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A FIRE DESTROYS A DETACHED GARAGE IN TWENTYNINE PALMS

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The cause of a structure fire in Twentynine Palms on Wednesday night is under investigation. Reporter Andrew Dieleman has the details...

According to County fire Battalion Chief Donnie Viloria, **San Bernardino County Fire** units from Twentynine Palms Station 44 were dispatched to a reported structure fire at around 8:30 p.m. near the intersection of Amboy Road and Adobe Road in Twentynine Palms.

When firefighters arrived, they discovered an abandoned detached garage fully involved in flames.

Firefighters mounted an attack and quickly knocked down the flames.

No injuries were reported.

http://z1077fm.com/a-fire-destroys-a-detached-garage-in-twentynine-palms/

Students recognized for County Fire Oily Cat drawing contest

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IECN photo County Fire: County Fire's Household Hazardous Waste Division held its first "Oily Cat Mascot" drawing contest with numerous entries from throughout the county. Pictured from left: San Bernardino County Fire Marshal Michael Horton, 2nd place winner Anika Garcia, Palm Ave.; 1st place winner Jesús Bonilla, Bing Wong Elementary; and 3rd place winner Brianna Martinez from Anton (name of gentleman unavailable).

San Bernardino County Fire Household Hazardous Waste Division today announced the winners of its first "Oily Cat Mascot" Drawing Contest, with a sixth-grade student from San Bernardino scoring top honors. The division received many entries from across San Bernardino County.

Sixth-grader Jesús Bonilla Irízar of Bing Wong Elementary earned the grand prize for his rendition of the Oily Cat mascot. As part of his prize, his artwork will be featured on various promotional materials as well as in ads for the San Bernardino County Recycle Used Oil Program. In addition, he received a certificate of achievement, a gift card, Recycle Used Oil goody bag and a picture with San Bernardino County Fire Marshal Michael Horton.

"We are very impressed with the creativity in the children's artwork and enjoyed seeing the various ways they incorporated the oil aspect into their drawings," said San Bernardino County Fire Deputy Fire Marshal Monica Ronchetti.

The second-place prize went to Anika Garcia from Palm Avenue Elementary and third-place went to Brianna

Martinez from Anton Elementary. Each student received a gift card and a certificate of achievement.

The Oily Cat Mascot Drawing Contest required that the students accompany their artwork with a used oil aspect. Using a scoring method, a committee narrowed the entries to the top three and ultimately named Irízar as the grand prize winner.

The Household Hazardous Waste Division is a division under the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District and is a state regulated collection program, providing safe and convenient household hazardous waste disposal options to approximately 2.1 million residents. For more information, visit www.greensb.net or call 1-800-Oily Cat.

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Structure fire burns RV, kills Joshua Tree

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San Bernardino County firefighters look over damage caused by a fire in Hesperia on Wednesday. [James Quigg, Daily press]

A short-lived fire tore through an RV, part of a shed and a Joshua Tree Wednesday afternoon in Hesperia, authorities say.

Firefighters received a report of an RV on fire in the backyard of a home adjacent to Datura Park at 3:39 p.m. By 4 p.m. the fire was out, said Bill Mahan, battalion chief with the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

No injuries or casualties were reported. Firefighters contained the fire before it reached the house, Mahan said.

"I don't really know what happened," said Joceline Felix, 16, daughter of the family. "I just went outside, and I saw smoke. I got a closer look, then I called the fire department."

Felix confirmed multiple individuals were living in the RV, but they were not on the property at the time of the fire, she added.

Fire investigators are still investigating the cause of the fire.

https://www.vvdailypress.com/news/20181226/structure-fire-burns-rv-kills-joshua-tree

Norton museum donates toys to county fire department drive

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The "big red sleigh" in front of the Norton Air Force Base Museum. Many thanks. If you do publish this, please let me know when it will run and just give photo credits to the Norton AFB Museum. Also will it run in Highland, San Bernardino, and Redlands too? [Courtesy of the Norton Air Force Base]

For the fifth year, volunteers with the Norton Air Force Base Museum with the 63rd / 445th Norton Veterans collected new toys for the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department's toy drive.

Bob Edwards, president of the museum board, said his volunteers were honored to have the "big red sleigh" come by the museum on Thursday, Dec. 20, to collect the toys.

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https://www.highlandnews.net/community/norton-museum-donates-toys-to-county-fire-department-drive/article_6f0a2cd2-0961-11e9-8464-fff7ae17bbbe.html