We would like to thank all our patrons for their understanding and patience as the library moves forward to improve access and availability of services in a safe and efficient manner.

New library hours are Tuesday through Friday from 2 pm to 6 pm. Facial coverings are required and the number of patrons monitored to ensure social distancing. Please check back on our information sites (reader board, library web site, Facebook) as we expect to expand the business hours in the near future.

Curbside service does remain available for those who do not wish to enter the library. An appointment may be made by calling 541 348-2066. You may order books and DVDs from all libraries in Coos and Curry Counties. Patrons may download e-books and audiobooks at Web site https://library2go.overdrive.com. Our library personnel are happy to assist with ordering and downloading.

The library is once again ordering **new books and DVDs**. A new feature — coming soon —on <u>langloispubliclibrary.org</u> will be the posting of newly cataloged items. Who knows, you may even find the exact book that you didn't even know you were looking for!

In other news:

The long standing book club restarted in July on the library's outdoor patio. They would really appreciate new members. For more info, contact the library.

Several grants have been received to greatly enhance our services and safety including security cameras and plastic shields at the front desk.

A grant for an upgraded Wi Fi system extends connectivity to the farthest areas of the parking lot.

Finally, the library board extends more gratitude than can be expressed to the Friends of the Langlois Public Library for funding the badly-needed replacement of our heat pumps.

In closing, a thought for your consideration during these "out of the ordinary" times. "If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need." – **Marcus Tullius Cicero.** 106 BC - 43 BC

Langlois Public Library District Covid-19 Response

In the interest of protecting our staff, volunteers, patrons and community at large, the Langlois Public Library will be closed to public access beginning Friday March 20th, 2020. Patrons will still have remote access to Coastline Libraries online catalog at www.langloislibrary.org, and will be able to place holds. Digital collections such as, Libby/Overdrive, Novelist, Mango languages, Chilton, and Gale databases will be available.

Langlois Library will be staffed to answer questions and will be offering **curbside service** during specific hours beginning Monday 3/23. The Library Board is evaluating the situation and will make the determination to reopen based on the best information provided by the CDC and the Oregon Health Authority.

For questions, or to place a hold or arrange for curbside pickup, please call:

541-348-2066 between the hours of 2pm - 6 pm, Monday - Friday

LANGLOIS PUBLIC LIBRARY PANDEMIC RESPONSE PLAN as of 3/14/2020

The State of Oregon has now limited gatherings, and closed all k-12 schools. The library has removed all toys and games from circulation, and will be cancelling all meetings and gatherings until April 8th. We will also be implementing other control measures to help insure that we are doing all we can to help prevent the spread of this virus.

- 1. Staff will wipe down all incoming items, and set them aside for 24 hrs before putting them in circulation. This will also pertain to holds items. We know from past experience that anything more than this is not effective, but Covid seems to be more persistent than past outbreaks, so we will err on the side of caution.
- 2. We will be limiting Library hours to allow staff to wipe down as many surfaces as possible, and to wipe down the computers. Computers will be wiped down after each use by staff, though patrons will be offered wipes to do so themselves. This will also allow time for staff to deal with the increased work of taking care of incoming items. Staff will also wipe down at the end of shift.
- 3. Patron Library hours will be:

Monday 2 PM - 6 PM Tuesday - Saturday 12 PM - 4 PM

(We will move back to regular hours as soon as is prudent.) Staff will be present from 10 am - 5 pm.

- 4. We will also institute curbside service to limit contact. Patrons will only need to call the library and a staff member will bring their items out (this is only for the duration of this crisis). Curbside service will be available from 12 pm 4 pm.
- 5. The library internet will be on and accessible from the parking lot even when the library is closed to patrons.
- 6. If you feel ill in any way, please don't come to the library even to return materials. We will take care of any overdue fines.
- 7. ALL meetings, programs, and events are postponed till further notice.

The LPL Board is closely monitoring and evaluating the changing situation and will adjust our response plan accordingly. For the duration, stay home, stay healthy! Let's protect our community.

If you can't avoid going out, remember social distancing is the phrase of the day.