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Afternoon Fire In Guymon

A Guymon family is lucky to have their home after a mid-afternoon fire tore through the upstairs bedroom of their two story home.

The Guymon Fire Department was able to gain access to the fire, located at the home of Cathy Martinez, and quickly extinguish it. Firefighters removed smoldering debris and sheet rock to prevent the fire from spreading. As the fire was contained, the firefighters realized the fire was further into the attic than originally thought. Seven people were reportedly in the house at the time.

The home, located on the 100 block of South Lelia, was not declared a total loss and officials say the family was not displaced and could return.

Martinez said another resident of the household went upstairs and tried to extinguish the blaze with two buckets of water, but was unsuccessful. She reported that several clothing items were on fire.

Smoke then began to fill the house and emergency officials were notified. Smoke could be seen coming out of the upstairs window.

No injuries were reported and the cause of the blaze remains undetermined, said Guymon Assistant Fire Chief, Grant Wadley.

"It remains under investigation," said Wadley. "The residents mentioned there was a candle upstairs but we didn't find one. We're still looking into it."

Wadley says the downstairs was not affected by the blaze but smoke damage was apparent.

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