

dean's message



When the George S. Eccles Business Building opened on May 8, 1970, it was the tallest structure between Ogden, Utah, and Boise, Idaho. That venerable building has served thousands of students and remains an iconic landmark for generations of Aggies.

On March 16, 2016, we celebrated the opening of Jon M. Huntsman Hall to accommodate the growing needs of the business school and of the university. Now fully connected and integrated with the Eccles Business Building, Huntsman Hall is designed and built, first and foremost, for our students. The 21 classrooms and 21 team study rooms provide students with an unparalleled learning environment, one that I am certain is the equal of any college building in the world.

As I walk through Huntsman Hall, I can feel the transformative impact this beautiful facility will have on generations of students. The thoughtful design, incorporating light and the incomparable beauty of Cache Valley into virtually every corner, creates an

inviting and welcoming space.

This beautiful building would not be possible without support from so many of you. The namesake of our business school, Jon M. Huntsman, Sr., provided the lead gift, and he and his wife Karen and their family lent

their time and energy to making our dream a reality. Jon and Karen have chosen to devote their talents, energy, and considerable fortune to saving lives and to prepare the next generation to contribute to our

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society and culture. It is only fitting that this lovely edifice should be named the Jon M. Huntsman Hall.

Their early support was supplemented by our amazing alumni and friends. Together, almost 70 percent of the \$50 million total project came from private support. The State of Utah provided approximately \$15 million. We could not have built a facility of this quality without you.

In this special issue of the Huntsman Alumni Magazine, we want to share some moments from the grand opening of Huntsman Hall, and to thank all those who made our vision a reality. You can view the video of the ceremonial opening at this link: https://huntsman.usu.edu/huntsmanhall/grand_opening

My deepest appreciation goes to all of you. Thank you so much. Please come see Huntsman Hall when you next visit our beautiful campus in Logan. It is your building, too!