



DARIEN-WOODRIDGE

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House Fire

On April 20th, at approximately 4:11 p.m., Darien-Woodridge Fire Units were notified of a house on fire at 8415 Brookeridge Road, in unincorporated Downers Grove. Upon arrival of fire units four minutes later, they reported fire from the roof and rear wall.

Hose lines were immediately deployed to the fire area. Simultaneously, crews were opening the roof and various walls, to prevent the further spread of fire. The fire was under control within 20 minutes, but personnel remained in the scene for almost two hours to make sure the fire was out and to investigate the cause of the fire.

Initial damage reports are put at \$45,000, and no one was injured in this fire. The home was unoccupied as the home was under contract to be sold very soon. The cause of the fire is due to a fire in the fireplace that extended outside the chimney and into the house. The homeowners stated they spent about 15 minutes trying to extinguish the fire prior to calling 911.

Assisting Darien-Woodridge at the fire were Tri-State, Westmont, and Pleasantview Fire Departments.

The Darien-Woodridge Fire District would like to stress the importance of calling 911 immediately when there is any police, fire, or medical need. With any suspected building fire, the first thing to do is to get everyone out of the building. At that point 911 can be called.
