

**LAFD****SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY****Emergency Public Information Center**BFC # **08-078**Meeting Date **4/15/2008****5/5/2008 TO 5/12/2008****05/20/2008**

INCIDENT DATE	INC. TIME	ADDRESS	COUNCIL	INCIDENT TYPE	F.S.	FIRE COMPANIES	TOTAL F/F'S	TOTAL R.A.S	OUTSIDE AGENCIES	F/F INJURIES	CIV. FATALITY	DOLLAR LOSS	TIME TO CONTROL
5/5/2008	6:40 AM	13221 Maclay St.	7	Structure Fire	91	4	30	2		0	0	\$2000	0 hours, 18 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								INCIDENT DURATION			
	0176	Sylmar								0			8 hours, 3 min.

HOUSE OF WORSHIP TASK FORCE INVESTIGATES SYLMAR FIRE

On Monday, May 5, 2008 at 6:40 AM, 4 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 2 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 3 Arson Units, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, and 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Dave Frelinger responded to a Structure Fire at 13221 Maclay St. in Sylmar.

Firefighters discovered a small fire inside the Ministerio Cristiano Gracia Expendida Church. The fire was extinguished causing only minor damage to the church. There were no injuries. Monetary loss from the fire damage is estimated at \$2,000, while the cause of the blaze remains the focus of an active investigation by the multi-agency House of Worship Arson Task Force.

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5/5/2008	10:38 AM	2327 W. Southwest Dr.	8	Major Emergency Structure Fire	66	25	175	8		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	1 hour, 22 min.
	INC. #									INCIDENT DURATION			
	0364	Hyde Park								0			14 hours, 2 min.

MAJOR EMERGENCY STRUCTURE FIRE DAMAGES CABINET SHOP

On Monday, May 5, 2008 at 10:38 AM, 25 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 8 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 2 Arson Units, 3 Urban Search and Rescue Units, 1 Rehab Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 5 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, 1 Emergency Air, Medical Director, and 2 CERT Coordinators all under the direction of Assistant Chief Roxanne Bercik responded to a Major Emergency Structure Fire at 2327 W. Southwest Dr. in Hyde Park.

The first fire company arrived to find a large commercial building, approximately 100' x 200', with heavy smoke and fire showing from the rear. Occupants of the structure, a two-story awning manufacturer in front with offices on the second floor, and a cabinet manufacturer utilizing the one-story portion to the rear, had self evacuated prior to the arrival of Firefighters. Firefighters were immediately confronted with problems accessing the rear portion of building where the seat of the fire was located. Over the course of one hour and twenty-two minutes, fire attack teams transitioned several times from an offensive interior attack to a defensive mode using heavy streams, returning to an offensive interior operation when conditions were determined to be tenable.

The majority of damage was confined to the rear, single-story portion of the building. An aggressive interior fire attack not only assisted in extinguishing the fire, it also provided Firefighters the opportunity to save a large portion of the building and contents. The preliminary cause of the fire has been determined to be accidental. An adult male worker, using flammable liquid during cabinet refinishing, fell spilling the liquid on the ground and on his clothes. Shortly thereafter, the worker began using a power tool to cut a piece of metal, causing a spark, which ignited the fumes and his clothes.

The worker was transported to California Hospital Medical Center in serious condition with second and third degree burns to his arm. The dollar loss is still being tabulated.



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5/10/2008	3:34 PM	825 Paseo del Mar	15	CLIFF RESCUE	48	1	16	2		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	0 hours, 41 min.
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	0741	0								2 hours, 28 min.			

On Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 3:34 PM, 1 Company of Los Angeles Firefighters, 2 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 2 Helicopters, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, 3 LAFD Fireboats under the direction of Battalion Chief Brian Cummings responded to a Cliff Rescue at 825 Paseo Del Mar in San Pedro.

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5/10/2008	5:48 PM	8642 Hollywood Bl	5	Structure Fire	41	11	73	3		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	0 hours, 35 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								INCIDENT DURATION			
	0922	Hollywood								0			4 hours, 54 min.

PAIR ESCAPE FIRE THAT CONSUMES HILLSIDE HOME

On Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 5:48 PM, 11 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 3 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 2 Helicopters, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 2 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams and 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, as well as 1 Engine Company and 1 Battalion Chief from the Los Angeles County Fire Department, all under the direction of LAFD Assistant Chief Terrance Manning, responded to a Greater Alarm Structure Fire at 8642 Hollywood Boulevard in the Hollywood Hills. Firefighters from the two agencies quickly navigated the winding streets of a West Hollywood-adjacent neighborhood to discover a three story hillside home well involved with fire. Extending handlines to do battle with fierce flames, firefighters soon determined the 74 year-old resident and his male caretaker had safely fled the 2,008 square-foot building prior to their arrival. Though the burning structure was located in the "Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone" of wildfire concern - that brought additional LAFD ground and air resources to the scene, the neighborhood's timely compliance with strict City of Los Angeles brush clearance policies, prevented fire spread and aided in the effort to quell the blaze. The fire was confined to the structure of origin and extinguished in just 35 minutes. While without apparent injury or illness related to the fire, the homeowner was taken to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center for evaluation of a long-standing medical condition. No other injuries were reported. Loss from the blaze, which heavily damaged the structure and its contents, is still being tabulated. The cause of the fire remains under active investigation.

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5/10/2008	8:50 PM	5721 W Imperial Hwy	11	HAZMAT INVESTIGATION	95	4	35	2		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	0 hours, 39 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								INCIDENT DURATION			
	1139	LAX/Hotel Row								0			1 hour, 23 min.

On Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 8:50 PM, 4 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 2 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 2 Hazardous Materials Teams, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Michael Greenup responded to a Hazmat Investigation at 5721 W Imperial Hwy in LAX/Hotel Row.

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5/10/2008	8:54 PM	6957 Enfield Ave	3	Structure Fire with Civilian Injury	100	6	41	4		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	0 hours, 24 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								INCIDENT DURATION			
	1143	0								4 hours, 3 min.			

On Saturday, May 10, 2008 at 8:54 PM, 6 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 4 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Richard Markota responded to a Structure Fire With Civilian Injury at 6957 Enfield Ave in Van Nuys.