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City holds first National Night Out in 13 years



Umatilla County Fire District 1 assistant volunteer chief Eldon Marcum flips hamburgers while cooking food at the National Night Out party on Tuesday in Stanfield.

Free barbecue, games draw crowds to Bard Park

By **JADE MCDOWELL**
East Oregonian

If one of the purposes of National Night Out is to encourage people to meet their neighbors, Stanfield residents had a chance to meet a good percentage of the town on Tuesday.

The promise of free food and abundant prizes drew a large crowd to Bard Park, where residents mingled with police, firefighters and city officials over free hot dogs and hamburgers.

National Night Out is an annual nationwide campaign to get people out to meet their neighbors and emergency personnel, especially law enforcement.

On Tuesday, Umatilla County Fire District was doing double duty between events in Hermiston and Stanfield, while Stanfield Police Department was splitting three officers between the Echo and Stanfield events.

Officer Tristan Walker was getting the Stanfield event rolling while Chief Bryon Zumwalt started things out in Echo. Walker said it was the first time in 13 years that Stanfield held a National Night Out event. The department felt now was the right time to bring the feel-good event back in conjunction with starting a new, proactive community relations officer position.

"We have a really good department,

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really good camaraderie, and we wanted to get out in the public and show that," Walker said.

He said it's good for people to get to know both their police department and the people in their community, so that in an emergency the people they are asking for help aren't strangers.

Although the police department planned the event, personnel from the

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PENDLETON

Stranded without a home

Couple in 'survival mode' after trailer fire

By **GEORGE PLAVERN**
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Twelve days after their motor home caught fire in Pendleton, Pete and Joy Goubeaud remain stranded and homeless in an unfamiliar city.

The retired couple from northern Idaho set up camp for now in an empty, sun-baked lot between Safeway and Oxford Suites where they continue to sift through their charred belongings. Anything that can be salvaged is laid out on a tarp, though nearly everything they owned was destroyed in the blaze.

"We're not even focused on what we lost," said Joy Goubeaud as she sat beneath a canopy to avoid the sweltering afternoon heat. "It's more how in the heck do we survive."

While technically residents of Priest River, Idaho, the Goubeauds sold their house about two years ago to become full-time RVers. It was a decision born out of necessity, with Joy needing to visit her elderly mother in Florida and Pete no longer able to do the heavy, physical work it takes to make it in an Idaho timber town.

Together, they traveled across the country to take care of Joy's mother and visit friends in New England before making their way back west. The plan was to travel to the Pacific Ocean before eventually circling back around to Idaho, where they would take care of some business at home.

That plan hit a major snag after



Pete Goubeaud looks through a bag of salvaged banjo strings in a car trailer on Tuesday in Pendleton, surrounded by other items salvaged from his burned-out motor home. Goubeaud and his wife, Joy, were traveling through town on July 21 when the couple's motor home caught fire leaving them stranded.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris

arriving in Pendleton. On July 21, the Goubeauds were heading toward the interstate on Southwest Emigrant Avenue when a fire erupted in the engine compartment of their RV. Firefighters still don't know exactly what happened, but

Joy and Pete suspect it had something to do with the transmission wiring.

Passersby called 9-1-1 and waved frantically to alert the Goubeauds to the trouble. They were able to get out of the vehicle

unharmd, and while emergency crews arrived on scene shortly, it wasn't enough to save the bulk of their possessions. Everything from their mattress to one of Pete's vintage banjos now sits in the lot, blackened and ruined.

"It's like you're in a whole other world," Joy said. "You're fighting for your life, almost."

Pete, a 72-year-old Vietnam veteran, compared it to being back

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HERMISTON

Sisters act in award-winning 48 Hour Film Project

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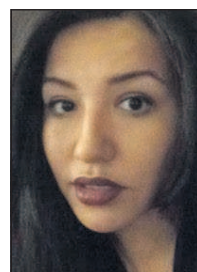
A pair of sisters from Hermiston helped create Portland's winning submission to the 48 Hour Film Project.

The annual contest gives filmmakers around the world a character, prop and line they must integrate into their film, which must be created and produced within a 48-hour span after they draw a genre out of a hat. The best film from each major city will be screened in Paris during the 48HFP Filmapalooza in 2018, and the top 10 films will be shown at the prestigious Cannes Film Festival.

Lacy and Cassa Frost of Hermiston joined RedFawn at the last minute, after hearing that team leader



Lacy Frost



Cassa Frost

"It felt special. I felt honored to be a part of it."

— **Lacy Frost**, on working with an all-American Indian team

boulder, covered me in fake blood and tore my clothes up, and Lacy was hanging upside-down in a tree," Cassa said.

Cassa said she has some acting experience in commercials, and hopes to eventually make a career in the industry. Lacy said she went along with Cassa for the experience.

"I did it on a whim but it turned out really well and I had fun," she said.

The silent film follows two detectives, played by Isaac Trimble and Solomon Trimble (who played Sam Uley in "Twilight") as they work to solve the murder of a young American Indian woman but find more victims along the way. The final moments of the film show a collage of missing posters and a line of text stating that American Indian women are 10 times as likely to be murdered as the rest of the population. *The New York Times* used that same figure in a 2012 article about the issue, citing Justice Department data.

Lacy said she and Cassa were adopted in South Dakota and raised in Hermiston, not on a reservation,

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