Remarks

Dedication

10/31/92

Thank you, Bob. I certainly wish to express appreciation to Journal Properties, Associate to the Miller Davis Company, and to all the five people who have labored on the exciting project.

On behalf of Mr. Donald Parker, our Chair of the Board of Trustees, the remaining members of the Board, and the staff, faculty and staff of Kalamazoo College, I am pleased and proud to accept this symbol of the completion of a dream. I hereby dedicate the Dow Science Center, and render this facility officially an integral part of the Kalamazoo College campus.

My first, extended visual impression of the campus of Kalamazoo College was from a viewpoint at the extreme east end of the quadrangle, near Hobart Hall. I read a historical marker placed there, and that marker noted the outstanding reputation of Kalamazoo College in science education.
There is no question that the addition of the Dow Science Center will serve to enable Kalamazoo College to perpetuate that excellence and deserved reputation in outstanding science instruction.

A facility, of course, cannot substitute for excellence in teaching and individual support for the students who study within its lecture halls and laboratories. That's why it is such a privilege today to announce a $250,000 gift to the College's endowment to establish the H.P. and Genevieve Cannable Scholarship in Science. Geno... thank you very, very much.

In any project of this magnitude, there are many individuals who deserve our most sincere appreciation. I would be remiss if I failed to note the financial assistance from The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation. The Dow Foundation, after which the facility is named, gave $4 million toward the completion of this project.

All of the major donors to the Dow
Science Center are noted in this brochure, copies of which will be made available to you in a few moments as you begin your tour of the building. A plaque bearing the names of the major benefactors will be displayed prominently in the main entrance area of the Center.

I also want to express my thanks to all of you for joining with me to celebrate the public dedication of this new addition to our campus and program.

Now... let me share a secret with you. This is not the real, the true dedication of the Dow Science Center. The formal dedication may take place on this, a beautiful, sun-drenched Fall morning, in 1992. But the real, true dedication will take place in the lives of the researchers, the physicians—and teachers—who learn within these walls. Indeed
the real dedication will take shape in the lives of all who will extend their liberal education through exposure to the sciences of biology and chemistry here. The true dedication of the Dow Science Center will take place in each and every moment that holds within it the thrill of discovery and the confidence gained through understanding. In those moments will the dedication of this facility become real, true and lasting.

Thank you.