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Judith Gibbons honored

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The Southeastern Library Association has honored Judith Gibbons with the Mary Utopia Rothrock Award. This award honors a librarian who has contributed substantially to the furtherance of librarianship in the southeast during a career.

Gibbons, of Versailles, a retired Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives Field Services Division Director, is involved in library activities on the state, regional and national level.

Gibbons is the former director of the Woodford County Library and a 40-plus year librarian. She is currently on the adjunct faculty at the University of Kentucky College of Communications and Information, School of Information Science and a contributing columnist for "MLS: Marketing Library Services."

Dr. Gordon Baker, Dean of Libraries Emeritus at Clayton State University (Georgia) in his nomination said, "Judith has made substantial contributions to both SELA and librarianship in our region. Judith continues to perform outstanding service to field of librarianship. She has been recognized by her peers in Kentucky. Judith has had a profound effect on SELA, KLA and our region's libraries. I firmly believe that Judith Gibbons upholds those standards recognized by the Mary Utopia Rothrock Award. I strongly urge the committee to award the Rothrock to Judith Gibbons for her outstanding leadership."

The Mary Utopia Rothrock Award was presented at the 100 Anniversary Conference of the Southeastern Library Association held virtually.