

NEWS from Councilmember Ken Klein

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Pay Increase Roll Backs: In April of 2014, Executive Lovick granted illegal pay raises to some of his top paid staff. When Council became aware of this in June of last year, we notified him that his actions were not legal and supplied him with a copy of an opinion from the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Several communications asking that Executive Lovick follow the law were subsequently sent. Unfortunately, Executive Lovick chose not to comply. As a result, during the budget process Council rolled back the wages of six individuals that were recipients of the pay increases.

After the previous salary roll backs, the Executive gave a 21% pay increase of \$18,601.20 per year to the Attorney Administrator for the Office of Public Defense. He also refused to roll this back once Council learned of his action. Council Chair Somers has met with the Attorney Administrator twice and explained that Council's response to her pay increase was not a reflection of her work and was not personal. The Council's actions are a matter of ensuring Executive Lovick operates within the scope of the law and with fairness to our other 2,800 employees.

When I was sworn into office, I promised to do several things which included upholding Snohomish County Code. I also promised my constituents that I would always work to

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hold government accountable. I am happy to say, in this case by partnering with two of my fellow councilmembers, we were able to hold the Executive accountable and ensure fairness amongst our employees. The Council has approved a \$25,000 salary study and will discuss next steps once we have the outcome to the study. I will be monitoring this situation closely to ensure the roll backs are reflected in actual pay.

To learn more about the history of this issue, please see County Council furious over lawyer's 21 percent pay raise.

Go, See, Do!

Snohomish County Sheriff's North Precinct Open House

Come join the Snohomish County Sheriff's Department for the launch of their new full service precinct! Beginning on May 18th, all three of their precincts will offer all of the services that are provided at their office located inside of the Snohomish County Courthouse (including fingerprinting, concealed pistol license and weapon permits, and public records requests).

There will be several activities for kids and families including K9 demonstrations, Marine and Patrol Unites, activities for kids, signups for car seat inspections, displays by Search and Rescue, SWAT, and the Drug Task Force, as well as information about Neighborhood Watch, public safety, and crime prevention!

Date: Friday, March 15, 2015 **Time:** 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Location: North Precinct, 15100 40th Avenue NE Marysville, WA 98271

Cost: Free!

Contact: 425.388.3377

20th Annual Paine Field Aviation Day

Come and see the latest in general aviation aircraft, take a flight, meet the pilots, see one-of-a-kind aircraft, talk with flight schools, enjoy great food, and watch thrilling flying demonstrations! There are several flying demonstrations and performances scheduled throughout the day.

Date: Saturday, May 16th **Time:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Paine Field Airport, 3407 109th St. SW Everett, WA 98204 **Cost:** Admission to this event is \$10.00. *Kids under 17 are free!!!*

Contact: 206.342.4242

Details: For more information, please visit <u>Paine Field Calendar</u>.

The Arlington Arts Council Presents a Jazz Concert at the BPAC

Please join us for a jazz concert presented by the Arlington Arts Council in the Brynes Performing Arts Center at Arlington High School. Six-time Grammy Award winner, baritone sax player Gary Smulyan and pianist George Cables are coming from New York to provide a night of phenomenal music!

Date: Friday, May 22nd **Time:** 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Location: Byrnes Performing Arts Center, 18821 Crown Ridge Road. Arlington, WA 98223

Cost: \$15.00. Tickets can be purchased at brownpapertickets.com or at Flowers by George, 335

N Olympic Ave. in Arlington

Contact: 360.435.5866

Darrington Day Celebration

A fun-filled day for celebrating the Town of Darrington and their heritage. This is a family-centered event! Activities include an open air market with local vendors, music at Old School Park provided by Whitehorse Musicians Guild, and appearances by Smokey the Bear!

Date: Saturday, May 30th **Time:** 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Cost: Free!

Location: Events are held throughout the Town of Darrington

Stanwood/Camano American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Please consider attending or even participating in the Stanwood/Camano American Cancer Society Relay for Life. There's food, games, activities, and entertainment during this organized overnight community fundraising walk. Information for the Opening Ceremony, Survivors lap, Caregivers Lap, Luminary Ceremony and Closing Ceremony.

Date: Saturday, May 30th

Time: Event begins at 11:00 a.m.

Location: Stanwood Fairgrounds, 6431 Pioneer Hwy Stanwood, WA

Contact: 1.800.227.2345

Details: For additional information, please visit Relay for Life

All the best.

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