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WEEKLY SAINT PAUL FIRE & EMS BLOTTER

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This feature we call "Fire & EMS Blotter" is a weekly update of the activities of the Saint Paul Fire Department. During the week of December 23rd through December 29th, the Saint Paul Fire Department responded to 768 calls for service. Here is a **sampling** of some of the emergency and non-emergency activities from information provided by the fire department.

MOTOR VEHICLE VS PEDESTRIAN – On December 23rd at 10:20 a.m., Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics were called to the area of Jackson Street and Larpenteur Avenue for a report of a motor vehicle that hit a pedestrian. A 43 year old female was treated for her injuries and transported to a local hospital.

ASSAULT – Saint Paul Firefighters/Paramedics responded on December 23rd at 12:19 p.m. to the Highland neighborhood for a report of a pregnant 21 year old female who had been assaulted. The patient was assessed and taken to a local hospital for further evaluation.

ASSAULT – On December 23rd at 4:32 p.m., Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics responded to the area of Roy Street North and Shields Avenue for a report of a 52 year old female who had been assaulted. The female was treated for injuries to her face and head and transported to an area hospital.

HOUSE FIRE – Saint Paul Firefighters were called to a report of a house fire on December 24th at 12:26 a.m. on West Congress Street. They arrived to find heavy smoke and fire in the kitchen. The fire appeared to have been caused by an electrical malfunction of a refrigerator that was over 20 years old. Damages are estimated at \$180,000.





MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT – On December 26th at 10:45 a.m., Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics responded to the area of Shepard Road and Randolph Avenue for a report of a motor vehicle crash. They arrived to find a car that had crashed into a tree. The male driver, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was unconscious in the vehicle. The patient was treated and transported to an area hospital.

ASSAULT – Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics responded on December 26th at 12:08 a.m. to the Eastern Hazel Park neighborhood for a report of a pregnant 30 year old female who had been assaulted. She was assessed for injuries and transported to an area hospital for further evaluation and treatment.

ARSON FIRE IN AN APARTMENT BUILDING – On December 28th at 5:38 a.m., Saint Paul Firefighters responded to a report of fire alarms sounding at an apartment building on the 1800 block of Stillwater Avenue. The building's resident manager met firefighters and informed them he had been awakened by the fire alarms, found a small fire in the laundry room, and put it out. The cause of the fire was ruled arson and damages are estimated at \$600.





GARAGE FIRE – On December 28th at 10:34 p.m., Saint Paul Firefighters responded to a report of a garage fire on the 500 block of Magnolia Avenue East. They arrived to find and extinguish a fully involved detached two-car garage. The cause of the fire is under investigation at this time. Damages are estimated at \$20,000.





GAS METER FIRE – Firefighters were called on December 28th at 11:27 p.m. to the 700 block of lowa Avenue West for a report of a gas line on fire. Firefighters were able to clamp off and extinguish a fire involving a gas meter. The gas meter was damaged and leaking and there were fresh tire tracks in the snow in the area. Damages are estimated at \$20,000.



HOUSE FIRE – A the same time as the apartment building fire on Iowa Ave. E., on December 28th at 11:35 p.m., Firefighters were called to the 600 block of Western Avenue North for a report of a dwelling fire. Upon arrival, firefighters found and extinguished a fire that began in the first floor living room and caused damage throughout the home. It appeared the fire may have started near a Christmas tree. The cause of the fire is under investigation. Damages are estimated at \$110,000.



