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Tri City fire caused by torch in backyard



MICHAEL SULLIVAN/News-Review photos

Firefighters respond to a house fire on Weaver Avenue in Tri City Friday.

Spark touched off a grass fire and escalated, consuming sheds, vehicles and a nearby residence

MEGAN CAMPBELL

The News-Review

TRI CITY — A fire that injured two people and consumed a single-story home on Weaver Avenue was caused by a man who was using a torch to dismember a car in the backyard, according to authorities.

Bobby Jackson Jr., 19, who vas injured and refused medical treatment, reportedly started the blaze at about 2 p.m., said Sgt. Clayton Ruble of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office. Jackson was cited on suspicion of reckless burning and burning outside of fire restrictions.

Ruble said a spark from the torch touched off a fire in grass and a pile of dry debris. The fire escalated, consuming several sheds and vehicles on the prop-

Another injured person who was unidentified was treated at the scene.

Homeowner Mary Myers said

she was in the house when the fire began in her backyard. She escaped, taking only her dog with her.

"I couldn't even get my purse," she said, watching her house buckle as flames rose through the roof. "We'll have to rebuild. We have no other

Myers said her father, Gerald ling, built the three-bedroom home around 70 years ago. Myers said she replaced all the appliances within the past few years.

Sandy Williams, Myers' partner, lives in the house but was in town when the fire broke out. He arrived as firefighters were battling the blaze.

Neither were injured. Myers said she didn't have insurance.

The smoke was visible for miles and drew onlookers from the surrounding neighborhood.

"It just billows across the neighborhood," said David Winter, 46, who stood watching nearby with his teenaged son.

Neighbor Robin Shepherd said she called to report the fire when she saw the smoke.

"I thought somebody was burning tires," she said. "It's a tragedy.

Another neighbor, Schylee Rondeau, 16, said she and her 14-year-old brother, Anthony, "heard a pop and the garage door burst open and there were big

Williams said he had a \$15,000 '96 Harley Davidson motorcycle in the garage. The structure later collapsed.

Ruble said the fire was under control by 4:20 p.m.

Myrtle Creek, Canyonville and Riddle fire departments responded, as did Tri City Rural Fire Protection District. The sheriff's office, Douglas Forest Protection Association and Myrtle Creek Police Department assisted.

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SHOOTING SPREE

Notes reveal mental illness

Police can find no motive to what led to beach shooting

JESSICA PROKOP The News-Review

A Dillard man who murdered his father, then went on a shooting spree at Bastendorff Beach near Charleston, killing another man and himself, left behind notes say-

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ing he suffered from mental illness his entire life. A small

notebook found in Zachary Levi Brimhall's vehicle had two apparent suicide notes. Neither was dated, according to a 35-page report released Friday by the Coos County District Attor-

ney's Office. In the first ote Brim hall, 32, wrote that he originally typed up 50 pages on his laptop, explaining his motives, but that he deleted it because the reasons were

"irrelevant." "The only thing that is relevant, however, is that I'm mentally ill, and have been my entire life," the note reads.

In a second note, Brimhall confesses to killing his father, William "Ray" Brimhall, 58, of Dillard, and asks that someone care for his mother.

Investigators say they have been unable to find a motive for the shooting and murder-suicide. A toxicology report on Zachary

Brimhall's body is pending. Zachary Brimhall shot his father multiple times in the chest

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Pioneer Days promises good, old-fashioned fun

MEGAN CAMPBELL

The News-Review

CANYONVILLE - Bent at the knees, water dripping from his hair down his face, 6-yearold Adam Whetzel's steady pace helped his team win first place.

The Days Creek boy and his team members triumphed in a relay race. Each racer held a red plastic cup full of water on his head and headed for an empty bucket several feet away. The contestant then dumped whatever water remained in the cup into the bucket and ran back to hand off

the cup to the next teammate. By the end of the game, Whetzel and fellow competitors and brothers Brayden Whitehead, 8, and Gavin Whitehead, 7, sported soaked heads and T-shirts. And they weren't the only ones.

The 48th Canyonville Pioneer Days, a free, three-day festival, made good on its promise to provide wholesome downtown fun Friday afternoon.

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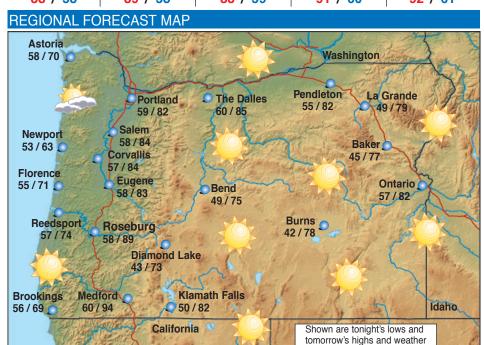


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Brothers Brayden Whitehead, 8, left, and Gavin Whitehead, 7, compete with Nicholas Johnson, 3, right, and others in a sack race during the Pioneer Days Festival in Canyonville on Friday.

WEATHER

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ROSEBURG Today Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Sunny Sunny Sunny Sunny Precip Chance: 0% Precip Chance: 0% 89 / 58 88 / 58 83 / 59 91 / 60 92 / 61



Oregon's Extremes:	Yesterday morning's low:	36 at Lakeview	Yesterday's high:	87 at The Dalles
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FORECAST DISCUSSION

Today we will see sunny skies with a high temperature of 88°, humidity of 29%. Light winds. The record high temperature for today is 97° set in 1988. Expect mostly clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 58°. Light winds. The record low for tonight is 41° set in 1973. Sunday, skies will be sunny with a high temperature of 89°, humidity of 33%. Light winds. Skies will be mostly clear Sunday night with an overnight low of 58°

RIVER STAGES River Location Stage Flow River Location Stage Flow											
North Umpqua	Glide	0.26	42	South Umpqua	Tiller	0.72	48				
North Umpqua	Winchester	1.90	868	South Umpqua	Winston	2.80	76				
Cow Creek	Riddle	1.09		Umpqua	Elkton	2.82	1060				
*Flow is (cfps) Cubic Feet Per Second. All readings valid 7a.m. today.											

TIDES				
Today	High	Low	High	Low
Coos Bay	12:27 am	7:11 am	1:40 pm	7:11 pm
Winchester Bay	12:19 pm	5:46 am	11:48 pm	5:46 pm

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NATIONAL CITIES

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Tempera	ture	Precipita	ition
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SUN AND MOON

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Buffalo	77	64	s	79	64	S	Las Vegas	98	77	s	98	80	S	San Diego	75	69	рс	76	68	рс
Burlington, VT	91	72	s	91	71	S	Little Rock	97	75	S	99	77	S	San Francisco	70	58	рс	71	58	рс
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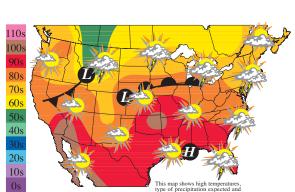
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Berlin	69	51	рс	67	50	рс
Cairo	105	75	s	105	75	s
Copenhagen	62	54	S	61	53	sh
Dublin	60	51	S	58	56	ra
Frankfurt	69	52	рс	66	49	рс
Geneva	71	49	рс	69	49	S
Havana	91	76	t	90	77	S
Hong Kong	86	80	t	86	80	S
Jerusalem	93	69	S	96	71	S
Johannesburg	64	38	S	66	38	S
Kabul	89	63	S	88	63	S
London	67	47	S	69	53	
Madrid	89	64	S	93	65	рс
Mexico City	75	56	рс	73	54	t
Montreal	78	60	S	83	62	S
Moscow	71	55	S	73	56	рс
Nassau	84	82	S	85		t
Oslo	56	45	ra	60	46	ra
Paris	69	50	рс	70	55	рс
Rio de Janeiro	83	64	S	84	61	S
Rome	86	68	рс	84		рс
Seoul	82	66	t	83	68	
Sydney	64	50	sh	67	48	sh
Tokyo	90	77	t	88	76	t
Toronto	73	63	cl	79	61	S
Zurich	66	48	DC	64	46	DC



National Extremes:

This morning's low: 27 at Chemult, Ore. Yesterday's high: 112 at Death Vallev. Calif.

Weather Legend: bz-blizzard, cl-cloudy, fg-fog, hs-heavy snow, hz-haze, ght snow, mc-mostly cloudy, rs-rain/snow, pc-partly cloudy, ra-rain,sh-showers, sn-snow, s-sunny, t-thunderstorm, w-wind

Jumbo ship, parts expected on Columbia

PORTLAND (AP) — A heavy-lift vessel transporting the parts for a \$50 million dry dock will be a striking sight this weekend as it makes its way up the Columbia River to Portland.

The Dutch vessel Blue Marlin is carrying the Chinese-built components of the dry dock that Vigor Industrial LLC plans to use for repairing large cruise ships and other vessels at Swan Island.

The 738-foot Blue Marlin is known as the world's largest heavy-lift ship, the Oregonian reported (http:// bit.ly/1ACfrjk). Vigor Industrial said the three pieces of the dry dock will be 960 feet long once they are assembled, which is expected by Nov. 1.

Ship repair companies use dry docks to pull ships out of the water for maintenance. With the new dock, Vigor hopes to work on larger ships, including cruise ships that pass Oregon on their way to and from Alaska, said Chief Executive Frank Foti.





Next Jackpot: \$70 million Friday Megamillions

Multiplier: 5 Next Jackpot: \$15 million Wednesday Megabucks

Next Jackpot: \$7.8 million

Thursday Pick Four 1 p.m.: 9-4-4-4 4 p.m.: 0-8-4-1

7 p.m.: 9-3-4-7 10 p.m.: 3-0-8-2

Friday Pick Four 1 p.m.: 3-0-9-0 4 p.m.: 6-6-0-4 7 p.m.: 2-6-4-1 10 p.m.: 3-4-7-1

Thursday Lucky Lines 1-7-12-13-20-21-26-30

Friday Lucky Lines 1-6-9-16-18-22-25-31

Wednesday Win for Life 5-21-42-69

Pioneer: Festival makes good on promise of fun



Justin Jenks, 10, of Canyonville carries a full cup of water on his head as he competes in a game during the Pioneer Days Festival in Canyonville Friday.

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Several families walked to Pioneer Park to watch their children compete in a few games and win prizes

such as a 50-cent piece. The Whitehead family just strolled to the park from their nearby home.

"Oh, we come every year," said Kaley Whitehead, mother to Brayden and Gavin.

Friends Jordyan Florez and Keyton Blocher, both 15, competed in the "big kid" group. During the three-legged race, the teens hopped to the finish line. This technique won them first place in their category.

In the water relay race, they covered the top of their cup in an attempt to salvage as much water as possible. But their tactic didn't bring home the gold.

"I lost way too much water, because I was trying to go too fast," Florez said.

Their run as teammates ended when they competed in the sack race.

"Ha, this is going to be fun," said Blocher, as he grabbed a sack and hopped down to the starting line, Florez close behind him.

They hopped down the grassy aisle, between vendors, and back to the other end. Barefoot Florez won, followed closely by Blocher.

Blocher's little brother, 11-year-old Kyler, won in his age group by leaping

across the finish line. "He dove for it," Kyler's father, Dave Blocher, said.

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Canyonville **Pioneer Days**

Midway opens at 11 a.m. and closes at 10 p.m.

Admission: Free **TODAY'S ENTERTAINMENT** 10 a.m. — Parade, main street

11 a.m. - Bed Races, main street

11 a.m. — Bingo, pavilion 11 a.m. — "Ringer" the Clown Show, stage area 12 p.m. — Austin Jenckes,

stage area 2 p.m. — "South County Bucks" mechanical bull riding competition, \$10, stage area 3:30 p.m. — Kids dough-nut-eating contest, stage

5 p.m. – Lance Lipinsky, stage area 7 p.m. — Mud Tug-o-War,

lower level 8 p.m. — Dylan James, stage area

SUNDAY'S ENTERTAINMENT

9:30 a.m. — Old Fashioned Pioneer Day Church Service 11 a.m. — Horseshoe Contest signups, tennis courts Noon - Horseshoe Contest, tennis courts Information: 541-218-2185

Onlookers sitting within their booths bore smiles and chuckled.

Glendale residents Alton and Nancy Watson watched the racers. The couple have been selling their honey at Pioneer

Days for the past decade. "We really enjoy watching the kids running,"

Nancy Watson said. On the other side of the park, 5-year-old Owen Hildebrand of Canyon-

become

a fan



MICHAEL SULLIVAN/News-Review photos

Jordayn Flores, 15, left, and Keyton Blocher, 15, both of Roseburg, compete against Kai Royle, 10, right, and Greg Reedy, 10, both of Canyonville in a three legged race during the Pioneer Days Festival in Canyonville Friday.

ville held on as he rode a mechanical bull. Every so often, he'd smack the

"That's his favorite thing down here," said John Hil-

Owen Hildebrand's mother, Kelly, said he had

bull's butt.

debrand, Owen's father.

already spent \$15 on the bull that afternoon. "And he's not done," she

Owen Hildebrand said he looked forward to competing in Saturday's

Later in the evening, the festival hosted activities such as a cake walk and a frog-jumping competition.

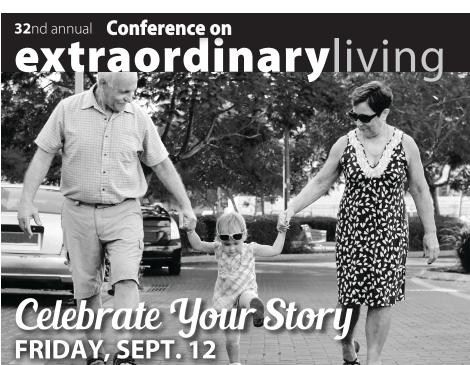
bull-riding competition.

Festivities continue today with a parade in the morning and musical talent throughout the

afternoon.

"It's a full-day event for everybody. We have some very good entertainment," said Doug Sales, Pioneer Days chairman. "Just come out and enjoy the parade."

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