

**LANGLEY-ADAMS LIBRARY
LETTER FROM LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

The primary function of the Langley-Adams Library Board of Trustees is to lend assistance and support to the Library Director and Staff and advocate for public libraries at the local, state and federal levels.

Since the hiring of Deb Hoadley, Director, in January 2008, the library has undergone tremendous growth and change. Circulation has increased approximately 71% and the library has become a hub of activity for community members. During the current economic decline, the library has risen to the task of providing a welcoming, comfortable atmosphere which is a free alternative to many who can no longer afford the luxuries of purchasing books, CDs and DVDs.

Currently, the library serves as the meeting place for various organizations, clubs, groups, including: book clubs, knitting groups, Scout organizations, census trainings and other local non-profit organizations. In addition, the library has embarked on an ambitious and successful speakers program, which has addressed various issues, including: health, finances, authors, cultural programs and elder issues.

As proof of the talent and skill of library staff, they are frequently called upon to speak at regional and state conferences to share their expertise. In addition, the Director and staff have sought to develop programs and services that are inclusive and accessible to all community members. In order to meet the needs of such community members, they have solicited input and feedback which they have then integrated into program development.

Despite limited resources and staff, the library has continued to flourish and establish innovative programs that are bringing it in line with the 21st century. This has included technological advancement, a long-range plan which now makes the library eligible to apply for state grant monies, and creative ways to address limited staffing, while achieving increased circulation, visibility and accessibility. In short, a metamorphosis. With such progress and improvement, the trustees are hopeful that the the next budget cycle will bring generous rewards in the form of increased funding to continue to make improvements, advancements and meet community needs

We hope you will join us in continuing to support the efforts and progress of the Langley-Adams Library!

Respectfully Submitted,
Langley-Adams Library Board of Trustees