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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE

628 Leacrest Avenue

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to a house fire at 628 Leacrest Avenue, Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 5:16 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Thirteen (13) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately twenty-nine (29) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief P. Dix was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 5:39 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries. ***Fire crews successfully rescued a small family dog.***

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$25,000.00 structure and \$8,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be faulty electrical wiring in the attic. Red Cross provided assistance for one (1) adult.

The Memphis **Fire** Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** online at: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/> or call the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other **FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY** issues please dial (901) 458-8281.

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