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House Fire

On July 5, at 7:15 A.M., residents at 2400 North Frontage Road, Darien, reported smoke coming from the basement of their home.

First arriving fire units were on the scene five minutes later and reported heavy smoke coming from the basement. Fire crews used two hose lines to attack the fire, while other units ventilated the smoke from the building and performed a search of the building to make certain that no one else was in the house.

Due to the amount of smoke and fire, and need for additional personnel, assistance was requested through MABAS, the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System. This brought many area departments to the scene or to fill in at Darien-Woodridge fire stations to handle any additional calls.

The fire was contained to one section of the basement, with minor extension into the first floor. There was considerable smoke damage throughout the building. Fire units remained on the scene for several hours.

Fire investigators determined the fire cause to be accidental, due to an electrical problem. Damage estimates to the building and contents are initially placed at \$75,000.

The two occupants, and one cat, were unharmed, and no firefighters were injured.
