

Events

Explore county's wildfire risks

Is Clatsop County at risk of a devastating wildfire?

Forestry specialist Aaron Groth will answer that question and more in an online talk at 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17.

The talk is sponsored by the North Coast Watershed Association's Coastal Council.

Groth is a regional fire specialist with Oregon State Uni-

versity's Forestry and Natural Resources Extension Fire Program.

The program, "Fire in Clatsop County," will talk about how fire has played a key role in shaping the landscape. Included is coastal fire history, threats posed to communities and resources, and steps residents can take to prepare for wildfire.

The talk is free. To listen in, go to us02web.zoom.us/j/86865631629. For more

information, contact Graham Klag at 503-468-0408.

4-H offers variety of youth classes

Clatsop County 4H is sponsoring a series of classes for local youth, including babysitting and cooking classes.

The free four-day babysitter training will be held virtually with a choice of joining at 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. on Feb. 1, 3, 8, and 10. Participants must be at least 10 years old. Register by Jan. 18 at <https://beaves/UCN>.

"Learn to Bake and Cook" features muffins, coffee cake, and yeast bread. The classes are from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. Tuesdays. Register by calling 503-325-8573. STEM activities will be offered in Febru-

ary, followed by horticulture in March, and art in April.

A general cooking class is from 5 to 6 p.m. on Jan. 25 and Jan. 27. At the Jan. 25 in-person workshop, participants will learn the basics of measuring, chopping, nutrition, cleanliness and food safety. The Jan. 27 class in cooking a family meal will take place via Zoom using ingredients from a free food box as well as measuring cups and various supplies. Register by Jan. 17 by calling 503-325-8573.

A workshop on entrepreneurship is being scheduled. Participants will learn to create and sell products at Astoria Sunday Market. Learn more during an open house at 6 p.m. Jan. 31 at the Liberty Theatre or call the 4-H office at 503-325-8573.

Diabetes class begins Jan. 25

A weekly class in diabetes prevention is slated to begin Jan. 25.

Columbia Memorial Hospital is sponsoring the diabetes prevention program, which is based on Centers for Disease Control protocols. It focuses on healthy eating and physical activity.

Participants are eligible if they've been diagnosed with prediabetes based on a blood test completed in the last year, have been diagnosed with gestational diabetes during pregnancy or have had a positive screening based on the CDC Prediabetes Screening Test.

Classes are from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays in CMH's Coho Room, 2021 Marine Drive, second floor.

More information is available at columbiamemorial.org/dpp or by calling Arna Vanebo Pyle at 503-338-7592.

Chamber's annual meeting is Jan. 29

Tickets are available for Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting and banquet on Saturday, Jan. 29.

The 149th annual event includes a social hour, wine pull and raffle prizes. The George and Ford awards, which name the citizens of the year for Warrenton and Astoria, will be revealed and dinner is included.

Tickets are \$50, which includes dinner and the raffle.

The event begins at 4:30 p.m. at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds, 92937 Walluski Loop, Astoria.

Tickets can be purchased on the chamber website or by calling 503-325-6311.

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