Prior to 1915, the university had its own reading room on the First Floor of the Old Normal School Building. Each of the three literary societies had their own library - open to members.
University Reading Room
in the Normal School Building
Adelphian Literary Society Library in the Hill Building
Philomathean Literary Society Library in the Hill Building
Franklin Literary Society Library in the Normal School Building
The first University Library, was created in 1915. It was located in several buildings during its early history.
Library on the Second Floor of the Lehr Memorial Building, 1915-1930
Library in Brown Hall,
1930-1953
High-Tech Learning, 1950’s
Reading Room,
Now Snyder Recital Hall
The current location of the Heterick Library was a former athletic field behind the Taft Gymnasium.
1939, the future site of Heterick Library, to be located behind the Taft Gym
Post World War II Trailer Colony for returning Veterans, future site of the Heterick Library, behind the Taft Gym
1959, West Campus, contains Lima Hall, Cafeteria of McIntosh and the back side of Taft Gymnasium
Construction for the Heterick Library began in August 1966
August 1966,
Preliminary Grading Work
1966, the Foundation being Constructed
Looking West from the Taft Gym, East side of the Heterick Library
Almost Completed,
Winter 1967-1968
Almost Completed,
Winter 1967-1968
In February, a “Book Brigade” of mostly Students helped move the books from the Presser Building to the Heterick Library. The Library opened the following morning, Valentine’s Day 1968.
Waiting for Books
From the front door, Circulation Desk to left
From the Reference Area looking toward the Front Door
Some of the many People involved with the Move
Third from the left, President Samuel Meyer
Books arriving from Presser
Heterick Library
1970 - 1998
1970’s, the South side of the First Floor
1970’s, the Southwest corner of the First Floor, Now the Spar/Winzer Music Media Lab
Serious Studying
Locating Journal Articles with Reader’s Guide printed index
1985, Southwest corner of Heterick Library from McIntosh
1985, the South side of the First Floor
Summer 1987, First Computer Lab
286 Processor Machines without hard drives,
Not Networked
Ashes of Library’s Namesakes in the Northwest Wall
October 9, 1992,
POLAR Online Catalog Dedication,
from Right to Left, President DeBow Freed,
Susan Insley (Trustee), Jamie
Leonard (Law Librarian), Paul Logsdon
(Director of Heterick Library)
1998, Public Terminals by the Main Stairs
1999 - 2005
Expansion and Renovations of the Heterick Library
August 1999, Groundbreaking by the Heterick Library Staff
Groundbreaking,
(from right to left) President DeBow Freed,
Student Representative,
Dr. Anne Lippert (Academic Vice President),
Dr. Gene Frazier (Trustee),
Paul Logsdon (Director of Heterick Library)
September 1999, Steel Framing, looking Southwest towards McIntosh Center
September 1999, View from the roof of the Cafeteria
October 1999, Looking Southwest towards the Freed Center
October 1999, On the roof of the Second Floor
October 1999, Third Floor Roof Panels being installed
October 1999, Third Floor Roof Panels being installed
November 1999, Skylight Area
Under Construction
March 2000, Circulation Desk on the First Floor being constructed
Late April 2000,
Third Floor Skylight Area
Late August 2000,
Librarians’ Picnic for the Contractors
Late August 2000,
 Librarians’ Picnic for the Contractors
November 2005, the Heterick Library from the roof of the Freed Center
February 2008,
40 years old and moving onward towards another 40!