



# ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 04-19-13 INCIDENT TIME: 0234  
INCIDENT LOCATION: 5073 Rice Lake Rd, Rice Lake Township, Duluth, MN

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A.1 Thru 4: Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1; 2b; 3b; g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: JM Auto Sales Age: Address: 5073 Rice Lake Rd  
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### INCIDENT SUMMARY:

At 0234, the owner of JM Auto Sales, was awakened by his dogs barking and he observed that one of the two garages on the property was on fire. The business owner and his two dogs were able to safely evacuate the area. Due to high winds and the close proximity of the two garage/shop buildings, the second building caught fire and shortly thereafter, both buildings were fully engulfed. It appears that both buildings are a total loss, along with several vehicles and equipment inside the buildings. Losses are estimated to be approximately \$80,000.00. The cause of the fire is currently unknown.

### ASSISTING AGENCIES:

Rice Lake Fire Dept., Canosia Fire Dept., Lakewood Fire Dept., MN Air National Guard Fire Dept., St Louis County Sheriff's Office

AUTHORITY: Sgt Neil Porter DATE: 04-19-13 TIME: 0500

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_