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## Update following extension of Governor's Stay-at-Home Order

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**Julie Milavec** <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:17 PM

To: All Staff &lt;staff@dglibrary.org&gt;

Bcc: libraryboard@dglibrary.org

Hi all,

After yesterday's announcement that the Governor is extending his stay-at-home order through April 30, I know you all have more questions. This afternoon, Board President Jonathan Graber and I discussed our path forward. The Board of Library Trustees will meet at 7:30pm on Wednesday, April 22 as usual, but in a new format. It will be an online meeting via GoToMeeting, with public able to attend online or by phone.

Staff will continue to be paid as scheduled. Every staff member is expected to check their library email daily and complete any projects, meetings, training, or other work assigned by their supervisor. Depending on your position, you may be required to work scheduled hours for virtual reference and/or answering departmental email or voicemail. Completion of these tasks is not expected to fill 50% of work hours as expected in March. As you know, expectations and plans may change, so please keep checking in with your managers and coworkers. Do whatever work you can. Read a book and write a review for staff picks. Learn something new. Most importantly, take care of yourself, your family and friends, and your community. This extension of the stay-at-home order separates us physically for even longer than expected. Despite not physically being together every day like we have been, we are still a community. Support one another, be gracious with one another, and reach out to each other. Understand that some will struggle more than others to get through this. We are a community. We need each other now more than ever.

Remember the wise words of Emily A.: "We will return to the library and resume our service to the public. We will be ok. Libraries may not be essential during a pandemic but they are essential during the aftermath. Our job will be to help rebuild the community when it is safe to reopen to the public. We will provide employment resources for those who have lost their jobs. We will help children catch up on schoolwork they have missed. We will keep a clean and safe place for people to gather. We will adapt to what our community needs. Our time to be essential is coming."

Be kind to yourself and to others. Stay safe and be well.

Bcc: Board of Library Trustees

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**Joy Matteson** <jmatteson@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:22 PM

To: Julie Milavec &lt;jmilavec@dglibrary.org&gt;

Thanks for your leadership during this time, Julie. Means a lot. My husband's job is up in the air, as he's the managing director for a wedding and local DJ company. As you can imagine, the wedding industry is getting super disrupted right now. So I really appreciate everything you're doing for library staff.

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Joy Matteson

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**Jen Ryjewski** <jryjewski@dglibrary.org>  
To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:44 PM

Thank you, Julie! I need an I ♥️ DGPL t-shirt!!!

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:18 PM Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Cheryl Pawlak** <cpawlak@dglibrary.org>  
To: Jen Ryjewski <jryjewski@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>, Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:46 PM

Ooh, Jen, I want one, too!

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**Emily Kiang** <ekiang@dglibrary.org>  
To: Cheryl Pawlak <cpawlak@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: Jen Ryjewski <jryjewski@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>, Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:59 PM

I want a t shirt too.

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**Margaret Mohr** <mmohr@dglibrary.org>  
To: Emily Kiang <ekiang@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: Cheryl Pawlak <cpawlak@dglibrary.org>, Jen Ryjewski <jryjewski@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>, Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:03 PM

Likewise! Maybe one of our talented staffers can design one that we can purchase and wear on Opening Day!

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**Lane Thaelcke** <lthaelcke@dglibrary.org>  
To: Margaret Mohr <mmohr@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: Emily Kiang <ekiang@dglibrary.org>, Cheryl Pawlak <cpawlak@dglibrary.org>, Jen Ryjewski <jryjewski@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>, Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:05 PM

Maybe we could do a fun little design contest? Every staffer that's interested in designing an I ❤️ DGPL could create an image and share through email, and then everyone can vote on their favorite design?

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**Nancy Rooney** <nrooney@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:06 PM

To: Emily Kiang <ekiang@dglibrary.org>, Margaret Mohr <mmohr@dglibrary.org>

Cc: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>, Cheryl Pawlak <cpawlak@dglibrary.org>, Jen Ryjewski <jryjewski@dglibrary.org>, Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Love that idea Maggie. That would be so fun!

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:03 PM Margaret Mohr <mmohr@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Sharon Hrycewicz** <shrycewicz@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:18 PM

To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Thanks Julie. I've done some Face-timing of coworkers during work time just to check in. I listened in on most of the RAILS meeting Monday. Had to leave for chat, but watched Betsy A's talk. I was glad I listened but Betsy was sobering. Grateful for your leadership. 🙏❤️ Be well.

Sharon

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:18 PM Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Kathryn Moran** <kmoran@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:19 PM

To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Cc: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>

Thank you Julie for all you do, your compassion, and your updates.

I also like the I ❤️ DGPL - and wearing that on opening day. Maybe on the back of the Tshirt we can say "We missed you - glad your back"

Thank you and take care of yourselves,

Kathy

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:18 PM Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Sharon Hrycewicz** <shrycewicz@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:34 PM

To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Hi. I humblebragged this email with some library friends. (It was private!) They loved Emily's quote as much as we all did and wondered if you would share that in the directors listserv.

Thanks

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:18 PM Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Emily Kiang** <ekiang@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:37 PM

To: Lane Thaelcke <lthaelcke@dglibrary.org>

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Design Contest: 

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**Lane Thaelcke** <lthaelcke@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:39 PM

To: Emily Kiang <ekiang@dglibrary.org>

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Wait, Kathy, I had to read your response a second time to internalize that pun! I love it!

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**Kathryn Moran** <kmoran@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 4:50 PM

To: Lane Thaelcke <lthaelcke@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>



Kathy

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**Karen Neal** <kneal@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 5:03 PM

To: Kathryn Moran <kmoran@dglibrary.org>

Cc: Lane Thaelcke <lthaelcke@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>

I would also love a shirt. I will pay extra for "female cut."

I am looking forward to answering your emails remotely as our library building is closed due to covid-19.

Karen Neal  
Adult and Teen Services Librarian  
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On Apr 1, 2020, at 4:50 PM, Kathryn Moran <kmoran@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Sandra Feuillan** <sfeuillan@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 5:25 PM

To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Cc: All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>

Thank you Julie.

I also want an I  DGPL t-shirt!!! A contest would be fun.....

Sandy

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:18 PM Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Kelly Pocci** <kpocci@dglibrary.org>  
To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 7:16 PM

thank you for the reassurance and update. We have SO much to be grateful for, still, and it starts at the top. Thank you again....

On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 3:18 PM Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org> wrote:

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**Janet Cavenagh** <jcavenagh@dglibrary.org>  
To: Sandra Feuillan <sfeuillan@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 7:43 PM

Thank you Julie for the info and Jen great idea for t-shirt!

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**Julie Milavec** <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>  
To: Sharon Hrycewicz <shrycewicz@dglibrary.org>

Thu, Apr 2, 2020 at 10:09 AM

Already did. It went out to them at 4:04pm on Friday 3/20 - and to our Board as well.

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**Sharon Hrycewicz** <shrycewicz@dglibrary.org>  
To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Thu, Apr 2, 2020 at 10:23 AM

thanks....I'll let my friends know.

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**Sharon Hrycewicz**

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My last name is pronounced *rice-wits*

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**Tony D** <tdrufke@dglibrary.org>  
To: Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>

Thu, Apr 2, 2020 at 1:14 PM

Julie,

Thanks for all of your updates and encouraging words to all of us; hopefully all of us will get through these trying times. Be safe and please take care of your family at home like you are doing for us (your other family). Looking forward to when we will all be back together again.

Be safe and thanks again for all you do for us and the community. 😊

Tony

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**Julie Milavec** <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>  
To: Tony D <tdrufke@dglibrary.org>

Thu, Apr 2, 2020 at 1:33 PM

Thank you! I hope you are also safe and well.

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**Kelly Kobayashi** <kkobayashi@dglibrary.org>  
To: Janet Cavenagh <jcavenagh@dglibrary.org>  
Cc: Sandra Feuillan <sfeuillan@dglibrary.org>, Julie Milavec <jmilavec@dglibrary.org>, All Staff <staff@dglibrary.org>

Thu, Apr 2, 2020 at 2:31 PM

Hello Julie,

THANK YOU so very much for keeping us updated. Confirmed information is so appreciated right now, while so many other details of daily life are up in the air.

Also, YES, I would love for us all to have Welcome Back t-shirts for when this passes.

Kelly K



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**Kathryn Hoos** <khoos@dglibrary.org>  
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Thu, Apr 2, 2020 at 2:49 PM

Thank you Julie and thank you to the board members. for all you have done for us.

Welcome Back or I  DGPL t-shirt yes. Contest yes.

Kitty Hoos  
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