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LIBERTY ALERTS:

On Tuesday, Jan. 30th, 2018 the Whatcom County Council voted to remove the moratorium imposed due to the WA State Supreme Court, Hirt Decision. With the passage of [ESSB-6091](#). By a vote of 6 to 1, the 60-day emergency agenda item allowing for permitting well dependent properties. Councilmember Todd Donovan was the sole vote against passing this emergency lifting of the moratorium. The Council also introduced the six-month ordinance that would/could continue the County imposed moratorium; allowing the County to issue permits to well dependent properties, at the Feb. 13th, 2018, 7 PM, Council meeting in the WC Council Chambers.

Glen Morgan's Google account has been shut down and thus so has his email service through Gmail. Thus, he has trashed Gmail and has asked public news programs like SML and Liberty Road to share this information with you. If you wish to contact Glen Morgan, you can reach him by his new email address at glen@wethegoverned.com

In case you missed it, last week's guest on SML Nick Adams, author, social and political commentator will be this year's keynote speaker.

The annual WCRP Lincoln Day Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 7, 2018 at Four Points by Sheraton, 714 Lakeway Drive, Bellingham.

COMMON CENTS:

There will be public comment taken at this meeting...which is likely to have many of supporters of the Hirst decision organized speaking against approval of the six-month ordinance. The people showed up to the Jan. 30th meeting to make your voices heard and you need to show up to this meeting to again publicly speak and show your support for the WC Council to pass this six-month ordinance.

The best medicine for change is to show up and speak out. Our past silence has contributed to the direction we've taken in Whatcom, Skagit, and Island Counties.

This is not a reprimand to anyone listening to my common cents this morning. It is my analysis as to what is the best way to stop the destruction of your private property and civil rights. If you show up, speak out, and make the effort to care about your neighbors' rights as you would your own...we can all be assured that we will find our way back home to that road we all desire to travel on...the road to Liberty...fondly referred to as Liberty Road.

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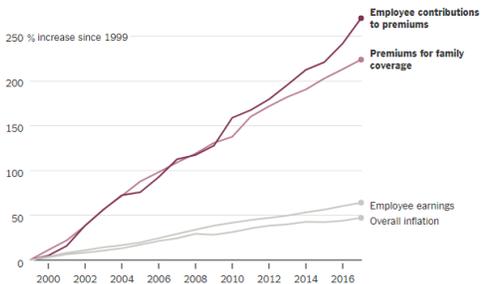
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Introduction of Dr. Stark

In the news this week was the [public announcement that Amazon, Berkshire Hathaway, and JP Morgan were partnering to form an alliance to research and implement ways to deliver better health care to their employees.](#)

Due to the spiraling costs of health insurance and health care three economic juggernauts have joined to bring change to this industry.

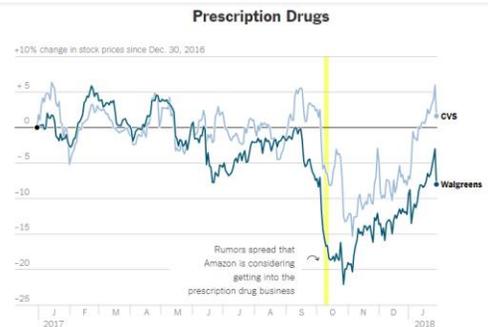
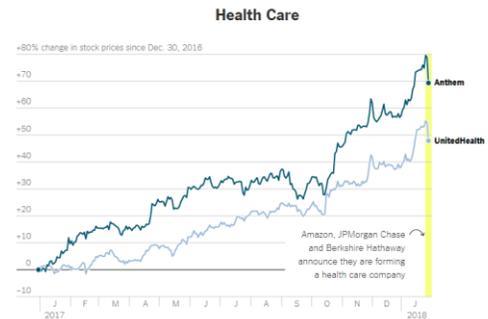
Premiums Are Rising Faster Than Earnings and Inflation



Percent increases in employee earnings are of seasonally adjusted average hourly earnings recorded in April of each year.
By Denise Lu | Sources: Kaiser/HRET Survey of Employer-Sponsored Health Benefits, 1999-2017; Bureau of Labor Statistics

Immediately after this announcement varying health industry sectors in health insurance, health care, and [Rx drugs took a dive in the stock market.](#)

Insurance is defined as "a practice or arrangement by which a company or government agency provides a guarantee of compensation for specified loss, damage, illness, or death in return for payment of a premium."



What have you heard?

Your perspective on how this will shake up the health care industry?

Good or bad for people, business, and the economy?

[What's happening in Washington State on health care?](#)

Are our state lawmakers passing legislation that will be good for people and the industry?

Will it drive cost down or up in this state?

Will it help businesses to better provide insurance to their employees?

Is there anything that Gov. Inslee and the Legislators are doing that will improve health care and drive down costs in this state, or attract new businesses?

Are we staying competitive with other states, given the Federal governments regulatory changes?

What do you suggest that the listening audience do to help make Washington State competitive with other nation states and help its residents better afford health care; affordable health care not subsidized health care?

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