

Dear Wadsworth Library Community,

I am writing this farewell letter with mixed emotions, as this is one of the most difficult decisions I have made. It has been such a pleasure to serve as the director of Wadsworth Library for the past 15 years. Many of you are aware that I have multiple sclerosis. Unfortunately, it has become too difficult for me to work the hours required for this position and I need to retire. As you can imagine, it has been a very emotional process for me in making this decision, but in the end, I feel that this is the right decision both for myself and for the growth of the library.

I want to thank each and every one of you for supporting the library, and for helping to make it thrive. I am honored and feel so fortunate to have been given the opportunity to be part of the Wadsworth Library Community. I have so many wonderful memories of my time as director and am sad to say goodbye. Though I will no longer be working at the library, I am not leaving Geneseo. You will still see me in the library as a patron, not an employee, and most likely in Wegmans.

Know that my dedication to my position as the director will continue as we transition to new leadership and I will work part time while the search committee finds my replacement. I will leave the library with great confidence in the staff, knowing that they are capable of overcoming any hurdles that will come up, singularly, and more importantly, together. This provides me with a sense of pride and gratitude that is indescribable. I am also grateful to the Board of Trustees for their support and flexibility during this process, and to Friends of Wadsworth Library for all of their financial support and dedication to providing great programs for the library.

See you around Geneseo.

Fondly,

Anna Grace, Library Director