

**Thanksgiving** Thursday, Nov. 27



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# City property tax to increase

by Fred Fillbrook

The council struggled to reach a tax increase the majority could support. They settle on a 2 percent increase.

The budget recommended by city staff has expenses exceeding revenues by \$3.1 million. This is primarily due to a new fire contract rate kicking in (\$1.5 million) and increased police salaries (\$500,000).

Several years ago, the council agreed to pay increased fees to Fire District 7 but failed to come up with a way to pay for the additional costs. The large increase begins in 2015.

Throughout the budget discussions, staff had built in a 1 percent tax increase. In a move that surprised several council members, that recom-

mendation was increased to 3 percent at the Nov. 11 meeting. The council scheduled a special meeting on Nov.18 to allow time for additional public comment and deliberations.

Over the two meetings, mayor pro tem Mark Harmsworth, Parkside and Councilman Sean Kelly, Heatherstone, held firm at zero increase.

Councilman Mark Bond, Highland Trails, started at 1 percent before saying he would support 3 percent and finally settling with the majority at 2 percent

Mayor Pam Pruitt, Cottonwood, was concerned the impacts of previous increases had been drastically understated. After learning the real cost to a \$450,000 house should be under \$50.

Because decreass in garbage costs are expected in the contract to be announced at the Nov. 25 meeting, she agreed to a 2 percent increase.

Councilman Mike Todd, Spring **Tree**, made the motion for 3 percent which was seconded by Bond. "I will second it because I think it's the right thing for our city," said Bond.

"Somehow, this turned into a utility tax discussion and I appreciate people are trying to posture and this and that and the other thing but it is irresponsible for anyone to be elected to this position and not take our finances seriously," said Todd.

He went on to say the cost increases are real and the tax increases are reasonable. He doesn't think the public wants any service cuts although cuts will still be necessary.

The 3 percent tax increase failed 3 to 4 with Todd, Donna Michelson, Fairway and Bond supporting it. Brian Holtzclaw, Brighton, Pruitt, Harmsworth and Kelly opposed the

Michelson proposed a 2.5 percent compromise increase that also failed 3 to 4.

"From my perspective I am compromising between what the staff originally proposed and what they changed it to and requested later," Holtzclaw said.

Holtzclaw reminded the council of those people who had asked for no tax

the reserve so I would rather take that \$55,000 out of reserves than raise the property taxes by another 1 percent," explained Holtzclaw. "It's that simple."

Todd asked Harmsworth and Kelly to explain why they felt no tax increase was right given the real increasing costs. Both declined to respond saying they had made their comments at earlier meetings.

Bond, Holtzclaw, Michelson, Pruitt and Todd supported a 2 percent increase.

The next part of the budget process will be additional discussions about possible budget cuts and a public hearing on Dec. 2. Council is expected to adopt a final budget on Dec. 9.

#### **Public invited to** comment on budget

The council will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget on Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 6 p.m. in the city hall. The public is encouraged to comment on the biennial budget that will cover 2015-2016. Currently, expenses exceed revenues by \$3.1 million.

Comments may be made at the meeting, in writing or submitted before the hearing. The budget is available on the city's website at www.cityofmillcreek.com or at city hall.

For more information, questions or to leave a message for the city council, call (425) 745-1891.

The council is expected to adopt the final budget at its Dec. 9 meeting.

#### Garbage rate reduction expected

At the Nov. 18 council meeting, city manager Ken Armstrong preliminarily announced the garbage rates may go down an average of 20 to 25 percent as part of the new contract with Waste Management.

The city went out to bid several months ago. Details will be released at the Nov. 25 meeting (after print

If the council approves the new contract and rates, services are expected to remain the same.

#### **City Christmas** tree lighting

Santa Claus will arrive at city hall to light the Christmas tree on Saturday, Dec. 6.



## Recycling toys for Christmas



Local moms embrace an economical way to afford the holidays. Countless, gently used toys are sitting around homes no longer being used or played with. Area moms are gathering up the items their children have outgrown to sell them with hopes they will end up under the tree for other children this

"It's really all about recycling and

repurposing," said Heidi Esola, event coordinator of the Lynnwood area Just Between Friends children's consignment sales events.

"The beauty of these events is we inspire families to take a good look at their homes a few times a year and to consign unused items at one of our events. The items still have significant value and life left in them for a

second home," Esola said.

They are helping other local families who are recycling unused and outgrown items from their growing families like Birgitte Miller.

She began selling her children's outgrown clothing and toys, along with her maternity wear at the Just Between Friends sale back in 2011 and is still selling and profiting about \$1,400 from each sale she consigns

"I found these consignment sales from just shopping at them when my kids were younger, now I have so much to get rid of and everything is practically new, it just economically makes sense for me," Miller said.

The Just Between Friends Toy Sale - Holiday Bazaar will be held at the Gold Creek Church, 4326 148th St. SE, Mill Creek on the weekend Nov 21 and 22. Admission to the event is free and open to the public, however shoppers are asked to bring canned food for the Mill Creek Food Bank or new socks for the Holly House that serves more than 2,000 local children a year in Snohomish County.

'Toys, puzzles and games sell very well at Just Between Friends sales events," Esola said. "We have parents who buy them to give as gifts; grandparents who purchase items to have at their homes for when the grandkids come to visit and even daycares that are looking for affordable, but sturdy toys to replenish their play rooms.

What is always so much fun, is when we see the joy on a child's face who was just able to afford that one special toy on their piggybank

Shoppers are welcome to attend



the event to see what treasures they will find. In addition to toys, puzzles, books and games, the event will also be selling baby equipment, holiday clothing and decorations and even special sections called, Mommy Mart and Daddy Mart.

As an added bonus to this event, more than 20 local vendors will be on hand featuring their goods and

At the end of the sale, unsold items will be donated to the Holly House, a grass-roots volunteer run organization that has been a valuable partner to Just Between Friends Lynnwood for more than three years.

The Holly House is entirely funded by donations and is in its eighth year serving poverty level children in Snohomish County. For more information on this non-profit organization, visit www.schillios.com.

## Police seek accident witnesses

Snohomish County Sheriff's Detectives are looking to speak to witnesses about a motorcycle vs. truck collision that occurred on Oct. 29 around 7 p.m. in the 14900 block of West Lake Goodwin Road, between 46th Ave NW and Lakeview Ave.

The driver of the Harley Davidson motorcycle, a 62 year-old Selah man, was transported to Providence Regional Medical Center from the scene with a leg injury.

The driver of the white flatbed truck, a 51 year-old Stanwood man, stopped immediately after the collision and cooperated with police.

Anyone who may have been in the vicinity around the time of the accident should call (425) 388-3377, or e-mail Shari.Ireton@snoco.org.













# Airborne All



The city of Mill Creek held its introduced guest speakers mayor annual Veterans Day ceremony on Pam Pruitt, Cottonwood; Sno-Tuesday, Nov. 11 at the Veter- homish County Executive John ans Monument in Library Park. Lovick, **Heatherstone**; Congress-City manager Ken Armstrong woman Suzan DelBene and Chuck Wright, **Heatherstone**.

Everett High School Navy Junior ROTC presented the colors and the National Anthem was sung by cadet Lt. Susanna Komp.

## The Way

The Evergreen State Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Division Association announces that regular meetings are held on the second Sunday of the month, at 1 p.m. at the Redmond VFW (Post 2995), 4330 148th Ave. NE.

A social gathering is held one hour before the meeting in the Post Canteen. All airborne individuals, past or present, any branch, are welcome to join or just attend meetings.

For more information call Steve Schweyen at (206) 255-4177 or Vic Banks at (206) 200-4879.

## Mill Creek **Senior Center**

The Mill Creek Senior Center offers a variety of activities for seniors in Mill Creek and the surrounding communities. It is located in the Town Center in the City Annex Building next to Mill Creek City Hall, 15720 Main St., #210.

The Senior Center provides free health and wellness support with a nurse and social worker. It also provides educational, social and recreational services to seniors with the goal of maximizing their well-being and independence.

Every season or quarter there is a newsletter showing a variety of activities available to seniors. Included are computer classes, trips, interest classes, fitness, special events and health and wellness support.

For a free newsletter, call (425) 948-7170 or e-mail millcreek@seniorservices.org.

## In his card to veterans Mikey says, "Thank you."

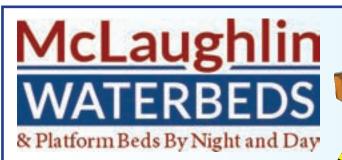


The envelopes are addressd: "Hero' Veterans Day 2014 Created by Mikey, age 12 Mill Creek, WA

Mikey Williamson's hand-drawn cards which he presented to 10 veterans at



Mikey Williamson, 12, presented his personal handdrawn thank you cards to veterans. His mother, Nicole Williamson, of the Martha Lake area, said her son, who has not been able to walk since birth, presents these cards to veterans each year on Veterans Day.





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## **Council postpones discussion on suggestions**

by Fred Fillbrook

The city council was scheduled to discuss the recommendations of the Economic Development Committee at its Oct. 28 meeting. City staff scheduled the discussion to include any decisions in the 2015-2016 budget.

The city manager suggested adding an additional \$200,000 to the council contingency fund to pay for the committee and staff recommendations. Expenses in the budget as proposed already exceed revenues by \$3.1 million.

According the staff recommendations presented in the council's meeting, staff recommends that council make a decision regarding each of the following three Economic Development Committee suggestions as they could have an affect on the city's 2015-2016 budget:

• Staff believes that the recommendation to establish a standing Econom-

ic Development Committee has merit and that the council should consider adopting this recommendation.

• Staff believes that the recommendation to hire a full-time economic development staff person also has value and that the council should consider increasing the city's capacity to conduct ongoing economic development initiatives. This could take the form of creating a new full-time position on city staff or by contracting this service with a consulting firm.

Staff agrees with the committee that the city should collect data related to the effect of annexing along the 164th St. SW corridor west to I-5. Staff would like to hire a consultant to analyze the costs/benefits of annexation. The study cost is estimated at \$100,000. Staff and the committee to not want the council to limit the evaluation to economic issues.

Currently, an annexation must have a financial advantage to the city. Staff and the committee recommends that sole requirement be eliminated. Other factors should be included even if it means newly annexed areas do not their cover their full costs for city services. The council has declined to look any annexation that does not pay for it will selves.

In addition to studying annexation west on 164th to I-5, staff would like to look at those areas those portions of the city's Municipal Urban Growth Areas lying to the west and to the south of the current city limits.

Councilwoman Donna Michelson suggested the discussion be postponed when councilman Mark Harmsworth became ill and left the meeting at 7 p.m.

Mayor Pam Pruitt suggested that these topics and other challenges facing the city be considered in 2015 as part of in depth study sessions.

## The Mill Creek Choral presents: **Magic of Christmas**



The Mill Creek Chorale will hold their debut concert, "The Magic of Christmas," twice on Saturday, Dec. 6 at 2 and 7 p.m. in Advent Lutheran Church, 4306 132nd St. SE, Mill Creek.

Advanced tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students at www.millcreekchorale.brownpapertickets.com. At the door, tickets will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors and students.

Vivissimi, 3rd and 4th graders from the Seattle Girls' Choir, will make an appearance during the 2 p.m. performance. The Gateway Middle School Choir will be on the 7 p.m. agenda.

The Mill Creek Chorale is a newly established, 40-member, adult community choir based in Mill Creek under the direction of Sean Berg.

Their debut concert will put you into the spirit of the season with a host of holiday favorites, from traditional classics like the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah. They will sing hymns such as "Silent Night," contemporary arrangements of "O Holy Night," "Deck the Halls," "Away In a Manger" and the "First Noel," to gospel arrangements of "Go Tell It On the Mountain" and "Jesus, What a Wonderful Child."

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## Blood Center received \$75,000 grant from Walmart Foundation



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Puget Sound Blood Center received a \$75,000 check from the Walmart Foundation to support the purchase of a new High Cube Truck.

The specially equipped truck will be based at the Lynnwood Donor Center to serve an estimated 100+ blood drives in the Snohomish County area in the next year.

The new equipment truck is anticipated to allow PSBC to receive more than 5,500 donations in 2015 through the many new blood drive donations that will now be possible thanks to the

purchase of this vehicle.

Giving Council is a highly competitive grant that is awarded yearly to non-profit organizations throughout the state. This is the second grant that PSBC has been awarded by Walmart.

A key link the Pacific Northwest region's healthcare network, PSBC serves patients in 83 hospitals and clinics, providing blood components, transfusion expertise, specialized lab services for organ transplants, hemophilia care, cord blood stem cells for cancer treatment a multidisciplinary research institute and recruitment for the National Marrow Donor Program. People with traumatic injuries, undergoing surgeries or organ transplantation or receiving treatment for cancer and blood disorders all depend on PSBC. An independent, nonprofit community resource, PSBC is celebrating its 70th anniversary in 2014. For more information, visit psbc.org.

# Think Pink

#### **MCPD Crime Time**

Monday, Nov. 10

Auto theft: MCPD Officer Chris White responded to a auto theft in the 14600 block of Main St. at 1:46 p.m. Someone stole a Mill Creek woman's car which was later recovered in Renton.

Verbal domestic violence: MCPD Officer Marc Schuermeyer responded to a domestic disturbance in the 3300 block of Silver Crest Drive. A boy snuck out of his house. When he returned, a verbal argument ensued with his parents. No police action was taken.

#### Tuesday, Nov. 11

Felony narcotics possession: MCPD Officer Kyle Hughes responded to a report of suspicious subjects in a store in the 13300 block of Bothell-Everett Hwy. at 11:54 p.m. A 43-year-old Bothell woman was arrested for shoplifting, possession of various drugs, an outstanding felony warrant out of Seattle and introducing contraband to a detention facility.

#### Wednesday, Nov. 12

Malicious Mischief: According to a report filed by MCPD Officer Mike Harris, at 6:27 p.m., a 68-year-old Snohomish man reported finding the rear window to his truck canopy and the rear window for the truck both shattered while parked in the 15000 block of Main St.

#### Friday, Nov. 14

Burglary and forced entry: Everett Police requested the assistance of MCPD K-9 Officer Ian Durkee and his partner Rasko to track a residential burglary suspect in the 7700 block of Hardeson Road at 3:20 a.m. Durkee and Rasko located the suspect who was taken into custody. A computer stolen in the burglary was also

Arrest warrant: MCPD Officer Jesse Mack arrested a 21-year-old Mill Creek man for an outstanding warrant and criminal traffic at 4 p.m. He was booked into Snohomish County Jail.

#### Saturday, Nov. 15

Marijuana possession: MCPD Officer Jesse Mack contacted a group of juveniles in the 3400 block of Silvercrest Drive at 4:06 p.m. One of them had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. He was booked into Denny Youth Center.





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## **Snohomish County Cities**

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#### **Christian Women's** Connection

The Mill Creek Christian Women's Connection's next luncheon will be held on Thursday, Dec. 11, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 20610 44th Ave. W, Lynnwood, from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost, including lunch is \$22.

Adrienne McGruder and Karla Burgin will share special Christmas music and lead a Christmas carol sing-

The luncheon speaker will be Ann Griffiths. She is a business coach, ministry leader and author whose latest book is Grandma's Fingerprint. She will share, "Influence, Choice and the Story of a Ring."

Reservations and cancellations are required by Monday, Dec. 8. Reservations must be honored. Call Connie at (425) 774-4571 or e-mail millcreekcwc@gmail.com.



From the left: Mill Creek Councilman and recently elected to 44th State Legislature Mark Harmsworth; Mill Creek Mayor Pam Pruitt; State Rep. Luis Moscoso, Brier Mayor Bob Colinas, Brier Councilman Dale Kaemingk and Snohomish County Councilman Terry Ryan.

Snohomish County Cities and the Association of Washington Cities held a joint dinner meeting at the Mill Creek Country Club on Thursday, Nov. 13.

It was chaired by SCC President Dave Earling, the Edmonds Mayor. Members and guests introduced themselves. SCC Vice President Mike Todd, a Mill Creek Councilman, introduced guest speakers Dave Williams and Victoria Lincoln of AWC.

AWC's legislative agenda listed its Strong Cities initiative. SCC discussed its 2015 legislative agenda. Snohomish County Cities, a collaboration of all 20 cities and towns in the county, is working to partner with state legislators to advance policies and secure funding that will ensure Snohomish County remains a strong economic center in Washington State.

#### SCC's top legislative priorities are: **Fiscal Health:**

 Maintain and restore existing stateshared revenues used by cities to provide local services, including restore diverted liquor taxes, remove cap on liquor profits, and honor promises made for streamlined sales tax.

• Protect cities from unfunded new or increased regulatory requirements. Resist transferring responsibility for services or programs to cities without accompanying funding mechanisms.

#### **Transportation and Infrastructure:**

- Pass a statewide, multimodal, transportation investment package to include \$1 billion for Snohomish County or 10 percent of any package.
- Restore the Public Works Trust Fund for local infrastructure programs.

#### **Education and Workforce**

- Provide adequate funding for education. Cities are strong only if we have good schools; schools are strong when they are supported by healthy cities.
- Provide expanded funding for STEM networks. Provide capital and operating funding for the University Center in Everett (WSU).





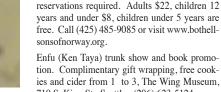
**Speaker Dave Williams** 





SSC Vice President Mike Todd Mill Creek Councilman

#### and 7 p.m. Gateway Middle School Choir will perform during the 7 p.m. performance. Advance tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors, or \$15 and \$10 at the door. Order at millcreekchorale.brownpapertickets.com. Bothell Sons of Norway will hold its annual Lutefisk and meatball dinner from 12 noon to 6 p.m. at 23905 Bothell-Everett Hwy, Bothell. Dinner is served family style and will consist of Mill Creek Mayor Pam Pruitt Lutefisk, meatballs, boiled potatoes, coleslaw,



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a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit www.growwashington.biz.

Thursday, Nov. 27

Tuesday, Dec. 2

Emotion Coaching: An essential part of your

parting toolbox. Guide your child through life's

ups and downs from 7 to 9 p.m. Advance regis-

tration required, \$25 per person, \$40 per couple

at Jewish Family Service, 1601 166th Ave.,

Thursday, Dec. 4

Raising Jewish kids in a non-Jewish world 5:30

to 7:30 p.m. Bring own dinner or a vegetarian

dish to share. Free class at 15727 NE 4th St.,

Saturday, Dec. 6

The Mill Creek Chorale will hold a holiday con-

cert at Advent Lutheran Church, 4306 132nd St.,

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E-mail calendar listings to: MillCreekView@frontier.com

#### National School Safety Week at Mill Creek Elementary

by Klm Cisneros

Mill Creek Elementary School observed its first National School Safety week, Oct. 20-24. The school invited the Mill Creek Police Dept., Fire Dept., Snohomish Emergency Management, including "Ready Rex" and

the Red Cross to participate in an assembly to cover various topics on how to stay safe.

They also provided materials and fund fun activities to send home with all of the students on safety information and emergency planning materials.

Classroom teachers worked with students on different safety tips they can use at school, home and in the community.

This was a perfect time to remind the students and families to review emergency procedures at home.

Reminders on making a disaster plan to include how to connect with family within and outside the community during disaster, creating a home evacuation and meeting plan and items to have prepared for three days.

In addition, the school participated in an earthquake preparedness drill during the week.

#### Emergency calls for FD-7

Fire District 7 responded to 398 calls from Oct. 1 to Oct. 30, of which 151 were in the city of Mill Creek.

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## Garden Club seeks gardens for Mill Creek area tours

Show off your garden next summer and be part of a Mill Creek Garden Tour. Mill Creek Garden Club is looking for notable gardens in the greater Mill Creek area for an opento-the-public garden tour on Saturday, June 27, 2015. They will select five or six gardens for the tour.

For an application, visit millcreekgardenclub.com/garden-tour or call Michael Crawford at (425) 743-2164.

The event is presented in part-



nership with the Mill Creek Arts and Beatification Board. Visit www.millcreekgardenclub.com

## Mill Creek Elementary vs. Guinness World Records Students stack up against the record











## Students rotated through the gym moving from station to station

Students at Mill Creek Elementary School sent a continuous rotation of classafter-class to the school gym to stack cups, station-afterstation on Thursday, Nov. 13.

It was part of a nationwide promotion to find a place in the Guinness World Records.

A real useful purpose or value was not clear. Possibly to seek employment at a carnival sideshow or maybe removing and storing cups from a restaurant's dishwasher.

At press time it was not clear if the students were successful in breaking the world record or the number of cup they stacked in one day.



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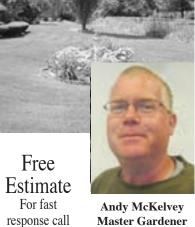
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## Mill Creek tennis team crowned national champions

A mixed doubles tennis team from Mill Creek, representing the USTA Pacific Northwest Section, captured the national title at the USTA League Mixed 40 and Over 6.0 National Championships held at the Surprise Tennis and Racquet Complex in Surprise, Arizona. on Nov. 16.

The Mill Creek team defeated a team from Gulfport, Miss., 3-0 in the Championship match. Earlier in the day, the Mill Creek team defeated a team from New Providence, N.J., 2-1 in the semifinals. They advanced this far by winning their round-robin flight contested Friday and Saturday.

Team captain Cynthia Wyer is from Bothell and the coach is Ted Kim. The players are Enrique Rodriguez, Kirkland; Heather Waters, Bothell; Christopher Tang, Woodinville; Shannon Marie Corbett, Mill Creek; Terry Ward, Bothell; Patty Terhar, Mill Creek; and Rick Odom, Lake Stevens. The team plays at the Mill Creek Country Club.

The top four teams in order of finish are Pacific Northwest, Southern,

## Mill Creek **Food Bank**

Anyone living in the 98012 zipcode is eligible for food bank services. Individuals and households may visit the Mill Creek Food Bank once a week on Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m.

To ensure customers are using the food bank designated for their region, food bank customers must provide a photo ID and bill, or piece of mail for proof of address that is less than 30 days old.

Volunteers of America Mill Creek Food Bank is located in the North Creek Business Park, 17903 Bothell-Everett Hwy., Suite E-101.

Donations are accepted during client services hours. To schedule a donation drop off or for more information call (425) 582-5154 or visit www. voaww.org

#### **Halls for Rent**

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From the left: Enrique Rodriguez, Heather Waters, Christopher Tang, Captain Cynthia Wyer, Coach Ted Kim, Shannon Marie Corbett, Terry Ward, Patty Terhar and Rick Odom.

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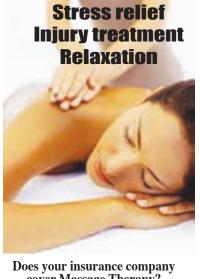
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#### **MCPD**

MCPD Officer Marc Schuermeyer responded to a report of a suspicious circumstance in the 16300 block of Bothell-Everett Hwy. at 8:54 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 10. An 18-year-old Bothell woman was following her ex-boyfriend. It was determined she was listed as a missing person. The woman was cleared as missing and no further police action was taken.

MCPD Officer Kyle Hughes responded to a vehicle prowl report in the 15200 block of Main St. at 10:20 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 10. A Mill Creek man, 43, reported his car window had been smashed and his jacket stolen while he was parked at the Mill Creek Town Center.

#### **Seeking Advisory Committee Members**



#### The Snohomish County Marine Resources Advisory Committee (MRC) is seeking 1-2

motivated members to serve as citizen advisors on a committee that addresses local marine issues and recommends action to the County Executive and Council. Interested parties are expected to have a willingness to learn about marine conservation, participate in research projects, and collaborate on marine issues over a three-vear term that runs from 2015 - 2017. During this round of recruitment, special consideration will be given to applicants representing economic interests or residing in County Council District 4.

The MRC meets in Everett the third Wednesday of every month from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Members volunteer at least 15 hours per month for MRC project planning and implementation.

The deadline for applications is December 19, 2014 or until filled. For more information about the MRC or to apply, go to www.snocomrc.org or contact Kathleen Herrmann, Snohomish County Marine Resource Steward at kathleen.herrmann@snoco.org.



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#### Monday, Nov. 3

Warrant arrest: MCPD Officer Steve Smith arrested a 54-year-old Lynnwood man for an outstanding warrant and driving with a suspended license at 9:16 a.m. in the 15300 block of Bothell-Everett Hwy.

#### Tuesday, Nov. 4

Recovered stolen vehicle: MCPD Cpl. Tony Bittinger recovered a stolen auto in the 13400 block of Dumas Lane at 3:28 p.m. The car had been stolen in another jurisdiction.

Identity theft: MCPD Officer Ian Durkee responded to an identity theft complaint in the 15400 block of 25th Lane in **Woodfern**. A resident reported their personal information was used to file a fraudulent tax return with the

#### Wednesday, Nov. 5

Possession of stolen property: MCPD Officer Ian Durkee stopped a stolen vehicle in the 600 block of 128th St. at 2:32 a.m. A 18-year-old Everett man was arrested.

Vehicle theft: MCPD Officer Tyler Kidwell responded to a Mill Creek man who had his vehicle prowled overnight in the 14500 block of Bothell-Everett Hwy. The keys to his fiancee's car were stolen during the prowl. In the morning, the man's fiancée, a 25-yearold Mill Creek woman, realized her car had been stolen. The thief had used the keys to access her car which was parked nearby.

Felony drug possession: MCPD Officer Tyler Kidwell arrested a 34-year-old Snohomish County man for trespassing at the Heatherwood Apts. at 7:57 a.m. When the suspect was searched. A "dime bag" of methamphetamine was found in the man's pocket. He was booked into Snohomish County Jail.

Auto theft: MCPD Cpl. Tony Bittinger found a stolen car while patrolling the parking lot of Lowe's Hardware at 11:15 a.m. A 30-yearold Kirkland woman and 30-yearold Edmonds man were arrested and charged with possession of a stolen

MCPD Crime Time

Resisting arrest: At 4:08 p.m., MCPD Cpl. Tony Bittinger responded to the violation of a no contact order at the **Heatherwood Apts.** A 43-yearold Mill Creek man was arrested and booked into jail for violation of a domestic violence no contact order and resisting arrest.

#### Thursday, Nov. 6

Theft of mail: MCPD Sgt. Bobby Phillips responded to a report of a theft in the 16000 block of 29th Dr. in The Highlands. A Mill Creek woman, 52,

told police that a delivered box containing a \$1,300 dress had been stolen from her porch. Suspect information exists and the investigation is ongoing.

#### Friday, Nov. 7

Warrant arrest: MCPD Cpl. Rod Fleming responded to the 13700 block of 32nd Drive at 8:57 p.m. for a report of a juvenile with an outstanding warrant. A 15-year-old Mill Creek boy was arrested and booked into Denny Youth Center.

#### Saturday, Nov. 8

Theft 3 from auto: MCPD Officer Mike Harris took a report from a 36-yearold Lynnwood woman at 2:34 p.m. She said items had been taken from her car while parked at LA Fitness.

Vehicle prowl: MCPD Officer Steve Smith responded to a vehicle prowl in the 15000 block of Main St. at 3:12 p.m. A 70-year-old Lynnwood man's car was broken into while parked at a local gym.

Vehicle prowl: MCPD Sgt. Bart Foutch took a cold vehicle prowl/theft report at 9:30 p.m. from a 42-year-old Mill Creek man. The victim said his wallet had been stolen from his car in the parking lot in the 800 block of 164th St.

#### Monday, Nov. 10

Warrant arrest: MCPD Officer Rory Mundwiler arrested a juvenile boy from Mill Creek on an active felony warrant. The boy was transported to Denny Youth Center at 8:30 a.m.

Theft 3: A 47-year-old Mill Creek mother reported her 13-year-old son's cellphone was stole while attending Heatherwood Middle School. The phone was sold on ebay and the purchaser was contacted. According to MCPD Officer Tyler Kidwell, the phone is being returned.

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## Cedar Wood staff takes Ice Bucket Challenge



## **Mill Creek Lending Library** opens at the food bank

The Friends of the Mill Creek Library has teamed up with members of the Cedar Wood Elementary PTA to set up a permanent lending library in the Mill Creek Food Bank.

Clients of the food bank are encouraged to take a book or two and bring books back when they are done. You can donate books as well.

Carol Spate from the Friends of the Mill Creek Library had been bringing unsold or unsellable books to the food bank each month to pass them out to interested clients.

She shared a story of one of her visits: "One time I was approached by a 20-something woman. She said, 'I found my latest favorite book here last

#### All moms should get a night out



Jenn Welch, of 21 Oakes, (right) mother of five children, got her night out with the family nanny, Karin Lenac, of Snohomish, on Thursday, month.' I asked her what it was. She said, 'Clan of the Cave Bear and I can't wait to read the next book.' I am sure you know how old that book is and I was thrilled to have the next generation discover a new book and series. Isn't that what keeps us going?"

Donations of used books are collected at the Mill Creek Library branch during regular business hours.

The food bank is located in the North Creek Business Park 17903 Bothell-Everett Hwy, Suite E-101, North Creek. Client services are on Thursdays from 4 to 6 p.m. Nonperishable food donations are also accepted at Mill Creek City Hall.

#### **MCPD**

Armed robbery: MCPD Officer Mike Harris responded to a robbery with a firearm in the 3400 block of 132nd St. at 11:45 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 12. A white man entered the business displayed a gun and handed a note to the clerk demanding money from the register. He fled in a auto. The clerk was not injured. The case is under further investigation.

Assault with a gun: MCPD Officer Steve Smith responded to a report of an assault with a weapon in the 13300 block of the Bothell-Everett Hwy. at 1:29 p.m. on Nov. 13. A 24-yearold Everett woman was arrested for assault. An Everett man, 29, was arrested for possession of drugs, stolen property and burglary tools.

#### by Jennifer Hirman

Cheers filled the fields at Cedar Wood Elementary School on Friday, Nov. 7, as 34 members of the staff took the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge in front of 750 students and parents.

Special guest, Blitz, the Seahawks mascot, was on hand to pump up the crowd with his fun theatrics before dumping the first bucket of ice water on Principal Dr. David Jones. The loud applause only increased as fifth graders in Miss Thomson's class then had the privilege of dumping ice water on the rest of the staff who had dressed up for the assembly wearing life vests, swim caps and all-weather gear.

This special event was organized in response to an earlier Ice Bucket Challenge made by Mill Creek Elementary staff and to celebrate Cedar Wood students having met their PTA Whale Walk fundraising goal.

PTA Vice-President Kristy Mothersbaugh explained, "We wanted an event that would bring the whole school community together in a fun way."

Organizers used the event to talk to students about working together towards common goals and helping out those around you who need support. Logan Church, a 5th grader at Cedar

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Wood said, "The Ice Bucket Challenge brings awareness to ALS because they don't have a cure for it yet. If you raise money and awareness, that goes to finding a cure." The Cedar Wood PTA has donated \$300 to the ALS Association.

It was a day that students and

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Principal Dr. David Jones said "I am so proud of the way the entire school community had a hand in this. Today we were a village! Everyone stepped up to make this a day of excellence at Cedar Wood."







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