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## **New Town of Tonawanda Library Director Announced**

The **Town of Tonawanda Library Board** announces the selection of **Mrs. Dorinda Darden** as the new director of the Town of Tonawanda libraries to succeed Kate Weeks who retired as of December 29, 2010. She will begin in her new position on February 15, 2011.

Mrs. Darden, a Buffalo native and current resident, was selected by the town's Library Board of Trustees after a month long search. Mrs. Darden holds a degree of Master of Library Science from the State University of New York at Buffalo (1993), and an undergraduate degree from State University College at Buffalo (1991). Starting her seventeen-year library career as a page, Mrs. Darden has received several promotions in the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System, including positions as library manager in several city branches as well as Department Head for all reference services and librarians within the downtown, Central Library. Recently she was awarded a full-tuition scholarship to complete the public Library Administrator's Certificate program.

Dr. David Dietz, chair of the town's Library Board noted that the Trustees were unanimous in their choice of Mrs. Darden, despite the acknowledged qualities of the other candidates. "The Trustees", he added, "believe she brings an energetic enthusiasm and vision to the library at a time of much stress, as county libraries deal not only with increasing budget cuts, but also consider changing the present governance structure of the libraries. The Trustees feel she is best suited to lead the town libraries through this uncertain period."

Ms. Lisa Chimera, chair of the Town Board's Library Committee, said "I would like to thank the Library Board for their efforts in this process. They have done an outstanding job of choosing Dorinda Darden. I am confident that she will do a great job to ensure that our residents have high quality library services."

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