

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Anne K. Beaubien, A.M.L.S., librarian in the University Library, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2016.

Ms. Beaubien received her B.A. (1969) degree from Michigan State University and her A.M.L.S. (1970) from the University of Michigan. She joined the University of Michigan in 1971, and was appointed assistant librarian in 1972, associate librarian in 1974, senior associate librarian in 1978, and librarian in 1985. She held a number of key positions in the library system, including social sciences reference librarian and bibliographic instructor, director of the Michigan Information Transfer Source, head of Business and Cooperative Access Services, and director of MLibrary Document Delivery.

Ms. Beaubien was a pioneer in the development of instructional services for information literacy and research strategies, with a particular focus on faculty and graduate students across a wide range of social science disciplines. She co-taught one of the first information literacy courses offered by U-M and co-authored one of the first textbooks for the emerging field of bibliographic instruction. As early as 1975, she turned her attention to the automation of library services and later became the Library's lead trainer in the use of online bibliographic databases. Ms. Beaubien played an instrumental role in the creation of the Michigan Information Transfer Source, one of the first fee-based library document delivery services in the nation designed to serve the research and information needs of businesses, and the 7FAST service, which provided campus and desktop delivery of books and journal articles. For five years, she also directed the Library's Business and Finance Office, oversaw the Buhr shelving facility expansion project, and contributed to the implementation of M-Pathways. Ms. Beaubien contributed to the effective fiscal management of a number of major grants during more than a decade of service as the Library's grants officer. Her persistent commitment to staff development and mentorship, her ability to adapt to an evolving information services landscape, and her dedication to high quality service have contributed to the enduring success of the University Library over the last 45 years.

The Regents now salute this distinguished librarian for her dedicated service by naming **Anne K. Beaubien, librarian emerita**.

Requested by:



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