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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 April 6th through April 13th, the Saint Paul Fire Department responded to 771 calls for service. Here is a **sampling** of some of the emergency and non-emergency activities from information provided by the fire department.

STABBING – On April 7th at 3:08 a.m., Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics and EMTs responded to the Dayton's Bluff neighborhood for a 23 year old female with cuts on her arm and hand after being assaulted with a knife. Her wounds were bandaged and she was transported to an area hospital.

MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH – Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics and EMTs were called to the area of Snelling Avenue and Hubbard Avenue on April 7th at 9:05 a.m. for a 32 year old male who had neck pain after his vehicle was rear-ended while stopping for a pedestrian in a crosswalk. He was treated and transported to an area hospital.

FALL – On April 7th at 3:34 p.m., Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics and EMTs responded to a home in the North End-South Como neighborhood for a 4 month old female who rolled off a couch and hit her head. She was treated and transported to an area hospital.

SHOOTING – Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics and EMTs were called to a restaurant on the 1100 block of Payne Avenue on April 8th at 3:18 p.m. for an 18 year old male with a gunshot wound to his leg. He was treated and transported to an area hospital.

SHOOTING – On April 8th at 8:46 pm, Saint Paul Firefighter/Paramedics and EMTs were called to the Payne-Phalen neighborhood for a 18 year old male found lying in the back yard of a residence with a gunshot wound in his leg. He was treated and transported to an area hospital.

GARAGE FIRE – On April 9th at 10:44 p.m., Saint Paul firefighters were called to the 500 block of Cherokee Avenue for a report of a garage fire. Firefighters found and extinguished a fire in a detached garage that had extended into an attached sauna room. The fire is believed to have started in the area of a work bench. The cause of the fire is under investigation. Damages are estimated at \$57,000.



ELECTRICAL FIRE – Saint Paul Firefighters were called to the 300 block of Kenneth Street on March 9th at 11:36 p.m. for a report of a dwelling fire. Upon arrival, firefighters found a small electrical fire already extinguished by the resident. The fire was caused by an electrical arc in an outlet. Damages are estimated at \$1,000.



FIRE CONTROLLED BY SPRINKLERS – On March 12th at 7:25 pm, Saint Paul Firefighters were called to the 500 block of Robert Street North for a report of fire alarms and a water flow alarm sounding. They arrived to find a small fire that was mostly extinguished by two sprinkler heads in a basement unit. The occupant admitted to lighting an incense stick on a shelf and then leaving to let a friend into the building. Damages are estimated at \$5,000. ***Never leave incense or candles burning unattended and keep anything that can burn at least 1 foot away from lit candles or incense.***

Fire sprinklers are 96% successful in controlling or extinguishing a fire with just one or two sprinklers going off. This could have been a major fire with residents possibly injured or even killed - and losing their possessions and their homes.

