



Arvada Fire Protection District

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NEWS ADVISORY

ARVADA – On December 18, 2008, Arvada Fire responded on a carbon monoxide (CO) incident at a residence in northwest Arvada.

The husband/father of the eventual patients called the neighbor's house to see if someone could go over and check on his family. The only people home at the neighbor's house were two Arvada West High School students who had just arrived home after an early release day from school. The girls went next door and entered the home after there was no answer at the door. The girls found an adult female and child unconscious in the home. They were able to get the child out before firefighters arrived.

Firefighters were quickly able to get the adult female out of the home. Both patients were transported to a local hospital by Pridemark Paramedics where they recovered from CO exposure. After checking the residence, firefighters found readings of 382 parts per million (PPM) on the second floor, 600 PPM on the main floor and 986 PPM in the basement. CO levels of over 35 PPM are considered dangerous.

At the monthly Arvada Fire District Board Meeting on February 11, 2009, the fire department will recognize these two young women for their actions on that day. The affected family will also be in attendance.

The meeting will be held at Arvada Fire Headquarters, at 7903 Allison Way and is set to begin at 7:00 p.m. There will be an area set aside for cameras and we will provide an area for interviews after the ceremony if the participants are willing.

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