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Abstract

Carol Juth served as a reference librarian and assistant professor at Hope College from 1970 until her retirement from the library in 1994. She won multiple awards for her contributions to the librarian profession, including a presidential commendation from the Michigan Library Association for her volunteer efforts as consultant to the Michigan Dunes Correctional Facility Library. Her many activities include being a member of the Women’s Issues Organization, supporting the creation of the Women’s Studies major and minor at Hope College, and actively participating in the Society for the Study of Social Problems by writing two major reports for that organization. Collection includes information pertaining to Women’s Week, Lilly Grants, professional accomplishments, daily work activities (1986-1989), audio tape of an interview about the criminal justice system, and photographs.

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Biography

Carol Juth was born in 1947 in Michigan. She received her B.A. in English from Oakland University of Rochester, Michigan, in 1968, and an M.S.L. in Library Science from Western Michigan University in 1969. Juth received her M.A. in Sociology from Western Michigan University in 1972, and received her Ph.D. in Sociology with an emphasis on criminology from Western Michigan University in 1977.

Juth was hired as the Social Sciences Librarian at Hope College in 1970 and was promoted to Assistant Professor in 1973. During her employment at Hope College, she was very active in a number of issues, such as the process of promotion, evaluation, and faculty status of librarians at Hope during the years 1979 through 1988. She acted as the faculty advisor for the Hope Young Democrats and the Union of Catholic Students from 1984 to 1986. Juth was also very involved in the Women’s Issues Organization, contributing to the planning and execution of Women’s Week at Hope from 1984 until her retirement.

Not only was Juth active on the campus, but she also closely followed state politics. Her contributions of money and volunteer services to various Democratic campaigns are documented in the numerous letters she received from candidates.

Carol Juth-Gavasso passed away on August 6, 1994, in Los Angeles, California.

Scope and Content

This collection’s strength lies in the information it contains about the many interests Juth maintained. For example, the series on Women’s Week holds information pre-dating Women’s Week information located elsewhere in the Joint Archives. The same is true for the Lilly Grant
information within this collection.

The collection is weaker in that the information it contains about Juth personally is limited. Juth also kept a record of her day-to-day activities while working from 1986 to 1989. These are listed as daily logs. The collection also contains an audio tape of an interview Juth gave in which she explains her views about the criminal justice system, an area she was well-qualified to address given her Ph.D. The collection is arranged alphabetically by topical headings.

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