

the NEWS ON THE STREET

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Langley Main Street Association Newsletter



EXPLORE YOUR OWN BACKYARD

[Island County](#) has created a few videos to help navigate our new norm. In addition, they have a [webpage](#) chock full of resources for businesses and individuals. Be sure to visit periodically for additional links and information including:

Unemployment and Job Loss Resources

<https://www.islandcountywa.gov/DEM/pages/COVID19-unemployment-resources.aspx>

Child Care and School Closure Resources

<https://www.islandcountywa.gov/DEM/pages/COVID19-Childcare-resources.aspx>

View Explore Your Own Backyard video:

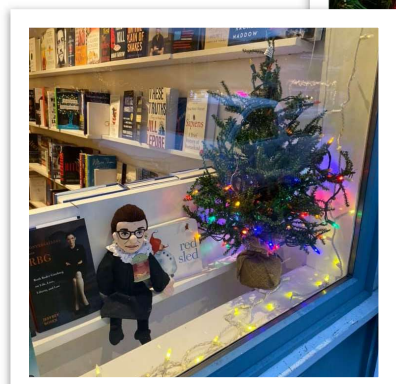
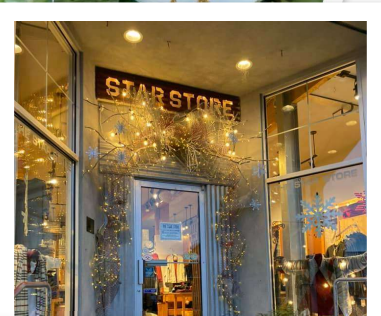
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LIGHTING UP

the Night & DECKING DOORS

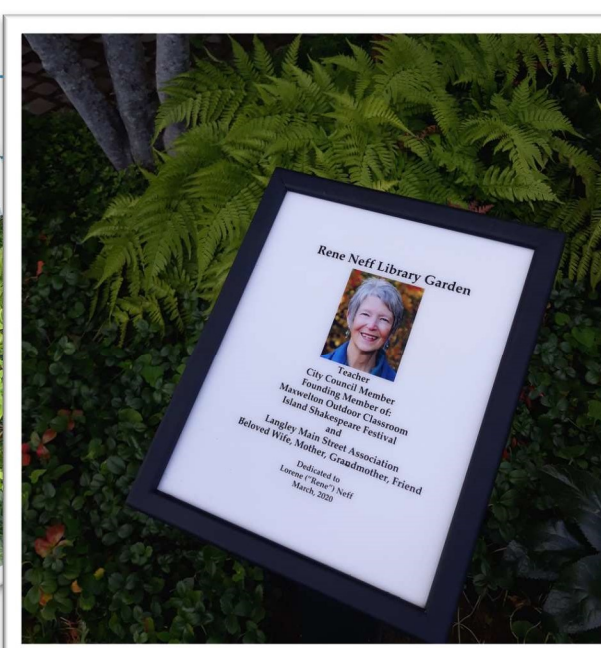
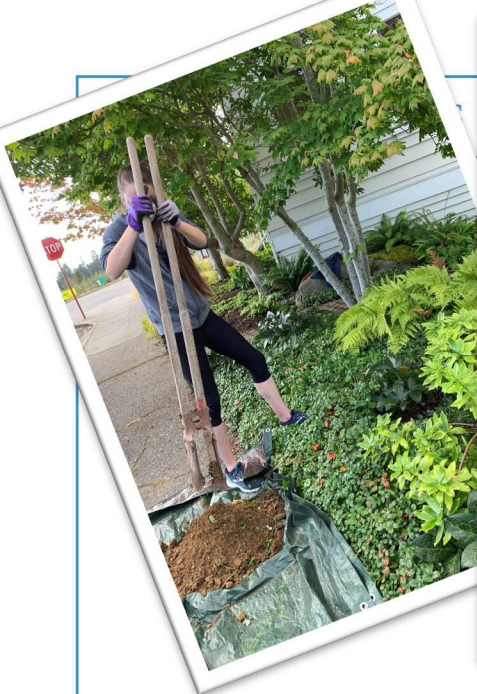
As the days get shorter and daylight more scarce, downtown Langley shines bright with trees aglow, storefronts decorated for the holidays, and crows in festive garb.

Escape the crowds and shop safely in your own charming seaside village. And while you are here, admire the imagination and holiday cheer of downtown Langley doors and windows. There are so many local businesses with unique gift ideas, you are sure to find great gifts!



Images from 2019 Deck the Doors event.





Paying Tribute to One of Our Founding Members

Spearheaded by Emily Martin, our landscape manager, Langley Main Street Association paid tribute to Rene Neff, one of our founding members, with a garden space at the Langley Library.

After receiving approval from the city council earlier this year, this Langley Library Garden project was started under the direction of Emily with assistance from a wide range of eager volunteers—both old and young. Rene touched a wide spectrum of lives with all that she did within the community and everyone felt compelled to honor her memory. The dedication took place in late August 2020

In addition to her career as a well-loved, inspiring teacher, Rene was an impassioned member of the Langley City Council, a founding member of the South Whidbey School District Outdoor Classroom, and founding member and president of Island Shakespeare Festival in addition her work at Langley Main Street Association. She will be missed.

GET INVOLVED

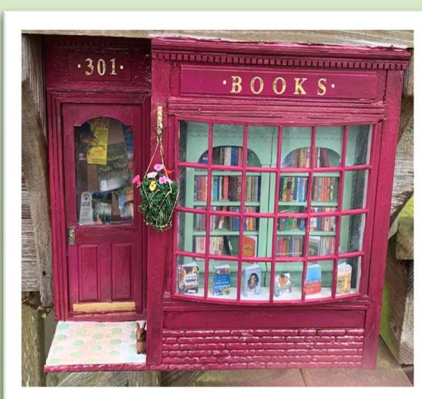
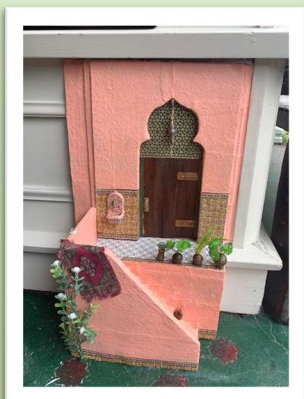
Once things settle down to a new norm and the Safe Start order has been lifted, we would love to help you get more involved with LMSA. We are quite certain that we have a place for you to help make a difference!

We have volunteer opportunities to suit almost everybody. Just take a look at our committees below. If you are still not sure where your talents might be best used, give us a call at 360-499-6789.

LMSA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ECON	9:00am	1 st Mon
DESIGN	5:15pm	1 st Tue
ORG	9:00am	1 st Wed
PROMO	5:15pm	2 nd Mon
BOARD	5:15pm	2 nd Wed

Call for location of meetings during COVID/Safe Start.



TINY DOORS

[Langley Creates](#) is sponsoring local miniaturist artist, [Sarah Santosa](#), with a tiny art trail of miniature store fronts in unusual locations. Two small shops have been installed already with more on the way. Be sure to be on the lookout as you stroll through town.



2020 PAWZ Race Is On & Will Be All VIRTUAL!

From Dr. Jean Dieden & the Staff at Animal Hospital by the Sea

Since we couldn't run the Pawz by the Sea 5k/10k in-person this year on Whidbey Island, join us for a virtual run wherever you are. Bring along your furry friends and support other furry friends with your run.

Registration will be open through December 31, 2020.

Please join us and help us continue to support our community, the 4H Happy Hounds Club, Good Cheer and the Animal Hospital by The Sea Support Fund.

How will A Virtual Race Work?

Run or walk when you want, where you want & how you want. You can go out and run our original course, run on a treadmill at home, or walk your usual route. Do your course all at once or a mile at a time even. It's up to you!

Once you have completed your 5k, 10k, 1 mile or Kids Fun Run, just upload your time (instructions below) and your results will be listed.

You can register to run & upload your results through the end of the year. And Race packets will start shipping in 2 weeks.

In early January we will post the final results book and the raffle winners. (We've already received a cash prize for 2 runners and an ice cream shop certificate for 2 kids from an anonymous donor).

Further details at Pawzbythesea.org



Have you ever wondered what it takes to transform from Spooktacular Langley to Deck the Doors?

It turns out that it takes a lot of volunteers working together for a common goal—to make downtown Langley remarkable.

While we did not have our annual Spooktacular Langley trick-or-treat event this year, we still spruced up downtown with pumpkins, crows and much more. This year, the crows got a makeover. LMSA volunteers painted our feathered friends and an anonymous crow lover gave each crow a googly eye under the cover of darkness.

Once Halloween was over, the pumpkins found a new home at the South Whidbey School Farms program and were replaced with evergreens, baubles, and such. And the crows are now dressed up with bows for the coming holidays. From there, a merry band of do-gooders have started decorating the town—from new holiday banners to lights on the Dog House's angel.

If you are interested in joining this motley crew helpers, email us at mainstreet@whidbey.com to be added to the email distribution list. No experience necessary, but facemasks and social distancing are—at least for the time being!

Happy Holidays!

