

## Wink, Tara

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Good afternoon everyone!

A busy but non-eventful week. Lots of meetings and writing.

Brian and Taylor DeBoer of the Grid co-hosted a wonderful and inspirational Meet the Makers event on Tuesday. We heard from two members of the maker community in Baltimore who marshalled together that community to produce PPE at the start of the pandemic. Basically they started from zero, imagined what needed to be done, and then produced 10s of thousands of pieces of PPE equipment for healthcare organizations. Their passion and dedication to what they were doing was inspiring!

Earlier today, I shared the official NLM announcement of the regional medical library awards. We will be Region 1 and will be making a number of new friends in KY, PA, NJ, and DE. We will miss our friends in the southeast (SC and to the south and to MS in the west) – they have been wonderful partners and friends for more than 35 years. They will become Region 2 and will be headquartered at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston. We look forward to working with them and all the other regions for the next five years.

And of course, James will be heading up the Network Web Services Office (NWSO) and he has the challenge of moving the NNLM technology from Pitt and hiring staff. AND he and the NWSO will be every region's best friend for technology infrastructure. Go NWSO! Take vitamins James.

Thanks to the eight HSHSL staff who joined me during my office hours this past week to discuss the proposed UMB values. I got lots of good suggestions/questions/insights that I have already passed onto Dr. Ward and Dean Postmus, who chair the Strategic Planning Task Force. If you couldn't make it to the meeting or have any additional ideas, email me.

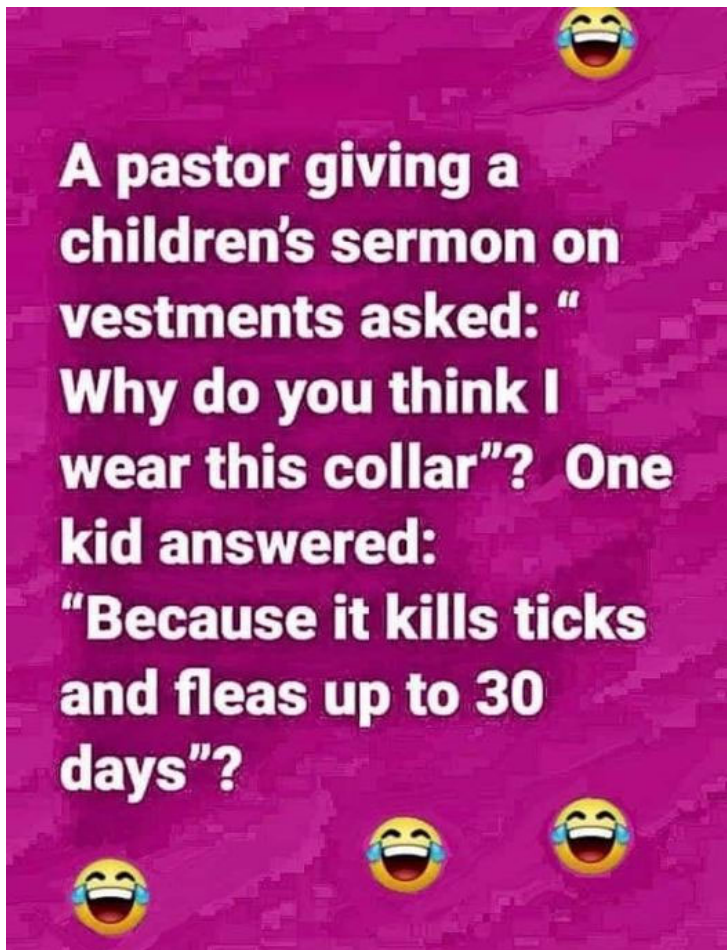
Kudos to Tony Nguyen and his cross-regional team who put together an excellent and timely webinar over the past two days on the COVID-19 Infodemic. Over 900 people registered. There are some really creative people working all around the world to fight misinformation, inform marginalized populations, and spread vaccination truth. Congratulations Tony!

Hope you all saw Tara's historical post about UMB's baseball teams and stars in honor of Opening Day! [https://www2.hshsl.umaryland.edu/hslupdates/?p=4812&fbclid=IwARoug3x9fLQ-kAncDuiHL76yvDLbgb3Ylotv8LWFfi3lVft-z4qdQB6\\_PjYo](https://www2.hshsl.umaryland.edu/hslupdates/?p=4812&fbclid=IwARoug3x9fLQ-kAncDuiHL76yvDLbgb3Ylotv8LWFfi3lVft-z4qdQB6_PjYo) Of course, I didn't see a post about the HSHSL's champion softball team...The Informers! Maybe next year.

This has been a week full of awe for me at all the great work being done at the HSHSL. In addition to all the things I have mentioned above or within the Working emails every week, I hope you've recently looked at the cumulative numbers of all the work we have done working onsite and offsite. You can see the basic dashboard on the main [web page](#) but click through to see all the categories. And this doesn't even reflect the

hours of meetings, writing grants, special events, personnel, hiring, budget work, planning, and all the other work that fills our days. Good work all!

Let's finish with some humor!



Maybe the wife below preferred the version by Smash Mouth (for the younger among you!)

**My wife asked me to stop singing "I'm A Believer" by The Monkees because she found it annoying. At first, I thought she was kidding.**

**But then I saw her face...**

Have a great weekend.

Stay safe and well!

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