MEDIA ALERT

For Immediate Release
June 18, 2012
Joplin Fire Department

Structure Fire, 210 South Pearl, Joplin, Mo.

The Joplin Fire Department responded to a reported smoke in the area in the 300 block of South Pearl at 02:45 hrs. on June 17, 2012. Fire crews arrived on scene at 210 South Pearl Ave. at 02:50 am to resident occupants evacuating the structure with smoke and fire coming from the second story of the home. The Fire caused heavy smoke and fire damage to the Kitchen and bedrooms of the 2 story residential structure.

The home is owned by the Larry Courtney of Joplin and was occupied by Jason Skaggs, Jeremy Lewis, Sherry Wise and Jason Montcelli who were all at home at the time of the fire. Occupants were able to escape the structure prior to the Fire departments arrival after one of the occupant awoke and alerted the others to the blaze.

There were no injuries were to any of the occupants of the home or fire crews during the incident. 6 Joplin Fire units and 19 Joplin Fire personnel responded.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation by the Joplin Fire Marshal.

Mitch Randles
Fire Chief
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