



FIRE & RESCUE

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FAMILY DISPLACED BY FIRE; DOG SUCCUMBS TO SMOKE

WHO: Clearwater Fire & Rescue

WHAT: Structure Fire (Residential)

WHEN: August 10, 2011
7:29 a.m.

WHERE: 1108 Normandy Lane
Clearwater, Fla.

SUMMARY: Clearwater Fire & Rescue is investigating a house fire that displaced four (4) people and killed a family pet. Firefighters received the call at 7:29 a.m. When units arrived, smoke and fire were showing from a front corner bedroom.

Three people, home at the time of the fire were already out of the house with one of the family pets – a dog (Bichon). They advised another dog (also a Bichon) was missing. Firefighters immediately began to search the house. They found the dog under a bed and brought it out of the residence. Firefighters used a pet oxygen mask and attempted CPR but were unable to revive the dog. The dog apparently hid under the bed and succumbed to the smoke.

According to a preliminary investigation, one resident was watching television when she smelled smoke and alerted the other two residents. A fourth resident was not home at the time.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation. The cause is not believed to be weather-related. There is an estimated 40,000 in damage.

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