

Mid-Michigan Library League

Weekly Update

June 17, 2009



A fond farewell (from Holly):

After ten years of being employed by the Mid-Michigan Library League, I have submitted my resignation. I have accepted the position of director at the East Central Arkansas Regional Library System. My last working day with MMLL will be June 26th.

The East Central Arkansas Regional Library System is a system which covers two counties and serves a population of approximately 30,000. Each of the counties in the system has a public library with one library being in Wynne, Arkansas and one library being in Augusta, Arkansas. These communities are both rural with Wynne being slightly smaller than Cadillac.

I have learned much from each of you and admire how each MMLL library is committed to providing quality library services. Specifically, I have enjoyed talking with each of you on the phone, at meetings, at workshops, and at conferences. The impact each of you has had on me will stay with me throughout the rest of my career.

I am excited about my new position and see it has an opportunity to use many of the ideas each of you have shared with me over the years. My family; Eric, my husband, Annalise, my daughter, and Enoch, my son are also excited about this new adventure and Annalise is busy making plans for programs she wants me to do at the libraries in Arkansas.

Periodically, I will send updates on how things are going. Feel free to contact me using my personal email address: ehmercercer@hotmail.com

Right now, due to the uncertainty of MMLL's funding, it is Jim's plan that MMLL will delay hiring a replacement for the Services Coordinator position until State Aid to libraries for next year is clarified. If you have questions or need assistance with any of the MMLL services I handled, contact Jim or Jack.

NBC:

Last week, NBC had a good piece about libraries. To view the segment visit: <http://today.msnbc.msn.com/id/26184891/vp/31237988#31237988>

Overdrive:

We are getting close to signing the contract with Overdrive. There is still time to sign up for this web based platform, if you contact the MMLL office this week. The more libraries that participate, the lower the price for everyone.