



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 1/16/2014 INCIDENT TIME: 00:48
INCIDENT LOCATION: 7710 Central Ave Meadowlands

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: John Stossel Age: 75 Address: 7710 Central Ave Meadowlands

Name: Karen Gosch Age: 72 Address: 7710 Central Ave Meadowlands

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office responded to a fatal house fire last night in Meadowlands. At approximately 12:50AM John Stossel, 75year old resident of 7710 Central Ave, called 911 to report his residence was filled with smoke. Stossel stated he and his wife, Karen Gosch, were unable to evacuate the home. Meadowlands FD was able to reach and evacuate the two before the single story home was completely destroyed by the fire. Both parties were transported to Essentia St. Marys where Gosch was later pronounced dead. Stossel is believed to be in stable condition. The fire appears to have started near the kitchen area of the residence. Firefighters were on scene until early this morning. The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office is investigating.

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

Meadowlands Fire Department, Alborn Fire Department, Floodwood Fire Department
Gold Cross Ambulance

AUTHORITY: Sgt. Wade Rasch DATE: 1/16/14 TIME: 0715

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: _____ DATE: _____ TIME: _____