



**“Serving Children of the World”**

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**P. O. 1349 Monroe, WA**

**98272**

**Today is: December 7, 2005**

(Another date in our past that lives in infamy)

**Smile:** I hope Mommie’s kissing Santa Claus, underneath his nose so red each night.

**Devotion:** “Thou shalt not kill.” (Exodus 20:17)

**Prayers:** Forgive us, Father, our heads are in the sand. Amen.

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**TODAY’S PROGRAM**

Ms. Linda Rogers of VGH Nursing Staff office will address the subject of needs for nursing talent. Got a child who’s wondering what to do with their life, bring em along to hear Linda’s plea!

**Dr. “MAX” ORTHODONTICS**

**Ray Maxwell, D.D.S.**  
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**NEWS OF LATE**

George Stocker was “under the weather” last week. Hope he’s doing better now.

Bill Kennedy set a new pace for recovery time from pneumonia. Congratulations, Bill ....and thanks to Mary Lou too.

We were Awarded Patches for our Banner by our new Lt. Governor last month. These patches were for:

- a. Outstanding Secretary (Jessica, are you reading this???) Thanks!!!
- b. Attendance at the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary gathering in Hawaii...thank you Sharon & Terrance.

# Kiwanis of Monroe, Washington

**Join us for lunch at the Valley Gen’l Hospital’s Godard Room, @ noon, every Wed. for food & friends.**

**FOOD DRIVE SUCCEEDS AGAIN**

Almost \$6,000. in food and cash were collected from generous citizens of Monroe last month. Ray Maxwell orchestrated the Food Drive and we enjoyed the participation of a happy cross-section of helpers who cared. The Key Club and the Grange pitched in make this one of the biggest successes we’ve had. Thanks to all who gave!!!

Julie Morris wrote a wonderful Thank You note last week, published in The Monitor. It starts, “A very deep and heartfelt thanks to our dear community members who donated....”

(The entire letter text is at the end for e-mail recipients.)

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**BOARD MEETING IS TOMORROW**

The Board will meet (again) Thursday, the 8th of December in the Fellowship Hall of the United Congregational Church on Lewis St. We missed a quorum by ONE last week; come on guys & girls, we’ve decisions to make, e.g., ‘05-06 Budget so carefully hammered out by Ray Maxwell. The Matthew House Stove Pellet supply is down to two bags and we need a budget to act on this....so You’ve been asked; see you Board members at 6:30.



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**PROGRAMS TO COME**

**(from the desk of Ron Park)**

Next week, our speaker will be The Post Mistress, Ms. Linda Cline with an

update on what it's like this time of the year to be Santa's helpers in Monroe.  
Dec. 21: Our Christmas Program  
Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>: Annual Fellowship Meeting

Next time, we'll have scheduled speakers listed through February. Ron just keeps dreaming up some good ones.

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### NEW KIWANIS CLUB IN DARRINGTON

That's right! A club has received its charter in Darrington. Lt. Gov.'s message to us last month was filled with achievements for the past three Lt. Govs. Ya know, it takes a long time to get an organization like Kiwanis up-n-running. Well, Darrington did everything right and have 24 members to start!!! Congratulations all!!!!

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### OUR MOTTO:

**Serving the Children of the World...**

It has taken a real 'hit' lately; collateral damage, I think it's called. What do YOU think is INSIDE Iraq that we want so bad that we continue to:

- \* Kill and maim? Even after admitting to 20,000 dead, making orphans and widows of Iraqis and Americans at an ever faster pace?
- \* Accept 'stonewalling' against legitimate inquiry of why we must continue in the face of this failure?
- \* Spend for bombs and mercenaries while ignoring our safety here?

- \* Pretend it's patriotic to 'Support Our Troops', but not bring them home where they'll be safe?
- \* Use our Weapons of Mass Destruction, like flaming phosphorus and daisycutter bombs in towns & villages?
- \*DEBATE the use of torture?

If you think you have an answer, I invite you to tell me at:

[MonroeKiwanis@aol.com](mailto:MonroeKiwanis@aol.com)

And I will share it with our readers.

Thoughtful people want to know, really!!

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### Richard L. Lowell, D.D.S.



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### WHERE WAS EVERYBODY?

Last week we had too many empty seats usually filled by loyal attendees. We had our usual excellent food, program, a happy buck (or two) and smiling faces, but.... No interclubs, no new member candidates, no George Stocker, or Jerry or Gordy or Vince....Where are you guys? We expect a full report today!!!

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### SKY VALLEY SPORTING GOODS

**Ken Morrell, Prop.**

14961 Chain Lake Road  
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### JUST FOR LAUGHS...

Does money grow on trees? It must, our banks have branches, don't they?

What disease did 'cured' ham have?

Did you know, we put a man (men) on the moon before we decided it was a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

### and finally.....

If you want, you can "put in your two cents worth". But if someone pays "a penny for your thought"...where does the other penny go?

Wait, wait, wait...I know....taxes, right?

Cheers!!!

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

From THE MONITOR:

A very, deep and heartfelt thanks to our dear community members who donated to the Sky valley Food Bank for thanksgiving – and throughout the year! Because of you, more than 1,000 individuals received bountiful food to partake in our nation's celebration of thanksgiving!

You gave senior citizens, children, disabled and others the blessings of feasting on turkey with all the trimmings. Your help brings so much comfort – we get to hear and see the difference YOU make.

Many are quite humble in expressing their gratefulness, bringing them and us to tears. Others are quite gregarious about it – all sharing many words of thanksgiving. What you are for others runs deeper than there are words to express.

Thank you to all participating churches, schools, civic groups, clubs and individuals who take the time, the heart, and the action to change lives and provides much needed hope.

We hope you all had a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving, you surely deserve it. Your continued generous support will help us provide food for the balance of this holiday season and in the months and years ahead.

Thank you from our hearts to yours for remembering your local food bank.

Julie Morris  
Executive Director  
Sky Valley Food Bank of Monroe

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