

Village of Tinley Park

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Vehicle crashes into home Oct. 27, starting blaze

The Tinley Park Fire and Police departments responded at 12:35 a.m. Oct. 27 to a call of a structure fire in the 7600 block of West 167th Street.

Upon arriving they saw a home engulfed in flames, with significant structural damage in the garage area and a car partially visible on the east side of the home. The house immediately to the east was also on fire.

Firefighters, with the assistance of MABAS departments including Orland Park, Oak Forest, Frankfort and Mokena, were able to get the fire under control in about 30 minutes. Crews worked to locate the vehicle's driver, but no one was found after an extensive search of the car, house and immediate area and neighborhood. The Tinley Park Police Department is still investigating the crash.

NICOR worked at the scene to control a gas leak from the adjacent fire-damaged home. No firefighters or occupants were injured during the fire, as the struck home was unoccupied and the homeowner to the east was able to escape on her own.

"I'd like to recognize the fast work by our Fire Department crews, as well as our entire public safety team, 911 center and Emergency Management officials for a great effort," Tinley Park Fire Chief Forest Reeder said.

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