



New Library 'like no other project'

When Diane and I attended San José State, the library was a remnant of the college's early days as a teacher's college," says SJSU alum Lee Brandenburg, 1952 Psychology. "No more! We are well on our way to something grand and exciting. This is going to be a first-of-its-kind in the U.S." Not only will it feature the latest technology, "it's going to be a fun place to go."

The Brandenburgs were among those announcing leadership gifts for the fundraising effort, along with Campaign Chair John Warnock and wife Marva, the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, John and Tasha

Morgridge, the *San Jose Mercury News*, and the Packard Foundation. The Brandenburgs chose to fund a browsing library, one of many naming opportunities within the 475,000 square-foot project.

The \$16.5 million fundraising goal is less than 10% of the total cost, with the bulk financed by the City of San José and the California State University System. A real estate developer, Brandenburg says, "I like leverage. This represents a better than 10-to-1 bang for your buck."

"We can think of no other project on the local scene that will have a more positive impact on the community," Brandenburg states.