



POLICE AND FIRE REPORTS

3-ALARM FIRE IN NW INDUSTRIAL

News Release from Portland Fire & Rescue Posted FlashAlert: June 27 2015 12:41 AM Fire crews reported seeing a large column of smoke while responding and arrived to find approximately an acre of dry grasses on fire. High temperatures and gusty winds between 5-10 mph dried out fuels to a point where fire spread was rapid. Incident Commanders called additional alarms to bring in enough personnel to get around the fire on all flanks and prevent it from burning into train tracks on one side and a recycling facility and tank farm on another. The final response was a 3-Alarm, which brought in over 70 firefighters, chief officers and other support staff. The final size of the fire is estimated between 20-30 acres. The cause of the grass fire is under investigation.

tussle, and that is when Hassler was bitten. "Denny grabbed onto him kind of from behind," Preciso said. "And he bit on [Denny's] finger because it was close to his face." Hassler's friends and coworkers at The Man's Shop worry the tussle will leave a mark. "He was bleeding pretty badly," Leveton said. Hassler was taken to emergency room and received stitches. He was tested for tetanus and given antibiotics in case of infection. In the meantime, police found a bag the suspect had been carrying with the jeans inside about 10 blocks from the store. However, officers have not yet caught up with the man who used his teeth as a weapon. The suspect is described as an African American man perhaps in his 30s, about 5' 3" tall. He was last seen wearing a hoodie and jeans. Anyone with information is asked to call Portland Police.

INVESTIGATION OF PERSON JUMPING FROM ST. JOHNS BRIDGE

News Release from Portland Police Bureau Posted FlashAlert: June 26 2015 2:45 PM On Wednesday June 24, 2015, at 12:45 p.m., North Precinct officer responded to the Willamette River, underneath the St. Johns Bridge, after the report that someone jumped from the bridge into the river.

Boats and personnel assigned Portland Fire & Rescue, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Coast Guard all responded and located the body of a deceased person in the river. The Medical Examiner identified the deceased as 34-year-old Jonathan Ross Crosby of North Portland. The Medical Examiner ruled the death a suicide.

Help is available for community members struggling from a mental health crisis and/or suicidal thoughts. Suicide is preventable.

The Multnomah County Mental Health Call Center is available 24 hours a day at (503) 988-4888. If you or someone you know needs help with suicidal thoughts or is otherwise in an immediate mental health crisis, please visit Cascadia or call (503) 963-2575. Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare has an urgent walk-in clinic, open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., 7 days a week. Payment is not necessary. Lines for Life is also available 24 hours a day at (800) 273-TALK (8255).

Information about the Portland Police Bureau's Behavioral Health Unit (BHU) and additional resources can be found by visiting <http://portlandoregon.gov/police/bhu>

SHOPLIFTER BITES SALESMAN & FLEES

Police are looking for a shoplifter who bit a salesman at a the Man's Shop in St. Johns. Witnesses said it was not just a nip on the finger, but a bite to the bone.

The Man's Shop on North Lombard well-established in the St. John's neighborhood, having been there for 75 years. According to owner Jerry Leveton, The Man's Shop has seen its share of shoplifters. Leveton said they often come in looking for jeans, Levis in particular. On this Saturday morning at 11 a.m., that is exactly what Leveton said happened. "I was outside; we had a sidewalk sale," Leveton said. "And I heard a commotion inside." Beth Preciso, a tailor at the shop, was helping the customer with the jeans. She said the suspect came out of the dressing room wearing the store's jeans and that he was about to leave when she confronted him. "He tried to go out the door, but there were several of us there, so we stopped him from going out," Preciso said. Salesman Denny Hassler was one of those who tried to stop the suspect from leaving the store. The two got into a

PORTLAND FIRE & RESCUE SAVE KITTEN ON ST. JOHNS BRIDGE

News Release from Portland Fire & Rescue Posted FlashAlert: June 19 2015 7:00 AM Portland Fire & Rescue responded to a report of a kitten stuck on a girder on the St. John's Bridge around 3:10am. When fire crews arrived, they found the kitten 10-12 feet below the bridge deck, on a girder mid-span on the bridge. Fire crews determined that there was not a safe way to retrieve the kitten without the assistance of PF&R's Technical Rescue Team. When the team arrived, they set up a rope rescue system and lowered a firefighter down to where the kitten was located. The firefighter carefully placed the kitten inside a bag and was raised back up the outside of the bridge with the kitten to the bridge deck. The kitten was turned over to animal control to be evaluated and treated if necessary. It is unknown how the kitten got there, but it appears that it did not get there by itself. Fire crews have unofficially named the kitten "lucky" and the pedestrian who found the kitten is looking into adopting it.



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