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Spark of Love Toy Drive 2019 - Donate today

Staff Writer, abc 7 Eyewitness News

Posted: November 12, 2019



Help us celebrate our 27th anniversary!

ABC7 and the Southern California Firefighters along with our presenting sponsor Subaru, are celebrating their 27th Anniversary of the Spark of Love Toy Drive. Over the past twenty seven years, the Spark of Love Toy Drive has successfully collected more than ten million toys. The campaign collects new, unwrapped toys and sports equipment for underserved children and teens in Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Orange, Ventura and Riverside counties. Toys collected in the respective counties are distributed locally.

We have partnered once again with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program. This nationwide program is celebrating 71 years of collecting and distributing toys. With firefighters and Marines standing side by side, we believe this will be the biggest Spark of Love yet.

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HOW TO DONATE

Drop off your new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment at your local fire station.

Donate online by going to http://www.supportlafd.org/spark-of-love/ to make a donation via credit card. All proceeds will go to buying toys or sports equipment for the children.

Bring your new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment to one of our four Stuff-A-Buses in Ontario, Glendora, Harbor Gateway area of Los Angeles or Anaheim.

Drop off your new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment at any Subaru Retailer or Toys for Tots Collection Box.

Suggested Donation Items

We get a lot toys for younger children, but are always short on teen and infant items. Here are some suggestions for teen items:

Non Gender Specific

MP3s

Cameras

Watches

Jewelry

Sunglasses

Earplugs/earphones

Cellphone cases

Boys

Skateboards

Razor scooters

Basketballs, soccer balls and footballs

Girls

Cross-body purses/bags

Make-up brushes

Blow dryers

Flat irons

Hot iron tools

SPARK OF LOVE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

You can also support the "Spark of Love" by attending one of the following events. There will be plenty of Holiday cheer and some of your favorite Eyewitness News personalities. Please check our page often for more updates.

KICK-OFF EVENT

Saturday, Nov. 16

Ventura County Fire Fighters

Spark of Love Kick Off

"Tree Lighting Celebration and Makers Market"

11:00 a.m. -8:30 p.m.

The Collection at RiverPark

2751 Park View Court

Oxnard, CA 93036

STUFF A TRUCK EVENTS

Friday, December 6

ABC7 & Southland Firefighters

"Stuff a Bus"

4:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Mathis Brothers 4105 Inland Empire Blvd. Ontario 91764 (818) 863-7220

AND

Westfield Topanga 6600 Topanga Canyon Boulevard Canoga Park 91303 (818) 863-7220

Friday, December 13 ABC7 & Southland Firefighters "Stuff a Bus" 4:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Los Cerritos Center 239 Los Cerritos Center Cerritos 90703 (818) 863-7220

AND

Orange County Great Park in the City of Irvine 8000 Great Park Boulevard Irvine 92618 (818) 863-7220

OTHER SPARK OF LOVE EVENTS

Friday & Saturday, November 29 & 30 Monrovia Fire Department "Stuff the Monrovia Engine" 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Studio Movie Grill 410 South Myrtle Avenue Monrovia 91016 (626) 256-8181

Sunday, December 1 City of Corona "Holiday Lighting Celebration" 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm Historic Civic Center Theatre 815 W 6th Street Corona, California 92882 (951)737-3504 Tuesday, December 3 City of Redondo Beach "Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony" 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Redondo Beach City Hall 415 Diamond Street Redondo Beach, 90277

(310) 372-1171

https://www.redondo.org

Thursday, December 5
"City of Redondo Beach
"Riviera Village Holiday Stroll"
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Holiday parade
Riviera Village
1728 S. Catalina
Redondo Beach, 90277
http://www.rivieravillage.net

Friday, December 6
City of Pasadena
"City of Pasadena Mayor's Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony"
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Pasadena City Hall
100 N. Garfield Avenue
Pasadena 91101
(626) 744-7311
https://www.cityofpasadena.net

Friday, December 6
Los Angeles County Fire Department
"Spark of Love Golf Tournament & Toy Drive"
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
San Dimas Canyon Golf Course
2100 Terrebonne Avenue
San Dimas 91773
https://www.tournamentcadd.ie/sparkoflove2017

Saturday, December 7 Conejo Valley Cars & Coffee 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. O'Reilly's Auto Parts Store 737 Wendy Drive Thousand Oaks, 91320 (805) 368-3550 https://www.cvcarsandcoffee.com Thursday, December 12
Rancho Cucamonga Fire Department
"Spark of Love Toy Drive Collection"
2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Christmas Tree Lot
(northwest corner of Foothill & Milliken)
Rancho Cucamonga
(909) 774-4777

Wednesday, December 18
La Verne Fire Department
"5th Annual La Verne All Stars Softball Tournament & Spark of Love Toy Drive"
5:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Wheeler Park
1499 Palomares Avenue
La Verne 91750
(909) 596-5991

https://abc7.com/community-events/spark-of-love-toy-drive-2019/5684558/

LACK OF WATER HINDERS FIREFIGHTERS IN PIPES CANYON FIRE

Staff Writer, Z107.7 FM News Posted: November 12, 2019

Investigators have lots of questions following a fire in Pipes Canyon last night. **County Fire** Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle said firefighters from Yucca Mesa, Yucca Valley, two Calfire engines, and water tenders from Morongo Valley and Lucerne Valley were called to the 54700 block of Pipes Canyon Road at midnight Monday. Firefighters found a detached garage, travel trailer, several passenger cars, and a motorcycle fully involved in flames. Tuttle said because firefighters had to rely on water tenders, due to the fact there are no hydrants in the area, it took about an hour to knock down the blaze. A fire investigator was called out and found what appeared to be a body in the rubble about 4 a.m., but Tuttle clarified in a second phone call to Z107.7 that the fire investigator was mistaken and it was not a body as reported earlier. Tuttle said it's still unknown how the blaze started, as well as where it started. An investigator from the Sheriff's Bomb and Arson unit is assisting with the investigation.

http://z1077fm.com/lack-of-water-hinders-firefighters-in-pipes-canyon-fire/

Pedestrian struck in front of Texas Roadhouse in Hesperia on Veterans Day

Hugo Valdez, Victor Valley News

Posted: November 11, 2019



(Photo by Patsy Quezada)

HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A pedestrian was struck by a vehicle in front of the Texas Roadhouse Restaurant in Hesperia on Veterans Day.

It happened on Monday, November 11, 2019, at about 7:10 pm in the 9600 block of Mariposa Road in Hesperia.

San Bernardino County Firefighters requested a medical helicopter to land off US Highway 395 and Poplar Street

VVNG member Patsy Quezada said the female pedestrian was responsive as she was being treated at the scene.

Additional information will be updated as it becomes available.

https://www.vvng.com/pedestrian-struck-in-front-of-texas-roadhouse-in-hesperia-on-veterans-day/

At least 2 killed in rollover crash on the I-15 near Baker

Hugo Valdez, Victor Valley News

Posted: November 11, 2019



BAKER, Calif. (VVNG.com) — At least two people were killed and others were injured in a rollover crash on the northbound I-15 freeway near Baker.

San Bernardino County Fire arrived on scene and located a pickup truck on its roof in the center divider. Two occupants from the truck were confirmed deceased at the scene.

Firefighters requested two medical helicopters were requested to airlift two additional patients to trauma centers. At about 12:20 am the request for at least one had been canceled.

The no. 1 lane on the freeway is currently shut down as emergency personnel treated the injured.

This is a developing story and additional information will be updated as it becomes available.

https://www.vvng.com/at-least-2-killed-in-rollover-crash-on-the-i-15-near-baker/

Woman dies in fiery vehicle crash on Nov. 10

Staff Writer, Fontana Herald News

Posted: November 12, 2019



A woman died in a fiery vehicle crash in Bloomington on Nov. 10. (Contributed photo by San Bernardino County Fire Department)

A woman died in a fiery vehicle crash in Bloomington on Nov. 10, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

The incident occurred at about 8 p.m. in the area of Cedar Avenue and 7th Street, when an SUV struck a power pole and caught fire.

Medics found the driver trapped in the SUV and fully involved with fire, the Fire Department said on Twitter.

After the blaze was extinguished, the driver was pronounced deceased. She has not yet been identified. The cause of the crash remained under investigation.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/woman-dies-in-fiery-vehicle-crash-on-nov/article_94bc20fe-057b-11ea-ae93-1384ed091d65.html

Woman killed in fiery crash in Bloomington Sunday night

Hugo Valdez, Victor Valley News

Posted: November 10, 2019

BLOOMINGTON, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A woman was killed in a fiery crash in the city of Bloomington Sunday night.

It happened on November 10, 2019, at about 8:00 pm at the corner of Cedar Avenue and 7th Street, in the community of Crestmore.

Dispatch was notified of an SUV that struck a traffic signal pole at the corner of the Green Acres Memorial Park & Mortuary and the vehicle had caught fire.

According to a post from **San Bernardino County Fire**, fire crews responded to the incident to find the SUV with one occupant fully engulfed with fire.

"Bystanders that witnessed the accident attempted to extinguish the flames and remove the driver from the vehicle were unsuccessful. After the fire was extinguished the female driver was determined to be deceased at the scene," stated officials in the post.

The official cause of the accident remains under investigation.

The identity of the deceased will be released by the San Bernardino County Coroners Office pending notification of next of kin.

https://www.vvng.com/woman-killed-in-fiery-crash-in-bloomington-sunday-night/

1 killed when vehicle crashes into utility pole, catches fire in Bloomington

Eric Licas, Orange county Register/San Bernardino Sun

Posted: November 10, 2019, 10:12 pm

The occupant of a vehicle that slammed into an electrical pole and burst into flames in Bloomington died on Sunday evening, Nov. 10.

The single-vehicle collision happened at about 7:54 p.m., in the area of Cedar Avenue and 7th Street, near the entrance of the Green Acres Memorial Park and Mortuary, **San Bernardino County Fire** Department spokesman Kyle Hauducoeur said.

A woman inside of the vehicle that caught fire died at the scene, he said. Her identity was not immediately released.

Bystanders who witnessed the crash had attempted to extinguish the fire and remove the driver, but were unsuccessful, Hauducoeur said.

Firefighters responded and quickly extinguished the fire in the burning vehicle, Hauducoeur said.

Details regarding what might have led up to the crash in the Crestmore neighborhood were not available Sunday evening.

https://www.sbsun.com/2019/11/10/1-killed-when-vehicle-crashes-into-utility-pole-catches-fire-in-bloomington/

California communities under siege from wind-driven fires

Staff Writer, Stock Daily Dish

Posted: November 11, 2019, 10:42 pm

VENTURA, Calif. — Wind-driven fires tore through California communities Tuesday for the second time in two months, leaving hundreds of homes feared lost and uprooting tens of thousands of people.

The most damaging fire was in Ventura County northwest of Los Angeles, where 150 structures were confirmed destroyed. But a fire official said he suspected "hundreds more" would be lost when flames died down enough to make a thorough assessment.

In the San Gabriel Mountains foothills of Los Angeles about 45 miles (72 kilometers) away from the city, 30 structures burned. Mayor Eric Garcetti said the gusty winds expected to last most of the week had created a dangerous situation and he urged 150,000 people under mandatory evacuation orders to leave their homes before it's too late.

"We have lost structures, we have not lost lives," he said. "Do not wait. Leave your homes."

The fires in Ventura County lit up hillsides and spread rapidly Monday evening from rural rolling hills to dense subdivisions. Residents, already warned of extreme fire danger, were sent automated phone alerts and evacuations appeared to proceed smoothly.

As the sun rose Tuesday, the first of at least three additional Southern California fires broke out, fueled by stiff winds that prevented firefighting aircraft most of the day from dumping water to protect homes or attack the march of flames.

In addition to prompting hasty evacuations, the fires shut down two freeways for hours and sent heavy, acrid smoke billowing over the Los Angeles area, creating a health hazard for millions.

There were no immediate reports of any deaths. Two people were critically injured in a small **San Bernardino County fire**, but no other serious injuries were reported. The fires were under investigation and no causes had been found.

The Ventura wildfire exploded to nearly 80 square miles (207 square kilometers) in a matter of hours. It was fanned by dry Santa Ana winds clocked at well over 60 mph (96 kph) and spit embers up to a half-mile (0.8 kilometers) ahead of fire lines.

Lisa Kermode ignored the first evacuation alert that buzzed on her phone when it said the fire was 15 miles (24 kilometers) away from her home. But the flames were nearly on top of her an hour later when she rounded up her three children, still in their pajamas, and told them to grab some jeans so they could leave.

They returned home Tuesday to find their home and world in ashes, including a Christmas tree and the presents they had just bought.

"We got knots in our stomach coming back up here," Kermode said. "We lost everything, everything, all our clothes, anything that was important to us. All our family heirlooms — it's not sort of gone, it's completely gone."

The fires came just eight weeks after the deadliest and most destructive series of wildfires in state history burned through Northern California and its fabled wine country and killed 44 people dead and destroyed 8,900 homes and other buildings.

Fires are not typical in Southern California this time of year but can break out when dry vegetation and too little rain combine with the Santa Ana winds. Hardly any measurable rain has fallen in the region over the past six months.

Like the deadly October fires in Napa and Sonoma counties, the new blazes were in areas more suburban than rural.

Fires in those settings are likely to become more frequent as climate change makes fire season a year-round threat and will put greater pressure on local budgets, said Char Miller, a professor of environmental analysis at Pomona College who has written extensively about wildfires.

"There are going to be far greater numbers that are going to be evacuated, as we're seeing now," Miller said. "These fires are not just fast and furious, but they're really expensive to fight."

Some 3,000 homes remained under threat in Ventura County, said Todd Derum of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Officials expect a better assessment of damage Wednesday, but suspect "hundreds more" homes were lost, Derum said.

Mansions and modest homes alike were in flames in Ventura. The Hawaiian Village Apartments burned to the ground. The Vista del Mar Hospital, which treats patients with mental problems or substance abuse, including veterans with post-traumatic stress syndrome, smoldered after dawn. All patients were safely evacuated.

Aerial footage showed dozens of homes in one neighborhood burned to the ground and a large subdivision in jeopardy as embers blew about wildly. Burned-out cars sat on their wheel rims next to destroyed homes.

More than 27,000 people were evacuated, and one firefighter suffered bumps and bruises in a vehicle accident in Ventura County.

The fire erupted near Santa Paula, a city of about 30,000 people about 60 miles (97 kilometers) northwest of Los Angeles known for its citrus and avocado orchards and farm fields along the Santa Clara River.

"We had the fire come through here, pretty dramatically, all night long," said Karen Heath-Karayan, who stayed up with her husband to douse embers that rained on their home and small lot where they sell Christmas trees. "It was really scary."

They were ordered to evacuate as flames got within about 100 yards (90 meters), but decided to protect their property and chickens and goats. They hosed down their roof and hit hotspots before winds pushed the fire over a hill toward Ventura, a city of 106,000.

"It was just exponential, huge growth because the winds, 50 mile an hour out of the east, were just pushing it and growing it very, very large, very quickly," Ventura County Fire Chief Mark Lorenzen said.

The fire on the northern edge of Los Angeles near the city's Sylmar neighborhood was estimated at more than 17 square miles (44 square kilometers).

Alan Barnard watched flames come downhill toward his Lakeview Terrace home and told his wife to grab their 11-month-old grandson and leave. He collected a few possessions and then took his dog and left the quiet cul-de-sac.

When he returned later, a bedroom and his garage were destroyed, but three-quarters of the house remained intact.

"We're pretty much out of the main danger now," he said as he tried to spray hotspots with a garden hose. "We consider ourselves very lucky."

Southern California's gusty Santa Ana winds have long contributed to some of the region's most disastrous wildfires. They blow from the inland West toward the Pacific Ocean, speeding up as they squeeze through mountain passes and canyons.

Nearly 180,000 electrical customers in the Ventura County lost power, and schools in the district were closed. Some firefighting efforts were hampered when pumping stations lost power and hydrants ran dry.

https://stockdailydish.com/california-communities-under-siege-from-wind-driven-fires/

Update on the Southern California wildfires

Michael Acevedo, The Poly Post Posted: November 12, 2019



Flames from the Hillside Fire erupted near a residential area in San Bernardino. (Courtesy of Jillian Coovert)

California's fire season kicked off to a busy start this year as over four local fires caused destruction throughout the Southern California area. By now, many Californians have become accustomed to the annual fires that scorch through brush and homes.

Like many areas in California, Cal Poly Pomona and its students were affected by the harsh smell of smoke and ash last week due to the proximity of fires. Many students experienced discomfort and health concerns as the strong, burning odor was present all across campus.

Bryan A. Tapia, a fourth-year psychology student, noticed the strong burning odor outdoors and inside the classroom. "Once I got onto campus and even once I got into class, the smoke and the smell was still there," Tapia said.

Castlewood Fire

The Castlewood fire began Oct. 30 and forced nearby residents to evacuate their homes. According to the Fullerton Police Department's public information Twitter account, the blaze burned a total of 11 acres in the area of Gilbert and Castlewood in Fullerton.

Arson experts are currently investigating the fire as a flare gun was discovered near the fire. No injuries were reported.

The fire was fully contained on Oct. 31.

Hillside Fire

Reported in the early hours of Oct. 31, the Hillside fire quickly spread due to high winds in the northern area of San Bernardino. The fire caused temporary closures on Highway 18 from Highway 138 to 40th Street, according to Caltrans' District 8 Twitter account, but was shortly reopened as of 6:18 p.m. Oct. 31.

Burning for nine days thus far, the San Bernardino National Forest Service and **San Bernardino County Fire** have the fire listed as 95% contained. The fire has burned 200 acres, destroyed six homes and damaged 18 others.

Shane Massoud, California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) public information officer of District 8, stated Caltrans doesn't have any expertise when it comes to fighting fires. "We are in the role of assisting the U.S. Forest Service by manning the road closure on Highway 18," Massoud said.

There are currently no evacuations in the area.

Getty Fire

Started Oct. 28, the Getty Fire burned for nine days before the Los Angeles Fire Department fully contained it on Nov. 5.

The fire burned a total of 745 acres in the Brentwood area. According to investigators, the cause of the fire was determined to be a tree branch that broke off and struck power lines.

A total of 10 homes were destroyed and 15 damaged according to the L.A. Fire Department website. The fire forced students at Mount Saint Mary's University to evacuate in the early hours of the morning. According to the Los Angeles fire department's website, mandatory evacuations were enforced upon residents from Mandeville Canyon Road to Sunset Boulevard.

All evacuation orders were lifted as of 10 a.m. Oct. 28.

Jim Medina, Caltrans' public information officer of District 7, said there was initially misinformation circulating about the Interstate 405 freeway being shut down. "We corrected that online and noted that it was open; it was slow going, but it was open," Medina said.

Hill Fire

The Hill Fire broke out Oct. 30 and burned 628 acres, according to the Riverside County Fire Department's website. The blaze began at Granite Hill and Pyrite Street in Jurupa Valley and lasted three days.

No homes were destroyed, but several motorhomes were damaged, according to the Riverside County Fire Department. Mandatory evacuations for the Santiago Estates Mobile Home Park were set when the fire first broke out and State Route 60 (SR-60) was closed in both directions.

All evacuations have been lifted as of 6:45 p.m. Oct. 30, and the SR-60 was reopened shortly after the initial closure. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation and was fully contained Nov. 2.

https://thepolypost.com/news/2019/11/12/update-on-the-southern-california-wildfires/

California Fire Maps: Track Fires Near Me Today [Nov. 9]

Staff Writer, Heavy.com Posted: November 9, 2018

Wildfire issues in California are slowing down thank to calmer winds, but the danger isn't completely over. Here's a look at the latest wildfires in California on Saturday, November 9, including a new fire in Burbank called the Barham Fire.

This article will first include interactive fire maps for all of California, including Cal Fire and other sources. You can use these maps to track reported fires in your area. The second section will include air quality reports and Red Flag warning maps. Then the third section details specific fires in the region in alphabetical order.

If you're looking for a specific fire, scroll down to that section or search for its name. Details like evacuations can change quickly, so stay tuned to your local news sources. When available, the sections on specific fires will also mention who you can follow for the latest updates.

Interactive Maps of California Fires

A number of interactive fire maps below can help you stay updated on the latest details about California fires. Don't rely on just one map, since details can change quickly and some maps will have fires listed that others do not.

One of the best interactive maps available right now is Inciweb's map. You can see the full map here. There's an embeddable Google Map that includes Inciweb fires which you can see below. Depending on your browser, you may need to zoom into the map below using the + button within the map or change settings to only show Inciweb fires:

Another helpful interactive map is provided here from Ca.gov. A screenshot is below since the map can't be embedded, but you'll want to go to the full map for details, where you can input your address to see the fires near your location.

A new interactive fire map is below, provided by UCANR.edu. Note that this map is only updated up to twice daily, so it may not be not as current as the two interactive maps above. Because of this, you may need to click "OK" on the map below to indicate that you're not using it for emergency planning. If you are only seeing a blank map below, that just means your connection is slow and it will take a second for the fire information to fill in.

The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services also has an interactive map of red flag warnings and new and active fires. The map is here. This map is updated every weekday morning, so it's not the best for emergency planning but is still informative. A screenshot of the map is below.

Newer fires may not be listed on the above maps until they've been around for a few hours.

Air Quality Map & Red Flag Warnings in California

Next are sources for tracking air quality in California near you. First, you can sign up for Air Alerts in your region here. This is specifically for southern California residents.

You can see a map of air quality reports on AQMD's page here.

You can see a map of the current Red Flag Warnings in California provided by MappingSupport.com here.

Next are more specific details on the fires for Saturday, November 9, 2019. If you are looking for a specific fire, search for the name so you can find it faster, or just scroll down and look at the fires, listed in alphabetical order.

List of Active Fires in California on November 9, 2019

Here are the active fires and updates about for Saturday, November 9, 2019. Most of these are in alphabetical order.

Barham Fire in Burbank

A new fire near Burbank started on November 9, 2019. The fire is near Warner Bros. Studios. This fire is called the Barham Fire.

This is not an official map, but it shows the approximate location of the fire.

And here's another map showing the approximate location. You can view the full map here. This map should not be used for emergency planning.

As of LAFD's latest update, the fire is 25 acres in size.

LAFD noted: "Wind still not a factor, and there have been no injuries. There are no structures damaged or imminently threatened. While there are no formal evacuation orders, a handful of persons living closest to the fire, and being affected by smoke only, were directly contacted and encouraged to shelter in place at their residence."

The fire is producing a lot of smoke.

ABC 7 reported that this is a brush fire in the Hollywood Hills vicinity. It's near the 3600 block of Barham Blvd. That's about a mile or so away from Warner Bros. Studios, depending on exactly where the fire started.

Note that the fire is burning on the hillside, as shown in the live video above.

Around 2:40 p.m., LAFD had said there were no injuries, structures threatened, or evacuations ordered. (LAFD retweeted the tweet below.) It's near a number of popular spots, but there are natural barriers between the fire and locations like Universal and Warner Bros. Spread is slow because of no winds, reported the LA Times in the tweet below.

Story up soon, but some quick notes on #BarhamFire

A great source for staying up on any evacuation notices if they do occur is LAFD Talk.

Hillside Fire

The Hillside Fire is in San Bernardino National Forest, off W 59th and Hill Drive. It was 200 acres and 95 percent contained as of November 4, Inciweb noted in its most recent update. It was burning off Highway 18 and into neighborhoods north of San Bernardino and is still listed as active on Ca.gov's map.

Mandatory evacuations were issued, but repopulation began the evening of October 31. There are no evacuations at this time.

The cause of the fire isn't known. The area of origin was located but there are no powerlines in that area. Containment lines are being reinforced for anticipated wind shifts.

Updates can be found at **SB County Fire's** Twitter, Inciweb, and Facebook.

Kincade Fire

The Kincade Fire (spelled Kincaid in some hashtags) started on October 24 around 4:26 a.m. near John Kincade Road and Burned Mountain Road, just northeast of Geyserville. The fire is still listed on Inciweb as active, although all details about it have been removed. It has also been removed from CA.gov's map. In its last update on CA.gov it was 7,758 acres in size and 84 percent contained on November 5.

All evacuation orders have been lifted.

To stay updated on the fire: The Sonoma County Sheriff's Office is providing updates on Nixle here. You can also text your ZIP Code to 888777 for mobile alerts. The fire information number is 707-967-4207.

SoCo Emergency is providing updates here. You can sign up for alerts here. CAL FIRE Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit Facebook Page provides fire updates.

The cause of the fire isn't known, but a PG&E report to CPUC noted a transmission tower had a broken jumper cable near the site of the fire around 9:20 p.m. on Wednesday.

Klamath NF Fall RX Burning

These are prescribed burns in the Klamath National Forest area to cut down on damage from unplanned fires.

Martinez 3 Fire

This fire is 52 acres and 100 percent contained as of November 9, the latest update on Inciweb. The cause is under investigation. It was on the Torrez-Martinez Indian Reservation. The fire is in the county of Thermal, California.

Inciweb noted on November 9: "The Martinez 3 Fire is nearing an end. Firefighters have been working long and tedious hours in tandem with heavy equipment extinguishing the mulch piles that are 12-15 feet deep. Piles are broken apart, opened up and then extinguished by water and foam. Fire officials are forecasting the fire to be fully completed by Nov, 13th 2019... With the fire nearing completion, it's important to understand that the Martinez 3 Fire is not the only source of smoke in the valley. Various farming operations conduct agricultural (AG) burns weekly, building the concentration of smoke in the local area. AG burns will continue to happen when air quality is within the allowable parameters."

Middle Fire

The Middle Fire is 1,339 acres as of October 6 and now listed as 100 percent contained according to Inciweb. It's still listed as active on the map. It was located one mile east of Canyon Creek Trailhead and was caused by lightning. It started on September 5 and is in the Trinity Alps Wilderness. "Please be aware that the forest's Middle Fire Closure Order remains in effect until the fire is declared out."

Ramshorn/SHF Lightning Fires 2019

The lightning fires from storms that moved into the area in September are now 100 percent contained and declared out, according to Inciweb, but it's still listed as active on the map.

Ranch Fire

Our Oregon firefighters that deployed to California to assist in response efforts with the #KincadeFire and #RanchFire are returning home. Proud and grateful for their service, and I hope they all have happy reunions with their families and loved ones.

The Ranch Fire started on November 3 off Colyer Springs Road and Raglin Ridge Road, southwest of Red Bluff. It's in Tehama County.

Cal Fire

The fire is now 2,534 acres with 65 percent containment, as of November 9. It's in a remote area of Redding, 180 miles north of San Francisco, SFGate reported.

Crews are experiencing minimal fire activity and are making progress on containment lines.

You can stay updated on the fire by signing up for emergency alerts from Tehama County here. Cal Fire PIO is also providing updates on the Ranch Fire on Twitter.

Shasta-Trinity Prescribed Fires

These are prescribed fires in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest area used to mitigate damage from unplanned fires in the future.

Sherman Prescribed Burn

Prescribed burns are purposefully set to help decrease the possibility of unexpected, damaging fires in the future. These are in the Giant Forest area of Sequoia National Park.

South Fire

The South Fire started in Shasta-Trinity National Forest in Tehama County, located in the southeast aspect of Tomhead Mountain, south of Platina. As of October 17, the fire was 5,332 acres in size and 75 percent contained, according to Inciweb. That was the latest update for the fire, which is still listed as active on Inciweb's map.

The fire is 15 miles south of Platina, California. The map above is the most recent map on Inciweb, but may not quite match the fire's current size and containment.

Inciweb notes that the plans for this fire are to "Monitor fire activity and patrol existing containment and confinement lines. Complete unfinished repair to Suppression Repair Plan standards. Be prepared to take appropriate action if fire crosses established Management Action Points."

Taboose Fire

This fire is 10,296 acres and 85 percent contained as of November 7, the most recent update on Inciweb. It's southwest of Big Pine and northwest of Aberdeen. It was caused by lightning. It's still listed as active on Ca.gov's fire map.

Inciweb noted on November 7: "The Taboose Fire has been inactive in recent days. The fire remains 10,296 acres and at 85% containment. The western flank is in steep and inaccessible terrain in the John Muir Wilderness. Here the fire will be confined by either rain or snow or its spread will be stopped by rock barriers. Visitors and residents may see smoke, especially along the Hwy. 395 corridor. Please do not report the smoke. Currently, the south, east, and north flanks are secure and there is no threat to life or property."

https://heavy.com/news/2019/11/california-fire-map-near-me-november-9-2/

SBD Fest offers new and familiar thrills

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San Bernardino Police Department officers defeat **San Bernardino County Fire** Department in the first round of this year's SB Strong Challenge tug-of-war, earning the opportunity to challenge last year's winners, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

The fifth annual SBD Fest air show brought aviation history and live entertainment together at the San Bernardino International Airport (SBD) the weekend of Nov. 2-3.

This year's show offered a wide variety of thrills and spectacles with numerous live aviation demonstrations and performances, several musical performances as well as live wrestling and motocross stunt shows.

The air show was created to honor the history and traditions of the airport's past service as the former Norton U.S. Air Force Base, which held annual air shows until its closure in 1994.

There were plenty of veterans, especially those with connections to Norton, on the show grounds including several aircraft that had been involved in historic military actions.

D-Day Doll, a C-53 Skytrain, was visiting the airport as a World War II veteran that participated in Operation Overlord, the massive allied invasion of Nazi-occupied France also known as D-Day.

D-Day Doll served three paratroop jump runs at Normandy on June 6, 1944, first day of the amphibious assault.

Additional WWII-era aircraft were brought to the show by multiple chapters of the Commemorative Air Force.

A Mitsubishi A6M Zero and a Grumman F6F Hellcat took the air and center stage together when reenacting a dogfight that would have occurred had the two enemy planes met in the Pacific Theater of WWII.

According to the air show announcer, this specific Zero is a WWII veteran that was retrieved from New Guinea and restored to flying condition.

While the Hellcat used in the demonstration was built during the war it was built too late to take part in the action.

Signifying the rolls the two aircraft models played in the war, the dogfight began with the Zero chasing the American fighter as its light-weight maneuverability made it the dominate fighter in the Pacific during the war's early years.

Eventually the Americans designed and built the Hellcat, specifically to defeat the Zero, and its power, heavy armament and rugged durability flipped the tables in the battle for air supremacy.

At the wars' end, the Hellcat and its American pilots had earned an impressive 19:1 kill ratio over Japanese aircraft.

Also present was "Heavy Metal," a locally owned Sikorsky UH60 Black Hawk helicopter that took part in Operation Gothic Serpent in Somalia in 1993.

Operation Gothic Serpent is famous for the Battle of Mogadishu, also known as "Black Hawk down" in which two American Black Hawks were shot down.

Unical, an aircraft recycling company based at SBD, purchased the helicopter with the intention of repurposing it for civilian service, but, when its significance was discovered, the company restored it to its historic military variation.

Several of the past show's favorites returned including the precision formation flying of the Patriots Jet Team and the use of a Boeing 737 as the stage for music concerts throughout the weekend.

The concerts included performances by Johnzo West, The Expendables, Stone Soul and local bands Teen Music Workshop, Alive in the Lights and Tierra.

A few subtle changes made this show uniquely special including a dramatically beautiful fireworks show Saturday night.

"The fireworks against the setting sun was phenomenal,"- said SBD Aviation Director Mark Gibbs, who noted that the fireworks show was moved from center runway to the west end of the airport for logistical reasons.

Also new was the performance of Jeff Boerboon in his one-of-a-kind Yak 110 exhibition stunt plane. Conceived as two Yak 55s put together, the plane features the unique engine platform of two propeller engines with a small central jet engine.

The unique arrangement allows the aircraft to perform stunts impossible in other aircraft.

Boerboon debuted the Yak 110 in August 2018.

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Pilot killed after plane crashes into Calif. home, sparking massive fire

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UPLAND, Calif. -- The pilot of a single-engine plane died after crashing into a house in California Thursday morning, sparking a massive fire, officials said.

The **San Bernardino County Fire** Department responded to the residence on West 15th Street where flames were seen shooting through the roof. Residents in the area witnessed the initial moments after the impact.

"We saw it engulfed in flames. I heard the impact, it was shocking," said Anne Burdette who lives next door.

Occupants inside the home, a father and a toddler, were reportedly uninjured and made it outside okay.

AIR7 HD was over the scene around 11 a.m. when plumes of thick smoke were seen billowing out of the home, which had been gutted.

A parachute could be seen among the wreckage, which authorities said likely deployed from the plane.

"This plane does have a safety parachute, obviously that's going to be under investigation by NTSB...what transpired right before the plane came down on the house," Capt. Marcelo Blanco of Upland Police said.

"I think it's just an act of mercy that they were in the opposite end of the house," said Burdette. The east side of her home was damaged by the crash.

It is unclear what led up to the crash.

https://abc7chicago.com/pilot-killed-after-plane-crashes-into-house-sparking-massive-fire/5683269/

Plane crashes into Southern California home, killing pilot

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A single-engine airplane flew into a home in California on Thursday morning, killing the pilot in a fiery crash.

The pilot was the only passenger on the airplane that crashed into the Upland home, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department, which responded to a call about the fire at 11 a.m. Since then, the fire department said it has accounted for all residents of the home and gotten the fire under control.

"It's unbelievably lucky," Capt. Marcelo Blanco, of the Upland Police Department, said. "The way this plane went down and where...it landed right in their living room. We got their pet hamster out. The dog's still missing."

San Bernardino County Fire said that a father and his 18-month-old baby escaped the blaze.

The plane was a Cirrus SR-22, a small plane known for its parachute system, according to the Federal Aviation Administration. The pilot died despite the airplane's parachute deploying, Marcelo said.

Blanco noted that there the burning carbon fiber from the plane could pose a hazardous materials danger, but the San Bernardino County Fire Department said that exposure had been mitigated.

The Upland Police Department is investigating the scene in conjunction with the FAA and National Transportation Safety Board.

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Pilot is killed after his single engine plane crashes into a family home, setting off a huge fire - but the father and toddler inside the building SURVIVE

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A single-engine airplane has crashed into a family home in California, killing its pilot and causing a fire

A single-engine airplane has crashed into a family home in California, killing its pilot and causing a fire.

The pilot was the plane's only passenger when it crashed into the house in Upland. **San Bernardino County Fire** Department was called to the scene at 11am on Thursday morning.

A father and his 18-month old baby escaped the blaze but the family briefly lost their dog, Rosie, when she ran away in the chaos.

Captain Marcelo Blanco, of the Upland Police Department, told ABC News: 'It's unbelievably lucky. The way this plane went down and where... it landed right in their living room.' Shocking footage of the aftermath of the crash shows the house engulfed in flames.

Someone behind the camera can be heard saying: 'Get out of here, the fire truck's here. 'There's a plane in there. Wow.'

The plane, a Cirrus SR-22, is known for its parachute system and the pilot died despite the parachute deploying.

San Bernardino County Fire Department has said that a potential hazardous materials danger posed by the burning carbon fiber has been avoided.

The Upland Police Department is investigating the scene in conjunction with the FAA and National Transportation Safety Board.

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