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Councilmember Ken Klein

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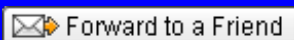
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## Ken Klein's eNewsletter

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Happy fall! Thank you for subscribing to my monthly newsletter.

### Budget:

Executive Lovick presented his budget in an address on Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. In the Executive's budget he promised to make a substantial contribution to the County's reserves, a \$4 million tax cut, contributions to public safety, and support for programs such as First Steps.

In July, Council Chair Dave Somers expressed concern over the County's financial position in a letter to Executive Lovick citing issues such as:

a potential loss of approximately \$5 million of sales tax generated at Quil Ceda Village

- labor costs escalating faster than revenues
- direction given by general fund departments by Executive Lovick to cut up to 6.2 percent of their budgets in 2016
- looming penalties resulting from the Affordable Care Act
- reserves that are far below the Council established target

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and below what is needed to maintain liquidity

- potential future bond rating reductions based on shrinking reserves

Council invited the Executive and staff to meet in order to provide information on their strategy to bring general fund expenditures under control, rebuild reserves, and return the County to a strong financial footing. Unfortunately, Executive Lovick chose not to respond to the questions posed and Council has remained in the dark about the state of the County's finances. It is not possible that the Executive can make good on the promises in his budget while ensuring the long-term fiscal health of the County. Council staff has been preparing for the budget for the last couple of months and is prepared to create a final budget that best serves you, the taxpayers. I will provide updates as the budget process unfolds and as always, I encourage you to engage with the process with written and verbal comments.

### **Sno-Isle Libraries:**

Sno-Isle Libraries is taking a fresh look at their facilities and how we use them! They want to continue as a leader in providing library services that meet current, emerging and future community needs. To do so, they are looking out over the next 10 years to 2025 and developing a new Facilities Plan, which will guide them in building new libraries and improving current library facilities throughout Snohomish and Island Counties. Community input will help them identify what their libraries should look like and what services they should provide over the next ten years. They would like to hear from you about:

- What their libraries should look like
- What services their libraries should provide
- Where additional libraries are needed

Sno-Isle is offering a wide variety of opportunities for people to share their thoughts, including in person and online options. You can also drop in at your leisure to converse with library staff, learn about their services, and share your vision of the future. Library staff will provide activities for children while parents participate in the open house activities. Information on upcoming events and engagement opportunities is highlighted on their website: <http://sno-isle.org/facplan>.

**Go, See, Do!**

### **Whitehorse Farmer's Market Swap Meet**

**Date:** Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:30 am - 4:30 pm each day

**Location:** 1080 Seeman St. Darrington, WA

**Details:** \$10.00 per 10x10 space per day with pre-registration or \$15.00 day of the event

**Contact:** Please contact Pam Frichman at 360.436.1945 or by email at

### **Marysville Autumn Craft Show**

Come shop from local crafters, artists, and limited commercial vendors! There will be Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas items for the whole family!

**Date:** Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Location:** Totem Middle School Gymnasium, 1605 7<sup>th</sup> St. Marysville, WA 98270

**Cost:** Admission is free!

**Contact:** For additional information or questions please call 360.363.8451 or email Maryke at [mburgess@marysvillewa.gov](mailto:mburgess@marysvillewa.gov)

### **Arlington's Centennial Sk8 Festival**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Centennial Sk8 Festival will feature longboard/skateboard races (1 mile, 5k, and half-marathon) along the beautiful Centennial Trail in addition to a festival with are, vendors, music, and food! Racers will compete for cash prizes, decks, wheels, and more. The event proceeds will benefit The Nick of Time Foundation/Heart of Edmonds - a nonprofit that provides AED defibrillators, free youth heart screenings, AED/CPR training to schools and the community. This event is sponsored by the City of Arlington and the Snohomish County Sports Commission.

**Date:** Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am to Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm

**Location:** 114 N Olympic Avenue Arlington, WA 98223

**Cost:** Prices vary. Please visit [Centennial Sk8 Festival Tickets](#) for more information

### **Stanwood Walk & Talk with the Mayor**

Join Mayor Leonard Kelley and Rite Aid's Wellness Ambassador Lorena Watkins for a healthy wellness walk. Share your thoughts and discuss issues affecting the community. The walks will start at Stanwood Rite Aid, go to City Hall, and loop back to the Rite Aid. The walk is about two miles.

**Date:** Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 7:30 am - 8:30 am

**Location:** Stanwood Rite Aid, 26817 88<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, Stanwood, WA

**Details:** Save 10% on one wellness item at the Stanwood Rite Aid when you take three Wellness Walks with Mayor. Mayor Kelley or Lorena will sign a form that can be found at [Walk & Talk With The Mayor](#) after each walk.

**Contact:** For more information, please contact Amanda Slattery at 360-629-2181 or by email at [Amanda.Slattery@ci.stanwood.wa.us](mailto:Amanda.Slattery@ci.stanwood.wa.us)

### **Marysville's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Bazaar**

Join us as Marysville's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Bazaar! There will be one of kind treasures to

buy for gifts or even just to treat yourself to. There are also lots of arts, crafts, and other creative items to explore and purchase!

**Date:** Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Location:** Masonic Hall, 419 Columbia Avenue, Marysville, WA 98270

**Cost:** Admission is free!

### **#MPstronger - A Walk of Strength**

Students, staff, fire-responders, and community members are invited to #MPstronger - A Walk of Strength. The community-led effort will include a walk around the high school, the opportunity to plant tulip bulbs, and a chance to come together and reflect.

**Date:** Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 9:00 am - 11:00 am (may run past 11:00 am)

**Location:** Marysville Pilchuck High School, 5611 108<sup>th</sup> St. NE Marysville, WA 98270

**Details:** T-shirts with the #MPstronger logo will be available for purchase at

[www.mpmemorial.org](http://www.mpmemorial.org)

**Contact:** Please contact Tara at 360.363.8404 or email [parksandrec@marysvillewa.gov](mailto:parksandrec@marysvillewa.gov) for additional information or questions

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Streams of Mercy Fun Run**

Get in shape and support Safe Harbor Free Clinic with your favorite doctors, nurses, and volunteers! All proceeds will benefit the non-profit work locally of the Safe Harbor Free Clinic and internationally to Boscovet Hope Academy which provides early childhood education to families in rural Kenya.

**Date:** Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 am

**Cost:** Early Registration (prior to October 28<sup>th</sup>) - \$25, Race Day - \$30, Seniors over 60 - \$20, Children 6 & under - Free, T-shirts (pre-order) \$18

**Location:** Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 27201 99<sup>th</sup> Ave NW Stanwood, WA

**Contact:** Please contact Dr. Dan Haskins at 360.774.0386 or at [Dr.DanHaskins@gmail.com](mailto:Dr.DanHaskins@gmail.com) for additional information or questions

### **Downtown Marysville Merchants Association Trick-Or-Treat**

Trick or Treat the merchants in Downtown Marysville on Halloween. Costumes are optional, but don't forget to bring a container to collect goodies!

**Date:** Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

**Location:** Downtown Marysville

**Contact:** For questions or additional information, please contact the Downtown Marysville Merchants Association at [marysvillemerchants@hotmail.com](mailto:marysvillemerchants@hotmail.com)

**All the best,**

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