

## Dean College makes it official with naming of dorm

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**F**RANKLIN -- Dean College faculty and friends gathered Friday afternoon for a dedication ceremony to mark the permanent naming of one of its residence halls and celebrate the culmination of a successful capital campaign that exceeded its goal by raising \$5 million.

"We officially closed the campaign one million dollars over the goal," said Dr. Frank Campanella, chairman of the Dean College board of trustees and former executive vice president of Boston College.

"(The \$5 million raised) was way above our expectations," said Dean College president, Dr. Paula Rooney

Friday's ceremony marked the end of the three-year "Campaign for Dean" effort to improve Dean College's programs and facilities.

"This is the first-ever successfully completed campaign," Campanella told trustees, staff, faculty and donors.

"The capital campaign benefited a variety of things on campus," said Sherri Mylott, vice president of institutional advancement and fund-raising.

The funds will benefit educational and campus upgrades of the college.

Projects included a new "smart classroom," enhanced faculty and student support, scholarships, technological equipment, energy management and other goals.

Also on Friday, the college's student residence between the Campus Center and Franklin Library received a permanent name at the dedication ceremony. Following a few brief remarks by several people, the shiny gold plaque on the building was revealed with the name: Lucey Hall.

It is named after Robert Lucey, a longtime friend of the college and co-vice-chairman of its board.

For the last five years, the hall has simply been referred to as "New Hall." Now it will be Lucey Hall, said Rooney.

"It's a great name. It has a ring to it," said the college president.

"I'm very excited to see the permanent naming of the building," said M.J. Bossart, director of residence life.

Robert Lucey, also in attendance for the dedication ceremony, quipped that he hadn't died yet. "I'm shocked. I never imagined it," he said.

Rooney presented Lucey with a gray T-shirt emblazoned with the name of the new hall in cranberry letters. Today all residents of Lucey Hall are also to get T-shirts. Following the ceremonies, current residents of the hall conducted tours.

"It's fantastic," said Paul Lambert, a community advisor.

Lambert said his favorite parts of living in the residence, decorated in gray and cranberry, are the elevators and the state-of-the-art kitchen.

He also noted that the suite configurations make it easier for students to meet and mingle.

Built in 1999, the 88-room, coed residence, designed by Bruner/Cott & Associates Inc. of Cambridge and built by A.J. Martini Inc. of Malden, includes several large and roomy lounges and amenities such as air conditioning.

Susan Pond, Class of 1958, also attended the ceremony and presented a gift- wrapped package: a photo album that students will be able to fill with old pictures of New Hall and new pictures of Lucey Hall.