

## Wayne County House Fire

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This reader photo was [posted by WRAL](#), in their story about a house fire in Princeton this morning. The headline reads "large fire," which this photo indeed confirms. The 2,900 square-foot home caught fire around 7:00 a.m.



*WRAL Photo*

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Wayne County? Princeton is in Johnston County.

**Beach** ([Email](#)) - 07/20/09 - 23:39

You are correct. However, 863 Luby Smith Road appears to be in Wayne County.

**Legeros** - 07/21/09 - 07:20

Princeton runs calls in wayne county. They are alot closer than rosewood.

**JCFF** - 07/21/09 - 09:11

Hmmmm....interesting hose line placement.

**Silver** - 07/21/09 - 09:23

Looks like their hose placements was in hopes of saving the foundation.

**Bobby L.** - 07/21/09 - 11:30

There's a lot of surrounding but not much drowning.

Where's the ariel???

**Buckwheat** - 07/22/09 - 10:45

Check out video from the fire here: <http://www.firecritic.com/2009/07/house-..>

**Fire Critic** ([Email](#)) ([Web Site](#)) - 07/22/09 - 11:22

After seeing the video, I guess they did the best they could. Does anyone know if there was an interior attack or was the fire just too far ahead

once units arrived? I can see where they probably couldn't support aerial operations due the water source limitations.

**Buckwheat** - 07/22/09 - 20:59

It is hard to tell. It seems as though there was an interior attack in the beginning by looking at where the hose is. I seriously doubt that they had enough water to effect aerial operations using tankers as it seems they are using.

**Fire Critic** ([Email](#)) ([Web Site](#)) - 07/22/09 - 21:03

Hmmmmmm.....interesting hose line placement (after watching video, best effort at biting lip).

**Silver** - 07/22/09 - 22:35

did anyone see a dump tank anywhere in the videos? i didnt know if it possibly was hidden somewhere to the right of the camera where ALL the POV's were staged. That fire was nasty! Looks as if there were a ton of people there but not enough equipment.

**CTK** - 07/22/09 - 23:23

Nevermind on the dump tank...had to go back and look and it appears that the 2 tankers were droppin water on the other side of the engine... but still alot of people and not much apparatus

**CTK** - 07/22/09 - 23:27

And still....interesting hose line placement.

**Silver** - 07/23/09 - 22:18

Thank you, Dr. Silver. We are humbled.

**Your Friends** - 07/23/09 - 22:30

Silver you have referenced interesting hose line placement several times....what exactly do you mean by this?Would you like to comment further on why it is so very interesting to you?

**WayneCO.** - 07/23/09 - 22:38

If you have been following Mike's blog long enough, you will notice that silver knows it all, and will arm chair everything. But will be the first to bash you if you question his department or something he agrees with. It's actually quite amusing, please keep it up.

Seen it all but the wind and done it all but the electric chair ring a bell?

**J. Simter** - 07/24/09 - 03:34

im glad someone sees the same thing that i have noticed. I guess they really do have fire gods...

**WayneCO.** - 07/24/09 - 07:33

Oh you silly geeses, I've never claimed to know it all. Sure, I have an opinion. The difference between some others and myself is that I don't fall into the general "fire went out, all went home, good job" category and I refuse to hide behind a general screen name. There's something we can learn after every fire. If that's what our job was all about, the fire portion of our academies would be 1 hour long...."put water on fire", take a one question test (1.Fire is put out with; a)Fire b)Water c)Clouds d)Mittens...end of test).

My point is, from the picture, the stream placement is interesting. It seems as if the house is written off, so why isn't an attempt being made at knocking the largest body of fire? With the right GPM's, knock that crap back then dig in. Get guys performing truck ops, opening up the inside for the engine guys (even if thye're POV or on an engine or whatever, you don't have to pull up on a ladder truck to do truck ops), and get a few lines in there. That's all I'm saying friends....sorry for talking.

Is this better? Fire went out, all went home, good job....that'll be my comment from now on.

**Silver** - 07/24/09 - 09:51

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kSiwoKCiy..>

**DJ** - 07/24/09 - 10:03

I agree that there could of been a better attack on that fire. From the look of the smoke blowin out, seems like she was definately gettin pretty hot in there. But the whole concept of attackin from the unburnt to the burnt was not there...there was a massive amount of fire a few minutes into the video but it all appeared to be being pushed back thru portions of the house that hadnt been ignited yet. But i guess you learn somethin new or see something you couldve done a little different every time you go out. Stay safe!

**Triple T** - 07/24/09 - 10:13

I'd love to hear from someone that was actually on the scene as to what their tactical plan was. I agree that people always like to armchair quarterback, but we can all learn by others examples (if we don't get offended by folks questioning us). It was clear that these guys were doing their tasks diligently and not wandering aimlessly so I've got to believe they had a plan and were executing it. Just curious what the plan was and why that was the best strategy at the time.

p.s. The Fire SUV was hilarious!

**Mike** - 07/24/09 - 12:37

Not that he needs my help, but. HE said...."Interesting hose placement"! I happen to agree with this statement, because I wondered about it myself. Proper hose placement and operations are KEY to putting the fire out. Like several have said before: "Put the fire out and the problems will go away!" If you don't like being questioned about stuff, find a new career or hobby!

"Fire went out, everyone went home" is a nice concept, but.....Sometimes you just gotta get in there and get it! I have watched the videos and looked at the pictures and I would have done A LOT of things different from what I SAW. Having NOT been there, maybe things were different. BUT, to me it looked like a bread and butter room off with extension into the attic, which is not too hard of a fire to control. All it takes is a little know-how and SOUND hose practices!!! Sorry to sound harsh, but sometimes life is like that. Word of advice, if you don't know the person you are talking about, it's best to keep quiet or man up and put your name with the post!

OH and the fire gods comment...if you want to see some, hop in the truck and I will take you up to see them. No offense to my brothers up there..but NO, I'm NOT talking about FDNY boys.

**Wayne** - 07/25/09 - 19:56

it was listed as a 2900sq ft. house. If it is like mine (with the steep pitch of the roof i believe it may have been) then it is a 2 story house with very large void spaces to the front and back of the house because of the 8ft walls. A fire with that kind of head start would be tough to get to with limited resources. Plus there is attic space above the second floor which connect to the void spaces which during a fire will give you the illusion of it being in the attic when the main body of fire is in the void space on the second floor. Always good that everyone made it home in one piece. Building is not worth a life.

**gen3fire** - 07/25/09 - 21:08

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