



Photos by D.B. Lewis/The Columbia Press A maintenance shed at Warrenton High School was used as a practice burn by Warrenton Fire Department Wednesday night. A new technology building will go in its place.



## County Democrats select Taylor as new chairman

The Clatsop County Democratic Central Committee elected Larry Taylor as chairman, following the resignation of Doug Thompson. The

vote



Taylor

in November.

Taylor is retired and served as chairman from 2006-16.

party's regu-

lar elections

"I am honored to be asked to serve in a leadership capacity," Taylor said.

"We are seeing increased fervor for the ideals our party represents at the local, state

and national level, and I am excited to help elect people who share that fervor."

The committee comprises the precinct committee leaders elected or appointed from precincts throughout Clatsop County. The committee meeting is held the fourth Monday of each month and all Democrats are invited to attend.

For more information, go to www.clatsopdemocrats.org.



## Oregon artists featured in exhibit

"Empathies and Energies," an exhibit of ceramics, prints and photographs by three Oregon artists, will be shown April 2 to May 10 at the Royal Nebecker Gallery on the campus of Clatsop Community College.

The exhibit features ceramics and prints by internationally acclaimed artist Frank Boyden of Otis, infrared photographs by Rich Bergeman of Corvallis and ceramics and sculpture by Renee McKitterick, chairwoman of the art department at Linn-Benton Community College in Albany.

A public reception for the artists is at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 5, in the gallery.

"Empathies and Energies" takes its name from the comingling of Boyden's dry-point

## Cannon Beach program puts puffins first

The Haystack Rock Awareness Program has developed a new campaign that focuses on the city's most iconic symbol in hopes of increasing tourism and promoting education.

ington Ave. and is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays.

The gallery is at 1799 Lex-

chamber of commerce on the rollout of "We Speak Puffin."

Local hoteliers and businesses will be trained in the rock's history and the intertidal and bird ecology of the national wildlife refuge at

The group is working with the Haystack Rock.

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Frank Boyden's "Democracy" etchings of anguished faces

with the fire and light that

McKitterick and Bergeman

use to create their ceramics and infrared photographs.