

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Dorothy Riemenschneider, A.M.L.S., senior associate librarian in the University Library, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2006.


Ms. Riemenschneider received her B.A degree from Albion College in 1962 and her A.M.L.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1970. She joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1971 as a technical services librarian in the University Library. She was promoted to assistant librarian in 1972, associate librarian in 1974, and senior associate librarian in 1975.

In 1981, Ms. Riemenschneider joined the University Library's Public Services Division as a librarian in the Natural Sciences Library. She subsequently assumed responsibility for the Museums Library and Biological Station Library within the Shapiro Science Library. She made many contributions both in technical and public services during a period that saw dramatic shifts in library services, collections, and programs with the implementation of new technologies. She played an essential role in the successful creation of the Science Library, which merged the collections, services, and staff of science libraries across the campus into a new facility and organizational structure. Under Ms. Riemenschneider's leadership, the Museums Library and Biological Station Library became distinguished collections and user-focused research and learning centers serving students, faculty, and researchers. She was a strong and effective advocate for curators and researchers, and developed long-standing and important collegial relationships with faculty, students, and staff. Her contributions as a leading subject specialist spanned fields from anthropology to paleontology.

Over the course of her career, Ms. Riemenschneider has served in leadership roles within the University Library, the greater University, and at the national level. She has been an active member of the Special Libraries Association, both nationally and regionally, and served for several years as archivist for the Biomedical and Life Science Division of this association. Ms. Riemenschneider's dedication, graciousness, and many contributions to librarianship and to the University will be deeply missed by all her colleagues.

The Regents now salute this distinguished librarian by naming **Dorothy Riemenschneider senior associate librarian emerita**.

Requested by:



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