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### **WICKY SLEIGHT, KIRKWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR, RETIRES**

Wicky Sleight retired the first of July from the helm of the Kirkwood Public Library, a position she has held since joining the library in 1994. Sarah Erwin will serve as the Acting Director until the Board of Trustees selects a permanent director.

Over the course of her 15-year tenure, Wicky was instrumental in making many enhancements to the library including updating and improving the library collection; the addition of the Friends' Greentree Shop; the creation of an area designed specifically for teens; an increased number of public computers both in the reference and youth areas; internet wireless access; and the recent capital improvement project, which is currently underway and will allow the library to make major infrastructure updates and comprehensive renovations.

In addition, under her leadership, the Kirkwood Public Library was named Library of the Year in 2007 by the Missouri Library Association. The Kirkwood Public Library Board of Trustees and staff and the surrounding community appreciate her visionary leadership and dedication over the past 15 years and wish Wicky well in her retirement.

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