



FAIR IS ON

A Nubian goat looks out of its pen on Tuesday in the large animal barn at the Umatilla County Fair.

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HERMISTON

Backup critical on hectic late shift

Three major incidents on June 4 scrambled officers from other agencies

By JAYATI RAMAKRISHNAN
East Oregonian

It was an officer from Umatilla who found the suspect in a Hermiston stabbing.

Aaron Zuwala was arrested early Monday, June 4, after several out-of-town officers, members of the major crime team helping Hermiston police on a hectic night, knocked on doors looking for someone who just stabbed two men near a storage unit on Kelli Boulevard.

Between 9 p.m. June 3 and 7 a.m. June 4, three incidents took place in Hermiston — the stabbing and two shootings — stretching Hermiston Police Department resources thin. During the initial response, the department relied on assistance from the major crime team, officers from neighboring agencies that help out

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UMATILLA COUNTY FAIR

Sweating like a pig (and other animal myths)



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A Jersey-Guernsey cross calf sits in front of a fan in the large animal barn at the Umatilla County Fair on Tuesday in Hermiston.

Protecting fair animals from the heat is an all-day job

By JADE MCDOWELL
East Oregonian

A 4-H or FFA kid showing an animal at the fair has to have specialized knowledge about all sorts of things — including animal sweat.

Knowing how different animals regulate their body temperature helps participants at the Umatilla County Fair keep their animals

from overheating in temperatures that are expected to soar to as high as 110 degrees this week.

Daytona Tracy of Hermiston, for example, is showing animals in every category of the “fur and feathers” barn, from guinea pigs to chickens. She said rabbits struggle the most in the heat, because they only have two small sweat glands in their heads and so their large, thin ears do all the work keeping them cool.

“That’s their only heat regulation,” she said.

Poultry, she said, shed heat through their

wattles and combs but don’t sweat. And guinea pigs only sweat through the soles of their feet.

“I think the ones that do the best in the heat are the ducks, because they have their ponds to swim in,” she said.

Many of the rabbits in the small animal barn on Tuesday were snuggled up next to frozen water bottles quickly melting in the heat. Tracy said cool wet towels, misting animals with a spray bottle and feeding them frozen fruit also helped.

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Jesselee Leachman flips hamburgers at his National Night Out block party Tuesday at Roy Raley Park in Pendleton.

PENDLETON

National Night Out block parties spread out

By PHIL WRIGHT
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Shauna Altman found a way to get her Pendleton neighborhood to turn out Tuesday for National Night Out.

Altman lives near Kiwanis Park, 1800 S.E. Byers Ave., and she said a neighbor told

her about the annual event and Pendleton’s shifting from the police department hosting one central party to asking residents to hold block or park parties.

The Kiwanis Club volunteered to play host at the park, which it did on its own last year. Altman said she wants to get the word out to her neigh-

bors about National Night Out.

“So I just made a flier and made an ad for Facebook,” she said.

Altman and fellow Pendleton elementary school teacher Lisa Bork set out with the fliers and discovered most homes

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