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Newly paved Glacier Lot opens



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The Glacier Lot was closed for construction since May, and is now a paved pay-to-park lot with amenities.

By TAYLOR CALDWELL
Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – The City of Leavenworth celebrated the near-completion of the Glacier Lot with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Nov. 15. The lot is now open for parking, with construction remaining on the restroom facility.

“We’re going to get to open up [103] new stalls, just in time for a nice Christmas season,” said Mayor Carl Florea during the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The Glacier Lot, also known as the old DOT lot, was formerly an unpaved, free parking lot often used by commuting Stevens Pass employees, recreationists, and



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Parking Program Manager Shannon Lemons, Mayor Carl Florea, and Public Works Director Andi Zontek-Backstrum cut the ribbon on the new lot.

visitors. However, the upgraded lot is the next to become a pay-to-park lot. The hourly rate for parking is one dollar less per hour than the City’s pay-to-park lots closer to downtown Leavenworth.

“I think it’s great that the city is able to add [103] more parking spots that’ll bring in revenue for

the city...It’s been dirt for as long as I’ve lived here, so seeing it paved with actual stalls is really nice. I’m just excited for how great it looks, and the revenue that the parking fund will see from it,” said City Councilmember Shane Thayer.

Construction began in May to

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'Falastin! In the Valley! brings Palestinian culture and awareness to Leavenworth

By TAYLOR CALDWELL
Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH—Local residents and Palestinian Americans Anour Esa and Abde Elshafei are inviting the community to ‘Falastin! In the Valley: Palestinian Cultural Night and Gaza Benefit Event,’ an evening on November 23 dedicated to celebrating Palestinian culture, raising awareness, and supporting those affected by the crisis in Gaza.

“There are other Palestinians that live here in Leavenworth, and many in the Wenatchee Valley. And I don’t know that a lot of people know that, and many of us have been directly impacted by the genocide in Gaza, and not only that, but by the occupation of Palestine, you know, our families are impacted,” said Elshafei.

The benefit, held at the Sleeping Lady Mountain Resort’s Chapel Theater, will feature authentic Palestinian cuisine prepared by Chef Micah Windham in collaboration with Esa and Elshafei.

Attendees will also get to experience live traditional Palestinian music in addition to music from the Arab world. The Seattle-based Jafra Dabke Team will perform a traditional Palestinian dance called dabke, and will lead a group dance.

“There’s so much darkness and hate in the world right now,” said Esa. “One of the things that I love about being Palestinian is we love life, and we live colorfully and passionately, filled with good food, good music, dance...I think what we wanted to do was really bring some of that joy and light and life to Leavenworth through the lens of Palestine and also, in the same stroke, bring awareness too,” said Esa.

While the event is free to attend, the organizers will raise money for United Palestine Appeal, a nonprofit organization that supports Palestinians through emergency relief and programs in health, education, community, and economic development. The evening will also include remarks by the organization and local residents.

“What we’ve found across the Palestinian American community is we have to take space. We have to celebrate. We have to continue to live life and be ourselves, while also holding people accountable and obviously raising money and supporting whatever the ways we can,” said Esa.

The idea for the event sparked over the summer, when Esa, a recent Leavenworth transplant, recognized

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Leavenworth residents push back on county's proposed short-term rental code changes

By TAYLOR CALDWELL
Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE – Dozens of Leavenworth-area residents voiced concerns about potential changes to the county’s short-term rental (STR) code at the Chelan County Planning Commission public hearing on Nov. 13. Proposed changes include removing the cap on STRs, altering occupancy limits for children, and eliminating affordable housing language from the purpose statement.

Per the recommendation of the Chelan County Board of Commissioners (BOCC), the Planning Commission is revisiting portions of the county’s STR code, which was adopted in July 2021 in order to

establish the operating standards of the county’s STR industry. The Planning Commission and BOCC have been deliberating over the proposed changes since August.

“This process seems to be expedited. I am not sure why, but I do know it reduces engagement and analysis. I encourage the county to revisit the results of those studies, the public engagement meetings, and the task force deliberations, particularly for the cap on the tier two STRs,” said Bob Bugert, a former County Commissioner who worked on the original document.

Among Lake Wenatchee, Plain and Leavenworth residents, Leavenworth City Councilmember Zeke Reister and Mayor Carl Florea expressed their concerns at



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Many residents from all over the county attended in person and via Zoom, but a majority who spoke were from the Leavenworth area.

the hearing, urging the Planning Commission to take their time and consider the consequences of raising or removing the caps.

“We are fighting to keep a

community. We’re in danger of just becoming a resort. We don’t want that,” said Florea.

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City Council welcomes new member, prepares for Village of Lights

By TAYLOR CALDWELL
Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – After canceling its Oct. 22 meeting due to a lack of quorum, Leavenworth City Council had a packed agenda on Nov. 12.

First, new City Councilmember Mike Bedard was sworn into office. Bedard was recently appointed by the City Council to fill the number four seat left vacant by Rhona Baron, who resigned due to health reasons.

During the meeting, the City Council approved a number of contracts for traffic control pertaining to the Village of Lights:

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City Councilmember Mike Bedard was sworn in by City Clerk Andrea Fischer.

2024 Temporary Parking Restrictions

To increase public safety and provide accessible routes for emergency service vehicles, temporary parking restrictions will be added to the following roadways on select dates as highlighted below:

NO PARKING BOTH SIDES

- Pine St (Fir St to Ski Hill Dr)
- Ski Hill Dr (Evans St to Pine St)
- Evans St (Ski Hill Dr to Hwy 2)
- Commercial St (Division St to 14th St)

November: 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31

December: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31

NOTE: Parking restrictions are subject to change. Existing parking restrictions along city roadways remain in effect. All parking restrictions will be strictly enforced. Visitors may be subject to fines, vehicles in violation of parking restrictions will be towed at owner's expense.

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- No Parking BOTH Sides
- No Left Turn

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Parking restrictions will be in place Friday through Sunday, starting Nov. 29 through Dec. 29, to allow for emergency access.

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Holiday Market at Pybus

Pybus Market will host their Holiday Market November 22-24 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

For more information, visit ground-control-wenatchee.com.

Fowl Play 5k

For more information, visit pybuspublicmarket.org.

Friendly Feud

Ground Control will host Friendly Feud on Friday, November 22, from 7-10:30 p.m.

"Gather your friends and unleash your competitive spirit with Friendly Feud, an exciting game that takes bar trivia to a whole new level," the event page states. "This interactive experience pairs the thrill of classic game shows with lively conversation and laughter."

Teams of five will compete to guess the best answers to fun and quirky questions.

For more information and to register, visit <https://cascadecrosscountry.weebly.com/fowl-play-5k.html>.

Festival of Spirits

The Numerica Performing Arts Center will host the Festival of Spirits on Thursday, November 21, from 5 to 8 p.m.

"This cocktail competition features six of the area's best local restaurants and bars competing for the Best Holiday Cocktail - and the guests are the ones to vote for the winners," the event page states. "This is the opening night of the Numerica Festival of Trees, so attendees get the first chance to view the Grand Trees, Mini Trees, Wreaths, and more - participate in the Silent Auction and enter to win raffles."

For more information, visit numericapac.org.

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THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK

FWL PLAY 5K FUN RUN

Village of Lights

The Village of Lights will return to Leavenworth on Thanksgiving Day and run until the end of February.

"Every winter Leavenworth shines bright with over half a million lights 6 a.m. until 11 p.m. each day from Thanksgiving thru the last day

of February," the event page states. "There is no charge to visit Leavenworth and see the lights, so make your plans to visit our beautiful Bavarian Alpine Village - it's like living inside a magical snow globe."

For more information, visit leavenworth.org.

The strength in vulnerability, embracing our shared challenges

North Central Washington has always been a place where strength is measured in visible metrics: the size of the harvest, the height of the dam, the acres of orchards, the megawatts generated. Our region prides itself on tangible achievements, on the concrete ways we've shaped the Columbia Basin into one of the most productive agricultural regions in the world.

Yet beneath this veneer of achievement and self-sufficiency runs a deeper current of interdependence that we rarely acknowledge. Our orchards depend on irrigation districts working in concert. Our power grid relies on countless workers

coordinating across hundreds of miles. Our communities survive wildfire seasons through mutual aid and shared resources.

This push and pull between independence and interconnection defines us. We celebrate the rugged individualism of our pioneers while knowing that no barn was ever raised alone, no orchard planted without helping hands, no wildfire fought by a single crew.

The challenges facing our region today - from water rights to affordable housing, from agricultural succession

to climate adaptation - cannot be solved in isolation. They demand a new kind of strength: the courage to admit we don't have all the answers individually, and the wisdom to seek them collectively.

In our small towns and rural communities, vulnerability has often been seen as weakness, something to overcome or hide away. Yet paradoxically, it might be our greatest untapped resource for building stronger communities and fostering genuine solutions to shared problems.

The orchardist who admits uncertainty about the future of

family farming opens the door for crucial conversations about agricultural preservation. The young family expressing their struggle to find affordable housing in Leavenworth or Chelan creates space for community-wide discussions about sustainable growth. The rancher voicing concerns about water availability leads to innovative approaches to conservation.

What if we reimaged vulnerability not as a liability, but as a bridge? What if we saw our shared challenges not as threats to our independence, but as opportunities to strengthen the connections that have always been the true foundation of our regional resilience?

As we face unprecedented changes in our landscape, economy, and way of life, perhaps this is the moment to recognize that our individual strength grows when we acknowledge our shared vulnerability. After all, the mighty Columbia itself draws its power not from any single tributary, but from countless streams flowing together.

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From the Publisher

TERRY WARD

Chelan County Sheriff's Report

This report is compiled from records provided by the Chelan County Sheriff's Office and RiverCom. The publisher cannot certify the complete accuracy of the information provided.



Nov 8

0:21:06 Trespass, 9073 Us Hwy 2; Dryden Tran
8:38:24 Civil, 225 Prospect St, Leavenworth
10:17:37 Trespass, 9073 Us Hwy 2; Dryden Tran
11:24:00 Civil, 143 Amas Pl, Peshastin, Wa
11:47:59 Traffic Offense, Chumstick Hwy & Merry Canyon

14:43:14 Suspicious, 500blk Pine St, Leavenworth
16:56:11 Domestic Distur, 130 Fish Pond Ln, Lake Wen
17:48:01 Assist Public, 11642 River Bend Dr, Leave
00:12:07 Accident Injury, 105 Evans St, Leavenworth,
20:28:01 Suspicious, 10851 Chumstick Hwy, Leave
21:05:36 Domestic Distur, 117 Commercial St, Leavenw

21:32:06 Liquor Violation, 18455 Us Hwy 2, Lake Wenat
22:02:41 Suspicious, 24603 Spur St, Plain, Wa
23:05:10 Noise, 9400blk E Leavenworth Rd,

Nov 9

0:12:07 Accident Injury, 105 Evans St, Leavenworth, Lv
11:26:26 Trespass, 110 Icicle Rd# Ofc:Rother Lv
17:04:13 Theft, 1216 Commercial St# 3, Le Lv
18:12:40 AtL/Atc, Snow Lakes Th, Leavenworth 6
21:57:08 Trespass, 7272 Deadman Hill Rd, Dryd 6
22:36:32 Welfare Check, 16079 River Rd, Plain, Wa 1
23:48:25 Dui, Us Hwy 2 & 12th St, Leaven Lv

Nov 10

7:36:57 Animal Problem, 400blk

Peshastin Mill
17:33:26 Assist Public, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy,
18:30:30 Traffic Offense, Us Hwy 2 & Ski Hill Dr, Le
19:27:35 Traffic Offense, Mill St & Us Hwy 2, Leaven
21:46:33 Assist Public, 3300 Us Hwy 97; Blu Shastin
21:58:01 Suspicious, 10851 Chumstick Hwy, Leave
22:06:39 Animal Problem, Us Hwy 2 & River Bend Dr,
22:48:00 Trespass, 116 River Bend Dr; Safeway

Nov 11

0:51:25 Suspicious, 3261 Hansel Ln, Peshastin,
1:51:27 Assist Agency, 3199 Allen Ln, Peshastin,
3:52:51 Trespass, 505 Us Hwy 2; Icicle
4:17:36 Hazard, 10395 Chumstick Hwy;
9:34:25 Hazard, Us Hwy 2 Mp 97; Area, Lea
13:32:23 Abuse, 19055 Gill Creek Rd, Lake
13:35:39 Burglary, 843 Front St; The Loft Bar
14:28:34 Welfare Check, 9961

School St, Peshastin,
14:39:49 Trespass, 16974 River Rd, Plain, Wa
15:54:00 Trespass, 11122 Merry Canyon Rd, Lea
16:02:50 Hazard, Icicle Rd Mp 4; 1/2, Leave
16:41:20 Property, 911 Commercial St# A; Ble
17:29:59 Suspicious, 9556 E Leavenworth Rd; Tub
18:20:13 Burglary, 3261 Hansel Ln, Peshastin,
23:10:32 Assist Public, 116 River Bend Dr; Safeway
23:17:07 Trespass, 7272 Deadman Hill Rd, Dryd

Nov 12

0:51:25 Suspicious, 3261 Hansel Ln, Peshastin,
1:51:27 Assist Agency, 3199 Allen Ln, Peshastin,
7:39:08 Accident No Inj, 17700blk Chumstick Hwy, Le
7:50:17 Accident No Inj, Chumstick Hwy Mp 7, Leaven
9:55:41 Alarm, 12622 Agape Hill Rd, Leave

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Cascade Medical Foundation receives \$10,000 grant for Mobile Healthcare Initiative

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LEAVENWORTH — Cascade Medical Foundation has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Confluence Health and Wenatchee Valley Medical Group Community Partnership Fund.

The grant, jointly funded by Confluence Health and the Wenatchee Valley Medical Group (WVMG), will support the purchase of a vehicle for Cascade Medical's new Mobile Integrated Health program. The funding is administered through the Community Foundation of North Central Washington, which oversees annual distributions of up to \$500,000 for health and wellness, education, and arts and culture initiatives across Chelan, Douglas, Grant, and Okanogan counties.

The Mobile Integrated Health program, scheduled to be operational by year's end, aims to extend healthcare services directly to patients' homes. The initiative will deploy EMTs and paramedics in a specially equipped all-wheel-drive vehicle, complete with lights and sirens for emergency response capabilities.

"We are so grateful to be receiving this generous grant

from Confluence Health and Wenatchee Valley Medical Group through their Community Partnership Fund!" said Cascade Medical Foundation Chairperson Shannon Keller. "These funds will help us purchase a vehicle for Cascade Medical's new Mobile Integrated Healthcare program, bringing quality care to our rural community."

The program targets elderly patients, individuals with chronic conditions, and those with limited mobility. Services will include educational support and clinical assistance for chronic condition management, with the goal of reducing hospital readmissions and improving health outcomes within the hospital district.

Eligible grant applicants must be either a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, public agency, or public school serving the four-county region. The annual application period runs from June 1 to July 31.

For additional information about the grant program, interested organizations can contact Jennifer Short, director of community grants at the Community Foundation, at jennifer.s@cfncw.org or (509) 663-7716. Grant applications are available at cfncw.org/CommunityPartnershipGrant.

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Community Calendar

Wednesday

Children and Youth Program, 6:30-8 p.m., 4th-12th grade, Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene, 509-548-5292.
Alpine Water District, meets at the Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue, 1 p.m. Contact Anne Mueller, 425-238-3935.
Ukulele Circle, 5:30- 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get sheet music.
Senior Center, Lunch, noon, \$8 per meal

Thursday

Leavenworth Lions Club, Meetings are 1st Thurs. at 6:30pm and 3rd Thurs. at 9 am at Kristalls Restaurant. For more info contact president Tony Maffey at (509)470-6743.
Peshastin Community Council meeting, 7 p.m. Peshastin Memorial Hall. (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.)
Parkinson's Support Group Mountain Meadows Assisted Living 320 Park Avenue Leavenworth, WA 98826. Event Date, Last Thursday of every month, time 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Contact Cascade Medical 509-548-3420 x 3873
Find strength in community. Join our People with Parkinson's Support Group for valuable connections, shared experiences, and support. Navigate challenges, celebrate victories, and empower each other on this journey. You are not alone. Join us.

Friday

Veteran Service Office, For information contact Tony Sandoval, 509-664-6801 or email: tony.sandoval@co.chelan.wa.us
Leavenworth Rotary Club, in person at Kristall's Restaurant at Noon. Call President Mahala Murphy-Martin, 206-227-1576, for more information.
Senior Center: Bingo 6 p.m. Call 509-548-6666. Facebook & website: leavenworthseniors@gmail.com

Monday

Upper Valley Free Clinic, open every Monday to evaluate urgent health needs. Downstairs at Cascade Medical, 6:30 -8:00 p.m. Call UVMEND, 509-548-0408 for more information.
Leavenworth Mosquito District board meeting 1st & 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm via ZOOM link posted at https://leavenworthmosquitocontrol.org/notices-updates/
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, Monthly meeting and luncheon 1st Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday). \$21. for lunch, \$8. for sitting only. 11 a.m. check in starts, noon for meeting and speaker. Wenatchee Convention Center 121 N. Wenatchee Ave. For information and reservations, please call, Angela Dye, President, 509-668-1105 (1st Mon.)

Tuesday

Peshastin Water District, 5:30 p.m. For meeting location, contact Steve Keene, 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)
Iceicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts Meeting Current meeting time is 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or levi.ipid@nwi.net (2nd 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.)
The Chelan County Cemetery District #2 (Peshastin) meets monthly at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)
Senior Center, Exercise, 11 a.m.-Noon. Tues & Thurs. 509-548-6666. Facebook & Website: leavenworthseniors@gmail.com
Greater Leavenworth Museum board meeting 5-7 p.m. Everyone is invited as a guest. Contact info@leavenworthmuseum.org for meeting information. (1st Tues.)

NCW Libraries

Libraries will continue to offer a wide variety of resources and programs online at ncwlibraries.org and its Facebook page. Go to NCWLIBRARIES.ORG or 1-800-426-READ (7323) for more information, and updates.
Leavenworth Public Library. Located at 700 Hwy. 2, Call 509-548-7923 or online leavenworth@ncwlibraries.org Open on Tues., 10-5, Wed., 11-6, Thurs., 10-7, Fri., 10-5 Sat., 10-2. Closed Sun. and Mon.
Peshastin Public Library. Located at 8396 Main St. Call (509) 548-7821 or email peshastin@ncwlibraries.org. Open on Tues., 2-6pm, Wed., 2-6pm. Thurs., 10am-6pm, Fri., 10am-6pm, Sat., 10am-2pm, closed Sun. and Mon.

Other events

The Greater Leavenworth Museum, is open daily from 11-4, except Thanksgiving and Christmas. Check their Facebook page or website at 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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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. **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.

OBITUARY

Calvin A Blackburn



Calvin A Blackburn Jr, 86, of Leavenworth, WA passed away in his home November 4, 2024 with family by his side. Cal was born December 25, 1937 in Bozeman Montana to the late Calvin Arthur Blackburn Sr. and Ovidia Elizabeth Genevieve Lindston Blackburn. Cal grew up in Montana and traveled with his parents and older brother James Blackburn to many destinations including California and Texas. As a young boy he started drawing maps of his trips which was the start of his future in surveying. His father Cal Sr worked in the Baxter hotel in Bozeman and ran a cafeteria then in 1952 they moved to Wenatchee, Washington. After several temporary locations they landed on Walla Walla Avenue with his parents and grandfather Ed Lindston who built the barn that still stands today and is used

by the Wenatchee Row and Paddle Club. After attending Wenatchee High School from 1953 to 1957 he worked at the parts department of Joe Welty Ford garage where he met his future wife Mary Arleen Sanderson who was there getting parts for the car she shared with her sister Joan Sanderson. They were married November 27, 1957 and moved to Leavenworth, WA, he supported all of the community function's that Arleen was a part of and a devoted husband, where he started his career with the US Forest Service. He retired after 40 years of surveying and engineering forest roads throughout the Wenatchee National Forest and a short stint as fire guard in Stehekin, WA. He was an active member of the Leavenworth community participating in the development of the Bavarian themed town, building floats for

the region wide parades, donning elf attire for Christmas celebrations, and weather permitting would flood the little league baseball field making it a community skating rink. With his skills as an engineer, wood carver, and stone sculpture he engineered the redevelopment of the 20 meter Leavenworth Winter Sports ski jump, carved many of the local business signs including Motteler building shops and Der Sportsman, and created many soapstone sculptures for Forest Service retirement gifts. His civic involvement was also beneficial in times of need when he was communications tech for wildfire crews, volunteered with Leavenworth fire department for 19 years, and ran fire crew flight logistics at Moses Lake airport.
 Cal and Arleen are survived by 2 daughters

and 2 sons Cindy Blackburn Puckett (Jeff), John Calvin Blackburn (Julie), Sandra Cox (Blackburn), Patrick Gregg Blackburn, 10 grandchildren, 1 brother Udell James Blackburn of Cashmere, and 5 cousins, many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years Mary Arleen Blackburn (Sanderson).
 Cal's life will be celebrated 11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 23, 2024 at Leavenworth Church of Nazarene, 111 Ski Hill Drive. In lieu of flowers those who would like to may donate to the Cal Blackburn Rocks Geologic Scholarship fund link (<https://cbrgs.org>)

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¡La Chispa! bilingual workshop inspires Latino middle schoolers across the region



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¡La Chispa! facilitator Irvin Enriquez speaks to middle school students about college opportunities for undocumented students.



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CHS Mentor Jeffry Palacios shares the necessary commitments needed to succeed in high school.

By **TAYLOR CALDWELL**
Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – Cascade High School hosted middle school Latino students from all over the region to participate in a leadership workshop called ¡La Chispa! (the spark). “It’s all about, first of all, getting to know one another, but also getting to know themselves, and seeing that everyone has leadership potential,” said Cascade High School Counselor Meche Grace. The bilingual workshop, through shared experiences and activities, helps students build self-confidence, strengthen their cultural

identity, and increase their academic success. “What we’re trying to do is make sure that we’re giving them that push so they can see that they do have culture, they do have roots, and they matter,” said ¡La Chispa! facilitator Irvin Enriquez. ¡La Chispa! Facilitators aim to “spark” interest in education by inspiring students to challenge themselves, revealing their strengths, and educating them on the necessary requirements for graduation as well as resources available for secondary education. “Some students come in with a ‘whatever’ attitude, I’m

too cool for school,’ and seeing them come up to me at the end of the workshop and telling me, ‘What you said inspired me, what you said connected with me. What you said is me’... That, for me, is the most satisfying,” said Enriquez. The workshop is also conducted in Spanish and English, promoting the value of being able to speak, read, and write two languages. “When you are bilingual and biliterate, and then you go and apply for a job in the future, you have twice the chances of getting that job just because you are bilingual. So for these kids, knowing that being bilingual is important and the

value of it, and for them to realize that they’re unique, it’s huge,” said Jesus Sandoval, Multilingual Learner Teacher and Migrant Graduation Support Specialist at Icele River Middle School (IRMS). Seventeen Cascade High School students received three weeks of training to serve as mentors to the middle school students from IRMS, Pinnacles Prep, Chelan Middle School, and Cashmere Middle School during the workshop. They shared their own experiences and knowledge, while leading small groups in activities. “For me, I feel like I got to interact with kids. I got to understand the different

levels, because there were different grades... And I also just got to learn more about my culture too, like how they were explaining all the benefits that we can get in school. I think that was really cool,” said 11th grader and mentor Michelle Perez. As a mentor, Perez had the opportunity to witness her brother’s experience participating in the workshop as a middle schooler. “I think this serves my brother, and [it’s] also exposing him to more of our culture, because I feel like living in a city that’s more white predominant, you know, I think it’s kind of sometimes

hard, and he forgets. So, I feel like it’s letting him remember where he came from... It’s a way for him to express it,” said Perez. The ¡La Chispa! Bilingual Workshops are delivered by the student leadership program of the Association of Washington School Principals (AWSP). The Association of Washington Student Leaders (AWSL) began its bilingual outreach in 2004 with a high school leadership camp called La Cima, (the summit). ¡La Chispa! is facilitated by La Cima staff.
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Plain Valley Nordic Team raises over \$35,000 at annual fundraiser

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PLAIN - The Plain Valley Nordic Team (PVNT) raised \$36,517.56 at their annual fundraiser on November 3 at Wildflower Restaurant, combining both online and live fundraising efforts. The organization collaborates with local landowners to maintain 25km of daily groomed ski trails at Plain Valley Ski Trails. Net proceeds from trail pass sales, donations, and grants directly support PVNT’s youth ski

education programs. Founded in 2015 with five participants, PVNT has expanded to serve over 120 children through year-round programs. The organization provides equipment, travel assistance, and scholarships for barrier-free access to skiing. The program includes four levels of learning for ages 2 through 18. PVNT’s programming includes adult ski clinics and the Plain Valley Adventure Women (PVAW) program. PVAW offers summer and winter activities focused on

environmental exploration, arts, and outdoor skill development. The organization’s mission is to create and sustain a high-quality ski trail system serving the community and funding barrier-free ski educational programs that motivate individual and team achievement. *Season passes for 2024-25 are currently available for purchase at www.skiplain.com/passes, with proceeds supporting the youth ski education program.*



COURTESY OF PLAIN VALLEY NORDIC TEAM/TOM CROYA
Members of the Plain Valley Nordic Team and community supporters gather at Wildflower Restaurant during the organization’s annual fundraiser on November 3, 2024, which raised \$36,517.56 for youth ski education programs. The event supports PVNT’s mission of providing barrier-free access to skiing for over 120 local children through equipment, travel assistance, and scholarships.

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Amazon opens new delivery station in NCW

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EAST WENATCHEE — Amazon has opened a new delivery station in the Wenatchee area, expanding the e-commerce company's logistics network in North Central Washington.

The facility, designated WWG5, is located at 3485 N.E. Trident Way in East Wenatchee and will serve customers throughout the Wenatchee Valley and surrounding areas. The delivery station is expected to create hundreds of local jobs offering competitive wages and comprehensive benefits packages, including health,

vision, and dental insurance. "We are thrilled to open this new delivery station in Wenatchee, which will enhance the speed and reliability of our services for customers across the region while creating valuable job opportunities," said Easton Craft, Manager of Economic Development Policy at Amazon. "Our team is committed to being an engaged partner in the Wenatchee Valley, working with local organizations to ensure that the benefits of this facility extend well beyond delivery efficiency and into long-term economic growth for the community."

Local legislators have

welcomed the development's impact on regional employment and economic growth. State Senator Brad Hawkins (District 12) helped facilitate Amazon's expansion into the area. "I'm very excited that Amazon selected the Wenatchee Valley for its next delivery station," Hawkins said. "This facility will put a lot of people to work, improve deliveries to local businesses and families, and help grow and diversify our regional economy. As our State Senator, I was excited to connect with the Amazon team early on about this opportunity, and I thank the Regional Port, Douglas County

Commissioners, and others for helping to make this happen. This is an awesome step forward for our region." Senator Shelly Short of the 7th Legislative District spoke about the facility's workforce development plans. "Amazon's delivery station in Wenatchee is more than an economic boost; it's an investment in our local talent," Short said. "I commend Amazon for offering job opportunities that come with educational benefits, which provide a sustainable way for employees to grow and thrive. This facility will support not only Wenatchee but also nearby communities by fostering career advancement and strengthening our regional



COURTESY OF AMAZON
An Amazon Prime delivery van outside a home reflects the company's expansion into the Wenatchee Valley with its new delivery station, which aims to enhance service across North Central Washington.

workforce." The opening adds to Amazon's investment in Washington state's economic infrastructure, with the company stating the facility will enhance delivery speeds while creating economic opportunities for the Wenatchee Valley region.

East Wenatchee deploys nation's first hydrogen-powered patrol vehicle



COURTESY OF CITY OF EAST WENATCHEE
Officials gather with East Wenatchee's new hydrogen-powered Toyota Mirai police vehicle, believed to be the first hydrogen fuel cell police car in the nation.

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EAST WENATCHEE — The East Wenatchee Police Department has become what officials believe is the first law enforcement agency in the nation to deploy a hydrogen-powered police vehicle, following an interlocal agreement with Douglas County Public Utility District. The partnership, which includes collaboration with the Bonneville Environmental Foundation and Toyota, introduces a 2019 Toyota Mirai hydrogen fuel cell vehicle into the department's fleet under a four-year lease agreement. The initiative emerged after Douglas County PUD received four used Toyota Mirai vehicles through a Toyota grant program designed to demonstrate renewable hydrogen's potential as a clean fuel

alternative. "We're excited to explore the viability of hydrogen fuel cells in our community and encourage other agencies with fleet vehicles to consider adding hydrogen-powered cars to their operations," said Gary Ivory, General Manager of Douglas PUD. "The East Wenatchee Police Department's use of the Mirai will provide valuable real-world data to help us understand the practical benefits and challenges of hydrogen technology as we continue to expand its use." The agreement ensures that hydrogen fuel costs will not exceed current fuel prices, with an automatic renewal option following the initial four-year term. The arrangement builds upon previous collaborative efforts between the two agencies, including a 2023 electric fleet

vehicle infrastructure pilot project. "Our department drives more miles than the PUD, so this is an ideal chance to learn from our experience. We're eager to see how hydrogen-powered vehicles perform in a law enforcement setting and help refine the integration of hydrogen fuel cells into our operations," Chief Johnson said. The department has already experienced success with alternative fuel vehicles. "We've already seen significant success with the Ford Lightning EV truck," Chief Johnson said. "It costs about \$3 per shift to charge, compared to \$50-\$70 per shift for traditional fuel. These types of opportunities help us explore new options that are both cost-effective and environmentally sustainable." "We value our relationship with Douglas County PUD and together we're making important strides that will help improve efficiency and reduce our environmental impact, paving the way for a brighter future for our community," said Mayor Crawford. The initiative coincides with ongoing construction of a renewable hydrogen production facility near Baker Flats, scheduled to begin commercial production in the first quarter of 2025. The facility is expected to produce hydrogen from renewable resources, contributing to maintenance cost reduction at the Wells Hydroelectric Project. *The City of East Wenatchee, incorporated in 1935, stands as Douglas County's largest municipality and is historically significant as the landing site of Miss Veedol, the first nonstop trans-Pacific flight.*

WA Supreme Court weighs controversial step to solve public defense crisis

By JERRY CORNFELD
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - Supporters and opponents of a proposal to slash public defender caseloads in Washington made their closing arguments to the state Supreme Court on Wednesday, November 14. For two hours, justices listened to speakers weigh in on a request to amend the Supreme Court's standards for indigent defense by trimming the number of cases public defense attorneys handle each year by up to two-thirds. This was the second and final public hearing on changes first put forth by the Washington State Bar Association. Justices will consider the testimony and trove of public comments

submitted in recent weeks before deciding what, if any action to take. They next meet Dec. 4. "I don't know if we'll be taking action or not in that time frame," Chief Justice Steven Gonzalez said at the close of the hearing. "But you'll hear more from us as we decide on the process from here." There's a shortage of public defenders in Washington. Supporters contend that large caseloads and low pay are driving people out of public defense and deterring new lawyers from entering the profession. The proposed standards address one part of the equation. "When we issued standards last time, it helped us retain people. These standards will

help us recruit," said Jason Schwarz, director of the Snohomish County Office of Public Defense and chair of the Washington State Bar Association's Council on Public Defense. In counties where the lack of public defenders is most pronounced, those accused of crimes, but unable to afford a lawyer, wait long periods before receiving counsel they are constitutionally guaranteed. In October, the ACLU filed a class-action lawsuit against Yakima County and other parties on behalf of individuals who had waited weeks before getting an attorney assigned to their case. "People's rights should not be violated. There is anxiety. The people are

being traumatized by sitting in jail for long times," said Dominique Davis, founder and chief executive officer of Community Passageways, a Seattle nonprofit focused on felony diversion and prevention. Prosecutors have been concerned that reducing defenders' workloads will lead to the filing of fewer cases to ensure no one's rights to counsel are violated. That will result in less justice for crime victims and could spark an increase in vigilantism by those who feel the system isn't working for them, they said. Okanogan County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Teddy Chow implored the justices to discard the proposal which he



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Ryan Mello, chair of the Pierce County Council, addresses the Washington State Supreme Court on a proposal to revise the caseload standards for public defenders on Nov. 13, 2024.

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With WA courts' online systems down, thousands of firearm sales on hold

By **JERRY CORNFIELD**
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - Washington state courts' computer systems have been down for nearly two weeks, disrupting the operation of local courts and preventing the completion of thousands of firearm sales.

The Administrative Office of the Courts announced Nov. 4 that the state's Judicial Information Systems, Washington courts website and associated networks, and databases were taken offline after detecting "unauthorized activity." Service is not expected to be fully restored until next week at the earliest.

"Good progress is being made, but it is extremely time consuming to bring our systems back up in a

secure environment due to the complexity and interconnectivity of the networks," Wendy Ferrell, associate director for the state Administrative Office of the Courts, said Tuesday.

On Facebook, court officials said Tuesday that so far "there is no evidence that any court or personal data has been accessed, altered or removed during the unauthorized activity that was detected." They noted that reconnecting trial and appellate courts "safely to the services they need is our number one priority."

Last Friday, the state Supreme Court issued an emergency order empowering local courts to adjust timelines for filing of cases, trials and sentencing. It also permits them to delay arraignments

and first appearances of those facing charges but out of custody if the courts are unable to connect to the network and databases.

Meanwhile, since Nov. 1, completion of gun purchases has been held up because the Washington State Patrol cannot access the Secure Automated Firearms E-Check system to conduct mandatory background checks. Typically, the patrol's Firearms Background Division does between 400 and 1,000 checks a day.

Chris Loftis, State Patrol's director of communications, said the cybersecurity issues have significant ramifications for buyers and dealers.

"We know they have a right to get their background check. We know they have a right to get their firearms," he said.

"But the bridge is out. That's the reality. It's frustrating for the customers, for the dealers and for us."

A gun rights group threatened Tuesday to sue if the problem isn't remedied soon.

"This is simply unacceptable, and we will not tolerate it," said Alan Gottlieb, founder and executive vice president of the Second Amendment Foundation in Bellevue.

"As the saying goes, 'A right delayed is a right denied,' and the state has denied untold numbers of citizens their right to obtain firearms for almost two weeks," he said in a press release. "When the system is restored, we expect the WSP to work day and night to expedite background checks already on hold."

The state patrol isn't the only agency affected.

On Tuesday, the state Department of Children, Youth and Families issued a statement that the system outage "has been impacting our ability to complete background checks and likely will impact the hiring process for DCYF employees, providers, and foster parent applications."

In its statement, the department said the system had been down since Nov. 1 and was expected to be restored by Tuesday. The court network and databases are needed for carrying out background checks. However, the agency can still access the National Crime Information Center for Child Welfare placements and child protective service investigations.

And the Washington State Gambling Commission is

dealing with a similar challenge.

"The agency mission is to protect the public by ensuring gambling is legal and honest. Part of this is our review of applicants for licenses to ensure they qualify for licensure and there is no disqualifying information that may affect the approval of that license," Troy Kirby, commission public information officer, wrote in an email. "That review is accomplished with access to information on the [Washington] court site."

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With \$10B deficit looming, WA governor calls on state agencies to make cuts

By **JERRY CORNFIELD**
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - Washington Gov. Jay Inslee is warning of a budget deficit in excess of \$10 billion and calling on state agencies to pare spending now to deal with it.

A Nov. 8 memo from Inslee's budget director cited rising costs, increasing demand for public services and lower-than-expected tax collections for a projected operating budget shortfall between \$10 billion and \$12 billion over the next four years.

Cuts are needed to balance the spending plan Inslee will release next month for the 2025-27 biennium.

"The Governor's operating budget will prioritize continuing essential programs and addressing caseload increases, while not expanding existing programs and services," Pat Sullivan, director of the Office of Financial Management, wrote in the memo.

Transportation budget projections also have trended down for several forecasts creating a situation where revenues are not covering current commitments, Sullivan

said. Sullivan directed cabinet agencies to submit cost-saving options, like hiring freezes and pausing or delaying programs, by Friday, Nov. 15. And he urged presidents of higher education institutions and separately elected officials to undertake a similar exercise.

At least two agencies — Department of Social and Health Services and Department of Transportation — imposed hiring freezes, with exceptions for some essential posts.

Sullivan warned of "tough fiscal choices ahead" following release of the September revenue forecast but declined then to quantify the amount of the projected deficit.

Another forecast is coming out next week. That will give Inslee a final piece of information for the budget proposal he will release in December. It will serve as a template for lawmakers and Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson when they write spending plans in the 2025 session.

It's going to be a challenge, said Sen. June Robinson, D-Everett, chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee and the chamber's lead budget

writer. "They are not overstating it," she said of the projected deficit amount. "Because of the magnitude, we're going to need to look at a range of options."

Asked if the "options" included spending cuts and new revenue, she said yes.

The current two-year operating budget is about \$72 billion.

The deficit spans the next two budget cycles. It represents the difference between the anticipated costs of current and promised services and programs and the projected amount of revenue that will come in to pay for them. Put another way, state agencies need \$10 billion to \$12 billion in additional funding to maintain current programs and services.

Senate Minority Leader John Braun, R-Centralia, estimated the cost of maintaining the current level of services in the 2025-27 budget will drive base spending for the biennium to roughly \$76 billion.

While the deficit "is a big number, it is not an unmanageable number," he said. "I have absolute confidence we can deal with this without new taxes and can

live within our means." Ferguson and his team are aware of the letter and the governor's staff will be briefing them in the coming weeks, according to an Inslee spokesperson.

The state Department of Social and Health Services implemented a hiring freeze with exemptions for staff in essential and direct care positions. They also put a hold on new equipment purchases, as well as contracts and travel not already approved.

The state Department of Transportation also froze hiring. There are exceptions for jobs like Washington State Ferries crews and winter maintenance.

"While we have not been directed to do this, it is one logical step we can take to slow our spending while the transportation budget is contemplated during the legislative session," said Kris Abrudan, acting senior director of external relations for the transportation department.

Education is the single largest component of the budget and Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal requested an increase of nearly \$3 billion for public

schools in the next budget. A third of that is to fully fund special education.

"These types of exercises from OFM are not uncommon," Katy Payne, OSPI chief communications officer, wrote in an email. "While there are always competing priorities and limited resources, the state has both federal and state level obligations it must meet in order to ensure all

Washington students receive the high-quality public education that they are constitutionally owed."

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BILL LUCIA/WASHINGTON STATE STANDARD
Gov. Jay Inslee speaks to members of the press on Jan. 4, ahead of the 2024 Washington state legislative session.

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called an "unnecessary, short-sighted, unreasonable and corrosive rule."

And if the public defender ranks grow, cities and counties will need to amp up hiring of staff and prosecutors to keep pace and that will be exorbitantly expensive.

To cover the tab, local government leaders said Wednesday that they will be

forced to divert dollars from other important programs.

Ryan Mello, chair of the Pierce County Council, addresses the Washington State Supreme Court on a proposal to revise the caseload standards for public defenders on Nov. 13, 2024. (Jerry Cornfield / Washington State Standard)

Ryan Mello, Pierce County Council chair and the county executive-elect, warned imposing the standard will cause "real harm" to the criminal justice services and

other critical services.

He urged the justices to help lobby lawmakers and the governor for funding to stabilize the public defense system and to adopt a "realistic phased implementation" of the standards.

Under standards adopted by the state Supreme Court in 2012, a full-time public defense attorney or assigned counsel should have no more than 150 felony cases a year.

Last year, the American Bar Association, the National

Center for State Courts and the RAND Justice Policy Program released the National Public Defense Workload Study that concluded public defenders should handle far fewer.

Washington's high court asked the Washington State Bar Association to weigh in on whether the cap needs adjusting. The association responded in March with the recommendation now under public review for new maximums of 47 felony or 120 misdemeanor cases in a year,

depending on the severity. The reduction would be phased in over three years.

Judge Kristin Ferrera of Chelan County, president of the Superior Court Judges Association, said the crisis is real but the timeline for caseload changes is too short and will create hardships in some counties. The association recommends carrying out the first phase of reduction but delaying the later phases to assess if the situation changes. Justices can accept, reject

or modify any or all of the proposals. There is no deadline to act. Any decision will be handled similar to a court case where they confer behind closed doors then issue a decision and explanation.

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Rental code

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As the county code currently stands, most of the county has a 6 percent maximum share of STRs in residential zones as a part of the total housing stock. The exceptions are Manson's Urban Growth Area (UGA), which sits at nine percent, Peshastin's UGA, which is zero percent, and Stehekin, which is excluded from the

county's code. The Planning Commission was asked to consider raising the caps or removing them altogether.

"Families are truly desperate trying to find a place to live. And honestly, it's heartbreaking, because there are so few long-term rentals available anymore as short-term rentals have increased... It's highly relevant that if you raise the caps, you are going to put further pressure on available housing for local

citizens and workers," said Leavenworth resident Sharon Lunn.

The Planning Commission voted to recommend keeping caps the same following the hearing.

The Planning Commission was also asked to consider changing the occupancy limits of two persons per bedroom to exclude children under two years of age, in order to conform with AirBnB standards and allow flexibility

for families.

"75 percent of my business comes from AirBnB. AirBnB does not count children under two. So a home will "instant book" on a booking, and it will have kids in it, and then you find out about the kids a couple of days before the booking. What do we do as STR people? Do we say cancel your vacation?" said Sean Lynn, owner of Love Leavenworth Vacation Rentals.

During deliberation

following the hearing, Fire Marshal Chris Pedersen advised the commission to include children under two in occupancy limits for both safety and legal reasons. The Planning Commission voted to recommend a study group to further discuss the matter.

Residents also urged the Planning Commission to keep the phrase "minimizing the detrimental impact of excessive short-term rentals on the affordable housing

market supply" in the purpose statement. The Planning Commission voted to leave the verbiage as part of their recommendation to the BOCC.

Recommendations made by the Planning Commission will go to the Community Development Department, which will make the recommended edits and forward them to the BOCC.

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CITY OF LEAVENWORTH
On the 12th day of November, 2024, the City Council of the City of Leavenworth, Washington passed the following ordinances. A summary of the contents provides as follows:
Ordinance 1699: An ordinance of the City of Leavenworth, WA, providing for the annexation of certain real property described as Lot 1 of BLA 2365, assessor's parcel number 241711130150; and all that portion of Mine St. right-of-way lying westerly of the existing City limits boundary, to the City of Leavenworth, WA, incorporating the same within the corporate limits thereof, and adopting zoning regulations for the annexed property.
Ordinance 1700: An Ordinance of the City of Leavenworth, Washington, which is an ordinance authorizing the regular property tax levy and is authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2025 tax year.
A full copy of these ordinances is available at Leavenworth City Hall or will be mailed to you upon your request to Andrea Fischer, City Clerk, City of Leavenworth, PO Box 287, Leavenworth, WA 98826. Published in the Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on November 20, 2024. #8923

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CHELAN COUNTY
In re the Estate of ORLO ROSS TIFT Deceased.
NO. 24-4-00410-04
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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 11.40.020(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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Date of First Publication: November 20, 2024
Personal Representative: Steve Tift
Attorney for the Personal Representative: Kyle D. Flick
Address for Mailing or Service: 222 South Mission Street, Wenatchee, WA 98801
Court of probate proceedings and cause number: Chelan County Superior Court, Cause No. 24-4-00410-04
DATED this 15 day of November 2024.
LAW OFFICE OF KYLE D. FLICK, P.S.
By KYLE D. FLICK, WSBA #14963
Attorney for Estate
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City of Leavenworth Request for 2025 Comprehensive Plan Amendment (Docket) Proposals
The City of Leavenworth is entering into the annual Comprehensive Plan (20-year visioning document) amendment cycle and is requesting community input for ideas, suggestions and proposals regarding amendments, including changes to the Land Use Designation Map. Amendments will be finalized and addressed in the 2025 Planning Commission Docket. For an amendment to be considered for sponsorship by the City Council, submittal is due by December 31, 2024. Additionally, individuals may request privately sponsored amendments when submitted by January 31, 2025. Suggested amendments, applications and/or questions may be sent to Community Development, phone (509) 548-5275, e-mail at mboles@cityofleavenworth.com, or mail City of Leavenworth, P.O. Box 287, Leavenworth, WA 98826. Published in the Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on October 30, November 6, 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2024 #8786

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CITY OF LEAVENWORTH NOTICE OF PLANNED FINAL ACTION ON CONDEMNATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Leavenworth City Council has scheduled on its agenda consideration of final action upon the following proposed ordinance: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEAVENWORTH, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE CONDEMNATION, APPROPRIATION, TAKING AND DAMAGING OF LAND AND OTHER PROPERTY WITH ALL NECESSARY APPURTENANCES AND PROPERTY RIGHTS NECESSARY FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS TOGETHER WITH ALL RIGHTS APPURTENANT THERETO, INCLUDING ACCESS WHERE APPLICABLE, FOR PURPOSES OF REPAIRING, REPLACING AND UPDATING AND REVISIONS OF THE CITY'S EXISTING SEWER LINE. THIS ORDINANCE DIRECTS THE CITY ATTORNEY, OR DESIGNEE, TO PROSECUTE THE APPROPRIATE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS, TOGETHER WITH THE AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO SETTLEMENTS, STIPULATIONS OR OTHER AGREEMENTS; AND ACKNOWLEDGES A PORTION OF THE REAL PROPERTY AFFECTED IS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LEAVENWORTH, IN CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON; AUTHORIZING PAYMENT THEREOF FROM THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND, UTILITY FUND OR FROM SUCH GRANTS OR OTHER MONIES THAT THE CITY MAY HAVE AVAILABLE OR ATTAIN FOR THE ACQUISITION; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
Date/Time of planned final action: Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. or at such later time as scheduled on the November 26, 2024 Agenda Location of planned final action: City of Leavenworth Council Chambers 700 Hwy. 2 Leavenworth, Washington, 98826
Property affected: Tax Parcel Number 241711818010
Property Address: 225 Prospect Street Leavenworth, WA 98826
Property owner: REBEKAH L. SUBIDO The full legal descriptions of the property proposed for condemnation can be obtained from the City of Leavenworth, WA 98826 - telephone (509) 548-5275. At the above-stated date, time and location of final action, condemnation of the above-described properties will be considered, and the Leavenworth City Council will decide whether or not to authorize the condemnation of the property. Published in the Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on November 13, 20, 2024. #8880

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN
In the Matter of the Estate of JEAN GUNDERSON Deceased.
No. 24-4-00305-04
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

The personal representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives 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 representatives' or the personal representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. 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(3); 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Date of first publication: November 20, 2024
Date of Filing: August 8, 2024
Personal Representative: Michelle Gutzwiller
Attorney for Personal Representatives: Byron J. Moore
Address for Mailing or Service: Byron J. Moore Moore Law Firm, PLLC 9116 E Sprague Avenue, #1022 Spokane Valley, WA 99206
Attorney for Estate: /S/ Byron J. Moore Byron J. Moore, Ph.D., WSBA #43624
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN
In the Matter of the Estate of JAMES BLAKE SMELLEY Deceased.
No. 24-4-00345-04
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

The personal representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives 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 representatives' or the personal representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. 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(3); 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Date of first publication: November 20, 2024
Date of Filing: September 6, 2024
Personal Representative: Mary Edith McInnis
Attorney for Personal Representatives: Byron J. Moore
Address for Mailing or Service: Byron J. Moore Moore Law Firm, PLLC 9116 E Sprague Avenue, #1022 Spokane Valley, WA 99206
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City Council

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Christmastown. Traffic control and law enforcement have been provided for the festival since 2018. However, since the event's rebranding from the "Christmas Lighting Festival" in 2020, visitor numbers have increased from Thanksgiving through December. This year, the city plans to expand its traffic control from three Saturdays in December to five.

For 2024, the total funding request is \$135,000, of which \$100,000 is already budgeted. The funding will be allocated to Chelan County Sheriff Deputies, Washington State Patrol, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Traffic Management Personnel, and TBMM, LLC.

This year's traffic control strategy mirrors the 2023 plan, with the same number of flaggers and WSDOT traffic engineers and technicians monitoring traffic flow. The city also approved a 20-year operations agreement with WSDOT for annual traffic monitoring and signal support during the Village of Lights.

On the same day, the city announced new parking restrictions in residential neighborhoods that will allow for first responders to have faster access during emergencies. The city collaborated with Chelan County Fire District #3, Cascade Medical, Chelan County Sheriff's Office, and

Chelan County Emergency Management to identify and designate emergency response routes in preparation for the upcoming festival.

The parking restrictions will be in place Friday through Sunday starting Nov. 29 through Dec. 29. They will prohibit parking on either side of Pine Street from Fir Street to Ski Hill Drive, Ski Hill Drive from Evans Street to Pine Street, Evans Street from Ski Hill Drive to US-2, and Commercial Street from Division Street to 14th Street.

Additionally, no left turn will be permitted from North Road onto Chumstick Highway on Nov. 29 and Nov. 30 and every Saturday in December.

"This was not City of Leavenworth staff's plan, this is a plan formulated by our emergency management partners," said City Administrator Matthew Selby.

The city approved increasing the Parking Department's enforcement contract with Pacific Security by \$15,000 to meet the need for additional parking facilities and allocate resources to residential neighborhoods for the five Saturdays during Village of Lights.

Additionally, the council held three public hearings regarding the 2025 ad valorem tax and preliminary budget, restricting peddler permits, a 13th Street right-of-way vacation, and unit lot subdivision. It approved a professional agreement with

Cleverciti for parking sensors and the annexation of 9646 Marson Drive.

City Council also approved its 2025 Legislative Priorities, which include seeking funding for community projects such as Osborn reconstruction and the Autumn Strasse Connector Road, housing, fire prevention and mitigation, property tax cap revisions, behavioral health, infrastructure investments, public safety, and supporting the legislative agenda of the Association of Washington Cities.

It adopted the Ordinance 1700 with the ad valorem (property) tax increase of nearly \$7,300, which is an increase of one percent from the previous year, and authorized the Mayor to sign the tax levy certification.

"I am not aware, as a finance director in our state, of anyone that leaves their one percent on the table. It is rare to do it. Leavenworth did it about eight or nine years ago when we annexed into the fire district, and we purposely did that to save our residents on their yearly tax," said Finance Director Chantell Steiner.

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Glacier Lot

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grade, pave, and stripe the lot, adding ADA parking stalls, electric vehicle charging stations, and RV and bus parking stalls. The project design also includes a Link Transit bus pullout and shelter, restrooms, a sheltered parking information center and kiosk, and bike storage.

"I know that it was controversial when we decided we're going to go to paid parking. Nobody wants that to happen, but this is the result of that. Quite frankly, this happened because of paid

parking," said Florea. The construction cost just over \$3 million, paid for by the city's Parking Enterprise Fund.

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Mayor Carl Florea thanked the Parking Department, Parking Advisory Committee, Council, city staff, Gray and Osborn, and KCRI for the team effort in completing the project.

Falastin!

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Elshafei by his keffiyeh at a Ski Hill concert.

"I was like, 'Oh my God, there's another Palestinian American here'" said Esa. "I went from feeling just a sense of isolation and guilt, to this wonderful feeling of connectedness and someone that understands what it's been like, and you don't have to explain it."

The two became fast friends, bonding over shared interests and their Palestinian heritage. For the last year, Elshafei, who has lived in Leavenworth for a decade, had been working with other Palestinians in Wenatchee and even traveled to Olympia to speak with state officials. After meeting Esa,

Elshafei saw an opportunity to bring his advocacy closer to home.

"The genocide has been happening for over 400 days now, and it has been my true focus and passion...To be able to focus that into this event has been really rewarding, but it's also brought me some solace...It's brought me just a little bit of feeling of peace and that I'm doing something," said Elshafei.

The Israel-Hamas War began on Oct. 7, 2023, after a Hama-led attack in southern Israel killed approximately 1,200 people and abducted over 200 others. The health ministry in Gaza estimates at least 43,736 Palestinians have been killed since then. On Nov. 14, a United Nations Special Committee released

a report that Israel's warfare in Gaza is consistent with the characteristics of genocide. Separately, a Human Rights Watch NGO released a 154-page report stating that the "widespread and systematic" forced displacement of 1.9 million people in Gaza amounted to war crimes, and met the definition of ethnic cleansing.

"There's a Mahmoud Darwish quote that says, 'We love life if we find a way to it,' and we're finding a way to it," said Esa.

The event will take place from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Nov. 23 in the Chapel Theater at Sleeping Lady Mountain Resort.

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) Notice to Defendant (Aviso al demandado): CHARLOTTE LABARRE You are being sued by Plaintiff (Lo está demandando el demandante): ASHORINA YUHANNA Case Number (Numero del caso): 22STCV14201 NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can

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111 NO. HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 CASE NUMBER: (Número del Caso): 22STCV14201 The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Brian L. Larsen, Esq. (SBN 158252) Law Offices of Brian L. Larsen 530 Jackson St., 2d Fl. San Francisco, CA 94133 TELEPHONE NO.: 415/398-5000 FAX NO (Optional): 415/398-5080 Date (Fecha): 04/28/2022 Clerk, by (Secretario), Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk of Court, Deputy (Adjunto) R. Perez, Deputy Clerk Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on October 30, November 6, 13, 20, 2024. #8624

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CHELAN COUNTY In the Matter of the Estate of JAMES FRANKLIN COGGINS, SR Deceased (March 22, 2024). No. 24-4-00415-04 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's Resident Agent who is also 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: November 13, 2024; Personal Representative: James F. Coggins, II; Attorneys for the Personal Representative: Rani K. Sampson, WSBA# 37486; Resident Agent for the Estate: Rani K. Sampson; Address for Mailing or Service - Overcast Law Offices: Attn: Rani K. Sampson; 23 S Wenatchee Ave, Suite 320; Wenatchee, WA; 98801; (509) 663-5588 extension 108; Court of probate proceeding and cause number: Chelan County Superior Court; Cause Number: 24-4-00415-04; Presented by: Overcast Law Offices-ncw, pllc; By: Rani K. Sampson, WSBA No. 37486; Attorneys for the Personal Representative Published in the Leavenworth Echo / Cashmere Valley Record on November 13, 20, 27, 2024. #8877

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN In the Matter of the Estate of JANICE G. KAESTNER Deceased. No. 24-4-00226-04 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 The personal representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives 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 representatives' or the personal representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. 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(3); 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of first publication: November 20, 2024 Date of Filing: July 9, 2024 Personal Representative: James Drake Attorney for Personal Representatives: Byron J. Moore Address for Mailing or Service: Byron J. Moore Moore Law Firm, PLLC 9116 E Sprague Avenue, #1022 Spokane Valley, WA 99206 Attorney for Estate: /S/ Byron J. Moore Byron J. Moore, Ph.D., WSBA #43624 Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on November 20, 27, December 4, 2024. #8905

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN In the Matter of the Estate of DONALD KAESTNER, Deceased. No. 24-4-00162-04 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 The personal representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives 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 representatives' or the personal representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. 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(3); 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of first publication: November 20, 2024 Date of Filing: June 5, 2020 Personal Representative: James Drake Attorney for Personal Representatives: Byron J. Moore Address for Mailing or Service: Byron J. Moore Moore Law Firm, PLLC 9116 E Sprague Avenue, #1022 Spokane Valley, WA 99206 Attorney for Estate: /S/ Byron J. Moore Byron J. Moore, Ph.D., WSBA #43624 Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on November 20, 27, December 4, 2024. #8903

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN In the Matter of the Estate of CLARENCE G. SPENCE III, Deceased. No.24-4-00394-04 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 The personal representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives 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 representatives' or the personal representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. 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(3); 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of first publication: November 20, 2024 Date of Filing: October 15, 2024 Personal Representative: Tina Marie O'Neill Attorney for Personal Representatives: Byron J. Moore Address for Mailing or Service: Byron J. Moore Moore Law Firm, PLLC 9116 E Sprague Avenue, #1022 Spokane Valley, WA 99206 Attorney for Estate: /S/ Byron J. Moore Byron J. Moore, Ph.D., WSBA #43624 Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on November 20, 27, December 4, 2024. #8907

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Leavenworth has received the following application and has scheduled a public hearing with the Leavenworth Hearing Examiner. You are invited to review the file and make comment. Comments received by December 6, 2024 will be addressed in the City's Staff Report. Additional comments may be addressed at the public hearing for consideration by the Hearing Examiner. The Public Hearing will be held at 2:00 pm, Friday, January 24, 2025, online via Zoom Webinar, ID: 982 1592 4677, Passcode: 344135; Or the call-in phone number: 1-253-215-8782. If you cannot attend via Zoom, please contact City Hall, at least one day prior to the hearing, for special arrangements. 1. LUA2024-055: Jill Fineis and Jamie Polittle (owners) requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to operate a one-bedroom Bed and Breakfast within an accessory dwelling unit (ADU), currently under construction. The project is located at 172 Evans, within the Residential Low Density 6.000 (RL6) zoning district; Assessor's parcel number 241701680280. The public is encouraged to attend via Zoom and to submit written comments prior to the hearing. Materials may be viewed by appointment only at City Hall, or on the City's Public Portal at https://lvnworth.wa.permittrax.com/Citizen/; Search by file number, address, or use the interactive map. Questions may be directed to Maggie Boles, Community Development Director, phone 509-548-5275 or email mboles@cityofleavenworth.com. Published in the Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on November 20, 2024. #8925

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