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The Woods Coffee completes bakery, begins offering its own food

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When it comes to baked goods, The Woods Coffee is now making its own mark in Whatcom County.

The local coffee shop company recently completed construction of its own bakery, which will be used to stock baked goods in its 10 Whatcom County locations. The 1,500-square-foot wholesale bakery is near the company's corporate headquarters in Lynden and creates six new jobs, said owner Wes Herman.

Every baked good will be made daily from scratch using mostly local ingredients from 33 regional farms.

The Woods will be trying out some unusual items, such as a maple bacon scone. It will offer traditional baked breakfast products, such as scones, coffee cake, muffins and breakfast sandwiches. The bakery will not use hydrogenated oil or trans fats.

"It's been something we've wanted to do for the past nine years," said Herman. "We wanted to control the quality of the products and the type of ingredients used."

He added that the company will be introducing a variety of new products to differentiate Woods from the competition.

The nine-year-old company is also on track for a Jan. 17 opening of its 10th coffee shop in the Flatiron Building in downtown Bellingham. The new coffee shop will have 2,600 square feet of space inside the building on Bay Street, with most of the rest of the structure being occupied by Logos Bible Software.

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