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COPLEY, GRAHAM CELEBRATE LIBRARY OPENING

Dedication ceremonies for the Helen K. and James S. Copley Library will bring together two great women of American newspaper journalism -- Helen K. Copley, chairman and chief executive officer of Copley Newspapers, and Katharine Graham, chairman and chief executive officer of The Washington Post Company.

The ceremony will be held in the Camino Theatre, Sunday, April 8, at 2:00 p.m. The afternoon event will include a half-hour keynote address by Mrs. Graham. David Copley, president of The James S. Copley Foundation -- the library project's leading donor, will serve over the vesting of a time capsule containing Copley newspapers and USD memorabilia. A reception and tour of the library will follow the ceremony.

Construction of the new campus facility was completed in February at a cost of \$3.7 million. In addition to the Copley Foundation and Helen K. Copley, other donors were the Ahmanson Foundation, Atlas Hotels, Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation, Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, W.M. Keck Foundation, National Endowment for the Humanities, Wells Fargo Bank N.A., Avco Community Developers and an anonymous donor.

The library is the first building named for Helen K. Copley in San Diego County. Located at the west end of campus, the 46,120-square-foot structure contains over 250,000 volumes of books.

Mrs. Graham was a newspaper reporter in San Francisco for a year before joining the editorial staff of The Washington Post in April 1939. A year later she married Philip L. Graham, the newspaper's publisher. She was named president of The Washington Post Company upon his death in 1963. From 1969 to 1979 she served as publisher of The Washington Post. She was made chairman of the board of the parent company in May 1973.

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