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BLOOMINGTON, ILL.--Dr. Dorothea Franzen, professor of biology emerita at Illinois Wesleyan University, will be the featured speaker at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, in room 258 of the Music Building for the sixth annual Phi Kappa Phi Athenaeum lecture.

Sponsored by the Wesleyan chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honorary, the program will be open free to the public. A reception will follow.

Access to the lecture will be through the Graham St. entrance of the building and up the stairs.

Franzen's topic will be "Both Sides of the Coin."

A member of the Wesleyan faculty from 1952-1977, Franzen is credited with the discovery in 1967 of the *catinella prolongata*, a new species of mollusk. She found the snail-like species on the shore of Long Lake in southern Michigan and devoted the next 17 years researching the validity of her claim. The discovery was announced in 1983 in a malacological journal, The Nautilus.

She is a former holder of the George C. and Ellis Beach Lewis Professorship of Biology and a former national president of the American Malacological Union. In 1964 she was named Century Club Honoree at Wesleyan and in 1977 was honored by the students as Grand Marshal of the Homecoming parade. In 1985 she was named an Outstanding Member of the American Association of University Women.

Bethel (KS) College, her alma mater, presented her the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1975. She earned both a master's degree and a doctorate in zoology at the University of Kansas, becoming the first woman from Bethel to receive a PhD.