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UPDATE HOUSE FIRE

December 26, 2008

Colonial Heights Fire and EMS were dispatched to the 400 Block of Lyons Ave about 11:45 AM on December 26 for a reported house fire. When fire units arrived, they found heavy fire conditions in the front living room. A quick search of the residence by firefighters did not find anyone home at the time. The fire was brought quickly under control and extinguished. Units from Chesterfield assisted at the scene, while Fort Lee and Prince George units provided fire coverage for the city. Estimated damage is at \$15,000 dollars. Investigators believe the fire was started by a faulty electrical cord to a lamp. Firefighters determined that there were no smoke detectors installed. We would remind everyone that smoke detectors save lives. Please have them installed and check them regularly to make sure they work.