February 3, 2011

Dear Evergreen Indiana Member:

The Executive Committee wanted to share with you where Evergreen Indiana is headed in 2011. The following changes will help Evergreen Indiana libraries better serve their patrons.

1. **Loan Periods.** The Circulation Committee has recommended to the Executive Committee that in order to make a more seamless experience for Evergreen Indiana patrons, all books (i.e., items with the circulation modifier "Book") should circulate for 21 days with one renewal. This does not include best sellers or new books.

Your feedback on this upcoming change is welcomed and will be accepted through the next meeting of the Executive Committee. This meeting is open to the public and will be held on February 15, 2011 at 1 p.m. February 22, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library in Zionsville. Please contact me or any other Executive Committee member with your comments, questions, or concerns. This change would occur on April 1, 2011.

- 2. **Database Enhancements.** The Indiana State Library is working with a vendor to develop a formula to de-duplicate the database. Upon successful completion of testing of this formula, a de-duplication of the catalog will occur at the end of January or early February. Because this process will require a temporary catalog freeze, we will notify the Cataloging listserv two weeks before the process will begin. Please note that this is not expected to eliminate all duplicate records in the catalog, as some records will not have the required data to provide a sufficient match. However, a match rate of 20% would be considered successful and warrant the investment in the process.
- 3. **Software Upgrade.** Evergreen Indiana will be upgrading to version 2.0 of the software on March 20, 2011. When the upgrade is complete, all you will have to do is re-register the workstations in your library. The Staff Client will look only slightly different than it does today, but will include modules for Serials and Acquisitions. Training on Serials and Acquisitions will be provided after the upgrade. Look for more information from the State Library as we get closer to the March 20, 2011 date.
- 4. The **Evergreen International Conference** will be held in Decatur, GA April 27-30, 2011. A few grants may be available to send some Evergreen Indiana members. We are also pleased to announce that Indianapolis has been selected to host the 2012 Evergreen International Conference.

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More Info: www.IN.gov/library/evergreen.htm \* Catalog: evergreen.lib.in.us

5. The **Evergreen Indiana Conference** will be held in Central Indiana (location TBD) on May 6, 2011.

The Evergreen Indiana Executive Committee is proud that Evergreen is the most popular ILS in Indiana and we are excited to see the growth of our consortium. As this growth continues, we'd like to encourage you to review the minutes of our bi-monthly meetings when they are posted and announced in the Weekly Update. We will continue working to make Evergreen Indiana the best ILS for Indiana residents, and as always, welcome your feedback.

Sincerely,

Kristi Harms, Chair