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Car crashes into Victor Valley Christian Church in Hesperia

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A red Honda Accord crashed into the church office and covered walkway of Victor Valley Christian Church in the 11200 block of 11th Avenue Sunday evening.

HESPERIA — A vehicle crashed into the front of a church here Sunday evening.

Reported at approximately 7:15 p.m., a red Honda Accord crashed into the church office and covered walkway of Victor Valley Christian Church in the 11200 block of 11th Avenue.

One person was reportedly trapped in the Honda and extrication was required to free them, according to scanner traffic, but injury information was still forthcoming. The cause of the crash was not yet known Monday morning.

San Bernardino County Fire Department personnel assisted in making sure the building was structurally sound before a tow truck could remove the Honda.

This story is developing and will be updated as more information becomes available.

<http://www.vvdailynews.com/news/20171002/car-crashes-into-victor-valley-christian-church-in-hesperia>

Off-duty San Bernardino County Fire personnel provide aid, evacuate injured during Las Vegas shooting

Beatriz E. Valenzuela, The Sun

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An injured person is tended to in the intersection of Tropicana Ave. and Las Vegas Boulevard after a mass shooting at a country music festival nearby on October 2, 2017 in Las Vegas, Nevada. A gunman has opened fire on a music festival in Las Vegas, killing over 20 people. Police have confirmed that one suspect has been shot dead. The investigation is ongoing. (Photo by Ethan Miller/Getty Images)

Several off-duty **San Bernardino County Fire** personnel at a three-day country music festival rendered aid and helped evacuate the injured immediately following the deadly Las Vegas shooting that killed 50 people and wounded more than 100 late Sunday night.

“We couldn’t be more proud of their efforts!” posted Deputy Chief John Chamberlin on Facebook soon after reports of the shooting began to surface. His post was then shared by the union, San Bernardino County Professional Firefighters Local 935.

The post also indicated that a family member of a county fire worker had been struck “multiple times.”

“Among the dead is an LVMPD officer who was off-duty at the time,” according to a statement from the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

That officer’s name was not released Monday morning. There were also two on-duty officers injured, one of whom was upgraded recently from critical to stable condition. The other sustained non-life threatening wounds.

Country music star Jason Aldean was performing as part of the three-day country music event, the Route 91 Harvest Festival, when LVMPD say a lone shooter identified as 64-year-old, Stephen Craig Paddock, of Mesquite, Nevada, opened fire on the crowd.

Paddock fired on more than 22,000 concert-goers from his hotel room on the 32nd floor of the Mandalay Bay Hotel about 10:08 p.m. Sunday, according to a news release from the LVMPD.

The LVMPD SWAT responded to the call, entered the hotel room and found the 64-year-old dead. Authorities say they believe Paddock killed himself prior to officers getting inside the room.

Metropolitan Police Department Sheriff Joe Lombardo said during a televised press conference that investigators were serving a search warrant at Paddock's home Monday morning, but didn't have any information on evidence found at his home.

"The Clark County Fire Department estimated that approximately 406 people were transported to area hospitals, and 50 are dead following Sunday evening's shooting," the statement said.

Concert-goers and other witnesses began posting horrific videos from open-air concert at the Madalay Bay resort.

The Las Vegas shooting is considered the worst mass shooting in modern U.S. history, with the death toll exceeding that of the Pulse nightclub shooting in 2016 that left 49 people dead.

A motive for the shooting was not released, and officials say this is still an active investigation. The Federal Bureau of Investigations is asking for anyone with videos or photos concerning the shooting to call 1-800-CALL-FBI or (800) 225-5324.

<http://www.sbsun.com/2017/10/02/off-duty-san-bernardino-county-fire-personnel-provide-aid-evacuate-injured-during-las-vegas-shooting/>

Stolen vehicle set fire in the sunfair area

Z107.7 News

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Authorities are investigating a stolen vehicle that was set on fire in the Sunfair Heights area of north Joshua Tree Saturday morning. According to County Fire Battalion Chief Mike Snow, firefighters were sent to a remote area near Sonora Road and Copper Moon Lane about 8:40 a.m. for what was initially described as a structure fire. The Sheriff's Department sent its helicopter, 40King, to help firefighters locate the fire, which was determined to be a vehicle fire. Investigation determined the vehicle had been reported stolen before being set ablaze. Firefighters were on scene for two hours. Anyone with information should call the Sheriff's Department at 760-366-4175.

<http://z1077fm.com/stolen-vehicle-set-fire-in-the-sunfair-area/>

Newberry Springs gas line catches fire, destroys heavy equipment

Gail Wesson, The Press-Enterprise

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Heavy equipment destroyed in a gas line explosion that also left a crater near Newberry Springs on Sunday, Oct. 1. (Photo courtesy of San Bernardino County Fire Department)

A Newberry Springs area 30-inch natural gas line caught fire, exploded and destroyed heavy equipment in an isolated area south of the 40 Freeway, according to tweets from **San Bernardino County Fire Department**.

The incident was reported at 10:44 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, according to Ryan Vaccaro, San Bernardino County Fire Department public information officer.

“The cause is still under investigation,” he said. “There was a crew working in the area, however they don’t know the cause.”

A crew member did smell an odor that indicated gas and the crew of about 16 workers was immediately evacuated, he said. No injuries were reported.

Photos from the scene showed a crater in the ground and burnt equipment. The fire also spread to sparse vegetation in a 5- to 7-acre area.

Christine Detz, a Southern California Gas Co., spokeswoman, wrote in an email that it was the utility’s pipeline. Authorities had early identified it as belonging to Southwest Gas.

Detz said the company became aware at 10:42 a.m. of “a drop in pressure” within the gas transmission line and that crews were on site to investigate.

The damaged section of pipe was isolated and gas allowed to burn off. A crew was expected to remain on scene overnight to make repairs.

Information was not immediately available who employed the crew.

The incident was off Troy Road and Poniente Drive. Detz said the closest populated area is Newberry Springs, about 10 miles away. The utility was not aware of any customer outages.

Detz wrote that the utility has notified the state Public Utility Commission’s Safety and Enforcement Division, the California Department of Emergency Services and the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration about the incident.

<http://www.sbsun.com/2017/10/01/newberry-springs-gas-line-catches-fire-destroys-heavy-equipment/>

3 classrooms at Fontana A.B. Miller sealed by hazmat threat, expected to be cleared Monday

Stephen Ramirez, San Gabriel Valley Tribune

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An incident Friday at Fontana's A.B. Miller High School in which some students came in contact with mercury forced school officials to seal three involved classrooms over the weekend for inspection and safety, a school district official said Sunday.

The action was taken as a precaution by the **San Bernardino County Fire Department's** Hazard Materials Division, which tested the rooms for mercury levels, said Michael Garcia, spokesman for the Fontana School District's family and community engagement division.

A decision will be made Monday whether to re-open the classrooms. If the mercury levels remain above standard, classes scheduled for the rooms will be moved to another part of the school, Garcia said.

The incident occurred Friday afternoon when some students found a bottle containing mercury and came in contact with the chemical. They reported it to a teacher who alerted an administrator. The county's hazmat unit was then called in.

The rooms were quarantined and the hazardous levels of the affected students and classrooms were checked. All were low, and students were released, Garcia said.

The school needs the classrooms to be cleared before they are reopened, and Garcia said he expects that to happen Monday.

<http://www.sbsun.com/2017/10/01/three-classrooms-at-fontana-a-b-miller-closed-to-hazmat-threat-expected-to-be-cleared-monday/>

Vehicle vs. pedestrian crash kills one, injures another

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One person was killed and another injured after a vehicle struck two pedestrians near the intersection of Roy Rodgers Drive and Amargosa Road Thursday evening.

VICTORVILLE — One person was killed and another injured after a vehicle struck two pedestrians near the intersection of Hook Boulevard and Amargosa Road Thursday evening.

Reported at 11:02 p.m., the crash involved a gray Toyota Camry that was traveling east on Hook Boulevard near Amargosa Road. According to authorities, two pedestrians were cross Hook Boulevard and were struck by the Camry.

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Victorville Station deputies and **San Bernardino County Fire Department** personnel responded to the collision. County Fire spokesman Eric Sherwin confirmed that one of the victims was pronounced dead at the scene, while the second was transported by ambulance to a local hospital. The driver of the Camry was treated by medical personnel and released at the scene.

was closed for several hours while the Victorville Sheriff's Station's Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) processed the scene. The closure was lifted at approximately 4:35 a.m. and the cause of the collision is still under investigation.

Anyone with information about the collision is urged to contact Deputy Chris DeKeyrel or Deputy Jeff Dean at the Victorville Sheriff's Station at 760-241-2911. Callers wishing to remain anonymous may call the We-Tip Hotline at 1-800-782-7463 or visit www.wetip.com.

<http://www.vvdailypress.com/news/20170929/vehicle-vs-pedestrian-crash-kills-one-injures-another>

Car and motorcycle crash on Nisqualli Road in Victorville

Victor Valley News Group

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(Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) A motorcycle rider had to be airlifted to a trauma center after crashing with a vehicle Thursday night.

It happened just before 7:30 p.m., at the intersection of Nisqualli Road and Ninth Avenue in Victorville. Deputies arrived and located a black motorcycle in the westbound lanes and a white Kia Spectra in the eastbound lanes.

The rider was transported to Desert Valley Hospital and later airlifted to a trauma center with moderate injuries.

East and westbound Nisqualli Road was closed while paramedics treated the rider and officials cleared the scene.

At this time it's unknown what the cause of the accident may have been. Please check back later for more information.

<https://www.vvng.com/car-motorcycle-crash-nisqualli-road-victorville/>

Overtuned semi prompts SIG Alert in Cajon Pass

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CAJON PASS, Calif. (VVNG.com) An overturned semi hauling hot mix asphalt on the southbound 15 freeway at the eastbound Highway 138 on-ramp is continuing to create traffic delays.

The crash involving a box truck and semi with possible fire was reported at 2:14 p.m., on Friday, September 29.

Bystanders grabbed extinguishers and put the fire out before **San Bernardino County Fire** arrived. California Highway Patrol incident CHP logs showed the reporting party stated the brakes went out on the semi that overturned and caused the crash.

Scanner traffic indicated, three people at the scene reported injuries. It's unclear if any of them were transported.

According to a Facebook update from Dave Woods with Cal Trans District 8, the on-ramp will be closed for another 4 hours. and eastbound traffic on the 138 is already backed up.

"Please be patient while we get this cleaned up," stated Woods.

The cause of the crash remains under investigation by the CHP – Inland Division.

<https://www.vvng.com/overtuned-semi-prompts-sig-alert-cajon-pass/>

Accident involving school bus and two semi-trucks

Saul A. Flores, Needles Desert Star

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NEEDLES — Several students have been injured in an accident involving a Buckeye High School bus headed to Bullhead City for a volleyball match.

According to the California Highway Patrol, the bus carrying the high school students was sandwiched by two semi trucks while it was stopped in a construction zone on U.S. Highway 95 south of Needles.

According to the **San Bernardino County Fire department** 13 minor patients were treated, have no complications and just require evaluation due to their age.

CHP is advising Hwy 91 is closed near mile marker 51 while they investigate the school bus collision. San Bernardino traffic is being diverted onto Five Mile Road.

The story is ongoing updates will be provided as they come in.

http://www.mohavedailynews.com/needles_desert_star/accident-involving-school-bus-and-two-semi-trucks/article_c060115c-a49d-11e7-a3dd-378895506cd8.html