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ALARM ACTIVITY REPORT

DATE OF INCIDENT: September 1st, 2009
ADDRESS OF ALARM: 680 Oakside Ave. #1 Redwood City
NATURE: Structure Fire
TIME: 0543 Hrs
UNDER CONTROL: 0610 Hrs
UNITS ON SCENE: One Alarm
5 Engine Companies
1 Truck Company
2 Battalion Chiefs
INJURIES: None
CAUSE: Under Investigation
STRUCTURE DAMAGE: \$100,000
CONTENTS DAMAGE: \$50,000

SYNOPSIS OF ALARM:

At 0543 hrs. Redwood City Fire, with assistance from Menlo Park and Belmont San Carlos Fire, responded to a reported structure fire. The first in engine companies reported a working apartment fire and were able to attack and extinguish the fire without incident.

The resident reported that she woke up because of a strong odor of smoke and discovered the kitchen was on fire. Due to the location of the fire she had to escape the fire by climbing out a bedroom window with her 2 children. One child is 3 years old, and the other is 3 months old and they were both uninjured. Building occupants were alerted by a smoke detector sounding.

There were no reported injuries to civilians or response personnel.

The National Fire Protection Association estimates that 3,675 people died in fires in the United States in 2005. Although the number of fires increased 3.3% from 2004, the overall number of deaths decreased by 5.8% in 2005. Home Fires continue to be the number one cause of fire deaths. It is critical that every home and apartment is equipped with a working smoke detector, and that the batteries are changed at least twice a year. It is also important to have an escape plan and to practice it on a regular basis.

REPORTING OFFICER: Battalion Chief Dave Pucci