



# CLAY FIRE

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **RESIDENCE FIRE CAUSES CLAY FIRE TO CHANGE THE 1<sup>ST</sup> BULB ON THE "KEEP THE WREATH RED"**

**Clay Township, IN** – At approx. 10:37 am on Thanksgiving, Clay Fire Territory was dispatched to a reported residence fire in the 52000 block of Bamford Dr. in Clay Township. Fire crews arrived within minutes of being dispatched and found a fire in one of the rooms of the residence. The house was occupied at the time of the fire. The room received moderate fire damage and smoke damage throughout. There were no injuries to civilians or firefighters. At this time the fire is still under investigation by the Fire Marshal. With this fire comes the changing of the 1st red bulb on the "Keep the Wreath Red" program. "Keep the Wreath Red" is a holiday fire safety program designed to increase fire safety awareness. Our goal is to keep the bulbs on the wreath red throughout the Holiday Season. In the event of a fire, firefighters will replace one red bulb with a white one.

Each year 905 people die in winter home fires each year and \$2,091,000,000 in property loss occurs from winter home fires. According to National Fire Incident Reporting System 2009-2011, 67 percent of winter fires occur in one- and two-family homes and most common time for winter home fires from 5 to 8 p.m. Cooking is the leading cause of all winter home fires.

We all want to have a safe and happy holiday season. If you have any questions, please contact the Community Service Division at (574) 272-2144 or visit [www.clayfd.com](http://www.clayfd.com), or follow us at <http://www.facebook.com/Clay.Fire.Territory> and on twitter [https://twitter.com/Clay\\_Fire](https://twitter.com/Clay_Fire).



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