Courthouse update:

Given the new concerns with parking around the proposed new courthouse building, the council has asked our Facilities people to work with the architect to bring forward other options. We will take a new look at remodeling the existing courthouse, constructing another building elsewhere on our existing campus and possibly even looking outside Everett.

I have concerns about any site away from the County Jail in Everett due to the costs and security of transporting prisoners. I've asked that transport and additional security costs be factored into any analysis of an off-site building.

Also in 2013, the council raised taxes to cover the debt service for the bonds. (Debt service for bonds is similar to paying a mortgage.) To finance this, $75 Million in bonds were sold in 2013. The county planned to sell another $87 Million in bonds to finish the revised project. Interest rates on bonds are expected to rise, which will increase our payments on the second set of bonds. I want to be sure the tax revenue that was raised to pay for the courthouse will still cover the higher bond payments.

Until we get answers, I cannot responsibly move forward with a courthouse project that could require cut backs in public services.
Multi-family regulations Public Hearing

The council is considering new regulations that will apply to multi-family housing. The public hearing has been extended to August 12 to allow for more public input on the proposed amendments. For more information please visit www.snoco.org. To comment, you can send email comments to contact.council@snoco.org or in writing to the County Council, 3000 Rockefeller M/S 604, Everett, WA 98201.

Snohomish County Hosts National Night Out on August 4

Bring the whole family for an evening of free food and lots of fun as you learn how to keep your family safe at this year's National Night Out (NNO) on Tuesday, August 4, from 5 to 8 p.m. The event will be held at Willis Tucker Community Park located at 6705 Puget Park Drive in Snohomish.

Each year, local companies and nonprofits join Snohomish County and local law enforcement to provide crime-prevention information. This annual free event features onsite emergency vehicles and booths where NNO visitors will learn safety tips to increase personal and public safety.

NNO will include an event-favorite, the arrival of the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office search-and-rescue team and helicopter. Once the helicopter has landed in the adjoining ball field, everyone is welcome to get up close - and kids are welcome to sit inside the helicopter. New to this year's event is a demonstration by the Sheriff's Office K9 unit.

Other event features include:
* Free hot dogs, corn-on-the-cob, sno-cones, and strawberry shortcake while listening to live music.
* Kids games and activities.
* An opportunity to see and touch emergency vehicles from the Mill Creek Police Department, Fire Districts 1 and 7, and the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office.
* SnoCom and SnoPac - the agencies that provide 911 services in the county - along with the County's Office of Enhanced 911 and Department of Emergency Management will have emergency information to share, including information on Smart 911 and Text-to-911.
* Attendees will have a chance to win a two-night stay in a yurt at River Meadows County Park.

The event is sponsored by the Snohomish County Executive Office, Snohomish County Parks and Recreation, Community Transit, and Washington State Employees Credit Union. Partners include the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office, Mill Creek Police Department, Fire Districts 1 and 7, Mill Creek Lions Club, and SnoCope Credit Union.
For more information about National Night Out, please visit [www.snohomishcountywa.gov/NNO-2015](http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/NNO-2015) or contact Linda Carl at 425-388-3643 or linda.carl@snoco.org.

Brier Park Dedication

Congratulations to Mayor Bob Colinas and the City of Brier on their new Hickory Way Park. Mayor Colinas invited both County Council Chair Dave Somers and me to attend the dedication ceremony on Saturday, July 11. The Park was purchased with a 2013 grant from the Conservations Futures Fund. Rep. Derek Sanford and many residents and neighbors also attended.

![Brier Park Dedication](image)

*From left to right: County Councilman Terry Ryan, Brier Council members John Joplin, Dale Kaemingk, Bob Colinas, Councilmember Dennis Nick, Marc Olsen and County Council Chair Dave Somers. Standing in front is Brier Councilmember Kerin Steele.*

North Road Completion

Although the project began in 2009, the actual construction occurred in 2014-2015.

North Road is a 1.8-mile north-south arterial located east of Interstate 5 and west of the Bothell-Everett Highway (SR 527). The two-lane corridor received many improvements that will benefit pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers.

Sidewalks and bike lanes were constructed along both sides of the corridor between Filbert Road and 164th Street Southwest, along with a continuous center turn lane.

Planting strips were added in several locations where there is sufficient right-of-way. Storm water detention and water quality treatment systems will handle water runoff and retaining walls will help protect and preserve wetland areas.

Congratulations and a big thank you to Steve Thomsen and his hard working staff who saw this project through to completion both $400,000 under budget and two months ahead of schedule.
Project factoids:

What did it take to rebuild this almost 2-mile-long corridor? A look at some numbers:
700 pages in the construction contract
300 pages of detailed plan drawings
32,000 tons or 64,000,000 million lbs. of asphalt pavement
16,000 feet of trenches for drainage pipe
200 catch basins to install and hook up
3 detention ponds
1 100' x 20' x 9' underground drainage vault
3.5 miles of curb and gutter
3.5 miles of sidewalks
50 curb ramps
34 retaining walls
125 driveway approaches to rebuild

From left to right: Donna Cross, Alderwood Water & Wastewater Commissioner; Steve Thomsen, SnoCo Director of Public Works; Josh Brown, Executive Director, Puget Sound Regional Council; County Executive John Lovick, SnoCo Council Vice-Chair Terry Ryan; SnoCo Council Chair Dave Somers

ALERT: Lane closures

Important Bridge Preservation Project in Snohomish County

On Monday, Aug. 10, the Washington State Department of Transportation will begin an important bridge preservation project in Snohomish County.

Contractor crews will begin work to replace 41 expansion joints on the Interstate 5 Union, Steamboat and Ebey Slough bridges (see attached map). These bridges are located between Everett and Marysville. Information about this project is available at www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/i5/unionsteamboatebeybridgetopics/
Overnight and weekend-long lane closures
Our project design and construction offices have worked hard to find the best option to replace the expansion joints while reducing the impact on local cities, tribes, businesses, freight and drivers. Replacing the joints will be accomplished using a combination of overnight and weekend lane closures.

- **Overnight lane closures**
  - 27 smaller expansion joints on the Union Slough and the southbound Ebey Slough bridges will be replaced using overnight lane closures.
  - These closures will begin as early as Monday, Aug. 10.

- **Eight weekends of around-the-clock lane closures**
  - 14 larger expansion joints on the Steamboat Slough bridges and the northbound Ebey Slough bridge will require eight weekends of continuous lane closures.
  - I-5 will be reduced to two lanes from Fridays to Mondays. The construction zone will reduce I-5 to a single lane overnight when traffic volumes are light.
  - Weekend closures begin after Jan. 1 and must be complete by June 15, 2016.

All expansion joint work is scheduled to be complete by Summer 2016.

**Recruiting for the Snohomish County Marine Resources Program Assistant**

The [Snohomish County Marine Resources Program](#) is seeking a Program Assistant for the [Washington Conservation Corps Individual Placement](#) position hosted by Snohomish County Public Works Surface Water Management. Primary duties include assisting Marine Resources Committee (MRC) staff with project planning and implementation, targeted public education, citizen science monitoring and volunteer outreach and coordination. The successful candidate will work in collaboration with the MRC Staff, MRC members, Communication Specialists, Salmon Recovery staff, project partners, citizens and student volunteers. The position requires a combination of office and field work. Start date is October 1, 2015. Click [here](#) for the full job description.

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references to Kathleen Herrmann and complete the [online WCC application](#).

**2015 Arts of the Terrace Call for Artists Deadline August 30**

MOUNTLAKE TERRACE - Mountlake Terrace Arts Advisory Commission is seeking paintings, prints, drawings, miniatures, calligraphy, photographs, 3-Dimensional and Artisans’ works for its 37th Annual Juried Art Show. Over $4,000 in prize money is available. Arts of the Terrace is held **September 26 - October 10, 2015**. Deadline for entries is **August 30**. To enter or to view the prospectus online, go to [www.cityofmlt.com](http://www.cityofmlt.com) and on the home page under "most requested services" click on Arts of the Terrace.

More information on the Arts of the Terrace is available at [www.cityofmlt.com](http://www.cityofmlt.com), or call (425) 776-9173 Ext. 3300 or email arts@ci.mlt.wa.us.
Building a Foundation for Your Future

August 17 - 20, 2015 | 9:00am - 3:00pm
At the Arlington Municipal Airport

Building a Foundation for Your Future

Constructing Futures is a FREE 4-day, hands on, EXCITING introduction into the many career options in Construction and Advanced Manufacturing. If you are between the ages of 16 and 18 years old, CONSTRUCTING FUTURES IS FOR YOU! This event is FREE and LUNCH IS PROVIDED all 4 days!

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Workforce Snohomish is an equal opportunity employer and provider of employment and training services. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to persons of disability. WA Relay 711

School Supply Drive Kicks Off for Local Foster Kids:

Heritage Park Visitor Information Center accepting donations until August 31

Snohomish County, WA - The start of a new school year should be a time filled with excitement and anticipation for all kids. Help Snohomish County Tourism Bureau make that happen for local foster kids by donating to the school supply drive.

The Snohomish County Tourism Bureau’s Visitor Information Center, located within Lynnwood’s Heritage Park at 19921 Poplar Way, will accept donations for Sleep Country’s Foster Kids school supply drive through August 31. Information Center hours are Mon. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sun. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Center is staffed solely by volunteers; call first to verify open hours at 425-776-3977.

Donations will be given to the Sleep Country’s Foster Kids program for distribution to the 20,000 foster kids in the Pacific Northwest. Only NEW donations will be accepted. Suggestions include:

**Paper**: lined paper, copy paper, construction paper, spiral notebooks, composition books and index cards

**Pencils & Pens**: blue or black pens, #2 pencils, colored pencils, erasers, pencil sharpener, pencil case, colored markers, crayons, highlighters and dry-erase markers

**General Supplies**: paper clips, 3-ring 2” binders, pocket folders and report covers

**Classroom Staples**: stapler, staples, rulers, protractors, glue sticks, scissors, tape and calculators.

**Misc.**: tissues, sanitizing wipes, hand sanitizer
District Happenings:

**Bothell**

August 7 - August 28
Friday Nights, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
**Music in the Park Concert Series**

North Creek Sportsfield #3
11905 North Creek Pkwy South, Bothell

**THIS YEAR'S LINEUP:**
Blues Power Revue
August 7, 2015

Creme Tangerine
August 14, 2015

Cherry Cherry
August 21, 2015

Afrodisiacs
August 28, 2015

Bothell Farmers Market
Country Village Shops
Every Friday | Noon - 6PM

**Brier**

Tuesday, August 4, 2015
Brier Park, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

On Tuesday August 4th, neighborhoods throughout Brier are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "29th Annual National Night Out" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event, National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Brier Police Department. It will involve over 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world.

**National Night Out is designed to:**

1. Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
2. Generate support for and participation in local anticrime efforts;
3. Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
4. Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

**Let's give crime & drugs a going away party!**

- Live Local Music
- Pirate Ship Bouncy for the Kids
- Free Hot Dogs and Water
- Face Painting
- Sit Inside a Real Police Car
KidScare:  Friday - August 7, 2015 at Noon

Ahoy, Mateys - Join your fellow buccaneers for a thunderin' grrreat time at Brier Library's KidScare. There will be crafts, games, grub and grog (cookies and juice).

We will also have a special visit from a real SeaScare pirate. Argh! For children and families.

We encourage the kids to meet back at the library, with their projects, at 6PM on August 13th to get ready to walk with us in the SeaScare Parade.

We look forward to seeing you at the library!

FRIDAY, August 7, 2015
BRIER LIBRARY:
12 NOON

425-483-0888

Register please - Morgan Farrow  mfarrow@sno-isle.org

SeaScare - Wednesday evening - August 12, 2015

- 6:00 pm - Parade check-in and line up - Check in will be on the north side of 232nd on Brier Road.
- 7:00 pm - The Brier Realty Porch Light Parade

The parade begins just north of the library (232nd) and moves south down Brier Road ending just past Brier Realty (238th).

- Following the parade - Salmon Derby, pie eating contest, there will be musical entertainment by the KD Pipeband, Beer Garden, a live band, fire truck display, plus an art and classic car show.
- 6:30 - 8:30 pm - Food Drive - Benefiting Concern for Neighbors Food Bank. Look for the barrel near Jason's Java.
- 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Book Sale - Sponsored by the Friends of the Brier Library. This will be held next to Brier Grocery.
- 6:30 - 8:30 pm - Special Seascare Sodas at Jason's Java - $2.50
- Right after the parade and Salmon Derby drawing - Pie eating contest - always a favorite - chocolate cream
- Following the parade - Tap your feet to live music - Sponsored by Brier Pizza and Pasta.

Brier Salmon Derby sponsored by QFC - This year look for a staff member and get a FREE ticket to the drawing for the big fish. Must be present to win, drawing will be held right after the parade.
Beverages, food and other services will be available from all the merchants during the event.

We encourage you to support your local businesses and neighbors. And, we thank them for all their support in the production of this event.

**Mill Creek**

Wednesdays, August 5, 12, 19, 26  Summer Concert Series in The Forum at Mill Creek Town Center.  15111 Main St. 6 - 8 PM

August 5: Cherry Cherry (Neil Diamond Tribute)
August 12: Sly Mr. Y (Rock from the 70's and 80's)
August 19: Steve Kelly’s Little Big Band (Jazz, Swing, Big Band)
August 26: The Fabulous Roof Shakers (R&B, Blues and Classic Rock & Roll)

**Kids Fun Run**

August 8, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Heatherwood Middle School
Back by popular demand, Run26, and the Parks and Recreation staff along with the Youth Advisory Board members will hold the 6th Annual "Kids Fun Run". Participants will receive a Fun Run goodie bag. Please visit website [www.millcreekkidsfunrun.com](http://www.millcreekkidsfunrun.com) for event information. If you would like to volunteer or make a donation, please contact Kristen at (425) 921-5779 or email kristenf@cityofmillcreek.com.

**Details:**
Registration Opens at 9:00am 1 Lap for 3 - 4 years at 10:00 AM 1 Lap for 5 - 6 years at 10:20 AM 1K (.6 mile) at 10:40 AM 2K (1.2 mile) at 11:00 AM

Cost: $20 of which $5 is given to the American Red Cross to help families in Snohomish County for disaster relief

Children's Concert Series: August 12 + 19, 12 - 1 pm; Library Park
August 12: Buck & Elizabeth
August 19: Rolie Polie Guacamole

Thursday, August 13 - Second Thursday Art Walk. 4th Annual Second Thursday Art Walk along Main Street through Town Center with art, music and shopping too.

**Board Bash Skateboard Event**

August 22, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM at Mill Creek Sports Park
The 8th Annual competition will be open to youth and adults (ages 5 & up). The event will have room for up to 80 participants in four age ranges. Prizes - Food and Music Signed and completed Medical Release form needed to participate. Helmets Required and recommend safety gear. Businesses that would like to donate financially or in-kind, volunteer, prizes, food, gift certificates, contact Brian at (425) 921-5736 or email briand@cityofmillcreek.com. Free!

**Mountlake Terrace**
A Magical National Night Out, Tuesday, August 4

Magic, music, water walking, bouncy house, free food and more! The City of Mountlake Terrace invites you to attend our award-winning National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 4, from 6-9 p.m. at Evergreen Playfield, 22205 56th Avenue West. It's no illusion, this year's event features The Magic of Craig Martin, DJ RT who will emcee and play tunes, our fabulous caricature artist, a K-9 dog demonstration, and more!

Our free family event combines entertainment, food and community involvement for a fun-filled evening. Citizens can meet city officials, learn about local businesses and service organizations, and celebrate with neighbors.

Other activities being planned now include dance performances, martial arts demonstration, public safety vehicle tours, life-sized foosball game, and the very popular water walking balls.

The Mountlake Terrace National Night Out event has been recognized by the National Association of Town Watch as a National Award Winner for its outstanding participation for several years. Approximately 1,000 people attended last year's event.

For further information about the event or if you would like to participate, contact Community Relations Director Virginia Olsen at volsen@ci.mlt.wa.us or (425) 744-6206.

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Terry Ryan, Snohomish County Council