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FONDO SIZZLES ON SUNDAY



photo by Greg Lee

Sisters and Cottage Grove residents Molly and Samantha Duncan flash a smile during the Oregon Gran Fondo, held amid unseasonably sweltering temperatures Sunday morning. The Gran Fondo is part of the Oregon Triple Crown series that features a 117-mile route around the area which took even the fastest cyclists over five hours to complete. This year, a total of 425 riders came to cycle the route, although there were two other shorter routes available. Residents from all over the state and from California, Washington and even Nevada competed.

Hospital makes top 100

PeaceHealth Cottage Grove Community Medical Center named Top 100 CAH for the third consecutive year. PeaceHealth Cottage Grove Community Medical Center was recently named among the Top 100 Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) in the United States for the third year in a row. This list was developed by iVantage Health Analytics as part of the 2016 Rural Relevance Study: *Vulnerability to Value*.

"We are honored to have received this recognition, which is especially impactful as we strive to deliver quality, safe care with high patient satisfaction in a rural region," said Tim Herrmann, Chief Administrative Officer for PeaceHealth Cottage Grove. "Thank you to our caregivers for your valued contributions for ensuring we provide the highest quality care here in Cottage Grove."

PeaceHealth Cottage Grove Community Medical Center scored in the top 100 of CAH on the iVantage Hospital Strength INDEX™. The INDEX is the industry's most comprehensive rating of U.S. acute care hospitals, and the only one to include the country's 1,300 CAHs. The results recognize that the Top 100 CAHs provide a safety net to communities across rural America – measuring them across 62 different performance metrics, including quality, outcomes, patient perspective, affordability, population risk and efficiency.

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were "doggy-sat" by their human grandma and grandpa.

"Several times during filming our wedding," said Kevin, "kindhearted Amy snuck our K-9 attendants dog treats. Immediately following the ceremony, the Roloffs invited us to

their potato cellar, beautifully transformed into a wine cellar for us. After we sat with them and talked for a few minutes, they presented us with a bottle of wine that they had specially made. The label sported a painting of our dogs! Delilah and Winston were in the wedding, included on the honeymoon, but they won't be sharing the wine with us.

The night the show aired we celebrated with family and friends. Halfway through the show Winston went to bed; apparently he was not happy, being reminded that he didn't catch the boom's mic!

Married life is incredible! We hope to add a little one to our family this year- a baby. Our

dogs will make great nannies. Meredith and I loved sharing our wedding on Small People Big World, and will enjoy looking back on that incredible day 70 years from now."

TIPS

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companies all over the country and living high on the hog from the proceeds. Sometimes, after a particularly horrific-looking pratfall, she would even call for a lawyer and minister and make out a will on the spot.

She was good enough that she might have gotten away with this for many years, had she not been seemingly unable to stick around after being paid. In case after case, the delivery of a stack of cash transformed her from a catatonic cripple into a hale and hearty specimen leaping aboard an outbound train.

Her performances were so lucrative, and her abrupt departures so obvious and galling to the freshly fleeced, that the railroad agents actually formed the Pacific Claim Agents Association specifically to try to spread the word of her antics and share information that might lead to her capture.

Which is why, after she was arrested in San Francisco for the Yacolt caper, her subsequent trial in Vancouver turned into such an event. It was a bit like a reunion tour for all the claims agents she'd defrauded in her long and distinguished career. The prosecutor paraded them before the jury, one after the other, describing her performances — the horrible falls, the "blood" gushing from her mouth and nose, the sickening misalignments of knees and ribs, and always the poor wailing baby or toddler who was frightened but uninjured in the crash.

The outcome was never in doubt. Off to the penitentiary at Walla Walla went Maud Johnson to serve a five-year sentence. The governor pardoned her out of the joint after two years, and she dropped out of sight.

After her release, Maud Johnson appears to have more or less gone straight, immersing her-

self fully into show business. She appears only sporadically in the newspapers after that, including one time in 1922 when a minstrel's troupe she'd joined disbanded suddenly and she had to raise some cash by kiting bad checks. But as far as I've been able to learn, she never again tried her fake-injury swindle.

(Sources: Archives of Portland Morning Oregonian, Pendleton East Oregonian and Albany State Rights Democrat, 1896-1922; Washington State Archives; "Smooth Woman Swindler on Coast," Electric Traction Weekly, 7/31/1909; "Fakir Queen Makes Living Falling from Trains," The Day Book, 5/27/1914)

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