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WHAT HALL BRANCH LIBRARY MEANS TO ME

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A place of refuge,
An open door,
Keeping my mental salvation intact
For the entire week.
A cultural investment
In a community of people.
Hall is the library I visited weekly during my childhood
with the librarian
Extraordinaire, Charla Mae Rollins.

A serene surrounding
Of collections and images
Through past, present, and future.
It brings memories of being a child, entering Hall's doors.
A place for discovering literature,
Enjoying literature,
And creating literature.
A place of warmth
And healing energy
Being able to express good memories of the past.
An educational place
For checking out books to read,
Access to computers and other learning materials,
An extension of my learning experiences.
A place of refuge,
An open door,
A cultural investment
In a community of people.
Hall Branch library symbolizes all this community has strived to achieve.

**LAS APARIENCIAS ENGAÑAN, Y
ES MUY CIERTO**
Celina Solís

Creo que en todo el transcurso de nuestra vida nos pasa alguna vez el equivocarnos con la gente. El decir 'caras vemos, corazones no sabemos' o luego es al revés. La gente que pensábamos era muy mala resulta que no. Después de conocerla un poco nos damos cuenta que era buena persona. Creo que unas situaciones de nuestra vida donde más se acomoda esta frase de las apariencias engañan es cuando conoce uno a su marido, porque anda uno de novios. La cosa es maravillosa. Todo es lindo, lo miras perfecto, te lleva a pasear, te regala rosas, te lleva a los mejores restaurantes. Pues, claro, anda quedando muy bien. Pero ¿qué tal cuando ya te tiene en sus dominios? De repente despierta el monstruo que supuestamente estaba muy dormido, o claro aparentó lo bueno y escondió lo malo, mientras tenía lo que quería y esto aplica a decir las apariencias engañan.

**APPEARANCES CAN BE
DECEIVING, AND IT'S VERY TRUE**
Celina Solís

I think that in the whole course of our lives it happens to us at some point that we are wrong about people... the saying "Faces we can see, hearts we can't know," or sometimes it's the opposite. The people we thought were really bad turn out not to be. After getting to know them a little we realize that they were good people. I think that in our lives the situation where this phrase that appearances can be deceiving applies the most is when you meet your future husband, because you are dating. It's wonderful. Everything is beautiful, he seems perfect to you, he takes you out, gives you roses, takes you to the best restaurants. Well, of course, everything is going great. But what about when he has you under his control? Suddenly the monster awakens that apparently was asleep, or perhaps he just seemed good and hid the bad while he had what he wanted. And this is when it fits to say appearances can be deceiving.

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