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Dryer Fire Ignites in Villas Laundry Mat

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Fire crews investigate a fire that sparked inside a dryer at Model Cleaners, Villas. Photos by Rick Racela.

Villas- At approximately 10:15 p.m. Thursday a dryer fire occurred inside Model Cleaners, 1804 Bayshore Rd, Villas. Due to the close proximity of the Villas fire house, the fire was quickly extinguished.

No other information is available at this time.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, there are an estimated annual 15,500 fires, 10 deaths and 10 injuries due to clothes dryer fires.

The Herald would like to remind our readers that dryer fires can be prevented. Lint, a highly combustible material, can cause clogs inside ducts. The resulting back pressure causes fires by putting stress on the electrical circuits. Some dryers have safety cutoffs, however, these can burn out. Also, leaky vents allow lint to build up around the heat element. This can easily catch on fire.

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