February was a busy month at the Council! I had the privilege of visiting several farms in our district and look forward to visiting more in the coming weeks. Also I visited Olympia to advocate for infrastructure projects in North Snohomish County and celebrated Boeing’s announcement that the 777X Wing project will be built in Snohomish County.

March is promising to be another busy yet productive month. Early in March, I will be at the Annual National Association of Counties Legislative Conference in Washington DC attending meetings with county officials from all over the country. During this week I will meet with our Congressional representatives to discuss federal issues that have a direct impact on North County. When I return, my focus will continue to be on sound fiscal policies, economic growth, technology, law and justice and most importantly your concerns.

One area of particular concern that I encourage you to engage with is the County’s IS Department. On February 12th, County Council voted 3-2 to extend the amount of time the department would fall under the Auditor’s direction to 2017. Executive Lovick vetoed the Council’s decision late afternoon this past Friday. If you are not familiar with the issue, I recommend this recent article in the Herald, Lovick vetoes council, reclaims tech department. It is my hope that with this decision the
Executive recognizes the rapidly changing nature of the department, that he makes reforms that better utilize the County's existing resources and communicates a vision for the department that focuses on keeping up with current technology.

As always, if you have a problem that you need my assistance with or an event you would like me to attend in district, please don't hesitate to contact my office and I'll be happy to work with you.

Go, See, Do

**Business Roundtable with Councilmember Klein**

If you've ever been to former Councilmember Koster's Business Roundtables, you know that these are fun, engaging and a great way to connect with others in our community. This will be my first time hosting and I couldn't be more excited. Please join me for a great breakfast and lively discussion with several of our legislatures as they provide a recap on this year's session and Snohomish County Ombudsman John Koster with an update on his new office.

**Date:** Wednesday, March 26  
**Time:** 7:00am-8:30am  
**Location:** Shawn O'Donnell’s, 122 128th St SE, Everett, WA 98208  
**Cost:** $25 per person (includes breakfast)  
**Contact:** Alessandra Durham, Kosterbrt@comcast.net

**Princess and Pirate Breakfast Bowl**

Princesses and Pirates ages 3 and older will love this family event! Dress up as your favorite princess or pirate with Marysville Parks and Recreation and Strawberry Lanes for an exciting morning! Take part in a costume contest, create jeweled crafts, enjoy breakfast from the Strawberry Lanes breakfast menu, two frames of bowling and bowling shoes.

**Date:** Sunday, March 2  
**Time:** 9:00am-12:00pm  
**Location:** Strawberry Lanes, 1067 Columbia Ave Marysville 98270  
**Cost:** $15.00 per person  
**Contact:** akingsford@marysvillewa.gov or by phone at 360.363.8410

**Treasure Trove Antique Appraisal Show**

Is it trash or treasure? Professional appraisers will be available to verbally evaluate your items. This event includes snacks and a lively atmosphere. Pre-registration is strongly recommended with a limited number of drop-in spaces available. Please note, furniture is not accepted but appraisers will allow pictures (if measurements are included). Approximately five to eight minutes are allotted be item.

**Date:** Saturday, March 8  
**Time:** 10:00am-2:00pm
First Annual Port Susan Home & Garden Show

Come learn about unique issues homeowners face in the Stanwood/Camano area. The show features special guest Ciscoe Morris of Gardening with Ciscoe, demonstrations, guest speakers and local vendors.

**Date:** Saturday, March 8  
**Time:** 10:00am-4:00pm  
**Location:** Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Road Camano Island, WA 98282  
**Cost:** $0.00  
**Contact:** Karen Daum (360.629.7136) or Gayle Picken (425.359.7974) if interested in a Vendor Space at the event

Please stop by my page often for updates on what I'm working on in Council as well as for ways to get involved in our community.

All the best,  
Ken Klein

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Sincerely,

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