



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: May 4, 2014
Case No.14- 7425

On May 4, 2014, at approximately 4:11 p.m., Portage Department of Public Safety officers responded to a residence in the 5800 block of Old Mission Street for a report of a male/female disturbance.

While investigating the disturbance, the officer detected smoke coming from inside the residence. Portage Department of Public Safety firefighters, along with Oshtemo, Comstock, and Texas Township Fire Departments, responded. All occupants of the residence were evacuated, and no one was injured. The fire was extinguished at approximately 4:36 p.m.

A 54-year-old Portage woman, suspected of setting the fire, was arrested at the scene for arson and lodged at the Kalamazoo County Sheriff's Department. Pending charges are being reviewed by the Kalamazoo County Prosecutor's Office.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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