

The Board of Trustees of the Galway Public Library, 5264 Sacandaga Road, is pleased to announce the appointment of Debra Flint to the position of Library Manager, effective July 1, 2016.

Ms. Flint began work at the Galway library as a sub-clerk in July 2006. Since then, she has held nearly every position possible at the library. She has worked as a clerk, and as a Senior Clerk in charge of library collection management, training, overdue and billing, and barcoding. She has been the Library Assistant, and has served twice as Interim Director, a position she has held since October 2015.

Deb Flint has lived in the Galway area since she was a teenager. She graduated from SUNY Geneseo in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in English, and received her master's degree in American literature from SUNY Albany in 1991. She plans to begin work on a master's in Library and Information Science this fall.

As Library Manager, Deb's goal is for people to realize that the library is a vital part of the community, providing many services and links to resources, both locally and globally. Her background and dedication to the library are valuable assets for the Galway community. She says, "This is your library. Please come in and introduce yourself, if you haven't been in before. The staff and I will be happy to show you what we have to offer. The library staff is a team and we're here to serve you in your library."

Deb lives in Providence with her husband, Gary. They have two sons in college and a daughter in high school. Deb has homeschooled her children since 1999, and has managed a homeschool educational co-op since 2013.

The role of encouraging learning and reading is important to Deb. She remembers, "My mom took me to the bookmobile every week. I would take home a huge stack of books to read. I loved historical fiction then and I still do. We didn't have a TV when I was growing up so I spent a lot of time reading." She is excited to continue her work at the Galway Public Library and to share her enthusiasm for life-long learning with her community.