Thank you for subscribing to my monthly newsletter!

**Ordinance 16-011:**

The Washington State Legislature passed Engrossed Senate Bill (ESB) 5761 in 2015 which allows for a ten year exemption from property taxes imposed by certain cities for the value of new construction of qualifying industrial/manufacturing facilities located on land zoned for industrial and manufacturing uses, undeveloped or underutilized, and designated by the city as a targeted area. Currently, the four cities in Snohomish County that meet the requirements outlined in the ESB are Arlington, Lake Stevens, Marysville and Mill Creek.

Arlington Mayor Barb Tolbert and Marysville Mayor Jon Nehring partnered with me to create Ordinance 16-011 that ensured that the Cities, County and State's legislation is compatible.

Ordinance 16-011 is of particular importance to North Snohomish County because of the anticipated creation of the Arlington-Marysville Manufacturing Industrial Center and potential expansion of Everett Community College's AMTEC program. The ordinance creates an attractive incentive for businesses considering locating or expanding in North County while providing well-paying jobs to local
This ordinance helps to ensure that North Snohomish County remains a great place to work and start a business. I am excited to see the economic opportunities that are coming to the area and will continue to support efforts that provide well-paying manufacturing jobs to our residents. I am grateful to Senators Pearson, Bailey, Benton, Hobbs and McCoy for sponsoring this legislation in the State Legislature and commend Arlington Mayor Barb Tolbert and Marysville Mayor Jon Nehring for their strong advocacy for job growth in North County.

**Plymouth Housing Group Visit:**

On Friday, April 1st I visited Plymouth Housing Group with Lieutenant Scott Parker from the Regional Gang and Drug Task Force and Cecelia Wilson from Executive Somer's Office. Plymouth Housing Group was founded in 1980 as an independent non-profit corporation by members of Plymouth Congregational Church. Their mission is to, "...Eliminate homelessness and address its causes by preserving, developing and operating safe, quality, supportive housing by providing homeless adults with opportunities to stabilize their lives". Since their founding, Plymouth has earned a reputation nationwide for their extraordinary work helping the most vulnerable and often hardest members of our society to serve.

As part of my work to bring the Housing First model to Snohomish County, I have reached out to various departments to understand how we can work together to solve the crisis. Housing First addresses the homelessness problem head on and has proven to be the most cost effective way to address the issue by partnering with non-profit agencies. Through conversations that I've had with several law enforcement agencies, I learned that they are often the first contact many of our unsheltered residents battling chemical dependency and mental health issues have with government. I am grateful that I had the opportunity to organize a meeting between leaders from the Snohomish County Drug and Gang Task Force, Snohomish County Executive’s Office, Paul Lambros, Executive Director of Plymouth Housing Group and myself. I look forward to continuing the conversation, strengthening existing partnerships and creating housing for the most vulnerable members of our community.

**Go, See, Do!**

**Marysville Craft and Garden Show**
You are invited to the Marysville Spring Craft and Garden Show with over 75 vendors of handmade crafts, commercial gifts as well as vintage and upcycled treasures! It's the perfect time to shop for Mother's Day, the garden, home goods, the kids and your pets!

**Date:** Saturday, April 9th  
**Time:** 10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Totem Middle School Gymnasium, 1605 7th Street, Marysville  
**Cost:** Admission is free for shoppers!  
**Details:** For details and vendor information call 360.363.8450 or email mburgess@marysvillewa.gov

Darrington - Annual Community Spring Clean-up Event

The Town of Darrington is partnering with Snohomish County Public Works Solid Waste Division and Waste Management to offer disposal and recycling services for specific items to help clean up the community. Business waste will not be collected during the event.

**Date:** Saturday, April 9th  
**Time:** 8:00 am - 3:00 pm  
**Location:** Hampton Log Yard for wood debris and Darrington Municipal Airport for all other items/waste

Darrington Potluck & Community Dance

Come kick up your heels to Contra/Square/Family at the Darrington Potluck and Community Dance! Cobbler will be performing with caller Amy Carroll.

**Date:** Saturday, April 9th  
**Time:** Potluck at 5:30 pm, Dancing from 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm  
**Location:** Mansford Grange, 1265 Railroad Ave., Darrington  
**Contact:** 360.436.2107

Mother-Son Superhero Dance

Calling all Superhero moms and sons of all ages! You are invited to the 1st ever Mother-Son Superhero Dance. This is your night to dress up, meet a superhero and show off your super hero dance moves! Whether you dress fancy form or superhero fabulous, this is a night that you and your son will remember for years to come. Refreshments are provided and couples received a 5x7 photo with a superhero to commemorate your evening! You must pre-register for this event. Paper tickets will not be distributed at the event.

**Date:** Saturday, April 16th  
**Time:** 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm or 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm  
**Location:** Cedarcrest Middle School, 6400 88th Street NE, Marysville  
**Cost:** $25 per couple and $5 for each additional son attending the same session  
**Registration:** Mother-Son Superhero Dance Registration  
**Contact:** Call 360.363.8401 or email akingsford@marysvillewa.gov

Alex Zerbe The Zaniac Comedy Show
When was the last time you laughed as hard as your kids? The "Professional Zaniac" who's been cracking jokes onstage for almost 15 years, zigzags between physical stunts and non-stop comedy. A self-described "human cartoon", his show isn't only for the kids in the family.

**Date:** Sunday, April 17th  
**Time:** 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm  
**Location:** Maryville Opera House, 1225 3rd Street, Marysville  
**Cost:** $5 per person (children under 2 years on laps are free)  
**Contact:** Call 360.363.8408 or email lwoodmansee@marysvillewa.gov

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**Spring Serving of History and Hors d'oeuvres at the Floyd**

The Stanwood Area Historical Society announces its three guest speakers for its spring lecture series, History and Hors d'oeuvres (H & H). Historian Richard Blumenthal, author of Maritime Place Names: Inland Washington Waters, will speak on the various explorations of the Puget Sound and how the names we know today were given to locations around western Washington's inland waterways.

**Date:** Sunday, April 24th  
**Time:** 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Floyd Norgaard Center, 27130 102nd Ave. NW, Stanwood  
**Cost:** Donations  
**Contact:** 360.629.6110

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All the best,

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Sincerely,

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