

## Fire Destroys Cabin on Three Sister's Way

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A fire on Three Sister's Way has destroyed a cabin belonging to Lou Dochterman. The chief of the Bayside Fire Station said that his department got the emergency call around 11 o'clock Thursday morning. Bob Himes said that when the fire trucks arrived, the house was already engulfed in flames:

"When I got there it was fully involved. We worked on it for a couple of hours and got in under control and put out though it was a total loss for the building. The building was unoccupied at the time. It was in the process of being remodeled. There was one minor injury for a firefighter: smoke inhalation. All four fire departments responded: City, Bayside, Women's Bay and the Coast Guard. It took everyone to get it under control and do it safely."

Himes did not name the injured person who was taken to the hospital for smoke inhalation. He said the firefighter is now "doing fine."

Since no one was home at the time, he said it took awhile before the fire was noticed.

"It was called in by a neighbor who saw the flames. Right now it appears that it was started by a portable heater. So it probably started burning for quite a while before it broke through the windows for someone to notice. And that's what the evidence is pointing to that it was a slow burning fire in the beginning and started in the general area of the heater."

Himes estimates that damage to the cabin was around 50,000 dollars.