

News in brief

Gearhart company to do three projects

Clatsop County awarded a \$608,755 bid to Bayview Asphalt of Gearhart for projects on Koppisch Road in Knappa, Columbia Beach Lane just south of Warrenton and a bike path on 19th Street near the Clatsop County Animal Shelter.

Construction of the bike path began June 3.

Deputies graduate from academy

Two Clatsop County sheriff's deputies are slated to graduate from the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training's public safety academy on June 14 in Salem.

Graduates are Deputy Ian McNabb and Deputy Daniel Raymer.

DPSST provides training to more than 25,000 students each year.

NW Natural sends credits to customers

NW Natural will issue \$16.3 million in credits to its Oregon customers this month.

The credits are due to efficient pipeline capacity management and use of the company's underground natural gas storage facility in Mist.

The average residential customer will see a credit of about \$16 on their June bill. Commercial customers also will see a cost savings.

The average small commercial customer in Oregon can expect to receive \$72.

NW Natural provides natural gas service to 2 million people in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Gardens: Spots available now for would-be 'producers'

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available spaces for \$25.

The gardens are fenced in with a lock on the main gate. Those who rent spaces get the lock combination.

It's a perfect time to get beans and tomatoes in the ground, Myers said.

Warrenton's garden began in 2009 through a partnership between Friends of Clatsop County Community Gardens and the City of Warrenton, which made the space available. The city's Warrenton Business Association donated \$1,000 in start-up costs. Later, raised beds were added to get seedlings warmer faster and to keep roots out of the water table.

Hammond's Community Garden started about the same time, when longtime

Give it a grow!

To learn more about getting a plot in the **Hammond Garden** on Pacific Drive, contact Kathleen Adams at 541-261-3458.

For information about **Warrenton Community Center Garden**, contact Tom Myers at 503-791-8630.

Right: The raised beds at Hammond Community Garden are ready for planting.

Courtesy Friends of CCCG

resident and pioneering businesswoman Ferne Berg donated a vacant lot to the project as a place to grow food for the community. Berg died in 2016 at the age of 97, yet the garden continues to maintain several of its 35 plots dedicat-



ed to food bank production.

The Friends group approached the city, which agreed to incorporate the community garden as part

of its parks system. Home Depot donated \$7,000 for materials and its employees erected the fence and built the raised beds.

CMH sponsors healthfulness classes

The Columbia Memorial Hospital Cancer Collaborate is hosting a series of informational lunch-time conversations about improving health.

The free presentations are from 11 a.m. to noon in the CMH-OHSU Knight Cancer Center activity room, 1905 Exchange St., Astoria. A light meal is provided.

• June 13: A speech pathologist will provide tips for those who have or have had cancer. This month's topic is "Diffi-

cult Swallowing: Dysphagia and Tips for Management."

• June 18: Pharmacy staff will share information on medication management. This month's topic is oral chemotherapy.

• June 26: Occupational therapist Blair Cocking will talk about and demonstrate occupational therapy intervention and lymphedema care.

For more information, call 503-338-4520.

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