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Council approves \$650K for Cashmere sidewalks



KIRK BECKENDORF/FOR WARD MEDIA
Fire Chief Blake Larson (in back left) talks with Cashmere City Council members at the Cashmere Fire Station.

By KIRK BECKENDORF
Special to Ward Media

CASHMERE - Following a brief Cashmere City Council meeting on Dec 9, the council members walked across the street to the fire station where Fire Chief, Blake Larson, led them on a tour through the fire station to view and discuss the department's trucks, engines and other equipment.

Director of Operations, Steve Croci told the Council he had just received a new proposed agreement from Boulder Park, the company, which disposes of the biosolids from the city's wastewater treatment plant. Croci emphasized that a significant

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KIRK BECKENDORF/FOR WARD MEDIA
Fire chief Blake Larson (2nd from the right) talks with Cashmere City Council members about one of the city's brush trucks.

A Nod to Noah: CHS basketball jerseys display tribute to talented alumni

By JADA WOOD
Ward Media Intern

CASHMERE- The number two will take on special meaning this basketball season at Cashmere High School, as players don jerseys bearing patches honoring former standout Noah Phillips, who passed away in a mountaineering accident in August.

Phillips, being involved in boys' basketball during his time as a student, played on the varsity team for all four years and made the state tournament team. After graduation, he moved on to compete for Everett Community College. As well as being an excellent basketball player, his coaches say Phillips demonstrated what it meant to have good sportsmanship under all conditions.

"I give him and some of his teammates a lot of credit for building the foundation of our program, as far as how we handle ourselves on and off the floor," basketball and volleyball coach Levi Heyen said. He coached Phillips throughout high school and spoke about the positive example that he presented as a basketball player as well as successful student.

In recognition of Phillips' integrity and impact on the community, Heyen assembled a project in his honor. This

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COURTESY OF REBECCA SWANSON
CHS FCCLA club with the newly embellished #2 jerseys.



COURTESY OF CASHMERE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC
Noah Phillips (left) playing for Cashmere High School

Business community convenes amid chamber's uncertain future



TAYLOR CALDWELL / WARD MEDIA

Business owners and managers met at Yonder Cider to envision the growing business community's future.

By TAYLOR CALDWELL
Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE - Faced with dwindling leadership and mounting challenges, Cashmere's business leaders gathered on Dec. 11 to explore the future of the Cashmere Chamber of Commerce and its role in supporting the local business community.

The Cashmere Chamber of Commerce has struggled to maintain a full board in recent years, with only four out of the eleven open seats currently occupied. At the start of the new year, the chamber will only have one board member remaining, and no employees.

After learning of the chamber's state, Andy Thomas of Side Street

Cashmere invited local businesses to come together to discuss solutions. The main discussion proposed during the meeting was whether to reinvest in the chamber, or transition into a downtown business association.

"We want the community to keep going, whether it's a downtown association, whether it's a chamber... We need community support and people to step up," said Chamber Board President Kevin Carney.

According to Carney, the chamber relies on memberships, fundraising, and the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) for funding, which can vary each year. The downtown association was proposed

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Local figure skaters bring Santa's workshop to life on ice



COURTESY OF MARCIA FALL

Six Cashmere students will participate in the Wenatchee Figure Skating Club's holiday show Santa's Workshop on Ice on Saturday, December 21. Pictured from left to right are Kaili Landes, a 9th grader at Cashmere High School, Maika Landes, a 4th grader at Vale Elementary, Maren Peterson, a 9th grader at CHS, Clara Jones, a 6th grader at Cashmere Middle School, Adalea Girard, a 5th grader at CMS, and Clara Dennett, a 5th grader at CMS.

By QUINN PROBST
Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE - The Wenatchee Figure Skating Club will perform their annual holiday show Santa's Workshop on Ice on Saturday, December 21 with showtimes at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. at the Town Toyota Center.

"Come join us for the Wenatchee Figure Skating Club's annual holiday show," the event page states. "Santa's head elves, Tinsel and Jingle, will give us an inside peek into the buzzing North Pole Workshop on Christmas Eve while they pack the sleigh with all of the favorite classic toys."

Figure skaters of all ages will perform in the show and the storyline is about elves helping Santa get ready for the holidays, Wenatchee Figure Skating Club parent volunteer Marcia Fall said.

"So people can expect to see

everything from Barbies to kites to candy, all different types of toys that are dancing to different or skating to different music," Fall said. "It's kind of a fun, frolicky theme."

Fall said the show is a fun holiday event for all ages. This year six children from Cashmere will be performing in the show.

"I think the show is just a great opportunity to get in the festive spirit," she said. "First of all, we think that Santa's workshop just really gets everybody excited about the holidays. And it's a great chance to see some fun kids' skating."

"It's a great chance to see how energetic elves can be when they're working on creating toys," she said. "And it's just a fun, community, family event."

Tickets are available at the door or

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Last Minute Market

Pybus Market will host the Last Minute Market on December 20-22 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. "Discover a fantastic selection of handmade goods, unique crafts, and delicious treats," the event page states. "It's the perfect opportunity to support local artisans and grab those last-minute holiday gifts. See you there."

For more information, visit pybuspublicmarket.org.

Santa's Workshop On Ice

The Town Toyota Center will host two shows of Santa's Workshop On Ice on Saturday, December 21, at 2 p.m. and at 5 p.m.

"Come join us for the Wenatchee Figure Skating Club's annual holiday show," the event page states. "Santa's

head elves, Tinsel and Jingle, will give us an inside peek into the buzzing North Pole Workshop on Christmas Eve while they pack the sleigh with all of the favorite classic toys."

For more information, visit towntoyotacenter.com.

Family Paint Day "Gingerbread House"

Class with a Glass will host Family Paint Day "Gingerbread House" on Saturday, December 21, from 2-4:30 p.m.

"Celebrate the start of winter break and create your family's unique Gingerbread House with mixed media, including decorative paper, ribbons, buttons, paint and more," the event page states. "All art supplies and expert instruction included, and beverages from

the bar are available for an additional purchase."

For more information, visit classwithaglass.com.

Holiday Stories with Holly Thorpe

Watercore Cider in Wenatchee will host Holiday Stories with Holly Thorpe on Thursday, December 19, from 7-9 p.m.

"Meet creatures and characters from holiday stories told around the world," the event page states. "Get cozy with mulled cider, fresh pies, and stories by the fire."

For more information, visit watercorecider.com

5 THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK



The Leavenworth Village Voices Choir

Leavenworth Village Voices concert

Leavenworth Village Voices and BOSAYA will perform a Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 22, from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Numerica Performing Arts Center.

"The Leavenworth Village Voices and indie-pop duo

BOSAYA will join together to present an unforgettable, family-friendly Christmas experience," the event page states. "This will be a unique musical collaboration you don't want to miss."

For more information, visit leavenworthvillagevoices.org.

POINT OF VIEW

Serving as your legislator was my honor and privilege

The Washington State Legislature will begin its 105-day session on January 13. Thanks to your support in the recent election, I'm now in the process of transitioning to the County Courthouse rather than planning my annual move to the State Capitol. As I work to finish up my State Senator duties next month and look back on my 12 years of service in the Legislature, I'm grateful that you entrusted me to represent you. I'm proud of the friendships made and experiences gained while working on your behalf.



BRAD HAWKINS
State Senator for the 12th Legislative District

in the House, but fortunately I brought my educational training, experience as a PUD employee, and years as a school board member to the Capitol, which was helpful preparation.

Concluding 12 years of Legislative Service

I served two terms in the House of Representatives and two terms in the State Senate. Throughout my 12 years in the Legislature, I've gained experience on several committees during my tenure, including serving on the Education and Transportation committees in both chambers. As a former school board member and the only Senate Republican with children in school, I was chosen by Senate leadership as the lead Republican for the Education Committee and advocated strongly for preserving local control for school boards.

Securing support for local projects

I worked hard to secure funding for regional capital and transportation projects, including extending Wenatchee Valley's Loop Trail to Lincoln Rock State Park, completing the West Cashmere Bridge, funding a sewer line beyond East Wenatchee, improving the Saddle Rock trail system, adding buildings to Wenatchee Valley College, and advancing Wenatchee's Confluence Parkway.

The bills passed and funding secured were never accomplished alone, thanks to the support of my hard-working seatmates, local elected officials, and community groups. Our region had the greatest impact in Olympia when we came together on issues, partnered with statewide advocacy groups, and spoke with a collective voice. It was very fulfilling to work with large groups of diverse stakeholders to eventually accomplish something that had been difficult to achieve.

My greatest accomplishment

People often ask me about my most significant legislative achievement and my answer often surprises them. Rather than any bill sponsored or project funded, I always consider my approach to constituent outreach and customer service as to be my proudest accomplishment. Soon after my election to the Senate, I began a tradition of annual "Listening Tours." At first, I wasn't sure whether these would work, but our communities responded so positively that I expanded them every year, which proved both fun and helpful.

I'd also like to thank my staff, past and present, for all of their help in serving you over the years. Many of you may know that my office implemented a process where each constituent who wrote in would receive an email response by staff almost immediately and handwritten note from me within a couple days. This became the

expectation for my office, but it certainly wasn't easy when we sometimes would receive 200 emails and calls each day, but that was our standard of service to you.

The honor of my professional career

Looking back on my 12 years in Olympia, it seems to have gone by quickly. Thank you so very much for the opportunity to serve you as your State Representative

and Senator. I am profoundly grateful. You are in good hands with our 12th Legislative District team. I look forward to working with them - and continuing to serve you - as your next Chelan County Commissioner.

Brad Hawkins has served 12 years in the Washington State Legislature. He was elected Chelan County Commissioner for District 3 in November and will begin on January 1.



COURTESY OF BRAD HAWKINS

Rep. Brad Hawkins addresses the House of Representatives in 2013 on "Children's Day" with his two boys, Luke and Tyler. Hawkins served four years in the House of Representatives and eight years in the State Senate. He begins his role as Chelan County Commissioner on January 1.

CONGRATULATIONS

Cashmere Middle School

Students of the Month!

Jasmine Potter
5th grade

Ry'ani Tyquiengco
6th grade

Abby Swanson
7th grade

Elle Jacobson
8th grade

Rebekah Moses
Academy Stars

Mia West
Estrella Espanola

Stevie Piestrup
Tech Stars

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Community Calendar

Wednesday

Cashmere Rotary Club, meets at Cashmere Presbyterian Church hall, noon. President Mark Shorb, 509-885-0676.
Mission Creek Community Club, meets every month, 7 p.m. (1st and 3rd Wed.).
Cashmere Food Bank, open 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. Cashmere Food Distribution Center, 316 River St., for more information, call Pam, 509-245-6464
Ukulele Circle, Join the Ukulele Circle, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday, at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get the sheet music.

Thursday

Caregiver Support Group, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)
Cashmere Sportsman Assoc., (Cashmere Gun Club), open to the public for trapshooting 7-10 p.m. Private rentals by appointment. Call Brian James, 509-782-3099.
Cashmere American Legion Post #64, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. Commander Ken Komro, 509-782-4973. (1st Thurs. of every month, August - June).
Cashmere American Legion Auxiliary #64, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. President Linda Ingraham, 509-679-0243. (1st Thurs. of every month, August - June).

Sunday

CHURCH: See the church page for local service times & events.

Monday

Cashmere Wacoka Kiwanis Club, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, lower level. 6:30 p.m. Call Pam Leighton, 509-669-3159. (4th Mon.)
Tillicum Riders, 7 p.m. Chelan County Fairgrounds. Call Cindy, 509-662-5984. (1st Mon.)
Cashmere City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall (2nd & 4th Mon. of each month (unless a holiday, then Tues.).
Planning Committee Meeting, 5 p.m. at City Hall (1st Mon. of each month unless a holiday, then Tues.).
Cashmere Fire Department, Business management, 7 p.m., above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)
Cashmere Fire Department, meeting, 8 p.m., above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)
Cashmere School Board Work Session, Board work sessions are typically held towards the beginning of the month at 6:30 a.m. with no action taken. For updated info. Visit www.cashmere.wednet.edu
Cashmere School Regular Board Meetings, are typically held towards the end of the month at 7 p.m. with action taken. The schedule for meetings is subject to change to accommodate conflicts in schedule or special circumstances. Visit www.cashmere.wednet.edu for the most up to date info.
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

Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts, Current meeting time 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or levi.ipid@nwi.net (2nd Tues.)
Peshastin Water District, meets at 4:30 p.m. Contact: Steve Keene for meeting location. 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)
The Chelan County Cemetery District #2, (Peshastin) meets at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)

NCW Libraries

Cashmere Public Library: 509-782-3314
 You can order your books online at ncwlibraries.org or call 1-800-426-READ (7323).
Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri., 9-6, Wed. 1-6 and Sat., 10-2.
Closed Sun. 300 Woodring Street. Call 782-3314, or online at cashmere@ncwlibraries.org
Cashmere Museum and Pioneer Village
 Call for more information 509-782-3230
Chelan County Historical Society Board meets, 7 p.m., Cashmere Museum, 600 Cotlets Way. Call Nicky 509-782-3230. (3rd Thurs.)
Note: Some meetings or events may be rescheduled due to holidays or other closures. Please call and check with that organization listed.

Chelan County Sheriff's Report



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Dec 6

0:36:42 Warrant, Riverfront Dr & Kelly Rd,
 8:27:46 Parking/Abandon, Hay Canyon Rd Mp 2, Cashme
 8:56:24 Warrant, River St & Sunset Hwy, Cas
 11:40:19 Hazard, Us Hwy 2 & Aplets Way, Cas
 12:30:48 Suspicious, 203 E Parkhill St, Cashmere
 16:38:33 Accident, Nahahum Canyon Rd & Us Hwy
 23:08:30 Traffic Offense, River St & Independence Wa
 23:12:19 Trespass, 6259 Stine Hill Rd, Cashme

Dec 7

0:01:47 Accident Injury, Us Hwy 2 Mp 107 Wb, Dryden 5
 9:29:55 Assist Public, Cashmere, Cashmere, Wa Ca
 11:29:38 Harass/Threat, 47 Robert Davis Ln, Cashme 5
 22:21:48 Noise, 302 Fisher St# 102, Cashm Ca

Dec 8

1:37:19 24c13005 Diversion, 253 Independence Way, Poss
 8:47:32 24c12986 Trespass, 305 Woodring St# 3, Cashm
 12:07:52 24c12992 Runaway, 4870 Mission Creek Rd, Cas
 14:21:19 24c12994 Malicious Misch, 5894 Pioneer Dr.

Dec 9

0:21:23 Welfare Check Titchenal Way & Cotlets Wa Ca,

1:37:19 Diversion 253 Independence Way; Poss Ca,
 6:14:17 Assist Agency 8650 Dryden Frontage Rd, D 5,
 8:20:44 Trespass, 200 Titchenal Way; Teams
 8:40:04 Harass/Threat, 917 Pioneer Ave, Cashmere,
 17:37:03 Assist Public 5211 Majeska Ln, Cashmere, 5,
 23:17:57 Malicious Misch 102 Cottage Ave# 1/2; Pra Ca,
 09:57:25 Parking/Abandon 801 Emerald Ave

Dec 10

0:21:23 Welfare Check, Titchenal Way & Cotlets Wa
 15:04:09 Assist Agency, 8410 Main St; Mountain Hwy

Dec 11

8:03:00 Accident No Inj, 300blk Tigner Rd, Cashmere Ca
 9:21:10 Trespass, 229 Cottage Ave; Village I Ca
 10:25:59 Civil, 6204 Hay Canyon Rd, Cashme 5
 15:59:17 Welfare Check, 207 Riverside Dr; Riverside
 16:39:01 Theft, 410 Cottage Ave, Cashmere,
 17:24:59 Parking/Abandon, 5710 Goodwin Rd, Cashmere,

Dec 12

5:37:46 Disturbance 207 S Division St; Next Do Ca
 18:38:07 Weapons Violation, 4004 Eels Rd, Cashmere, Wa 5
 18:41:05 Hazard 115 Elberta Ave.

Celtic Holiday Concert returns to Wenatchee with focus on community impact



COURTESY OF CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON

Members of the Seattle Irish Dance Company perform during a previous Christmas in Washington concert.

NCW News
 Ward Media

WENATCHEE — The annual Celtic holiday concert series “Christmas in Washington” is set to return to the Wenatchee Valley Convention Center on December 22 at 7 p.m., featuring electric violin virtuoso Geoffrey Castle and an ensemble of performers.

The production, now in its tenth year, combines traditional Celtic music with holiday festivities, showcasing Castle’s signature six-string electric violin accompanied by a group of professional musicians. “We’re inviting everyone to feel the joy and magic of the season—bringing families and communities closer together through the music,” Castle said.

This year’s performance includes the Seattle Irish Dance Company’s Celtic Dancers, Irish guitarist and tenor Dan Connolly, and vocalist Emily McIntosh. Local performers, the Stewart Sisters from Cascade Irish Dance, will make a special appearance. The sisters, Isabell and Zoe, recently achieved first and

second place respectively at the Western Irish Dance Regionals.

Event Manager Brad Snow emphasized the community-focused nature of the production. “We liked the idea of bringing world class entertainment to communities, and using that as a fundraiser for our communities,” Snow said. According to organizers, proceeds from ticket sales support various local initiatives, including student and youth programs, senior and veteran services, and “A HOME for the Holidays,” a new housing assistance program.

The organization will release a live album titled “Geoffrey Castle’s Celtic Christmas LIVE!” exclusively available for purchase at the concerts.

Tickets are available at the door while supplies last, with a special Coca-Cola Family Pass discount offered. Additional information can be obtained through the event website at www.christmasinwashington.com or by calling (509) 881-8811.

Looking ahead, Cascade Irish Dance has announced plans to open a dance school in Wenatchee in 2025.



COURTESY OF CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON

The Stewart sisters of Cascade Irish Dance pose in matching green sequined performance dresses and traditional Irish dance shoes. The trio will make their debut appearance at this year’s Christmas in Washington concert in Wenatchee.



COURTESY OF CHRISTMAS IN WASHINGTON

Electric violin virtuoso Geoffrey Castle performs in front of a decorated Christmas tree during a holiday concert. His signature black cowboy hat and embellished coat with glittering accents have become hallmarks of the Christmas in Washington shows.

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CASHMERE SCHEDULE

Boys Basketball		
Fri, Dec 20	7:15 PM Cashmere vs, Naches Valley	Home
Girls Basketball		
Fri, Dec 20	5:45 PM Cashmere vs, Naches Valley	Home

CASHMERE SCOREBOARD

Boys Basketball		
Tue, Dec 10	Cashmere 69, Zillah 76	Loss
Fri, Dec 13	Cashmere 66, Connell 28	Win
Sat, Dec 14	Cashmere 58, College Place 51,	Win
Girls Basketball		
Tue, Dec 10	Cashmere 57, Zillah 65	Loss
Fri, Dec 13	Cashmere 61, Connell 21,	Win
Sat, Dec 14	Cashmere 60, College Place 12	Win
Girls Wrestling		
Sat, Dec 21	10:00 AM, Omak	Away

Bulldogs soar past Eagles in home opener, 61-21

PHOTOS SEBASTIAN MORAGA/FOR WARD MEDIA



Leah Kunz drives past a Connell Eagle during the Bulldogs conference schedule opener and home opener for the season. Cashmere won 61-21.



The Cashmere Bulldogs leaped over the Connell Eagles in their home opener, 61-21, last Dec. 13.



Kinsley Miller, and Cali Diaz chase after a rebound during the Cashmere Bulldogs' resounding victory over the Connell Eagles last Dec. 13, 61-21.



Ellie Bessonette dribbles the ball under the watchful eye of a Connell Eagle. The Bulldogs proved too tall a task for the visiting birds, winning 61-21.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

JJ Herrera Junior Cashmere Boys Wrestling

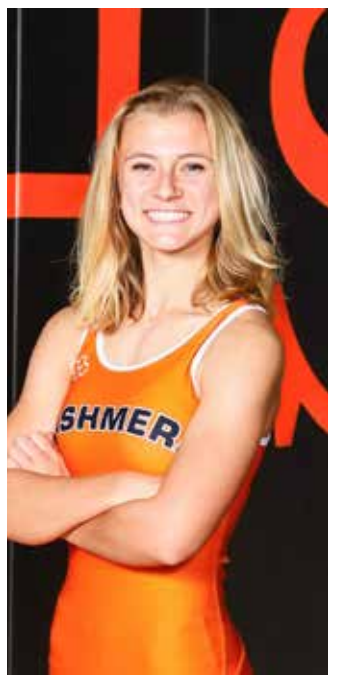
Herrera put on an impressive performance at the Cashmere Invitational on Saturday. Competing in the 150 lb. bracket, he went 4-0 to capture the tournament title, showcasing his dominance across all matches. JJ proved to be a force to be reckoned with. He won two of his matches by major decision, one by tech fall, and another by pin, displaying both his technical skill and unmatched determination. His ability to consistently outpace and overpower his opponents was evident in each of his victories. Coach Wheeler: "JJ exemplifies what it means to be a Cashmere wrestler. His goals have required a lot of work on and off the



mat, and his commitment to the process has made him a true competitor. His resilience is something that must be noted and admired. Yesterday's performance was just a glimpse into JJ's truest potential. Thank you, JJ, for being a Cashmere Wrestler."

Quinn Pace Junior Cashmere Girls Wrestling

Pace had a standout performance at the Warden Invitational on Saturday. Competing in the 110 lb. weight class, she fought her way to first place, securing the top spot in a competitive field. Her victory at Warden comes off the heels of her impressive performance last season, where she earned a spot in the Regional Tournament. However, Quinn has even bigger goals this season, and her success at the Invitational is just the beginning of what promises to be a standout year. Coach James: "Quinn wrestled hard and prevailed in a close finals match. She stayed focused and took 1st place at Warden. I'm proud of her amazing achievement."



Bulldogs break Eagles' perfect start in 66-28 rout

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Rylan Hatmaker (12) and Caiden Hoffman (3) try to slow down Connell's Hunter Vanhollebeke during the Bulldogs' game against the Eagles Dec. 13. Cashmere stopped not only Vanhollebeke but pretty much the entire Eagle squad, winning by 38 points.



Rylan Nelson drives to the basket for Cashmere against Connell on Friday Dec. 13. Cashmere won 66-28, in the Bulldogs' home opener.

Senior forward Caiden Hoffman chases a rebound during the Bulldogs' romp over Connell 66-28, which snapped the Eagles' unbeaten record.



The folks in attendance at the Cashmere-Connell basketball game on Friday the 13th had very little to be spooked about, and plenty to cheer for, including this impressive stunt by the Cashmere Cheer Squad.

Bulldogs show strength at home Invitational

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Ulysses Betancourt, at right, wrestles Cascade's Daniel Guerrero during the Cashmere Invitational Wrestling Tournament last Saturday Dec. 14. Betancourt outpointed Guerrero 9-8.



Cashmere's Wyatt Weatherman wrestles Quincy's Enrique Rebollo during the Cashmere Invite last weekend. Weatherman went on to defeat Rebollo, en route to a fourth-place finish.



Guillermo Martinez-Perez of Cashmere wrestles Tonasket's Joel Wilson during the first round of the Cashmere Invitational Tournament last Dec. 14. Martinez-Perez pinned the Tiger from up north 46 seconds into the second round of their match.

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Impact Stream: Empowering Communities in Togo Through Blockchain Technology

By CAROLINE MENNA
Ward Media Intern

LEAVENWORTH - In an era where global aid organizations often dictate the solutions for struggling communities, a decentralized non-governmental organization is challenging the norm by empowering citizens to take charge of their own development.

Impact Stream, a trailblazing initiative, has launched a pilot project in the West African nation of Togo that allows local residents to allocate resources where they are needed most. By utilizing a blockchain-based platform, the organization is fostering transparency, collaboration, and sustainability in its community-driven development efforts.

Impact Stream's model is simple but revolutionary: the platform enables individuals to propose and vote on projects that directly impact their communities. In Togo, where access to basic services like clean water, education, and job training is limited, this model is helping to bridge the gap. The first wave of projects included the creation of a technology education center for adults, a youth training program focused on textile and apparel manufacturing, the construction of a community library, a solar-powered clean water access initiative, and the provision of new equipment for an elementary school.

The organization's commitment to transparency is one of its core values. Through the Impact Stream platform, donors can track their contributions every step of the way, ensuring that funds are used effectively and responsibly.

As Leavenworth hotelier, entrepreneur, and

philanthropist Hans Mulders, an Impact Stream board member, explains: "Impact Stream reflects the impact that we want to create on impoverished communities and countries by providing an effective, continuous stream of resources to help them build infrastructure. This transparency allows donors to see exactly how their money is being spent, unlike traditional aid organizations where funds are often pooled together, making it difficult to trace individual contributions."

Mulders, who grew up in Ethiopia, saw firsthand the pitfalls of traditional top-down aid models: "Most NGOs focus on designing solutions for people in need, but that approach often leads to problems. Even well-made infrastructure, for example, can break, but there is no easy way for communities to obtain spare parts or make repairs." Impact Stream aims to change this by providing communities with the technical support necessary to sustain and repair projects long after the initial funding has been used.

Impact Stream's founder Will Little, a fellow entrepreneur with a passion for impactful philanthropy whom Mulders describes as "the smartest guy in the room," introduced Mulders to the concept of decentralized charitable giving. This vision led to the development of the Impact Stream platform, which leverages blockchain technology to ensure that every project is transparent, accountable, and trackable.

The platform also allows community members in Togo to propose projects and vote on which initiatives should be prioritized. Projects are submitted during a 60-day window, and once the voting period is over, the community

decides which project will receive funding first.

The process is built on the principle of inclusivity, allowing those who are directly affected by the projects to have a say in the decisions that will impact their lives.

While Impact Stream is still in its early stages, having recently completed its second year of operation, the organization is steadily growing. They are currently in the process of becoming a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit and are looking for donors who are willing to contribute on a recurring basis. "We are in constant fundraising mode," says Mulders, emphasizing the need for sustained support to continue these efforts.

One of the most distinctive features of Impact Stream is its commitment to making its software open-source. This means that any organization can use the platform free of charge to implement similar projects in other parts of the world. "Our goal is to help the rest of the world become less stressful," Mulders explains. By providing a platform for decentralized decision-making and transparent funding, Impact Stream is helping create a world where local communities can thrive without relying on traditional, top-down aid models.

Togo was chosen as the pilot location for Impact Stream's work because of the network of trust that Mulders and Little have developed there. The team believes that local knowledge and collaboration are key to ensuring the success of the initiative. "Togolese helping Togolese with American support," says Mulders, highlighting the importance of local involvement in the process.

In a world where international aid often falls



COURTESY OF IMPACT STREAM

Breaking ground on an Impact Stream funded project in southern Togo that will introduce a water well, equipped with a solar pump, designed to provide reliable and clean water to a local school and the surrounding village communities that currently rely on unsanitary sources.

short of its promises, Impact Stream offers a refreshing alternative. By harnessing the power of technology and local leadership, the organization is helping communities in Togo build the infrastructure and resources they need to thrive—while creating a model

that can be replicated in other regions. As the project grows and more communities are empowered, Impact Stream is paving the way for a new kind of philanthropy—one that is transparent, sustainable, and community-driven. For more information and/

or to donate to Impact Stream: <https://www.impact.stream>

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Washington State Parks launches New Year's Day hiking events statewide

NCW News
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OLYMPIA — More than 30 Washington state parks will host outdoor activities on New Year's Day 2025 as part of the annual First Day Hikes program.

The initiative, part of a nationwide program by

America's State Parks, will feature various activities including guided hikes, snowshoe excursions, trail rides, polar plunges and scavenger hunts. Last year's events drew more than 1,700 participants who covered 2,907.2 miles of trails across Washington's state parks. Activities span multiple

difficulty levels and locations. Fort Worden will offer a 2.5-mile trek through historic grounds and scenic trails, while Palouse Falls State Park will host a photo scavenger hunt near Washington's official state waterfall. Lake Wenatchee plans a guided 2.5-mile snowshoe hike with limited

complimentary equipment rentals available.

The parks department has prioritized accessibility, with ADA-compliant trails available at six locations: Bridle Trails, Columbia Plateau Trail, Lake Sylvia, Palouse Falls, Seaquest and Wenatchee Confluence.

Other featured activities include a cold-water plunge

at Maryhill's swim beach, a 1.5-mile old-growth forest exploration at South Whidbey, and equestrian trail rides at Bridle Trails State Park.

January 1 marks 2025's first Discover Pass free day, waiving parking fees at state recreation lands. However, Sno-Park permits remain mandatory at winter recreation

areas including Lake Easton, Lake Wenatchee and Mount Spokane.

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Stitches 'N' Beads Loft opens, supports women worldwide through handmade creations



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Owner Vimbai Madya envisions both a gift shop for tourists, as well as a space for the community to learn crafts such as crocheting and beading.



TAYLOR CALDWELL / WARD MEDIA
Madya holds a stuffed animal she made. The shop sells a mix of products made by Madya as well as women in countries such as Turkey, Zimbabwe, and Tanzania.



TAYLOR CALDWELL / WARD MEDIA

The shop sells items handcrafted by women in Zimbabwe through the nonprofit Gogo Olive, empowering them to become financially independent.

By Taylor Caldwell
Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – Stitches 'N' Beads Loft, a new addition to downtown Leavenworth, offers handmade gifts and serves as a space for creativity and community connection.

The shop is owned and operated by Vimbai Madya, an entrepreneur from Puyallup, WA. Madya's shop features handmade dolls, jewelry, accessories, and clothing created by her and women worldwide. Stitches 'N' Beads is Madya's first retail location, after building a business from online and market sales that was inspired by her own journey to the U.S.

Madya grew up in Zimbabwe, and in 2014, fled to Tanzania with her 6-month old daughter to escape an abusive relationship. In Tanzania, she witnessed women in similar situations, who did not have the education or economic means to leave. She began helping women to perfect and sell their craft.

"Talking to people, they just said, 'I can't leave, because I have seven kids. I have five kids, like, 'I can't pay school fees'...So I started it when I was in Tanzania, just starting to make, trying to understand what they are capable of doing. Can they bead? Can they weave?" said Madya.

While helping women in Tanzania find ways to support themselves, Madya also worked at a local hotel to provide for her own family. It was there that she met an American couple from Washington. The couple's friendship with Madya grew over the years, eventually leading to her attendance at

their daughter's wedding in 2017, where she met her now-husband. After relocating to Puyallup with her daughter, Madya later gave birth to a son, who arrived prematurely at 29 weeks and spent nearly two months in the hospital. During those challenging weeks, knitting became Madya's solace.

"All I did was knit, knit, knit when I was in the hospital, because it was so stressful, I didn't think he would survive. So, knitting helped me, like with the stress and everything," said Madya. "After that, I had so much I had done, and my husband said, 'What are you going to do with all of this?'"

Madya started selling her products online, then products from a network of artisan women from Zimbabwe, Kenya, Turkey, and Tanzania she had built. One of Madya's partners is Gogo Olive, a nonprofit in Zimbabwe that employs women to knit children's toys, such as dolls and finger puppets. The Gogo Olive products can be found in the retail store, with the name of the woman who knitted the individual product.

Two years ago, a friend convinced Madya to start doing holiday markets and craft fairs, and her popularity and community support grew from there. Her efforts resonated with customers, and two generous patrons surprised her with a tent and banner, helping boost her market presence. Additionally, over 300 supporters raised \$15,000 through the crowdfunding loan platform Kiva, in order to help Madya meet the growing demand for her products.

"I didn't know anybody here, but, like Washingtonians

became my family," said Madya. "They just love to support."

During one market, customers suggested that Leavenworth would be the perfect place for Madya's products. Her family visited, and her kids fell in love with the snowy town. However, it wasn't until a shooting occurred near her booth at the Grant County Fair in August, that Madya was convinced to explore a safer and more stable option for her business. Madya opened her retail space by Thanksgiving.

"I do have finished products that the tourists can buy and use them as souvenirs and all that, but I also want the local people to be involved in this," said Madya.

Aside from selling ready-made projects, Madya envisions a place where people can learn new skills and work on their own projects. A craft room is located in the back of the space, where Madya welcomes community members to bring their own projects to work on. In the future, she plans to organize lessons for different crafts, such as beading, embroidery, knitting, and crocheting.

"I want people to be free to come here, to crochet, to knit, to bead, to just talk and to meet, to come and make friends here, you know? To build a community, like a safe space," said Madya.

Stitches 'N' Beads loft is located at 703 US-2 in downtown Leavenworth. It is currently open every day from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF CHELAN IN PROBATE
In the Matter of the Estate of ORLENE GENELLE ERICKSON, Deceased.
NO. 24-4-00452-04
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030)

The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator 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 Administrator or the Administrator's 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 Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020; 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: December 11, 2024
By /s/ Stein Erickson
STEIN ERICKSON, Administrator
Address: 225 19th Street NE, Unit 8
East Wenatchee, WA 98802
Dated: November 21, 2024
Attorneys for Administrator: GATENS GREEN WEIDENBACH, PLLC
By /s/ Lindsey J. Weidenbach
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Cashmere Hearing Examiner will hold a public hearing on Monday January 13, 2025, at 9:00 AM at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring St. to review and consider the following consolidated permit applications submitted by Marc Spears. A major subdivision application to divide a parcel into twelve (12) separate lots for single family homes. The property is approximately 3.87 acres, average of lot sizes is 12,500 S.F. Property is located West of Evergreen Drive, North of Kimber Rd. within Cashmere City Limits, Chelan County Assessor's Parcel 23-19-05-21-08-50. The purpose of this hearing is for the hearing examiner to review these proposals and take testimony from the public. The Hearing Examiner may approve, approve with conditions or deny the application and shall issue a written decision on the applications within 10 working days of the close of public testimony. The public is invited to attend and make comments. Copy of the Staff report to the Hearing Examiner is available at Cashmere City Hall, 509-782-3513
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LEGAL NOTICE
Weis Towers LLC is proposing to construct a new, up to 150 foot tall monopole telecommunication antenna tower approximately 0.35 miles west of Hwy 97 on Hansel Creek Road in the east half of the southwest quarter of Section 24, Township 23 North, Range 17 East of the Willamette Meridian, Chelan County, Washington. This Notice is made in accordance with the National Preservation Act of 1966, as amended and the 2005 Nationwide Programmatic Agreement for review under the National Preservation Act; Final Rule. Weis Towers LLC is hereby notifying the public of the proposed undertaking and soliciting comments for any Historic Properties within a 0.5 mile radius of the proposed undertaking which are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Comments may be submitted in writing within 30-days of the date of this notice to: John F. Wark, 835 W. Cliff Dr., Spokane, WA 99204, Ph: (509) 999-4755. Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on December 18, 2024. #9064

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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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Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

	4		2	8				
			5		3	2		
3			1	4				
9	7							
8				1				
5	7	8						
			4		9		7	
							6	
4				6	8			

Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

3	8	1	8	3	4	2	9	7
7	5	3	1	8	9	4	6	2
1	8	6	2	4	3	9	5	7
5	1	7	8	3	2	6	4	9
8	6	2	4	9	1	7	3	5
3	9	4	7	6	5	2	1	8
2	3	8	9	6	9	4	5	7
6	7	1	6	5	8	3	2	4
6	4	5	3	2	7	8	9	1

ANSWER:



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Figure skaters

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online at wenatcheefsc.org. The Wenatchee Figure Skating Club (WFSC), a non-profit member of U.S. Figure Skating, has supported local skaters since 1991. Based at the Town Toyota Center, the club offers year-round opportunities and hosts events like the "Apple Ice Classic," test sessions, and an annual holiday show. Open to all ages and skill levels, WFSC aims

to promote figure skating and help members grow through instruction, support, and community engagement. "We really talk about youth figure skating in both competitive and non competitive ways," she said. "Something else that we promote is definitely healthy lifestyles, getting kids more active. I mean, that's a big part of it, creating a sense of community with the arts and with music, and building confidence as kids grow."

The group's Learn to Skate Program will start in January and is open to anyone who wants to learn, Fall said. "So our hope in promoting skating is that more people get an interest in skating, and we encourage that they come and check out the learn to skate program, because there's time to teach everyone how to figure skate," she said.

Quinn Propst: 509-731-3590 or quinn@ward.media

Nod to Noah

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year's boys' basketball team will wear jerseys displaying #2 patches, the same number worn by Phillips. "The more people [that] see that number, they'll ask, 'what is that all about?'. And it's our opportunity to talk about Noah and tell his story," Heyen said. After receiving the donated patches from BSN, a supplier

of much of the equipment for the team, the FCCLA club at CHS took the opportunity of sewing and ironing on the numbers to each jersey in preparation for the season. Eight members of the club received community service for their time as they helped to start the process of telling Phillips' story. Boys' basketball home games take place at Cashmere High School. The first game of the season was December 6 at Brewster High School.

The athletes at CHS benefit from community attendance at the games, as tickets, concessions, and applause all go back to the students. Community members are encouraged to come and see the new jerseys in honor of Noah Phillips and enjoy a fast-paced game of high school basketball. *Jada Wood is an intern for Ward Media and a junior (Class of 2026) at Cashmere High School.*

Council

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change to the proposed agreement would require the city to always be liable for any environmental issues resulting from the biosolids. According to Croci, the city's attorney said that the requirement is not a good idea for the city, but Croci pointed out that other options were limited, and that the current agreement ends at the end of the month. He told Council members that he would explore some additional options and get that information to the Council quickly. Mayor Jim Fletcher explained that a special Council meeting would be required to make a decision by

the end of the year. The Council unanimously approved acceptance of a grant from the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) for \$650,256 to be used to add sidewalks on Maple and Olive Streets and install a crosswalk on Olive Street at the intersection with Chase St. The grant from TIB will cover 95% of the estimated project cost. The city is responsible for the remaining 5%, approximately \$34,000. Jim Kuntz, CEO of the Port District and JC Baldwin, Port of Chelan County Commissioner, District #2 addressed the Council, providing an update of activities and plans for the Port properties along Sunset Highway. Due to the past use

of the property and covenants from the Department of Ecology (DOE), Kuntz explained that future use of the properties cannot include day cares, schools or use of the groundwater. Kuntz described improvements and plans for a 2.6 acre parcel south of Mill Rd. He explained that the Port District had paid for sewer and water lines to be extended to the site. He expressed his view that requirements by the Dept. of Ecology (DOE) is complicating development of the property, but that a hardwood company has expressed interest in the site. North of Sunset is a 1.49 acre parcel which, Kuntz explained, has had a large amount of woody debris

removed and needs final approval from DOE that no additional action is needed to clean up the property. He told Council members that the site is very developable and some interest has been expressed in the property. Kuntz sang the praises of the two buildings south of Sunset Hwy and said that they are spectacular and have been occupied almost the entire time since they were constructed. He added that due to the costs, it is unlikely the Port will construct additional buildings on the adjacent 2.74 acres. Port Commissioner, JC Baldwin told the city council members that the Port had spent millions of dollars on the properties.



Mayor Jim Fletcher and Council Members Chris Carlson and John Perry (from left to right) listen to Fire Chief Blake Larson (not pictured) at the Cashmere Fire Station.

Business community

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in order to access additional funding through the Business & Occupation (B&O) tax. The Washington State Main Street B&O Tax Credit Incentive Program allows businesses to make a donation to a specific downtown association in a designated Washington Main Street Community and in

return, earn a 75 percent state B&O tax credit on that amount. However, those in attendance expressed frustration over lack of transparency and communication from the chamber, and expressed doubt that a downtown association would change the problems at hand. "I will 100 percent admit that as a board president that I have failed in that aspect,

in communicating to the businesses...I am a farmer, and I had the worst year I've ever had. And so excuses don't really matter at this point in time," said Carney. "Going forward...We need board members." Rather than voting on the two options, attendees agreed that more member participation in the already established chamber was the

first priority to revitalizing the business community. "I don't think we need to [vote] at this point in time. I think what we need to do is meet and decide to try to keep the chamber as it is now. We can transition out of a chamber to a downtown association, should that end up presenting itself at this point in time," said Aaron Todd, owner of Downtown Bike. Many of the

meeting's attendees agreed to attend the chamber's January meeting in order to vote in new board members, hire a chamber employee, and further discuss a potential transition. The Cashmere Chamber of Commerce typically meets on the third Thursday of each month from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. at 103 Cottage Avenue. "This was just a matter of, like, let's get everybody in a

room together, and let's find our strengths and let's grow collectively. And I don't think that that's an overreach or an over-ask of a community to do, because I do believe that we all want to grow. So, that was my intention of the meeting, and I think that it served its purpose," said Thomas. *Taylor Caldwell: 509-433-7276 or taylor@ward.media*

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Kid Scoop Puzzler

I'm found in oceans all over the world, but especially in the coldest ones. To find out what I am, color each space that has a 1 in it **black** and each 2 space **blue**. Leave the blank spaces white.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop FIT & FUN

Penguin Fitness

Tummy Time

Penguins slide on their tummies to move across snow and ice.

Try holding this pose for 10 seconds at a time. It's not as easy as penguins make it seem!

THE BEAUTY OF BLUBBER

Some places are very cold in the winter. Icy winds blow. Water freezes and snow covers the ground. What do animals do to survive these freezing months?

Whales, penguins and seals have a thick layer of body fat, called **blubber**, to keep them warm. The blubber on a large whale can be very thick. It is almost impossible for the cold to go through the blubber and chill the whale.

Standards Link: Life Science: Recognize that different animals have features that help them thrive in different places.

A Whale of a Ride

Only two of the hitch-hiking penguins above are the same. Can you find them?

Standards Link: Visual discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

How Blubber Works

To find out how blubber keeps animals warm, try making this blubber mitt and taking The Blubber Test. You'll need:

- 1 cup of solid shortening
- 3 zip-lock sandwich bags
- Ice
- Duct tape
- Water
- Large bowl or a bucket

Now try: THE BLUBBER TEST

Extra! Extra! Hot Hunt

Look through the newspaper for:

- 3 ways to stay warm
- 4 words that describe the weather
- 5 numbers that add up to 100

Standards Links: Reading: Skim and scan reading. Science: Classification by common attributes. Math: Finding sums to 100.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Hot and Cold

Students can work in pairs to play this game. Have one partner secretly select a picture in the newspaper. The other player then asks questions that can be answered "Yes" or "No" to determine the secret picture.

Standards Link: Cooperative Learning: Make predictions based on patterns of listening and observation.

Write On! Wonderful Wiggly Walrus

Alliteration is when you use the same letter to start every word in a sentence. Write your own alliterations.

Balance

Penguins don't stand on just one foot very often, but pretend penguins can!

Standards Link: Physical Education: Use a variety of basic and advanced movement forms.

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