



CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

707 W 13TH ST
VANCOUVER, WA 98666
(360) 397-2211

INCIDENT REPORT

CASE NUMBER 19005766	SUPPLEMENT NUMBER
CASE TYPE FIRE INVESTIGATIONS	CAD EVENT NUMBER
REPORT DATE 06/17/2019	
REPORTING OFFICER 4888 - BARNES, CALEB	

INCIDENT

LOCATION 15508 NW 21ST AVE VANCOUVER, WA 98685 US		OCURRED ON OR FROM	DATE 06/17/2019	TIME 02:03	DAY MON
PREMISE NAME		JURISDICTION CCSO	TO 06/17/2019 02:03 MON		
PRECINCT WEST	BEAT	SQUAD	REPORTED 06/17/2019 02:03 MON		

NATURE OF INCIDENT

- ☐ ALCOHOL RELATED ☐ SENIOR CITIZEN ☐ HATE / BIAS ☐ ARSON ☐ CHILD ABUSE
☐ GANG RELATED ☐ OFFICER ASSAULT ☐ DRUG RELATED ☐ DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ☐ JUVENILE

RELATED REPORT NUMBERS

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SYNOPSIS

On 6-17-19 I, 19A3 along with 19A6, investigated a structure fire reported at 0203 hours at 15508 NW 21st Ave, Vancouver, WA 98685. The area of origin for this fire was on the back porch, on the west side of the house. The most probable cause of the fire was from charcoal embers from the BBQ grill coming into contact with the wooden deck. The classification of this fire is accidental. The scientific method was utilized during the course of this investigation, as defined by the 2017 edition of NFPA 921 Guide for Fire & Explosion Investigations as the systematic pursuit of knowledge involving the recognition and definition of a problem; the collection of data through observation and experimentation; analysis of the data; the formulation, evaluation and testing of hypothesis; and where possible the selection of a final hypothesis.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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USE OF FORCE N	CASINO

STATUS

CASE STATUS CLOSED	CASE STATUS DATE 04/07/2020	DISPOSITION NOTOFFNS	DISPOSITION DATE 04/07/2020	APPROVAL 4193 - EAVENSON, CURTIS	APPROVAL DATE 05/06/2020
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OFFENSES

ENTRY NO 1	VIOLATION/STATUTE FM-15.12.120	OFFENSE DESCRIPTION FIRE INVESTIGATION NON-CRIMINAL - FIRE MARSHAL														
ATTEMPTED N		LEVEL		DEGREE		COUNTS 1		NCIC CODE		BCS CODE		DISPOSITION		DISPOSITION DATE		
AGENCY CLASSIFICATION						LOCATION OF OFFENSE										
GOC				MODIFIER 1				MODIFIER 2				MODIFIER 3				
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COMMENT																

OTHERS

ENTRY NO 1	INVOLVEMENT MENTIONED		NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE 6, FIRE DISTRICT													
HOME ADDRESS										MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER					EMPLOYER ADDRESS										OCCUPATION	
HOME PHONE					CELL PHONE					OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB		AGE	SEX	RACE	JUV	ETH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION		
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DL NUMBER			DL ST	SSN	FBI ID			STATE ID		LOCAL			ID1	ID2		
COMMENT																
ENTRY NO 2	INVOLVEMENT MENTIONED		NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE STEPHENS, TORI L													
HOME ADDRESS 15508 NW 21ST AVE VANCOUVER WA 98685										MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER					EMPLOYER ADDRESS										OCCUPATION	
HOME PHONE					CELL PHONE (360) 409-3287					OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB 02/16/1974		AGE 45	SEX F	RACE	JUV N	ETH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY R	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION		
DL NUMBER			DL ST	SSN	FBI ID			STATE ID		LOCAL			ID1	ID2		
COMMENT																
ENTRY NO 3	INVOLVEMENT MENTIONED		NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE STEPHENS, MARK ANTHONY													
HOME ADDRESS 13104 NE 8TH CT VANCOUVER WA 98686										MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER					EMPLOYER ADDRESS										OCCUPATION	
HOME PHONE (909) 528-4079					CELL PHONE (909) 528-4709					OTHER PHONE (805) 266-6095			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB 08/02/1976		AGE 42	SEX M	RACE W	JUV N	ETH N	HEIGHT 511	WEIGHT 160	HAIR	EYES BRO	POB	RESIDENCY R	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION		
DL NUMBER STEPHMA241NB			DL ST	SSN 547650983	FBI ID			STATE ID		LOCAL			ID1	ID2		
COMMENT																
ENTRY NO 4	INVOLVEMENT MENTIONED		NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE STEPHENS, NATHAN JAMES													
HOME ADDRESS 15508 NW 21ST AVE VANCOUVER WA 98685										MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER					EMPLOYER ADDRESS										OCCUPATION	
HOME PHONE					CELL PHONE					OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB 09/01/2006		AGE 12	SEX M	RACE W	JUV N	ETH N	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY U	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION		
DL NUMBER			DL ST	SSN	FBI ID			STATE ID		LOCAL			ID1	ID2		
COMMENT																
ENTRY NO 5	INVOLVEMENT MENTIONED		NAME: LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE STEPHENS, LIAM A													
HOME ADDRESS										MAILING ADDRESS						
EMPLOYER					EMPLOYER ADDRESS										OCCUPATION	
HOME PHONE					CELL PHONE					OTHER PHONE			EMPLOYER PHONE			
DOB 02/12/2010		AGE 9	SEX M	RACE W	JUV N	ETH N	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	POB	RESIDENCY U	CITIZEN	GANG IDENTIFICATION		
DL NUMBER			DL ST	SSN	FBI ID			STATE ID		LOCAL			ID1	ID2		
COMMENT																

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COMMENT								

PROPERTY

ENTRY NO 1	INVOLVEMENT BURNED	TYPE STRUCTUREH	MAKE				MODEL	
SERIAL NUMBER		QUANTITY	COLOR	COLOR	OAN	REF NO	EVIDENCE N	
DESCRIPTION HOUSE						CUSTODY STATUS		
VALUE STOLEN \$314,339.00	DATE STOLEN	JURISDICTION STOLEN						
COMMENT								
ENTRY NO 2	INVOLVEMENT BURNED	TYPE HH GOODS	MAKE				MODEL	
SERIAL NUMBER		QUANTITY	COLOR	COLOR	OAN	REF NO	EVIDENCE N	
DESCRIPTION CONTENTS						CUSTODY STATUS		
VALUE STOLEN \$278,619.00	DATE STOLEN	JURISDICTION STOLEN						
COMMENT								

MEDIA LIST REPORT

	TITLE WEST SIDE OF SW PART OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:09	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:09
	CONTEXT INCIDENT		
	COMMENTS		
	TITLE SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:23	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:23
	CONTEXT INCIDENT		
	COMMENTS		
	TITLE WEST EDGE OF DECK	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:23	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:23
	CONTEXT INCIDENT		
	COMMENTS		
	TITLE WEST SIDE AND SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:03	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:03
	CONTEXT INCIDENT		
	COMMENTS		
	TITLE EAST CORNER ON NORTH SIDE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 07:58	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 07:58
	CONTEXT INCIDENT		
	COMMENTS		
	TITLE WEST EDGE OF DECK	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:24	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:24
	CONTEXT INCIDENT		
	COMMENTS		

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	TITLE WINDOW ON NW BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:26	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:26		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE EAVE ON SOUTH SIDE OF NW CORNER	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:27	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:27		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE EAVE ON SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:28	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:28		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE 5X5 BURN PILE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:36	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:36		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE BURN PILE ASH 5X5	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:36	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:36		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE CHARCOAL BAG REMNANTS NEAR AREA OF ORIGIN	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:46	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:46		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:46	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:46		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE BURNT END OF PICNIC TABLE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:49	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:49		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE CHARRED CONTENTS OF PAN	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:50	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:50		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE CHARRED WOODEN SKEWER WITH FOOD ON IT	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 10:50	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:50		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE	EAST SIDE OF HOUSE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:53
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:53			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SADDLE BURN IN NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:32
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:32			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:32
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:32			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM SADDLEBURN		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:35
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:35			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EAST SIDE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:54
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 07:54			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EAST SIDE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:55
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 07:55			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	AC ON THE DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:25
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 10:25			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SCREEN SHOT OF CALL		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:53
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 07:53			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM BED		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:34
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:34			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	KITCHEN		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:17
	CONTEXT	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:17			
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE EXITS OUT OF STUDY	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:19	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:19		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE MASTER BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:22	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:22		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE HALLWAY	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:23	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:23		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE HOLE IN ROOF ON NORTH SIDE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:28	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:28		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE NW BEDROOM	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:31	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:31		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE WEST EDGE OF DECK	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:07	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:07		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE SW CORNER OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:09	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:09		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE SOUTH EXIT OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:10	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:10		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE SOUTH SIDE OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:11	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:11		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE SOUTH SIDE OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:11	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:11		
	CONTEXT INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE	EAST BASEMENT ENTRANCE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:12
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:12
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	TOP OF STAIRWAYS SOUTH END OF HOUSE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:15
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:15
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EAST SIDE OF BACK DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:55
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:55
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM EXTERIOR WALL		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:57
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:57
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	PINEAPPLE ON WOODEN SKEWER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:51
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:51
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	OTHER WOODEN SKEWER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:51
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:51
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NORTH SIDE OF BACK DECK AND SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:52
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:52
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:34
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:34
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EAVE ON SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:31
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:31
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	5X5 BURN PILE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:36
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:36
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE	OUTLET ON SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM EXTERIOR WALL		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:33
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:33
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	AC UNIT ON DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:32
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:32
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	FIRE DEBRIS ON BURNED DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:33
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 10:33
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM SADDLEBURN		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:35
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:35
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WHERE FIRE ENTERED THE HOUSE NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:36
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:36
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BACKDOOR LEADING TO THE DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:38
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:38
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	5X5 BURN PILE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:53
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 07:53
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NORTHEAST CORNER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:58
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 07:58
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NE CORNER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:58
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 07:58
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WEST SIDE OF NW CORNER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:59
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 07:59
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE	SOUTH END OF HOUSE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:16
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:16
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NORTHWEST CORNER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 07:59
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 07:59
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BACK DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:03
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:03
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WEST EDGE OF DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:06
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:06
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WEST EDGE OF DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:06
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:06
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:04
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:04
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:04
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:04
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BACK WOODEN DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:04
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:04
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WEST EDGE OF DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:07
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:07
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WEST SIDE OF NW CORNER		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:00
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:00
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE	WEST EDGE OF DECK	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:07	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:07
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BACK DECK AREA	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:08	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:08
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NORTH SIDE OF SW PART OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:08	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:08
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SOUTH SIDE OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:10	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:10
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EAST SIDE OF HOUSE	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:12	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:12
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EXTERIOR OF EAST BASEMENT ENTRANCE	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:12	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:12
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BASEMENT	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:13	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:13
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	PARTWAY UP BASEMENT STAIRS	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:14	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:14
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BASEMENT STAIRWAY	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:14	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:14
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SOUTH LIVING ROOM	MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:17	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:17
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE ENTRANCE INTO MASTER BATHROOM CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:20	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:20		
	TITLE CLOSET CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:20	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:20		
	TITLE SADDLE BURN ABOVE MASTER BATHROOM CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:21	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:21		
	TITLE ENTRANCE INTO MASTER BEDROOM CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:21	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:21		
	TITLE EXIT OF MASTER BEDROOM INTO HALLWAY CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:22	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:22		
	TITLE NW BEDROOM CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:33	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:33		
	TITLE NW BEDROOM CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:33	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:33		
	TITLE BASEMENT CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:13	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:13		
	TITLE BASEMENT HALLWAY CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:13	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:13		
	TITLE DINING ROOM CONTEXT INCIDENT COMMENTS	MEDIA DATE 04/08/2020 08:18	ENTERED DATE 04/08/2020 08:18		

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	TITLE	STUDY ON EAST SIDE OF HOUSE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:18
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:18
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	HALLWAY NORTH SIDE OF HOUSE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:24
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:24
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	DOORWAY OF NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:29
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:29
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	SADDLE BURN IN NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:31
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:31
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:32
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:32
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NW BEDROOM CLOSET		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:33
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:33
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	WHERE FIRE ENTERED HOUSE NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:37
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:37
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	HALLWAY		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:37
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:37
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	NORTH HALLWAY		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:27
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:27
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BATHROOM NORTH SIDE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:27
	CONTEXT			ENTERED DATE	04/08/2020 08:27
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	COMMENTS				

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	TITLE	BEDROOM ON NORTH SIDE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:30
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	ENTRANCE TO NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:30
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	EAVE ON SOUTH SIDE OF NW BEDROOM		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:31
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	CHARRED DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:58
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	PICNIC TABLE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 08:59
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BACK DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 09:00
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	AC UNIT ON DECK		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:32
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	FIRE DEBRIS		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:38
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	AREA OF ORIGIN/CHARCOAL REMNANTS AND BAG		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:45
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
	COMMENTS				
	TITLE	BURNT END OF PICNIC TABLE		MEDIA DATE	04/08/2020 10:49
	CONTEXT				
	INCIDENT				
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NARRATIVE**Case Summary**

On 6-17-19 I, 19A3 along with 19A6, investigated a structure fire reported at 0203 hours at 15508 NW 21st Ave, Vancouver, WA 98685. The area of origin for this fire was on the back porch, on the west side of the house. The most probable cause of the fire was from charcoal embers from the BBQ grill coming into contact with the wooden deck. The classification of this fire is accidental. The scientific method was utilized during the course of this investigation, as defined by the 2017 edition of NFPA 921 Guide for Fire & Explosion Investigations as the systematic pursuit of knowledge involving the recognition and definition of a problem; the collection of data through observation and experimentation; analysis of the data; the formulation, evaluation and testing of hypothesis; and where possible the selection of a final hypothesis.

Notification

On 6-17-19 at 0214 hours I was requested by Clark County 911 via text message to investigate a structure fire occurring at 15508 NW 21st Ave, Vancouver, WA. I responded from home and arrived on scene at approximately 0256 hours.

Weather

On 6/17/19 at 0153 hours, according to weather history from nearby weather monitoring equipment, the temperature was 59 degrees F with a dew point of 52.0 degrees F and humidity at 78%. Pressure was 30.04 in, with winds of 6 mph hours out of the northwest. Wind was 8 mph an hour before the fire was reported out of the northwest. It was fair weather at that time with no measured precipitation prior to the fire.

Interviews

When I arrived I checked in with the incident commander (IC). The IC reported that engine 63 had been first on scene.

I interviewed the first in captain of Engine 63, of Fire District 6, after speaking with the IC. The captain reported that upon arrival there were heavy flames shooting through the back "Delta" (northwest) window. The captain reported that there was fire blowing out over the eaves. The captain reported heavy, dark grey smoke to the floor. The captain reported that flames were going through the roof. The captain reported they laid 900 feet of hose in order to get a hose line to the fire. The captain reported that fire was above them while they pulled the ceiling. The captain reported they were able to knock it down quickly.

Tori L Stephens (homeowner) DOB 2/16/74 cell 360-409-3287

Tori reported that a crackling sound woke her up and that the smoke alarms never went off. Tori reported that both of the kids normally sleep in the northwest bedroom but last night they happened to sleep out in the living room. Tori reported the only energized things in the northwest bedroom were an iPad, T.V., and computer stuff. Tori reported that no one in the home smokes.

I asked Tori to tell me what was on the back deck and Tori reported there was a charcoal grill on the back wooden deck next to foldable hard plastic table. Tori reported that next to the kids bedroom wall, on the deck, there was a large bin for the kids toys right under the window to the northwest room.

Tori reported they lit a 5' x5' burn pile the day before the fire occurred about 5:00 PM. Tori reported the burn pile consisted of small tree branches and weeds. Tori reported they had not done any staining, and had no bark dust or potting soil. Tori reported they didn't have a fireplace. Tori reported there was a window air conditioning unit on the back deck but that it was not plugged in. Tori reported that the last time the BBQ grill was used was a week ago. Tori reported there was a green extension cord that was plugged into the pump house that ran right through the middle of the fire scene. I went to the pump house and found the green extension cord rolled up and not plugged in. I asked if I could speak to the kids and Tori reported they were both distraught because the dog they had for the last 13 years died in the fire. I said I would wait and interview them at a later date. Tori reported the kids were ages 13 and 9.

After speaking with Mark I came back and told Tori I knew the boys had been using the grill and asked her what they were using it for. Tori reported the boys had stuff to make s' mores with and that they may have used the grill. Tori reported the grill was a circular green grill full of charcoal.

Mark A Stephens (homeowners husband) DOB 8/2/76 cell 805-266-6095

Mark reported that he doesn't smoke. I asked him if he smokes marijuana and Mark reported that he only uses a vape pen and that's to treat his glaucoma. Mark reported that they had not been staining and that they didn't have any bark dust or potting soil on the back deck. Mark reported that he has two sons. Mark reported that his sons, age 13 and 9, were using the grill last night between 7:30 PM and 8:00 PM cooking hotdogs without any adults around. Mark reported that he does not have sole custody of his sons. Mark reported that during the summer he has them every other week and during the school year he has them after 6:00 PM on Friday until 6:00 PM on Sunday. Mark reported that this was their first week to have the kids. I asked him why Tori would not tell me the kids were using the grill and Mark reported that Tori was trying to protect them.

Nathan James Stephens 9/1/2006

Q: Where did you normally sleep? A: Nathan reported that he normally sleeps in his bedroom.

Q: What was different about that day? A: Nathan reported that it was summer and it was hot in the bedroom.

Q: What did you cook on the BBQ grill? A: Nathan reported they cooked chicken skewers and pineapple, but he wasn't as confident about the pineapple.

Q: How long did you use the grill? A: Nathan reported they used the grill about an hour to a half hour.

Q: Was there a pail or tray underneath the grill that catches embers? A: Nathan reported that there was no pail or tray.

Q: How late was it when you stopped using the grill? A: Nathan reported they stopped using the grill around 7:00 PM or 8:00 PM.

Q: How did you put the fire out on the grill? A: Nathan reported that he doesn't remember because he went inside.

Q: What it just you and your brother or whole family? A: Nathan reported the whole family was on the deck grilling.

Liam A Stephens 2/12/2010

Q: Where did you normally sleep? A: Liam reported that he normally sleeps in his bedroom.

Q: What was different about that day? A: Was going to sleep in bedroom but changed his mind because his brother was sleeping in the living room.

Q: Did you ask to sleep in a different place? A: Liam reported that he changed his mind because of brother.

Q: What did you cook on the BBQ grill? A: Liam reported that he doesn't remember.

Q: How long did you use the grill? A: Liam reported that it was about one hour.

Q: Was there a pail underneath the grill that catches embers? A: Liam reported that he doesn't remember.

Q: How late was it when you stopped using the grill? A: Liam reported that he doesn't remember.

Q: Who was the last one to use the grill before coming inside? A: Liam reported that it was Tori.

Fire scene examination

I began my on-scene examination approximately 50 yards west of the house at a 5x5 burn pile that had been ignited the afternoon before the fire. I did not observe any spot fires in the grass between the small amount of ash on the ground that had been small tree branches and weeds and the burned deck and house. I continued my examination to the exterior of the southwest corner of the house. I conducted a 360 counterclockwise exterior examination before entering the structure. While conducting the on-scene investigation I took into account fuel load, mass loss, and ventilation.

On the south side of the house, I observed soot deposition had been pushed through small openings in some of the exterior siding at attic level as well as around the eaves. I observed the same soot deposition patterns on the east side of the house in increasing measure as I moved north. On the north side of the house I observed light to moderate smoke deposition on the exterior wall above the northeast window. I observed heavy soot deposition and charring on the exterior wall above the northwest bedroom window.

I noticed that the west side of the house was shaped like a "U" with the uncovered back deck in-between the northwest bedroom and the southwest side of the house. On the exterior west wall of the bedroom I observed a windowless wall that had soot deposition and charring on the southwest corner of the west wall extending upwards and northward towards the peak of the eaves. On the south side of the exterior wall of the bedroom I observed the most damaged part of the exterior of the house. I observed an hourglass shape burn pattern on the south exterior wall of the bedroom with a window in the center of the burn pattern. I noticed the roof had a large hole burned through it slightly east of the hour glassed shape pattern. I observed the northern half of the uncovered wooden deck was charred or had been consumed by the fire, while the southern part of the deck was intact and unburned. I observed the rest of the west side of the house was relatively undamaged by the fire with the exception of minor soot deposition being pushed through some high places near the attic, on the exterior walls.

I entered the structure through the east entrance of the basement. I observed no fire damage in the basement until I got to the stairway where I noticed a sharp line of demarcation of soot deposition and heat damage indicating the height of where the hot smoke layer had been. I continued up the stairs where they came out on the south side of the main level of the house. I worked my way north towards the northwest bedroom. As I worked my way north I observed more and more fire and heat damage on the contents of the house. There was soot deposition throughout the house. Once I arrived to the northwest bedroom I observed a room that had went to flashover and then burned for a while due to the charred nature of the entire room. I observed a large hole in the east end of the northwest bedroom where the fire had vented through. I observed deep saddle burn on the exposed wooden structural members in the attic that had supported the ceiling. I noticed the charring on the structural members was all top down because the underneath side of the structural members of the attic were not burned. Seeing this pattern in the most damaged room in the house led me back outside to the deck as the area of origin.

I exited the house and went back to where the wooden deck had met with the south side of the northwest bedroom and begin to layer through debris at this location. 19A6 and I discovered a window air conditioning unit that we later found out was not plugged in. We found an outlet on the south exterior wall of the northwest bedroom window. Reportedly nothing was plugged into it and we did not find any wires leading to or from the outlet. A large portion of the deck had been consumed by the fire leaving only rocks and dirt in-between the charred edge of the deck and the northwest bedroom. At the west edge of the wooden deck I observed mass loss to the east, back towards the house, and not west towards where the yard and the burn pile had been located. I noticed there was concrete underneath the western edge of the deck, which limited the combustible material to the deck itself. Laying on the rocks and dirt, which had been underneath the wooden deck, was a charcoal BBQ grill. We found remnants of charcoal bags that are sold in stores for the purpose of recreational grilling. In that area where the grill was found we also noticed light colored ash that seemed to have been the remnants of the charcoal contents of the grill. This appeared to be the area of origin from which the mass loss and charring of the deck originated from. We also found another grill next to the house that was reportedly not ever in use.

South of where the charcoal grill lay was a wooden picnic table that was charred on the north end and unburned on the south end with the charred north end tilting into the large hole in the wooden deck created by the fire. On the picnic table I noticed the circular metal BBQ grill lid that matched the grill lying a few feet to the north on

the dirt. Halfway underneath the BBQ lid was a rectangular metal cooking sheet. I removed the BBQ lid to examine the cooking sheet and its charred contents. On the cooking sheet it appeared that at least two ca-bobs had been made using a wooden skewer and fruit. One of the wooden skewers had a piece of fruit of it that appeared to be fresh on the inside and had a distinctive odor that I readily associate with pineapple. There appeared to be other items on the skewer that had been completely charred through and through making identifying the other food unfeasible.

Hypothesis Testing

I considered an ignition source could have been a hand held flame intentionally igniting the wooden deck. I was able to rule it out because there was no evidence on scene to support this hypothesis.

I considered the ignition source could have been a cigarette carelessly discarded but I was able to rule that out as a possibility because reportedly no one in the home smokes cigarettes and I found no evidence of any type of smoking materials.

I considered an electrical device or appliance that could have failed in the northwest bedroom but I was able to rule this out as a possibility because the area of origin was on the back deck.

I considered embers from a 5x5 burn pile that as the ignition source but I was able to rule it out when I considered the area of origin was over 50 yards away with no spot fires in-between.

I considered the ignition source could have been a failure in the exterior electrical outlet on the south wall of the northwest bedroom but I was able to rule it out because it was not located in the area of origin.

I considered charcoal from the grill, used by children and adults on a wooden deck, as the ignition source and I was unable to rule this out as a possibility. The charcoal grill had been used only hours before the fire was noticed and I found the grill right in the middle of the area of origin.

Final Hypothesis

The witness statements, burn patterns, and scene evidence indicate a fire that originated on the back (west) side of the house on the wooden deck. The most probable ignition scenario for the fire is the Stephens family use of the BBQ charcoal grill on the wooden deck, without a pail underneath or a lid on top, which was left to burn itself out approximately 6 hours prior to the fire being noticed. The area of origin was in the middle of the north side of the wooden deck. Tori initially reported that the last time the BBQ grill was used was a week ago. Mark told me the reason Tori wasn't honest about the grill was to protect the kids because the kids had been using the grill without adult supervision. After speaking with Mark I came back and told Tori I knew the boys had been using the grill and asked her what they were using it for. Tori reported the boys had stuff to make s' mores with and that they may have used the grill. Tori and Mark asked me to not interview the kids the morning of the fire because they were both devastated from losing their dog of 13 years so I waited and interviewed the kids at a later date over the phone. I found wooden skewers with pineapple and other food items burned beyond recognition on the nearby picnic table. I spoke with Liam and Nathan separately over the phone and asked one each similar questions and got similar answers. Both boys reported the grilling of food was a family event where chicken and possibly pineapple was being cooked. Both boys reported the BBQ was being used well after they left the back deck area around 8:00 PM. Tori was reportedly the last one using the BBQ charcoal grill. So the most likely scenario was that Tori was last using the grill the evening before the fire occurred. A substantial amount of smoldering charcoal embers came onto contact with the wooden deck to transfer enough energy to ignite the wooden deck. This could have occurred by the wind blowing the grill over of the wind blowing enough of the smoldering embers out of the grill. The only competent ignition source that I found at the scene was the charcoal grill. Tori had just married Mark one year prior and both of the boys were Marks kids. I believe Tori was not truthful about the grill because she didn't want to acknowledge her role in the fire because it killed the family's dog. I believe Mark was trying to protect Tori, and the kids statements line up with the scene evidence the best.

Conclusion

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Based on the burn patterns, fire effects, and interview information, it is my opinion the classification of this fire is accidental. The area of origin was on the deck at the west side of the house. The most probable cause of the fire was from charcoal embers from the BBQ grill coming into contact with the wooden deck.

This opinion is based on the information currently available and is subject to revision if additional evidence or information becomes available to the Clark County Fire Marshal's Office.

I cleared the scene at 0651 hours.