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**OLYMPIA, Wash.** – A grease fire caused \$34,000 in damage at a local restaurant.

The fire broke out in the kitchen of Sizzling Steak House Restaurant downtown on Wednesday, just after 1 p.m. Kitchen staff used fire extinguishers in an attempt to put out the fire, witnesses said. City of Olympia Fire Department was dispatched to the scene to put out the blaze.

Servers asked an estimated 80 patrons to leave the premises as the fire grew. No injuries were reported at the time.

“I’ve never been so scared in my life,” said Christie Ferguson, 16, of Olympia. “The restaurant filled with smoke and I didn’t know what was going on at first. Me and my friends just got up and walked toward the door as fast as we could.”

“The fire caused quite a mess back there,” said Marilyn Chesbro, the restaurant’s owner. “Grease fires are pretty common in restaurants. But this one got out of control before our staff could knock it down.”

City of Olympia Fire Department was able to put out the fire within 25 minutes. The restaurant will reopen next Tuesday at 11 a.m.