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Boy drowns in pool at Fontana home; second drowning incident this year in city

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The Fontana Police Department is investigating the death of a 1-year-old boy in a drowning incident on July 13.

A 17-month-old boy drowned in a small blow-up pool at a residence in Fontana on July 13, according to the Fontana Police Department.

The incident took place at 5:54 p.m. in the 8300 block of Maple Avenue, when the baby was playing in the front yard of the home.

Emergency personnel rushed to the scene and transported the boy to a local hospital, but it was too late to save him.

The Police Department is investigating the incident, but no foul play is suspected.

This was the second time this year that a youngster drowned in a pool at a home in Fontana. The first incident, involving a 2-year-old boy, took place on April 24.

The **San Bernardino County Fire Department's** website provides warnings about child drownings.

"Too often we hear people say, 'it was just for a minute.' Unfortunately, a minute is all it takes for a child to drown," the website said. "Most children drown in their own backyard swimming pool, others drown in buckets, bathtubs, toilets, pet watering bowls, canals, and ponds. Small children are top-heavy and don't have the upper body strength to lift themselves out of these dangerous situations."

http://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/boy-drowns-in-pool-at-fontana-home-second-drowning-incident/article_39e3f6e6-4aaf-11e6-b2eb-afc8b9b66e95.html

Blaze tears through Hesperia home, displaces family of 3

Staff Reports, Daily Pres

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HESPERIA — Authorities said a family was displaced after a blaze tore through their home Thursday afternoon, but no injuries were reported.

Several calls reporting a possible home on fire in the 17600 block of Cajon Street were received just before 3 p.m. Thursday. **San Bernardino County Fire Department** officials said a medic engine arrived and found light smoke coming from the back of a single-story home.

Upon further investigation, an established fire was found inside the home and firefighters began an aggressive interior attack to combat the blaze. However, the rapidly expanding fire forced firefighters to retreat under concerns of a potential building collapse, authorities said.

After 20 minutes, firefighters gained the upper hand and were able to push back inside to extinguish the blaze.

A total of 20 County Fire personnel responded to the blaze, including three engines, one truck company, a medic ambulance, chief officer, and two fire investigators.

Three adult residents were displaced from the home, authorities said, and received assistance from the Red Cross. Damage estimates were unknown Friday and are still being compiled, authorities said.

The cause of the blaze remains under investigation by the Office of the Fire Marshal.

<http://www.vvdailypress.com/news/20160715/blaze-tears-through-hesperia-home-displaces-family-of-3>

Vegetation fire above Devore scorches 5 acres

John M. Blodgett, Inland Valley Daily Bulletin

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Cal Fire crews ready to fight a vegetation fire above Deercrest Drive in Devore Friday night. Photo by John M. Blodgett



A Cal Fire dozer is readied to fight a vegetation fire above Deercrest Drive in Devore Friday night. Photo by John M. Blodgett

DEVORE >> A handful of fire agencies fought a vegetation fire Friday night just northeast of Deercrest Drive in Devore.

San Bernardino County Fire Department tweeted about 10:15 p.m. that the fire was 3 acres and spreading slowly. The tweet also states that San Bernardino National Forest was the lead agency and Cal Fire and Rancho Cucamonga Fire Department, along with county fire, were assisting.

A tweet at 11:44 p.m. states that the fire's size stopped at about 5 acres.

Numerous units, including several hand crews, staged below on Deercrest Drive and along Grandview Avenue.

<http://www.sbsun.com/general-news/20160715/vegetation-fire-above-devore-scorches-5-acres>

Needles fire scars homes: Four area fire agencies called out to battle blaze

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One firefighter signals another manning a monitor where to send the stream to battle the blaze in the vicinity of Chestnut and L streets in Needles on Saturday. Robin Richards/News West

NEEDLES — Tri-state emergency crews responded to a multi-structure fire in Needles late Saturday afternoon.

Medical personnel were requested shortly after 5 p.m. to take at least one firefighter to an area hospital. Dispatch notified incident command that one firefighter was treated for heat exhaustion and was expected to be released Saturday night.

Crews from **San Bernardino County** and Mohave Valley fire departments were called about 4:10 p.m. to the neighborhood near the intersection of North L Street and Chestnut Street for a fire that quickly grew to include three structures and a spot fire in the residential neighborhood. At about 4:30 p.m., MVFD incident command requested dispatch send additional units from Bullhead City and Fort Mohave Mesa fire departments.

The San Bernardino County Red Cross was reportedly activated for an unknown number of residents.

No further information about the fire was available Saturday night as firefighters continued to battle the blaze.

http://www.mohavedailynews.com/news/needles-fire-scars-homes-four-area-fire-agencies-called-out/article_815b77c0-4bee-11e6-9406-072bb9ccf8af.html

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