

DRYER CATCHES FIRE IN HILLCREST

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Just after noon on November 16, 2016, Broome Communications dispatched Hillcrest Fire (55) to dryer on fire at 1196 Cornell Ave.

Port Dickinson Fire (35) was dispatched and Chenango Bridge Fire (39) was dispatched to standby. County quickly notified station 55 that police were on scene reporting working fire. Station 55 requested the 2nd alarm be dispatched.

Chief 39B arrived on scene reporting a two story wood frame house with smoke on the 2nd floor and the fire possibly contained to the laundry room. Squad 55 and Squad 39 arrived shortly after and used two water cans to knock down the fire. An 1 3/4 inch line was stretched to the front door as a backup. Positive pressure ventilation was set up and smoke was cleared from the house as the appliance was removed.

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Assisting on scene were Chenango Fire Tower 66, Broome Ambulance, Broome County Fire Coordinators, Broome County Fire Investigators, Broome County Sheriffs Office, and NYSEG. On Standby or cancelled enroute for the incident were Five Mile Point Fire (59) and Harpursville Fire FAST (43). All units were clear from the scene in about an hour.



Squad 55 and squad 39 on the scene.



The dryer on the front lawn after being removed.



Tower 66 on scene