

News Release

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Natural Gas Leak at Fitness Club

Clark County Fire District 6 crews respond to a natural gas leak in the swimming pool area of a fitness club in Hazel Dell. The manager of the L.A. Fitness Sports Club on N.E. 78th Street called 911 to report the smell of natural gas just before 8:45 a.m. Two Fire District 6 engines responded and evacuated the swimming pool area of the club. Fire crews reported a strong smell of natural gas coming from a mechanical room next to the swimming pool. They shutoff natural gas to that room and Northwest Natural was called into investigate. Northwest Natural confirmed that the water heater was not acting properly and will need repairs.

Remember natural gas smells of rotten eggs and any odor of natural gas inside your home or business may indicate a leak. If you smell rotten eggs, evacuate the area and call 911 from a phone away from the suspected leak. Telephones and any electrical devices that have a battery could ignite gas. Do not operate ANY electrical switch, including lights, on or off, because they too could be an ignition source. I've included pictures from today's response.

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