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Councilmember Ken Klein

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## Ken Klein's eNewsletter

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Thank you for subscribing to my monthly newsletter!

**Stilly Valley Youth Project** - I've been working hard at securing funding from Governor Inslee and the Washington State Legislature to assist in funding the Stilly Valley Youth Project. The project includes renovation and expansion of the Arlington Boys and Girls Club, renovations to and an addition of a skate park at Old School Park in Darrington, design, engineering, and construction of new restrooms and shower facilities that will expand camping opportunities at White Horse Community Park, renovations to the Darrington School District's recreational facilities including the addition of a new multi-use room and multi-purpose track and field. If you are interested in supporting the project, you can sign the [Petition for the Stilly Valley Youth Project](#). Signatures will be presented along with a Capital Facilities Request to Governor Inslee and members of the Legislature.

**Evergreen State Fair** - 2014 was a fantastic year for the Evergreen State Fair with more than 341,000 happy fairgoers, record setting revenues, and strong validation that we are "comfortable in our skin". The Evergreen State Fair continues to be one of the most successful Fairs in the nation! I want like to extend my gratitude to the Snohomish County Parks Department for all their dedication and hard work which helped make this year such a great success.

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**Budget** - I began looking at the budget when we arrived at the County in January. A lot has changed since my initial review and as Council moves into our budget season, I will be pressing for answers to tough questions. At a recent Finance Committee meeting councilmembers suggested a "soft" hiring freeze, a temporary halt to job reclassifications in the Executive's Office in response to 10% pay increases some of his top department heads received, eliminating redundant jobs among appointed, non-union employees that work under the Executive's direction and lastly considering the best way in which Snohomish County can replace employees that we anticipate will retire within a couple of years. These discussions are bound to become livelier as we become more active in working on the budget. I look forward to providing you with updates along the way and welcome any feedback or suggestions you might have.

If you'd like to learn more about the discussion that I am referencing, please visit [County Councilmembers Already Worried About 2015 Budget](#).

**Go, See, Do!**

### **Stanwood Chamber of Commerce 10th Annual Golf Classic**

Join the Stanwood Chamber of Commerce for the 10th Annual Golf Classic sponsored by Umpqua Bank. This event is always great fun and it's a wonderful way to advertise. Sign up to sponsor a hole, put together a foursome (Key Sponsor), or donate a prize for our raffle. Our Golf Classic fills up quickly so reserve your spot on the course ASAP.

**Date:** Saturday, September 20th

**Time:** 9:00am - 2:00pm

**Location:** Arlington Municipal Airport, 18204 59th Avenue NE Arlington, WA 98223

**Cost:** Free and up

**Contact:** 360.403.3470

**Details:** [Arlington Airport Appreciation Day](#)

### **Touch-A-Truck**

The City of Marysville invites you to Touch-A-Truck on Saturday, Sept. 13, an event that puts your kids in the driver's seat of Marysville's biggest heavy-duty rigs. Honk the horns, set off sirens, kick the tires on a variety of big rigs - dump trucks, backhoe, vector truck, police vehicles, street sweeper, Marysville Fire District fire engines, garbage trucks, an aid car and more. Come join the fun! Marysville Noon Rotary Club will offer special activities for kids, and Marysville Kiwanis will have tasty treats for sale. Please bring a donation for the Marysville Food Bank! No pets please.

**Date:** Saturday, September 13th

**Time:** 10:00am - 1:00pm

**Location:** Asbery Field, 1605 7th St. NE Marysville 98270

**Cost:** Free!

**Contact:** 360.363-8400

**Details:** [Calendar: Touch-A-Truck](#)

### **Stanwood Sashayers Free Italian Dinner & Square Dance**

Join the Stanwood Sashayers for a FREE Italian dinner and square dance lessons!

**Date:** Monday, September 15

**Time:** Dinner @ 6:00pm and Lesson from 7:00pm - 9:00pm

**Location:** Stillaguamish Grange at the Fairgrounds, 6521 Pioneer Highway, Stanwood 98290

**Cost:** FREE!

**Contact:** Tami, 360.420.1931

**I enjoy receiving feedback from constituents as to what you would like to see in our community. Please feel free to connect with me to share any ideas, comments, concerns or questions!**

**All the best,  
Ken Klein**

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**Sincerely,**

Ken Klein  
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