

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY

BFC #12-127

7/16/2012 TO 7/22/2012

Emergency **P**ublic Information Center

Meeting Date: August 7,2012

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
7/16/2012	12:18 PM	6400 Woodley Av	6	Major Emergency Grass Fire	100	16	95	1		0	-	Still Being	1 hour, 29 min.
	INC. #									F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY	Tabulated	INCIDENT DURATION
	0501	Van Nuys								0	0		7 hours, 56 min.

MODEL PLANE SUSPECTED CAUSE OF 30 ACRE WILDFIRE

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY - More than 100 firefighters responded by ground and air to battle a fast-moving thirty-acre grass fire in the Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area on Monday afternoon. The wildfire was reported at 12:18 PM on July 16, 2012, south of 6400 Woodley Avenue, within a 2,000 acre public reserve of undeveloped land in the south San Fernando Valley, that serves as a seasonal flood control basin. Light but variable winds fanned flames in three-foot tall grass that led to thicker and more volatile vegetation, as the fire quickly grew. Los Angeles Fire Department helicopters performed precise aerial water drops to help contain the forward movement of the fire, as LAFD ground crews deftly flanked the flames. They were soon joined by five Los Angeles County Fire Department handcrews, four of their Supervisors and an LACoFD helicopter to collectively contain the fire in just 47 minutes. The flames were fully extinguished in less than 90 minutes. A preliminary estimate of twenty acres burned was increased to 30.5 acres following a more detailed assessment once the smoke cleared. No structures were threatened or damaged, and there was no need for evacuation. No injuries were reported. Firefighters suspect that a radio-controlled model aircraft from the nearby Apollo XI Model Aircraft Flying Field, may have landed unintentionally in the tinder dry grass, sparking the blaze. Los Angeles Police Officers interviewed witnesses at the scene for what remains an active investigation.

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7/16/2012	5:28 PM	1017 S Berendo Av	10	Greater Alarm Structure Fire	13	13	98	5		0	0	\$525,000	0 hours, 38 min.
	INC. #									F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY		INCIDENT DURATION
	0887	Korea town								0	0		3 hours, 59 min.

KOREATOWN BLAZE DESTROYS VACANT APARTMENT BUILDING

KOREATOWN - An intense fire Monday afternoon that destroyed a vacant Koreatown apartment building, damaged four cars and threatened as many as six buildings, was extinguished in just 38 minutes, but not before forcing as many as ten neighbors from their nearby home. The Los Angeles Fire Department was summoned at 5:28 PM on July 16, 2012 to the vicinity of Olympic Boulevard and New Hampshire Avenue for a possible structure fire. Quickly following visible smoke to the neighborhood, firefighters arrived promptly to do swift battle with extreme flames at a location they initially declared as being on "Serrano Avenue". The temporarily misstated location was later corrected by responders to 1017 South Berendo Avenue, and confirmed to be a vacant 3,700 square-foot, two-story center hallway apartment building that was undergoing a major renovation. A one-story "L-shaped" electronics firm immediately to the north, as well as a two-story residence directly to the south were impacted by towering flames, as were to a lesser degree, four other residential buildings in the vicinity. A bold and relentless assault on the flames by 98 Los Angeles Fire Department personnel limited the most serious fire extension to one upstairs room of the neighboring home and surface fire to roof of the electronics firm. Additionally, four private vehicles sustained significant damage. Within minutes of the Fire Department's arrival, the fully engulfed upper floor of the 111 year-old wood frame and stucco apartment building began to fail, collapsing upon the first. No residents or firefighters were in harm's way as the flaming remnant of the building crashed to the ground. Los Angeles Police Officers summoned LAFD Paramedics to a nearby address at the height of the fire to evaluate a man reportedly injured by the blaze, but it was soon determined his minor injuries were not related to the conflagration. The fire was fully extinguished in just 38 minutes, and no other injuries were reported. As a result of the fire, as many as ten unrelated adu



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7/21/2012	6:04 PM	1735 N Vine St	13	Multi Patient Medical	27	7	70	9		0		Still Being	1 hour, 43 min.
	INC. #									F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY	Tabulated	INCIDENT DURATION
	1004	Hollywood								0	6		4 hours, 19 min.

SPECIAL EFFECT AT HOLLYWOOD NIGHTCLUB SENDS 6 TO HOSPITAL

HOLLYWOOD - More than 400 patrons at a Hollywood nightclub were sent scrambling for the exits, and six were taken to the hospital, after a large volume of carbon dioxide used as a theatrical fogging effect filled the venue on Saturday evening. The initial call at 6:04 PM on July 21, 2012 brought the Los Angeles Fire Department to assist one or more persons having difficulty breathing at the Avalon Hollywood, located at 1735 Vine Street. Firefighters and Paramedics arrived quickly to find scores of mostly young people who had escaped the auditorium after an unknown vapor suddenly filled the room. With some patrons clearly ill and displaying superficial burns, LAFD responders escalated the incident to a multi-patient hazardous materials investigation, bringing 70 LAFD personnel and allied agencies to the scene. Vine Street was temporarily closed between Hollywood Boulevard and Franklin Avenue as dozens of emergency vehicles, including nine Fire Department ambulances lined the roadway. The Fire Department swiftly assembled triage and treatment areas and prepared for the possible decontamination of the crowd, as LAFD HazMat experts combed the theater and conferred with club staff. It was soon determined that a larger than desired amount of cryogenic liquid carbon dioxide intended for a theatrical fog effect, had been suddenly released into the well attended "teen awards show pre-party", causing zero visibility conditions. The frostbite-like burns experienced by some were attributed to contact with some of the freezing liquid that had failed to fully vaporize. With respiratory ailments appearing to lessen in the fresh air, just 22 attendees expressed a desire for medical evaluation. Sixteen persons, including minors accompanied by their parents, ultimately declined treatment and transportation. total of six party-goers, including some minors, were taken to area hospitals by ambulance. They were described as being in good to fair condition. No performers were among the ill or injured. Once determined that no hazard r