

**Mideastern Michigan Library Cooperative
Director's Report
January 2008**

State Aid cut: No word on the supplemental appropriation to state aid as of the date of this report. The supplemental will, if passed, add \$2,000,000 to state aid, bringing it back to the 2006-07 level.

Cooperative reorganization: The report is on the state librarian's blog: <http://statelibrarianofmichigan.blogspot.com>. Please review this before the meeting so we can have a discussion of it at the meeting.

Northland interim director: The building was vacated December 20 and I have all the files and a computer at my office in Flint. The mail and telephone calls are being forwarded to Flint. During the time between Christmas and New Years, I worked on setting up the Northland operations at the office.

Shiawassee District Library: Ken Uptigrove, director of the Shiawassee District Library retired December 31 after 37 years of service to the library. Margaret Bentley has been appointed as the interim Director. A search for a new director has been launched and a new director will be appointed sometime this spring. I have offered my services to the board with both the transition and the search for a director.

Edna C. Bentley Memorial Library: The Edna Bentley Library in Perry officially became a branch of the Community District Library on January 1, 2008. Edna Bentley's director, Julie Chrisinske is now the Assistant Director for Community District Library, joining Betsy Hull and Linda Hudecek at the CDL Office in Corunna. Patricia Brown will be the Branch Supervisor in Perry.

ALA: From January 11 to the 16th I will be attending the ALA Midwinter conference which is being held in Philadelphia. I serve as the ALA Councilor representative from Michigan and so a portion of my expenses are reimbursed by the Michigan Library Association.

Due to the holidays we have a very light director's report.