MS. FARISS delivers her remarks:

As Director of the Law Library, I am very pleased for the opportunity to thank Lowell Baier for his wonderful gift to the Law School, and especially for the naming of the Law Library as part of this gift.

Throughout his highly successful career, Lowell has always been an intellectual at heart. He has testified before Congress, drafted legislation, and written books and articles, especially in pursuit of his great passion, western conservation. Lowell understands that a great research library is at the heart of a great law school, and by naming the library, he is recognizing its importance in the life of the school. And to have our Law Library named for Jerome Hall, a distinguished scholar and a man who was so influential in Lowell’s life, makes the honor even greater.
Jerome Hall arrived at the Law School in 1939 and was a member of the faculty here for 31 years, until his retirement in 1970. Unfortunately, I never had the pleasure to meet him in person, but I have heard stories about him and read about him all of the years I have been here. Professor Hall was definitely a larger-than-life figure. He was a beloved teacher and prolific scholar, known worldwide for his scholarship in criminal law and jurisprudence. He was also a pioneer in the interdisciplinary analysis of legal issues, an area where Maurer continues to excel today. His achievements are too numerous to list, but suffice it to say that at the time of his retirement from Indiana University, he was one of the most honored professors on campus and held its highest rank, distinguished professor of law.
Although he retired from IU in 1970, Dr. Hall's career was far from over. He then joined the faculty at the University of California, Hastings Law School where he continued to teach and research as part of the distinguished Sixty-Five Club, a group of eminent scholars who joined the Hastings faculty after retirement. He continued his work at Hastings for another 20 years. I can think of no more appropriate name for our Law Library!

Jerome Hall may no longer be with us, but because of the generosity of Lowell Baier, generations of law students will know about him and understand his importance to our history. We at the Jerome Hall Law Library are proud to be the caretakers of this legacy and we thank Lowell Baier for making it possible.

(At the conclusion of her remarks, MS. FARISS is seated; PRESIDENT McROBBIE goes back to the lectern.)