



## Mayor Florea and Sen. Hawkins Launch New Lodging Tax Bill



Mayor Carl Florea



Senator Brad Hawkins

### 1% of the Lodging Tax Revenue Will Go Towards Affordable Housing

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Mayor Carl J. Florea and Senator Brad Hawkins have recently collaborated on SB 5513, a bill that would allow Leavenworth and other Chelan County municipalities to use 1% of the lodging tax currently collected towards affordable housing.

“He definitely gets the holistic notion of what a community means and that we need to do something in Leavenworth,” Mayor Florea said regarding Sen. Hawkins. “When I approached him with this idea, I give him all the credit that he was willing to sponsor it, and that goes a long way.”

Those who fall in the 60% to 120% Average Median Income (AMI), or what is defined as “workforce

housing,” would qualify for these funds.

The lodging tax, which both Florea and Sen. Hawkins refer to as the “hotel/motel tax,” is a 3 to 5% charge on hospitality sectors like hotels, overnight rentals, or bed and breakfasts depending on the municipality. Part of the tax goes towards tourism and marketing, along with a smaller, limited percentage is allowed to go towards low-income housing, those earning less than 60% AMI.

“What I’ve been hoping for and working my whole time on is trying to get a steady stream of significant dollars that we can apply towards our workforce housing,” Mayor Florea explained. “That was behind the bill that happened two years ago, but the big difference is, that one was to add additional lodging taxes to the existing lodging taxes in supportive housing.”

If approved by the legislature, then a county or city council would need to approve it for their jurisdiction. The bill could provide up to 1% of the lodging tax revenue collected in the jurisdiction towards workforce housing for the next 10 years.

“‘Willkommen’ translates to ‘welcome,’ which is fitting because Leavenworth has always been a welcoming community for tourists, but with the tourists now that are purchasing second homes and converting properties to vacation rentals, those who work in Leavenworth are increasingly struggling to live there,” Sen. Hawkins states in his Dec. 13 Press Release. “This dynamic is creating challenges to preserve the city’s sense of community.”

The difference between this bill and SB 6446, which was a bill that proposed an additional tax be

added on top of the lodging tax and considered previously, is that this bill will not raise additional taxes but rather divert a portion of revenue from the lodging tax.

“That was much more palatable then adding an additional tax,” Mayor Florea states. “It wouldn’t get us as far along, but it would still give us significant dollars that we could put towards workforce housing.”

Chelan County Commissioner Kevin Overbay and Chelan Valley Housing Trust Executive Director Steve Wilkinson have expressed their support for SB 5513. Mayor Florea states that this is one step towards the affordable housing crisis, but there is still more to come.

“I’m definitely not ignorant. This is not a done deal, but the potential is there that we could begin to do something sooner than later in order to address our housing needs.”

## December School Board Meeting includes Focus on Cascade High School Updates



Marlene Farrell  
Correspondent

The December 13th school board meeting began with new school board member Mike Worden and reelected school board members, Trey Ising and Zachary Miller, taking the oath of office as administered by Superintendent Tracey Beckendorf-Edou. Each, in turn, swore to “faithfully and impartially perform the duties of the office of Cascade School District #228 school board member to the best of [his] abilities.”

Officer positions were quickly approved with Trey Ising again as board chair, Cyndi Garza as vice chair, and committee posts: legislative liaison for Zachary Miller, Chamber of Commerce liaison for Judy Derpack, interscholastic athletics committee for Mike Worden, Rotary member for Tracey Beckendorf-Edou, CEF liaison for Dwight Remick, and Parks and Recreation liaison for Aaron Simon.

The board approved for the Cascade High School band to attend a three-night trip to the University of Idaho, beginning February 24th, to attend the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival. Band teacher James Mitsuyasu explained that band members will get to attend workshops led by professors and professional musicians.

Principal Elia Ala’ilima-Daley gave a presentation about Cascade High School (CHS). He shared CHS’s mission, vision and commitments, the latter of which include building and supporting positive relationships, modeling integrity and work ethic expected in students, being relentlessly positive in establishing high expectations and keeping students meaningfully engaged. Ala’ilima-Daley admitted those commitments have been more challenging during the pandemic, especially positivity in times of uncertainty and change.

Ala’ilima-Daley shared milestones this school year that are worth celebrating. He talked about how the Career and Technical Education (CTE) building was dedicated this fall and showed photos of student work in those classes, such as woodwork, welding and culinary.

Each school has a school improvement plan, and Ala’ilima-Daley said CHS is making progress toward goals. One improvement includes having an expanded flex period, which can be utilized for re-teaching, test prep, test retakes, club meetings, academic competition prep, tutoring, peer to peer work or caring for other student needs.

Another goal is to have 85% of students by 2024 graduating with plans for post-secondary education, military service or trade school. And for the other 15%, there should be clear pathways to joining the workforce.

Staff are helping students with organizational skills, including cleaning out and organizing backpacks and thinking about logistics such as

## Chelan County Holds Public Hearing / Planning Commissioner Ryan Kelso Defends Position

### Kelso asked to step down after accusations of misappropriating role

BY MEGAN SOKOL

Tensions flared between Building Official Chris Young and Planning Commissioner Ryan Kelso in an application meeting for one of Kelso’s clients on August 27th. Words were exchanged, leading to those within the Chelan County Community Development Department accusing Ryan Kelso of abusing his role as Planning Commissioner in order to further his own business.

On the Dec. 13 County Commissioners meeting, Deputy Prosecutor Marcus Foster lead the public hearing on Ryan Kelso, discussing the accusations that were levied against him.

Kelso has been accused of violating

RCW 42.23.070, claiming that he used his position to gain special privileges and/or exemptions for himself and his clients to further support his private business Complete Design.

Building Official Chris Young and Senior Planner Jamie Strother were the first to testify on their joint meeting on Aug. 27th with Ryan Kelso, architect Mikael Martinez, and Kelso’s client Phillipe Vallerand regarding Vallerand’s building application on his farm.

Young states that Kelso arranged a meeting with him after Young rejected his client’s ADU application for not meeting the code. Kelso later clarified that it was Martinez who organized the meeting to discuss why Vallerand’s application was denied.

Strother claims that during the meeting, Kelso had asked them if they knew who Kelso was.

“I said ‘yeah Ryan, I know exactly

who you are. You’re a planning commissioner for Chelan County and it kind of seems inappropriate.”

Strother later states that Young had a hard time getting a sentence out and that Kelso seemed to want to debate him as to why his client’s application was denied. After they went over Kelso’s options, Strother said that he started packing up and said “you know the planning commission can always just start looking at rewriting code to help him out better to redirect code easily.”

“One last dig was that he was going over to the commissioner’s office to talk to the commissioners about our meeting and that’s just one more empty threat against the county and in hopes that community development would have changed our minds, but we didn’t.”

Community Development Director Jim Brown later presented a video

of Kelso in previous Planning Commission meetings to exemplify his perceived bias in code decisions.

After Brown’s video, Kelso presented his opening statement, proclaiming his respect and support for the community, who countered that his statements during the joint meeting in August were taken out of context and that he has worked within his professional boundaries.

“I do not believe that I have done anything wrong that would be in conflict to my role as a member of the Chelan County Planning Commission.”

He asked why claims of neglect or misuse of his role were not brought to his attention in the past three years.

“Why would the commissioners prefer to simply issue a decision requesting my resignation instead of

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**MEETING SCHEDULES FOR AA, ALANON, CELEBRATE RECOVERY**

**AA Meetings:**  
Call for the Zoom link to Leavenworth AA meetings: 541-480-8946  
Call for the Zoom link to Leavenworth AlAnon meetings: 509-548-7939  
509-548-1627, 548-4522, 664-6469, 206-719-3379  
Sunday 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
Tuesday, 7 p.m., Light in the Valley, 8455 Main Street, Peshastin  
Wednesday, 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
Thursday, 1 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
Friday, 7 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church, 222 Cottage Ave.

**Alanon Meetings, call 509-548-7939**  
Monday, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, 418 Evans St.

**Renewed Celebrate Recovery, Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene. 111 Ski Hill Drive. Come experience God's grace for all of life's hurts, habits and hang-ups. For more information: CelebrateRecoveryLCN@gmail.com or 509-596-1510.**

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Wednesday**  
**Children and Youth Program, 6:30-8 p.m., 4th-12th grade, Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene, 509-548-5292.**  
**Leavenworth Rotary Club, Zoom meetings, Noon.** For more information email, President Joel Walinski, jtwalinski@gmail.com  
**Alpine Water District: meets at Chelan Fire Department #9, 1 p.m. Contact: Anne Mueller, muellers5@msn.com (2nd Wed. each mon).**

**Thursday**  
**Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce, 8 a.m. Call Chamber, 509-548-5807. Everyone is invited to attend as a guest. Email Troy@leavenworth.org for Zoom meeting information. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)**  
**Leavenworth Lions Club, For more info. email President Anita Wilkie at leavenworthlionsclubwa@gmail.com**  
**Peshastin Community Council meeting, 7 p.m. Peshastin Memorial Hall. (2nd Thurs.)**  
**The Wenatchee Valley Doll Club, 11:30 a.m. Call Yvonne, 509-663-7991. (2nd Thurs.)**  
**Caregiver Support Group, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Cashmere. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)**

**Friday**  
**Veteran Service Office: For information contact Tony Sandoval, 509-664-6801 or email: Tony.Sandoval@co.chelan.wa.us**

**Monday**  
**Upper Valley Free Clinic, open every Monday to evaluate urgent health needs. Downstairs at Cascade Medical, 6:30 -8:00 p.m. Call Terri (509)393-8271 for more information.**  
**Cascade School board meetings, 7 p.m., Agenda can be found at https://www.cascadesd.org/Page/166. (2nd & 4th Mon.)**  
**Chelan Douglas Republican Women, Meetings at Red Lion, 1225 N. Wenatchee Ave. Please, RSVP if you want to have lunch. Cost for lunch is \$18; Cost for meeting with beverage only is \$7 (no outside food please). Check-in begins at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting will begin at Noon. Call Ellie: 425-319-9869. (1st Mon., monthly).**

**Tuesday**  
**Peshastin Water District, 5:30 p.m. For meeting location, contact Steve Keene, 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)**  
**Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts Meeting Current meeting time 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Tony Jantzer, cell, 509-433-4064, or 509-782-2561 or tony.iid.pid@nwi.net, (2nd Tues.)**  
**Cascade Medical Board Meeting, 9 a.m. Call Cascade Medical, 509-548-5815. (4th Tues.)**  
**Cascade Education Foundation. Contact: CEF@cascade.org**  
**LWSC Alpine Committee, 7 p.m., Ski Hill Lodge. Call 509-548-5477. (1st Tues.)**  
**Leavenworth Masons, 7:30 a.m., Zarthan Lodge No. 148, Leavenworth Senior Center upstairs. www.leavenworthmasons.org. (1st Tues.)**  
**Cascade Garden Club, 1 p.m., at a member's home or other venue. Call President Claudia, 509-662-7706. (3rd Tues.)**

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Open: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Saturday. 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday. Closed Sunday.  
**Peshastin Public Library.** Located at 8396 Main St., Peshastin. Call: 509-548-7821 or Peshastin@ncwlibraries.org  
Open from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday.

**Other events**  
**The Greater Leavenworth Museum, formerly known as the Upper Valley Museum, is open Friday-Sunday, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. Please check our Facebook page or our website at www.leavenworthmuseum.org for updates and information.**  
**Leavenworth Fish Hatchery, 509-548-7641. Trails and grounds are open every day to the public. Please park outside the gate. All animals must be on a leash.**

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**New Community Christmas Music Video Released by the Leavenworth Chamber**

**Original tune stars local Leavenworth musicians**  
SUBMITTED BY JAMIE HOWELL  
The Bavarian Village of Leavenworth, Wash., aka "Christmastown" has just released a new Christmas carol of its own.  
"Merry Christmas from Leavenworth" features local Leavenworth musicians performing an original new tune in various iconic locations around Leavenworth. The video project from the Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce was produced by Jamie Howell of Howell at the Moon Productions, with music and lyrics from local musician Eric Link.  
"It's hard to find a place with more Christmas spirit than Leavenworth," said Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Troy Campbell. "And fortunately, we're also blessed with the musical talent to back it up. There is real joy in this project, and we're excited to share it."  
Nine local Leavenworth musicians performed the song which was recorded, mixed and edited by Eric Frank of Sound Advice in the Snowy Owl Theater at Icicle Creek Center for the Arts in Leavenworth. They are: Eric Link - vocals, acoustic guitar, Beth Whitney - vocals, banjo, Seth Garrido - vocals, saxophone, Erin McNamee - vocals, Corban Welter - mandolin  
Aaron Fishburn - bass, Aaron Gibbs - percussion, Todd Smith - piano, Janet Mano - alphon.  
The production crew directed by Jamie Howell included Nick Dirk, director of photography; Shane Wilder, camera/drone operator; Eric Frank, sound mixing/editing; Arlene Kaufman, set decorator; and Rylan Browning, production assistant. The music video may be viewed here:  
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ic-UFI-0IZ&t=1s

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- December 10**  
02:19 Suspicious Activity, 405 Pine St.  
02:42 Suspicious Activity, 725 Front St.  
07:42 Malicious Mischief, 150 W. Whitman St. #A.  
08:00 Vehicle Prowl, 190 US Hwy. 2.  
08:45 911 Call, 12640 Shore St.  
10:16 Trespassing, 817 Commercial St.  
10:33 Assist Public, 435 Pinedrop Ln., Lake Wenatchee.  
10:58 Vehicle Prowl, 500 Alpine Pl.  
14:19 Stab/Gunshot, 817 Commercial St.  
14:45 Suspicious Activity, 3300 US Hwy. 97 #22., Peshastin.  
15:12 Non-Injury Accident, Icicle Rd. MP 3.  
18:29 Attempt to Locate/Contact, 16125 A Meacham Rd., Plain.
- December 11**  
00:01 Burglary, 8469 Larson Rd., Peshastin.  
04:58 Domestic Disturbance, 900 Main St. #402.  
08:19 Alarm, 77 Fox Hollow Rd.  
09:49 Assist Agency, 342 Wild Rose Ln.  
09:50 Miscellaneous, 820 Front St.  
12:14 Alarm, 10395 Chumstick Hwy.  
14:13 Weapons Violation, Chiwawa Loop Rd. MP 5.  
16:02 Assist Public, 694 A US Hwy. 2.  
16:24 Assist Agency, 3432 Hansel Ln., Peshastin.  
16:53 Animal Abuse, Chumstick Hwy. MP 8.  
18:12 Assist Public, 1250 US Hwy. 2.  
18:43 Property, 820 Front St.  
19:30 911 Call, 22888 Brown Rd., Lake Wenatchee.  
19:40 Trespassing, 920 Front St.  
21:08 Disturbance, 1117 Front St.
- December 12**  
00:44 Assist Public, 20752 Chiwawa Loop Rd. #10.  
07:09 Suspicious Activity, 900 Front St. #D.  
12:21 Vehicle Prowl, US Hwy. 97 and US Hwy. 2.  
12:53 Parking/Abandon, 200 Blk Scholze St.  
14:45 Assist Agency, 16074 River Rd., Plain.  
16:15 Property, 636 Front St.  
23:17 Suspicious Activity, 9291 E. Leavenworth Rd.
- December 13**  
00:08 Traffic Offense, Pine St. and Titus Rd.  
04:05 Assist Agency, SR 207 MP 3, Lake Wenatchee.  
09:43 Non-Injury Accident, 18200 Blk Chumstick Hwy.  
10:19 Harassment/Threat, 116 River Bend Dr.  
10:39 Trespassing, 428 Dempsey Rd.  
13:54 Welfare Check, US Hwy. 2 MP 70 E.B., Lake Wenatchee.  
15:43 Domestic Disturbance, 8493 Main St., Peshastin.  
164 Non-Injury Accident, Chumstick Hwy. P 12.  
17:38 Hazard, Chumstick Hwy. and Clark Canyon Rd.  
18:59 Hazard, 10190 Chumstick Hwy.  
19:09 Vehicle Theft, 960 US Hwy. 2.  
21:19 Assist Public, Division and Commercial Sts.
- December 14**  
00:38 Noise, 7375 Icicle Rd.  
00:39 Domestic Disturbance, 1217 Front St.  
08:47 Animal Problem, 8475 Larson Rd., Peshastin.  
12:57 911 Call, 9284 Icicle Rd.
- 15:01 Parking/Abandon, 93001 Stevens Pass Hwy.  
15:05 Non-Injury Accident, 817 Commercial St.  
15:44 Traffic Offense, Main St. and Peshastin Mill Rd.  
16:11 Suspicious Activity, 1010 Main St.  
17:41 Welfare Check, 12085 Sromberg Canyon Rd.  
18:19 Suspicious Activity, 116 River Bend Dr.  
18:50 Welfare Check, Hatchery Creek Trailhead.  
20:25 Traffic Offense, 12790 Fish Hatchery Rd.  
20:31 911 Call, 10202 Titus Rd.
- December 15**  
01:27 Welfare Check, 90 Mill St.  
07:40 Suspicious Activity, US Hwy. 2 MP 89, Lake Wenatchee.  
09:14 Animal Problem, 8475 Larson Rd., Peshastin.  
09:21 Suicide Threat, 7586 Icicle Rd.  
12:06 Harassment/Threat, 10797 US Hwy. 2, Peshastin.  
13:05 Non-Injury Accident, 633 Front St.  
13:24 Parking/Abandon, 21620 Camp 12 Rd., Plain.  
14:03 Non-Injury Accident, 200 Blk W. Commercial St.  
14:31 Property, 15415 Camp 12 Rd.  
15:37 Traffic Offense, 1250 US Hwy. 2.  
16:13 Property, 8th and Commercial Sts.  
16:17 Suspicious Activity, 93 Jack Pine Ln., Lake Wenatchee.  
18:19 Parking/Abandon, 8558 Larson Rd., Peshastin.  
22:46 911 Call, 309 8th St. #104.
- December 16**  
03:32 Assist Public, Prowell St. and Icicle Rd.  
06:34 Vehicle Prowl, 330 Prospect St. #20.  
07:52 Vehicle Prowl, 330 Prospect St. #14.  
14:18 Trespassing, 12199 Bretz Rd., Plain.  
15:05 Assist Public, Leavenworth Waterfront Park.  
16:30 Suspicious Activity, 1300 Commercial St. #105.  
21:21 Traffic Offense, 220 12th St.  
23:42 Suspicious Activity, 10415 Titus Rd. #G.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
**Planning Commission, 7:00 p.m. (1st Wed.)**  
**City Council Study Session, 8:30 a.m. (2nd Tues.)**  
**City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (2nd & 4th Tues.)**  
**Design Review Board, 3:00 p.m. (2nd & 4th Wed.)**  
For more information, visit the city website [CityofLeavenworth.org](http://CityofLeavenworth.org) for Zoom meeting information. Call 509-548-5275. Email hello@cityofleavenworth.com

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# Local and Regional News

## Here comes winter. Here's how to prepare

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL HANSEN

**LEAVENWORTH** – If the rain this fall was any prediction, this winter could be a doozy for heavy snow and ice. Here are a few ways to stay comfortable, protect water pipes, and prepare for possible of winter outages.

Staying cozy while saving money:

- Change your heating filters monthly. Clogged filters make heating your home less efficient.

- Check weather stripping on exterior doors and windows. Adjust or replace it if you can see light or feel a draft.

- Close fireplace damper and glass doors when fireplace is not in use. Don't use your fireplace in the coldest weather.

- Fix broken ducts and replace cracked or peeling

tape on ducts. Use tape with the UL (Underwriters Laboratories) logo and labeled for heating ducts.

- Close foundation vents for the winter. If your vents do not close, taping a piece of plastic on the outside will help considerably.

- In the evening, close your drapes to retain heat. Make sure heating registers are not covered by the drapes or furniture. During the day, if it's sunny, open the drapes to capture warmth from the sun.

If there is a concern about water pipes freezing:

- Consider letting a cold-water faucet drip continuously when the weather is at its coldest.

- Know the location of the water shut-off valve in your home. Check to make sure it works.

- Open cupboard doors under sinks, especially where plumbing is in outside walls, to let interior heat warm the pipes.

If the power goes out, call us 24/7 at 877-783-8123 to report the outage and get updates. You can also find updates at [chelanpud.org/outages](http://chelanpud.org/outages), and on Chelan PUD's Facebook and Twitter pages.

These tips can help keep you and your family safe, as well as help PUD crews safely restore service as quickly as possible:

- Turn off all but one light – on the porch or inside where it can be seen from the street – so you and PUD crews know when power is restored.

- Never use fuel-burning devices, like gasoline-powered generators, gasoline-powered pressure washers,

camp stoves and lanterns, or charcoal grills inside, or in any confined space, or within 10 feet of windows, doors or other air intakes. Using these items in your home can produce carbon monoxide, which can be deadly.

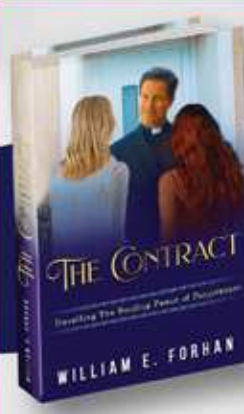
- Wait 10 minutes after power is restored before turning on the heat to ease the load on the system – our old friend "cold-load pickup."

DO NOT go near, touch or try to move any lines on the ground or trees tangled in them – stay far away!

If you plan to use a portable generator, make sure you plug appliances directly into the generator. Or, make sure your home is disconnected from the PUD's electric system with a transfer switch installed by a licensed electrician.



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## My favorite remedies

The year 2021 is coming to a close. It's time to share the remedies I've found most helpful this year.

**1. Acetaminophen (Tylenol®) PLUS ibuprofen (Advil®).**

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## OBITUARY



He was a nearly 30-something confirmed bachelor. She had four children from two marriages and life experiences he couldn't fathom. Their first date was a dusty, bumpy Jeep ride that required a stop at a mountain spring to get water for the gasping radiator and the little kid in the back seat.

They perfected dusty and bumpy over the next 60 years, embracing happiness, hard work, heroics, and heartbreak that come with a journey well-traveled. Their story moved into the next realm this fall, departing this world five weeks apart, leaving a legacy of love and laughter, memories of kitchen dances, home movies, tractor rides, hospitality, and home cooking. Their story is one of commitment and compromise.

Friends and neighbors are invited to an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, at the family home. A more formal Celebration of Life will be held in the spring. In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions to help memory care patients

# Pat and Neval: A love story 60 years in the making

at Cashmere Acute Care or to Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue Auxiliary.

## Neval Bert Harris

Neval Bert Harris, 89, of Plain, passed away on Friday, Oct. 22, 2021, at Cashmere Acute Care. Alzheimer's took him from friends and family memory by memory, but he remained open to making new friends, even if he had known them for years.

Neval was born Feb. 17, 1932, to Lizzie and W.W. Harris, in No. 2 Canyon, Wenatchee, the youngest of six boys—Virgil, Tom, Charles, Lorn and Elmer—and two half siblings, Jerry and Ula Jennings. They moved to Plain in 1936, making the trip in a wagon pulled by a horse and a mule.

Neval attended primary school in Plain and graduated in 1950 from Leavenworth High School.

After serving in the U.S. Navy, he worked as a logger.

He married Patricia Vey in 1961, creating a home for her and her four children—Tex, Bud, Mary and Bill. They soon added daughter Nevonne and son Neval Allen. The growing family moved into the cabin his grandparents had built—which they remodeled to add space and indoor plumbing. They lived off the land, raising cows, hay and vegetables in addition to kids.

He continued logging, then

retired to focus on the farm, growing hay and pulling weeds, accompanied by a series of farm dogs. He stayed busy with projects, including putting together a sawmill, powered by the engine of a Dodge Duster.

He was a Space Invaders, Mario and Tetris master, enjoyed debating Noah's Ark with Pastor Otto Sather, and tours of his treasure pile and the barn were inevitable for all who visited. He gave tractor rides and pinchle lessons. He could—and did—fix anything with baling wire and duct tape, lending a hand to neighbors, friends—and repairmen, whether they wanted it or not.

Neval is survived by his wife Pat of the family home in Plain; daughter Nevonne (Kelly) McDaniels of Plain; stepchildren John (Hildegard) Eaton of Sachsen, Germany; Charles (Patricia) Eaton of Yuma; Mary (Gary) Espe of Plain; and Bill Granzer of Plain; grandchildren Kimberly (Christian) Mikkelsen of Wenatchee, Stephan McDaniels of Leavenworth, Jenny Segle (Paul Foster) of Union, Adam Granzer of Woodinville, Daysha Eaton of Portland, Luke Eaton of Portland, Reba (Mike) Aguiar of Wenham, MA; and five great grandchildren.

He also is survived by his nephew Tom (Betty) Harris of Malaga.

He was preceded in death by his son, Neval A. Harris, parents and siblings.

Special thanks to the staff at Cashmere Acute Care. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee and Cashmere.

## Patricia Mae Vey Harris

Patricia Mae Vey Harris, 92, of Plain, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 2021, at the family home. She was born to Dellary and Lila Vey on July 26, 1929, in Seattle, the third of six children. She was confined to bed for a year with rheumatic fever when she was about 9. Once she recovered, she didn't slow down.

She married John Eaton at the age of 16. They had three children—Tex, Bud, and Susy. After divorcing, she married William Granzer. She lost Susy to leukemia hours before daughter Mary was born. Son Bill arrived 16 months later. When circumstances prompted change, she packed the kids and dog into a yellow Dodge truck and landed in Plain.

Pat and her children settled into a one-room cabin in Shugart Flats. It had a wood stove, no electricity or running water.

She met and married Neval Harris, a logger and farmer. They soon added daughter Nevonne and son Neval Allen.

For the next two decades

her focus was on raising kids—and cows, pigs, chickens, and a garden—on the farm. As the kids grew, she took on new challenges, opening The Plain Bakery, then writing "The Red Cabin Cookbook" in 1981. She traveled to Europe to visit her eldest son and delved into genealogy.

When Neval retired, she worked at several restaurants before opening her own.

She and Neval welcomed 14-year-old grandson Adam into their home.

Pat overcame melanoma and bladder cancer before being diagnosed with lung cancer in 2013. Part of one lung was removed. Six months later, her son Neval Allen was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She cared for him until he died in August 2015.

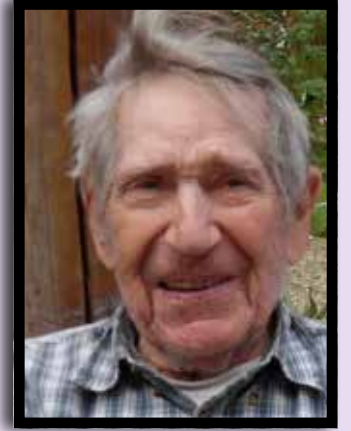
"I survived for a reason," she said. "I needed to be here for him."

Little Neval's death was followed by the onset of Big Neval's Alzheimer's symptoms.

She served as his caretaker until March 2018, when he moved to Cashmere Acute Care.

In October 2018, she was told her cancer had returned. They gave her six months. That was three years ago.

She stayed active, publishing



another cookbook, working puzzles and Facetimeing with kids and grandkids.

Then Neval died in October. She followed in November.

Pat is survived by her children: John (Hildegard) Eaton of Sachsen, Germany; Charles (Patricia) Eaton of Yuma; Mary (Gary) Espe of Plain; Bill Granzer of Plain; Nevonne (Kelly) McDaniels of Plain; her grandchildren Kimberly (Christian) Mikkelsen of Wenatchee, Stephan McDaniels of Leavenworth, Jenny Segle (Paul Foster) of Union, Adam Granzer of Woodinville, Daysha Eaton of Portland, Luke Eaton of Portland, Reba (Mike) Aguiar of Wenham, MA; and five great grandchildren. She also is survived by her brother Jerry Vey of Plain and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband Neval B. Harris, son Neval A. Harris and daughter Susy Eaton.

A special thanks to the hospice staff for their care. Arrangements are in the care of Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

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Cascade players Autumn West and Nayeli Fernandez face off with Chelan player Aliyah Finch.



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Chelan player Aliyah Finch aims to catch a ball mid-air as Cascade players Cassidy Gillespie, Nayeli Fernandez, and Emma Warman look on.



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Cascade player Kaston Dillon and Chelan players Braiden Boyd and Ryan Rainville fight for the ball with Cascade player Hunter Stutzman looking on.

## Duplex and Zoning Amendments Remanded back to the Planning Commission

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

After a year and a half of back and forth between the City of Leavenworth and the Leavenworth Planning Commission, councilmembers concluded that the duplex amendment and the zoning amendments should be remanded back to the Planning Commission.

Since 2016, the City of Leavenworth have been trying to move forward on tackling the affordable housing crisis that has been plaguing the entirety of North Central Washington. The Planning Commission suggested they update coding on duplexes and ADUs, along with combining RL 10 and RL 12 into an RL 8 zone.

After the Nov. 23 Public Hearing, many residential community members noted their concerns with higher density housing encroaching their neighborhoods and how it may potentially affect quality of life.

“If we start allowing this type of development the goal of what we want for affordable, isn’t going to be a guarantee,” Kim Tobianski commented. “What we could be left with is something that could be far-reaching for us and our community, that we can’t put the genie back in the bottle.”

Some residents referenced a letter Ann Crosby wrote to local media, where Crosby wrote inaccurate figures from the Land Capacity Analysis. Some portions of her letter warned readers that Leavenworth would “turn us into a Suburb of Seattle (SOS...)” with other portions noting concerns with land cost rising, the possible tear-down

on older/affordable housing, water usage, traffic, and lack of green space.

Here is one portion that Crosby notes in her letter regarding the affordable housing percentage: “That 15% (low-income housing) already provided is amazing for a town that really has no economic base except for poverty-level tourism wages. We don’t have to stretch and torture ourselves to build more. Has everyone forgotten that its usual and normal to commute to work?”

After hearing from multiple community members, the council closed both public hearing sessions both the zoning and duplex amendments. After heated deliberation, the council decided to remand both amendments back to the Planning Commission, and removing the zoning change from the Comprehensive Plan update so that they could approve that as is.

Councilmember Jason Lundgren states that he made his decision based on the community’s response and did not wish to create another situation like Adventure Park and make citizens feel as if they were ignored.

Other Councilmembers such as Clint Strand noted his concern with affordability not being guaranteed with increased development.

Anne Hessburg, along with other councilmembers, wanted to increase public knowledge and education on the proposed amendments, and that they should not die, rather asking for more time.

Councilmember Mia Bretz and Development Services Manager Lilith Vespier

expressed their frustration with the amendments getting remanded.

They say that many community members are adamant against these changes, no matter how the information is presented to them.

Bretz encouraged the council to accept the comprehensive plan with the zoning amendments, in accordance with the Housing Action Plan that they published back in April.

Vespier urged the council to get this far down the line, and recalled the three months the Planning Commission had spent drafting both amendments.

“It’s extremely disappointing to get this far down the line, and the planning commission having such an in-depth knowledge of what we’re doing and how we’re hoping to get there. We’re utilizing all of the best tools the State says work in other communities. Then to say all because of the pandemic, because people are being irrational, we’re not going to do anything?”

Vespier states that although she was thankful that several residents took the time to research what was going on and to comment, she felt that rift in conversation was due to lack of trying to understand.

“It’s disappointing that a lot of residents who provided comment said that they did not understand, but it’s even more disappointing that some of them did not even try to understand,” Vespier said.

Mayor Pro Tempore Hessburg sat in for Mayor Carl J. Florea for this session and led the increasingly tense council vote. She later stated that the community’s response played a big factor in the council’s decision-making process. She later said that she had mixed feelings on the ordeal but understands why the decision was made.

“As both Lilith and Mia expressed, I also did not

see flaws in the work and recommendations of the PC. Their recommendations are good, solid planning with studies and data to back them up. However, it was clear to me that additional communication, education, and collaboration with the community is needed to bring us all (Council and community) together in understanding the how and why the PC got to their recommendations.”

Mia Bretz later stressed that these proposed amendments were only small steps towards a much larger and multi-faceted issue.

During the meeting, Bretz referenced the “Share your Housing” stories, displayed in the Dec. 14 council packet, whose perspectives would possibly benefit from density housing. Bretz explained that stakeholders who would benefit most from these changes were absent due to lack of access to the public process, while residents who had secure housing were the prominent voices during the Public Hearings.

“The council is very persuaded by our community input, thankfully. It is great our council members are listeners,” Bretz said. “However, I feel that an elite, white voice took our meeting hostage and misrepresented our public need. Our city leadership needs to do a better job of ensuring the people who we are working for, are informed and have a voice at the table.”

Bretz does not think the council made the right decision, but is hopeful that the conversation will turn to those who have not had a say yet.

“We have a chance to change the way we connect and communicate together, around housing issues specifically, and around government leadership in general. I see the remanding of the issues to the PC as an opportunity for new voices to be included and new methods of communication to be employed.”



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## Nutcracker Museum is More Than a Christmas Hub

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Sixt Magazine recently listed Leavenworth as the 8th most festive Christmas-themed town in the nation, and listed the Nutcracker Museum as one of the key highlights of the trip. Of course, the museum holds many wide-eyed and uniformed nutcracker toy soldiers, and that may be how Arlene Wagner’s collection started. However, over time the most expansive and impressive nutcracker museum grew to house over 7,000 nutcrackers.

“We have had people from every state in the union, every province in Canada and over a hundred other countries and they come all of the different months of the year and many come to town just to see the museum,” Wagner said. “We do not know for sure whether we have the largest collection or not. If we’re not the largest collection, we are one of the top ones.”

The media has held a strong fascination with Wagner’s Nutcracker Museum, which has been inducted into the National Heritage Foundation. Arlene Wagner was a guest on Conan O’Brien’s show, appeared on the Today Show, on CBS, has been featured in multiple publications, videos, tourist magazines, and in almost any nutcracker blog you can find.

Arlene Wagner founded the museum with her husband George Wagner. She and her husband used to argue at antique shows trying to wrestle between each other which nutcracker belongs to who.

Wagner started learning and studying ballet under the tutelage of Alexandra Danilova, a Prima Ballerina. From then on, her passion for The Nutcracker cultivated her adoration for the toy soldier figure.

“I was a dance teacher and we did the Nutcracker ballet. We were interested in getting the right Nutcracker for Clara, the character in the ballet. When we looked around, we enjoyed those big mouth characters and started

collecting them.”

They have Steinbach nutcrackers, percussion nutcrackers, nutcrackers you step on with a sharp stiletto-like shoe, Betel nut cutters from India, animal-carved Swiss nutcrackers, and nutcrackers from 16th century Europe. The museum also has a nutcracker carbon dated back to the roman era and prehistoric nutcrackers from the stone age. If you can picture a nutcracker, any nutcracker, it’s in there.

Some reviews have had people writing about the sensitive subject matter of some of the nutcrackers displaying a darker period of history. Some of these controversial additions include a nutcracker resembling Adolf Hitler, or multiple nutcrackers that portray racial stereotypes. When asked about some of these nutcrackers, Wagner said the following.

“We’ve had a few complaints. People saying that we are racist and our answer to that is this is history. We have one carved in 1938 of Hitler. We have had complaints about that, but again, that’s history.”

The history of the nutcracker is something Wagner has an intimate knowledge of as well. She recalls how nutcracker collection became popular in the United States.

“Because of the ballet, and because many of the soldiers after the war were stationed over there (Europe) and they brought home nutcrackers as souvenirs.” Wagner later added, “it’s a custom for Americans to have at least one nutcracker at Christmas time.”

She believes that the old-fashioned tradition of cracking nuts by the fire should make a comeback.

“Well, it’s an activity that has long been gone and it’s a shame because it was such a tradition at Christmas time, always to sit around and crack nuts. That’s been taken away from us.”

If you would like to learn more about Arlene Wagner and her nutcracker museum, come check it out at 735 Front St, Leavenworth.



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Jan. 4: Cascade vs. Quincy; 5:45 p.m.



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**SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CHELAN COUNTY**

In the Matter of the Estate of JEFFREY S. SPEIDEL, Deceased. No. 21-4-00444-04 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: December 15, 2021 Personal Representative: Russell J. Speidel Attorney for the Personal Representative: David J. Bentsen Address for Mailing or Service: Speidel Bentsen LLP 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881 Wenatchee, WA 98807-0881 Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: County Superior Court Cause No. 21-4-00444-04 RUSSELL J. SPEIDEL Personal Representative Attorneys for Personal Representative: SPEIDEL BENTSEN LLP By: DAVID J. BENTSEN WSBA No. 42107 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881 Wenatchee, WA 98807. Published in The Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on December 15, 22, and 29, 2021. #3223

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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF CHELAN CHIWAWA COMMUNITIES ASSOCIATION, a Washington public benefit corporation, Plaintiff,**

**vs.**  
**KEVAN ARTHURS, a Washington state citizen and resident; BEAVER VALLEY ELECTRICAL LLC, a Washington limited liability company, Defendants.**  
NO. 21-2-00467-04  
**SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION (20 DAYS)**  
To the Defendants KEVAN ARTHURS, and BEAVER VALLEY ELECTRICAL LLC: A lawsuit has been started against you in the above-entitled court by CHIWAWA COMMUNITIES ASSOCIATION a Washington public benefit corporation, Plaintiff. Plaintiffs' claim is stated in the written Complaint, a copy of which is served upon you with this Summons.

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# Is your medicine cabinet stocked for flu season?

Flu season is here, so it's time to check my medicine cabinet. Do I have all my favorite remedies for fever, muscle aches, cough, stuffy nose, sinus pressure, and runny nose?

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**3. Aleve® for body aches.**

The influenza symptom that puts people flat on their back in bed or curled up on the sofa is severe muscle aches. Sometimes I swear that a ninja must have snuck in and attacked me in my sleep with their fighting sticks. Naproxen (Aleve®) is my go-to for muscle aches because each dose lasts 8-12 hours, twice as long as ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin-IB). I used to use ibuprofen, but I would wake up at 3:30 in the morning in discomfort when it wore off.

NSAIDs like naproxen and ibuprofen are often more effective for relieving body aches than acetaminophen. Unfortunately, they can cause stomach irritation, stomach bleeding and can harm your kidneys. Drink plenty of fluids when taking any NSAID to avoid kidney damage.

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night. I prefer using products with one single ingredient to mix and match my specific symptoms. My husband just wants something to "knock me out so I can get some rest."

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*Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy, is a 42-year veteran of pharmacology and author of Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How You Can Take Them Safely. Get clear answers to your medication questions at her website and blog TheMedicationInsider.com. ©2021 Louise Achey*

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**Public Notices**

**CITY OF CASHMERE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 1308**

On the 13 day of December, 2021 the City Council of the City of Cashmere, Washington passed Ordinance No. 1308. A summary of the content provides as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CASHMERE, WASHINGTON, ADDING A NEW SECTION 13.10.035 TO THE CASHMERE MUNICIPAL CODE, CONFIRMING THE CITY IS THE EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER OF WATER WITHIN THE CITY; DECLARING A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Effective immediately. A copy of the full text of this ordinance is available at Cashmere City Hall or will be mailed to you upon your request to Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer, City of Cashmere, 101 Woodring Street, Cashmere, WA 98815. Published in The Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on December 22, 2021. #3255

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37. Camel debris  
38. Japanese sword fighting  
39. Was aware of  
40. Come into sight  
42. "Independence Day": "I belong in the \_\_\_\_"  
43. "The Dark Knight": "Why so \_\_\_\_?"  
45. Common allergen  
47. Cup alternative  
48. Bird-made fertilizer  
50. Sketch  
52. "On the Waterfront": "I coulda been a \_\_\_\_"

56. El Dorado-related  
57. Tabernacle Choir's home state  
58. Contributed  
59. Star Wars attacker  
60. Unidentified aircraft  
61. Prep for publication  
62. Ladder step  
63. Tropical American cuckoo

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**64. Part to play DOWN**

1. Precedes storm?  
2. Soprano's song, e.g.  
3. "Mean Girls": "On Wednesdays, we wear \_\_\_\_"  
4. Makes smooth, as in hair  
5. Dutch cheese  
6. "Darkest Hour": "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and \_\_\_\_"  
7. \_\_\_\_ Walker, American Girl doll  
8. "Field of Dreams": "If you build it, he \_\_\_\_"

9. Related  
10. Deity, in Sanskrit  
11. "... \_\_\_\_ he drove out of sight"  
13. Fungus damage (2 words)  
14. Meryl Streep's "The \_\_\_\_"  
19. Supernatural life force, pl.  
22. Query  
23. "Who Framed Roger Rabbit": "That's all, \_\_\_\_!"  
24. Cûtes du \_\_\_\_, wine region  
25. Mideast V.I.P.  
26. Soreness  
27. Kidney-related  
28. "Princess Bride": "You killed my father. Prepare \_\_\_\_"  
29. Bound by oath  
32. "Lights out" tune  
33. Nile reptile  
36. "Finding Nemo": "Just keep \_\_\_\_"  
38. Danish money  
40. Two before Oct  
41. Lack of enthusiasm  
44. 1/16th of a pound  
46. Not two years but three, e.g.  
48. Coped (2 words)  
49. Freshwater eel, in Japan  
50. Comics character Little \_\_\_\_  
51. Fe  
52. Caribbean island country  
53. Carpenter's joint  
54. Like a fairytale stepmother?  
55. Network of nerves  
56. Acronym, abbr.

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### FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSIONER CALLS IT QUILTS

By JOHN KRUSE

Dr. Fred Koontz, appointed to the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission at the beginning of the year, abruptly tendered his resignation on December 13th. Koontz was a curious choice to fill this position by Governor Jay Inslee because his background was working at Woodland Park Zoo in Seattle and the Bronx Zoo in New York and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife doesn't manage any giraffes, elephants or tigers.

Koontz earned the ire of hunters across the state in November after voting against a spring bear hunt WDFW staff recommended going forward with. There are an estimated 19,000 to 25,000 bears in Washington and the permit only hunt generally results in some 150 harvested animals. According to WDFW, the hunt is helpful in reducing human-bear conflicts and also reduces predation of young deer fawns and elk calves.

However, during a public comment period anti-hunters came out in force and spoke out, stating the hunt was cruel and hunters were targeting sows with young cubs even though WDFW staff responded, stating only one lactating sow with cubs had been harvested the previous year. Koontz's "No" vote, along with three other commissioners (Barbara Baker, Lorna Smith and Larry Carpenter) prevented the annual hunt from going forward in 2022.

Koontz further alienated himself from both hunters and conservationists during a recent briefing the Commission

received about the elk herd in the Blue Mountains of Washington. Managed to be a herd of 5500 animals, the herd this year is at a 30-year low of only 3600 elk and the numbers are poised to go lower. The main reason? Predation of elk calves by cougars and to a lesser extent, bears. WDFW staff reported of 125 elk calves radio collared this spring in the Blue Mountains, only 11 remained alive at the end of November and 77 of them were killed by predators.

In response to this briefing, Koontz stated, "I don't know how much of a crisis it really is" and suggested managing the herd at a level of 4500 animals instead of its objective level of 5500 elk. Koontz's sentiment was echoed by Lorna Smith, who pushed back at the thought of managing predators and instead recommended less elk hunting.

Angry and astonished outdoors media professionals, conservation organizations and hunters immediately took Koontz and Smith to task. Andy Walgamott, Editor of Northwest Sportsman Magazine, detailed some of the public comments made to the Commission at their December 3rd meeting.

One of the speakers quoted in Walgamott's article was Tino Villaluz, the wildlife program manager for the Swinomish Indian Community. He said both Koontz and Smith showed a "wanton disregard of the wildlife profession." Villaluz also accused the two commissioners of showing a bias against ungulates and went on to tell them "The arbitrary protection of predators cannot continue."

Brian Lynn, a resident of Eastern Washington and the Vice President of Marketing

for the Sportsman's Alliance, told me in a recent radio interview that both Koontz and Smith clearly show a bias against hunting and questioned whether they understood the science behind wildlife management or were just denying the science presented to them to support their own positions. In his words, "Any way you slice it, they shouldn't be in charge of making decisions that govern the method and means of take and of hunting in the state."

With Koontz's departure there are two vacancies on the nine-member commission. In addition to Koontz's at-large position an Eastern Washington position has been left unfilled after well-known angler and outdoors media personality Dave Graybill completed his term as a commissioner at the end of 2020.

Reaching out to Governor Inslee's office as to when these vacancies will be filled, Deputy

Communications Manager Mike Faulk responded there is no firm timeline to fill the vacant seats but the Governor's office will, "continue to work with our partners to identify and appoint strong candidates to these positions."

It appears only three of the remaining seven commissioners identify as anglers or hunters through their posted biographies at the WDFW website, even though much of WDFW's role is about providing sustainable recreational opportunities for fishing and hunting and setting regulations for these pursuits. Asked whether the next commissioners would be hunters and/or anglers Faulk responded, "We will consider anyone who's qualified but I don't think it would be appropriate to limit who would be eligible for consideration."

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Dr. Fred Koontz

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### Public Hearing

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holding this hearing."

Mikael Martinez and Phillip Vallerand subsequently testified on Kelso's behalf.

"I perceived aggravation from staff throughout the meeting as why they needed to explain the reasoning denying Mr. Vallerand's permit that had been submitted," Martinez said. "We were at a point in the meeting where the conversation was very intense and the tone in the voices were becoming defensive from both sides."

Martinez recalled when Young stated that he had been pushed around by other ADU applicants who unlawfully converted their

units for short-term rental purposes. She later said that Kelso's "you know who I am?" statement was taken out of context based on the general tone and atmosphere the meeting had.

Vallerand states that he was referred to Kelso's business Complete Design for the buildout of an addition on his farm unit. He claims that he hired Kelso to help him construct a guesthouse for his grandchildren. He also states that his first meeting with Kelso was during that joint meeting.

Vallerand was so upset by how Mr. Young treated him that he lost sleep the following night.

"The tone of Mr. Young was rude, condescending and angry," Vallerand said,

further adding that Young kept repeating "you guys are jacking me around."

Vallerand said that Young accused him of wanting to use his building unit for a short-term ADU, rather than an extra building for his grandchildren.

"How do you defend yourself against an accusation like that?"

He later claimed that Young told him "Don't bother appealing," and that it would be a waste of his time and money.

"If that's not the 'good ole boys club,' then I don't know what is."

Vallerand testified that Kelso's quote on "do you know who I am" was in context to Young repeatedly telling him and his team to read the code on ADUs and that it wasn't

used for a threat but rather as a matter of fact.

He also argues that Chelan County private property owners like himself do not have a lot of advocates outside of Kelso, stating that he (Kelso) can navigate the "nightmare bureaucracy" of the building department.

"The building department is despised by most of the people that I speak with as illustrated by an article that someone sent me from the Wenatchee World," Vallerand said. He later adds, "our permit took 93 days to reach a denial. I don't think you would find that acceptable. I lost my builder as a result of this."

The County Commissioners will reconvene on Dec. 27th to make a final decision on Ryan Kelso.

### School Board Meeting

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coming to school with a fully charged computer.

Standardized testing has given an indication of the pandemic's effect on core subject learning. For the Smarter Balance Assessment (SBA) in English, the 2018-19 percent of CHS students making standard was 78%, a few points above the state average. In 2020-21, the percentages were 71% for 9th graders and 65% for 11th graders. In math, the drop was more significant, going from 51% for CHS in 2018-19 (9 points above the state average) to 38% and 29% for 9th and 11th graders, respectively, in 2020-21. In response to this information, CHS is looking to hire math tutors to help afterschool and, perhaps in the future, hire a math intervention specialist, similar to the new position at Icicle River Middle School (IRMS).

The science standardized test, the WCAS, showed CHS students actually improved over the same time period, from 62% in 2018-19 to 73% and 76% for 9th and 11th graders in 2020-21. This speaks highly to the science department staff, who taught science concepts even while in-person labs were curtailed or altered during remote and hybrid education.

CHS staff work hard to have a graduation rate very close to 100% (most years it is in the mid 90's). Ala'ilima-Daley explained they reach out to students who aren't engaging,

and has occasionally offered an emergency waiver of a credit or two so struggling students have the best chances of graduating on time.

Returning activities, like the fall play and choir and band concerts have helped give a sense of normalcy to high school life. Fall sports also went well, and now winter sports are underway.

Despite being a relatively small school, CHS offers 90 credits for those students looking for advanced courses and/or college credit. This includes college in the classroom courses (affiliated with UW, Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University and Wenatchee Valley College), Advanced Placement classes and CTE certification courses, like those in fire science, culinary and digitools.

Ala'ilima-Daley said Katie Schmitt, the district social worker, who's based out of CHS, has been extremely busy given that some students and families have been facing various pandemic-related crises.

Ala'ilima-Daley ended his presentation thanking all CHS staff and also highlighting the administrative team, including assistant principal Rudy Joya, secretary Karen Feliciano and registrar Tim Barnes, who maintain a welcoming presence in the office.

Next, the school board heard about new tutoring funded by ESSR funds. At Peshastin Dryden Elementary, four teachers and one paraeducator

are now tutoring afterschool, focusing on reading and math. Later buses have been set up to accommodate those students staying for tutoring. As already mentioned, CHS is in the process of hiring math tutors from the community because staff were unable to add this.

Under personnel, the school board approved the hire of thirteen new staff and the resignation of one staff. The hires included four new bus drivers and also Lori Duncan to be the new director of transportation. Duncan was serving as the interim director, and Beckendorf-Edou praised Duncan for navigating challenging situations with grace.

There was some discussion in relation to the first reading of updated policy and procedure 3224, Student Dress. Beckendorf-Edou explained they received input from students, staff and parents and the changes are to make the dress code more equitable. The reasoning behind a dress code (a matrix was created in 2018) is to recognize a violation when it is disruptive to instruction. It needs updating now and then to be in alignment with the times.

There was a Healthy Start update as to where the district is with current health safety protocols. Beckendorf-Edou reminded the board that the district has implemented "Test to Stay," which is particularly helpful for unvaccinated students who are a close contact of someone who is COVID positive, allowing the

unvaccinated student to stay in school (with a modified quarantine) if they are cleared with negative tests. CSD was the first district in the region to utilize this strategy, and it improves equity of access to in-person learning.

Additionally, there was discussion about food services. At Alpine Lakes Elementary, students have been eating entirely outside with heaters. If they need to go inside due to inclement weather, it would require six different sessions of lunch due to spacing needs. At Peshastin Dryden Elementary, lunch is outside but breakfast is done in the gym with children spaced appropriately. Indoor spacing is less of an issue at IRMS and CHS, which have bigger common areas.

Under communications, Beckendorf-Edou shared that some bus routes which were merged in the past have been separated again, which is helpful for families, and the district has received notes of appreciation. Also, CTE director Kirk Sunitsch wrote a letter of appreciation for IRMS science teachers Jodie Tremberth and Kim Gilreath for their dedication to STEM and supporting the middle school Technology Students Association, which is hugely popular this year. Finally, longtime secretary at ALPS (and Osborn previously), Sonia Davenport, wrote a note of gratitude for her new colleague, Jocelyn Silva, who serves as a bilingual secretary.

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