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## **ALARM ACTIVITY REPORT**

DATE OF INCIDENT: January 25, 2006  
ADDRESS OF ALARM: 411 Woodside Rd  
NATURE: Structure fire  
TIME: 2:14 P.M.  
UNDER CONTROL: 3:10 P.M.  
UNITS ON SCENE: Three Alarms  
10 Engine Companies  
3 Truck Companies  
5 Battalion Chiefs

INJURIES: None  
CAUSE: Under Investigation by Fire Prevention

STRUCTURE DAMAGE: \$ 1,400,000  
CONTENTS DAMAGE: \$ 150,000

**SYNOPSIS OF ALARM:** Redwood City Firefighters responded to a reported structure fire at 411 Woodside Rd and upon arrival they found a two story building with a working fire on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Firefighters started to extinguish the fire and found that they also had fire on the first floor that had extended to the second floor. A second alarm was called to assist in extinguishing the fire. The fire was contained to the building of origin. A third alarm was called to assist the first crews on scene. Firefighters used their thermal imaging camera to check for fire extension and found none. All residents of the 5 unit second story apartment house were displaced and shelter was provided through the Red Cross. Fire units from South County Fire, Woodside, Menlo Park and representatives from the Office of Emergency Services assisted in mitigating the incident.

It is unknown whether there was a working smoke detector in the unit at the time of the fire. Please remember that a properly working smoke detector gives you the best chance to exit a residence when it is full of smoke. In 2003 there were 3925 civilian fire deaths in the United States alone. This was an increase of 16.1% over the previous year. Over 80% or 3125 of these fire deaths occurred in the home. This reflects an increase of 17.8% over the previous year.

The cause is under investigation by the Fire Prevention Bureau.

REPORTING OFFICER: Battalion Chief Steve Krause