

# LOCAL NEWS

## Fire guts local barn

Two-alarm blaze causes at least \$45,000 in damage

A two-alarm fire on a rural Woodside road gutted a barn early yesterday, causing at least \$45,000 in damage.

The fire broke out just after 4:30 a.m. at 133 Marva Oaks Drive, west of Highway 280, drawing 24 firefighters to the scene. The fire ignited in an unoccupied barn 300

feet from the nearest house and more than 600 feet from the road, requiring crews to pull hoses down the hill to fight the blaze, according to Battalion Chief Rick Lombardo. It took approximately 45 minutes to contain the fire. Scattered rain prevented the blaze from spreading to nearby brush, Lom-

bardo said. No people or animals were in the barn at the time of the fire. The cause of the blaze has not been determined, according to Lombardo.

The barn, worth \$45,000, was completely destroyed. Some of its contents were damaged, including saddles and woodworking tools.