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No Injuries in Early Morning Fire

Firefighters responded to a house fire on the 2300 block of Antelope Rd. near the intersection of Horsetooth Rd. and Timberline Rd. this morning. Units were dispatched at 5:32 a.m. and arrived on scene at 5:36 a.m. Thankfully, no one was home and there was no risk to other structures.

Smoke was coming from the roof when firefighters arrived and they had the fire 'knocked down' by 6:40 a.m., meaning the main body of the fire was out.

Crews remained on scene to clear debris and create a safe area for the fire investigator to conduct a thorough review of the scene.

The family was notified and PFA's Customer Assistance Team, or CART, was dispatched to assist them. CART team members help people displaced by fire to navigate tragic events such as these by providing support that can include finding temporary places to stay, starting insurance claims and more.

The fire started in the garage and the cause was determined to be accidental.

Early morning fires can be dangerous since residents may be asleep in the home. Many of the same precautions that keep your home safe while you're asleep can also help keep it safe while you're away.

Make your bedtime checklist your vacation checklist.

1. Keep up on regular maintenance such as lawn care, heaters and vent cleanings.
2. Unplug or turnoff electrical cords.
3. Check to ensure flammable materials are stored properly. This can include potting soil, paint thinner and cleaning supplies. Be sure they are stored in a cool and dark place away from any heat sources.
4. Close before You Doze … or Go. Closing a door can help control a fire, contain smoke and reduce heat. Even standard bedroom doors can delay a fire by 20 minutes. Closing bedroom and room doors before you go to sleep and before you leave town can buy firefighters precious minutes as they attack a fire and potentially save areas of your home.

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