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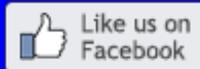
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Ken Klein's eNewsletter

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[Alessandra Durham](#), Legislative Aide

Thank you for subscribing to my monthly newsletter! I hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season.

Budget:

This year's budget process was extraordinary and not in a good way. For the first time in Washington State history a county, specifically Snohomish County, was on the verge of a government shutdown. For the first time in Snohomish County history, the Executive exercised his authority and vetoed the sustainable budget that was approved by the County Council. Fortunately, the Council passed a budget by emergency ordinance which bypassed the Executive completely and funded the County for 2015. While I did not agree with everything in the budget the Council adopted it was sustainable for the long term, kept the taxes raised for the courthouse from being used for ongoing expenses and rolled back the 10% raises given to the highest paid managers in the government. It is my firm belief and my agenda that in 2015 the council will continue to focus on government accountability and long-term fiscal sustainability.

Stilly Valley Youth Project:

We are very excited to share with you that Governor Inslee included our \$5.25 million request for the Stilly Valley Youth Project in his 2015-17 budget!

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Moving forward, we will spend the next several months visiting Olympia to share the importance of this project with legislators. We encourage all of you to lobby our legislators in addition to submitting letters of support to publications such as the Everett Herald and Seattle Times. You can also support the project by liking [Stilly Valley Youth Project](#) on Facebook.

Thank you for your support of and assistance with the Stilly Valley Youth Project. This was truly a grassroots effort and we could not be more proud of the work the community has put into partnering with us.

Go, See, Do!

Darrington Community Dance

Come kick up your heels or just tap your toes and to Old-Time Contra and Square Dancing at the Mansford Grange! Peckin' Out Dough will be providing the music with Joanna Stodden guest calling. All proceeds go to the band, caller, and sound.

Date: Saturday, January 10, 2015

Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Location: 1265 Railroad Avenue Darrington, WA 98241

Cost: Suggested Donation of \$7.00

All the best,

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Sincerely,

Ken Klein
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