

Karla Rowe named executive director for Women's & Children's Services

Karla Rowe, lead administrator of Cancer Services at Southwest Washington Medical Center, has been appointed administrative director for Women's & Children's Services at the medical center.

Women's Services include the Family Birth Center, Healthy Steps Women's and Children's Center, Breast Care Center, and the Bariatric Surgical and Weight Management Center.

Rowe, who began her career at the medical center as a hospice nurse, has worked with the Cancer Center since 1989. She helped develop the Ray Hickey Hospice House in 2004.

Rowe will continue to work as the interim administrative director for Cancer Services until a permanent replacement is selected.

Mass in honor of Pope Benedict XVI at 7 p.m. Thursday in St. Joseph Church

A special mass honoring the election of Pope Benedict XVI will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in St. Joseph Catholic Church, 400 S. Andresen Road.

The public is invited to attend.

Free Clinic gets first Allan Weinstein grant

The first Allan Weinstein Swift for Kids grant has been awarded to the Free Clinic of Southwest Washington. The award was announced last week by Southwest Washington Independent Forward Thrust at its annual auction.

The \$10,000 grant will be used by the clinic for its Tots 'n Teeth Dental program.

The Tots 'n Teeth program, in collaboration with NW Medical Team's mobile dental van, provides urgent dental care to children without dental insurance.

1-5 south of 134th Avenue to close briefly Thursday

All southbound lanes on I-5 between the 1-205 split and NE 99th Street will be closed between 10 p.m. Thursday, April 21, until Friday, April 22, while crews pave new sections of the widened freeway.

A detour will be set up between NE 134th Avenue and the southbound entry to I-5 at the NE 99th Street interchange.

Nautilus CEO Hammann to keynote chamber luncheon

Nautilus chair, president and CEO **Gregg Hammann** will be the keynote speaker at the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce second annual Excellence in Enterprise Luncheon at noon, Thursday, June 9, in the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay.

Nautilus, headquartered in Vancouver, was formed in 1986 and has over 1,100 employees worldwide. The company manufactures and markets a variety of health and fitness products including Nautilus, Bowflex, Schwinn, Fitness, StairMaster and Trimline.

Hammann joined Nautilus in July 2003 as president and CEO and was appointed chair in March 2004. Hammann has held executive positions with Levi Strauss, Coca-Cola, Rayovac and Procter & Gamble. He was a wide receiver for the University of Iowa football team and earned a masters degree from the University of Wisconsin.

Luncheon tickets are \$35 if paid by June 1, \$40 after June 1. Registration is required. For further information, call **694-2588**.

News briefs

The Vancouver Lake Watershed Partnership meets at 4 p.m. today in Port of Vancouver administrative offices, 3103 Lower River Road. 🗳️ A free program offering information on preventing and dealing with obesity in children is being offered by **Jendy Newman**, of Southwest Washington Medical Center's Nutrition and Diabetes Clinic, at 7 p.m. this evening in the center's Health Education Center. For further information, call **514-2190**.



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Wednesday Headlines at home and around the world

[Vancouver city council to ponder tax increases to pay for transportation, and police and fire protection--Columbian, **Jeffrey Mize**](#)

[Woodland city council denies community service group complete use of downtown property--Columbian, **Margaret Ellis**](#)

[Brian Beecher resigns from Washougal council--Columbian, **Dean Baker**](#)

[CREDC working with Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies on regional economic play--Columbian, **Julia Anderson**](#)

[Washington Catholics split on choice of pope--Seattle Times, **Janet I. Tu**](#)

[Efforts to scare off sea lions at Bonneville Dam not working--KATU](#)

[GOP analysis gives Rossi 100-vote victory--Seattle P-I, **Gregory Roberts**](#)

[Dow still sinking, closes just over 10,1012 today--USA TODAY, AP](#)

Wednesday on the air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (4/18)—5 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council (4/18)—6 p.m. CVTV

Oakland at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFXN

Fresno at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD

L.A. Lakers at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. KGW-TV, KXL, KXMG

Town Tabloids and the weather

Jeff Galloway solving the case the WSU way. 🏠 **Maureen Keller** taking numbers and names. 🏠 **Kevin Herink** offering wise counsel. 🏠 **Liz** and **Steve Miesen** making extended family visit. 🏠 **Shirley Gross** puts teeth in news release. 🏠 **Don Carlson** keeping up with all the news that fits. 🏠 **Wednesday**, sun follows gloom, 68. **Thursday**, mostly sunny, 69. **Friday**, mostly sunny, 64.