit that was directly over the fire unit. The first arriving crew conducted a search for the occupant, but it turned out there was nobody trapped. An aggressive interior attack with a 1 ¾ inch preconnected hose line was initiated and brought the fire under control.

There were four people in the fire unit at the time of the fire. Cook County Sheriff's Police officers assisted residents prior to the arrival of the fire department. Two people were injured. One adult male suffered minor burn injuries and an adult female had to be transported for a medical condition which developed while firefighters were on the scene. Both patients were transported to Northwest Community Hospital. No firefighters or police officers were injured.

21 members of the Palatine Fire Department along with personnel from the Arlington Heights Fire Department, Long Grove Fire Department and Palatine Rural Fire Protection District responded to the scene. The unit where the fire originated was deemed uninhabitable because of the damage. The remaining five units of the three story building were tenable, but residents had made arrangements to stay somewhere else for the night. Damage was estimated at \$75,000.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

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