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The Library Dedication: An Academic Festival



An academic procession initiated the Sept. 25 convocation for the dedication of the new Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Memorial Library. Nearly 1,000 members of the University community, alumni and friends attended the ceremony.

The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Memorial Library was dedicated on September 25, during an academic convocation at which the Librarian of Congress, James H. Billington, gave the major address and received an honorary degree.

The convocation, which was held in front of the new library, opened with a procession of more than 120 participants in academic regalia down the Commons from the John Long Center.

It included presidents and representatives of other institutions in Pennsylvania and from other Jesuit schools, representatives of libraries, the president of the Catholic Library Association and a delegate from the American Library Association, University officers and trustees, members of the Order Pro Deo et Universitate, University faculty, students, governors of the National Alumni Society, a trustee of the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, and the co-chairs of the Gateway to the Future campaign.

In his address, Billington said, "The library, properly staffed and equipped as you have done here in Scranton, will remain central to the information

age, no matter how glitzy the new technology becomes. The technology is a means to an end, only part of the transmission that leads data into information, flowering into wisdom and creativity."

Rev. J.A. Panuska, S.J., University president, noted that although building dedications have become common at the University, "None is more meaningful than what we're doing here today."

Robert F. Pugliese, chairman of the board of trustees, noting that libraries reflect our freedom of expression, added, "The library is a citadel of freedom."

Both Panuska and Pugliese spoke of the challenges involved in the University's largest single capital investment and expressed gratitude to the donors who made the Weinberg Library possible.

James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress, was the principal speaker at the convocation. The University awarded Billington an honorary doctorate.



CAMPAIGN UPDATE

The Gateway to the Future Campaign for the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Memorial Library is about \$100,000 away from its \$13.3 million goal.

The largest single-purpose capital fund-raising program in the University's history was launched on March 16, 1990. Groundbreaking ceremonies for the library took

place on July 12 of that same year, and the building was opened in June, 1992.

Campaign volunteers and staff have launched a concerted effort to reach and surpass the Gateway to the Future goal by the end of 1992.

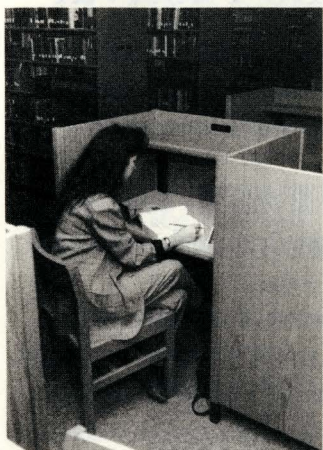
Carol Brown

Commemorative Opportunities

A number of attractive donor commemorative opportunities are still available in the library in the form of areas, book stacks and study carrels. All commemoratives have an appropriately mounted dedication plaque with the name of the donor or of the person or persons being honored.

Individuals interested in a Weinberg Memorial Library commemorative gift can call Robert J. Sylvester or Frank Pasquini in the University's development office: (717) 941-7661.

The Weinberg Memorial Carrels



Throughout the new University library are over 300 carrels, individual study alcoves for students. When the building was planned, students were asked what things they most wanted in a new library. At the top of their list was additional space for individual and group study. The availability of study carrels has received high marks from students as the Weinberg Memorial Library has gone into service this fall.

The carrels provide a unique opportunity for relatively modest gifts that memorialize the giver in a building designed to serve future generations of students.

For a gift of \$2,500, or an annual gift of \$500 for five years, an oak study carrel will bear a permanent plaque with your name or the name of someone whom you designate. To date, over 100 university alumni and friends have subscribed a carrel. Commitment brochures, illustrating the Weinberg Memorial carrels are available through the University's development office.

Weinberg Library Commemorative Donors

The following individuals, corporations and foundations, through the level of their commitments to the Gateway to the Future Campaign, have dedicated an area, book stack or carrel in the Weinberg Memorial Library.

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