



Incident Information

Office of Public Affairs & Education

Date:	10-13-10	Adults Injured:	0				
Time Call Received:	1606 hours	Minors Injured:	0				
Incident Type:	Structure Fire	Civilian Fatalities:	0				
Address/Location:	415 South Howes St.	Civilians Rescued:	0				
Incident No:	10-12872	Firefighter Injuries:	0				
Occupancy Name:	Park Lane Towers	Firefighter Fatalities:	0				
Occupancy / # Units	Apartments/Condominiums	Pet / Animal Fatalities/ Injuries:	0				
1 st In Company:	E-1	Assisting Agencies:	Poudre Valley Hospital Ambulance Services				
Battalion:	1	Incident Control Time:	1629 hours				
Dollar Loss:	N/AV	Incident Duration:	N/AV				
Dollars Saved:	N/AV	Total # Alarms:	2				
Displaced/Evacuated:	~150	Total # Personnel	28				
Origin:	Kitchen	Incident Commander:	T. DeMint				
Cause:	Accidental	Submitted by:	Patrick Love 1915 hours				
Engines	Ladder Trucks	Brush Engines	Rescues	Ambulances	Water Tenders	Command Units	Investigators
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Fort Collins, CO – Poudre Fire Authority evacuated approximately 150 residents today at Park Lane Towers for a small fire in an apartment. When firefighters arrived they confirmed the fire alarm on the eleventh floor and responded to this location to find a light haze of smoke in the hallway. A second alarm was immediately called due to the large potential for life loss and rapid fire spread. Upon further investigation a small fire was found in the cabinets over the cooking stove. Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire and checked for extension into the ceiling and wall. Meanwhile, other crews concentrated on evacuating the residents and ventilating the smoke and fire gases from the building.

Fire damage was limited to the stovetop, microwave oven and cabinets above the stove, however there was some additional heat damage in the kitchen and smoke damage in the apartment.

The fire origin was determined to be on the stovetop. The cause was determined to be accidental; occupant not present while operating a cooking appliance.

Cooking is the number one cause of home fires in the United States. Poudre Fire Authority would like to remind everyone to please stay in the kitchen area while cooking and remember to turn off cooking appliances when you cannot monitor them.

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