

Wine: Delivery draws public interest



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Commuters are surprised to see a stagecoach and mule team on the road in Polk County Friday morning. Ever professional, the mules aren't bothered by the fuss.



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Hank and the rest of the foursome of mules stop at the Willamette River in Independence for people to take photos.

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Claypool said she guesses that they see them as holes in the ground and refuse to step on them. The team took great pains to avoid those dangers. Jesse even hopped over a few in hurried fashion when there was no other alternative. Each with at least 10 years of "pulling" experience, the

team would frequently try to guess the next turn on the journey. Claypool had to redirect them when they decided they needed to pilot the trip.

"They will navigate if you don't," she said, laughing. In other instances, they took detours because they wanted to make friends with other farm animals in fields

along the route.

Meanwhile, people in cars or walking on the sidewalks slowed to watch them pass and took out their phones to capture the moment in photos or video.

Illahé used bicycles and its own horses, Doc and Bea, to deliver the wine last year, but found the stagecoach company when the owners

stopped by the vineyard to taste wines.

Louisa Woodworth, tasting room manager, decided to introduce them to wine-maker Brad Ford and the delivery plan hatched from there.

On Friday, Gus, Hank, Jesse and Ywa took the wine right down to the river and caused a brief stir on the shoreline. A few photo ops later, the team pulled the empty stagecoach out of sight, heading to its next destination.

Within minutes, 1899 and its escorts did the same, beginning a three-day paddle on the Willamette.

Illahé was sending eight cases of the increasingly popular wine to Portland.

Its delivery method — which requires paddling and camping for three days — also has drawn interest since Brad Ford and a friend made the first run last year. Delivery capacity shouldn't be a concern in the future, said sales manager Bethany Ford.

"We could have taken more with five canoes," she said.

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(on the S-curve)

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By Ben Arnoldy

Sudoku

Difficulty: ★★★★★

4	3	2	8	1	6	7	5	9
5	6	9	3	7	4	8	1	2
1	7	8	9	5	2	4	6	3
3	4	7	2	8	5	6	9	1
2	1	6	7	4	9	3	8	5
9	8	5	1	6	3	2	7	4
7	9	1	4	3	8	5	2	6
8	5	3	6	2	1	9	4	7
6	2	4	5	9	7	1	3	8

How to do Sudoku

Fill in the grid so the numbers 1 through 9 appear just once in every column, row, and three-by-three square. See example above.

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AUGUST 2016

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August 6 Community Breakfast 8:30 - 10:30 am. Monmouth Senior Center, 180 S Warren Monmouth OR 97361

August 11-13 Polk County Annual Fair Theme: "Boots, Chaps & Cowboy Hats" Fair Entrance Fees: Day Passes - Adult 16+ \$8.00*, Juniors 11-15 \$5.00, Seniors 62+ \$5.00. Season Passes -Adults \$20.00, Senior \$10.00, Junior \$10.00. Special Discounts - Seniors 62+ Thursday Free Until 4pm, Military Free Any Day (Photo ID Required). Parking \$3.00 per Car. ***Due to the Rodeo, after 4pm admission price for adults will increase to \$10 Thursday night. Polk County Fairgrounds- 520 S. Pacific Hwy W. Rickreall

MONMOUTH SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS

Day trips for August include: a Mystery Picnic on August 18; Lau Su Chinese Gardens/ Shanghai Tunnels in Portland on August 24; and Antique shopping on August 30
For more information about the Day trips or to hear more about the events happening at the Monmouth Senior Center Contact: Sue Teal, Director
steal@ci.monmouth.or.us, (503) 838-5678

Monmouth 2016 Music In The Park Series

Main Street Park Amphitheater
Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 pm
Music, Food, Beer & Wine Garden

JULY CONCERTS

July 27: Charlie Horse — Rock

AUGUST CONCERTS

- August 3: Kathy Boyd & Phoenix Rising — Bluegrass
- August 10: Boka Marimba — African-Style Marimba
- August 17: World's Finest — Americana Dubgrass
- August 24: Jacob Miller & The Bridge City Crooners—
- August 31: Coming Up Threes — Celtic

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