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## Sperry Center

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*Elmer A. Sperry Learning Resource Center  
Reopening Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting  
Thursday, October 4, 2007*

*Elmer A. Sperry*  
*1860 – 1930*

*Born near Cortland, New York, Elmer A. Sperry attended Cortland Normal School and Cornell University. His mechanical aptitude contributed to his enthusiasm as a student and as a prolific inventor throughout his entire life. Among his many inventions, the Sperry Electric Arc Light, the Sperry Dynamo, the Sperry Electric Railway Car, and the Sperry Electric Automobile were all developed in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. After the turn of the century, the Sperry Gyroscope and a series of inventions for Navigational Aids continued to astound the world.*

# *Reopening Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting*

## *Remarks*

*Dr. Erik J. Bitterbaum  
President*

*Ms. Nasrin Parvizi  
Associate Vice President, Facilities Management*

*Ms. Paula N. Warnken  
Associate Provost, Informational Resources*

*Mr. Aaron Marsh '08  
Student Government Association President*

## *Ribbon Cutting Ceremony*

*A reception with an opportunity to view the building  
will follow the ceremony and ribbon cutting.*