

FROM THE DEAN



This issue of *Freeman* is dedicated to our non-alumni friends who give so generously of their time, energy and money. They are a major force in advancing the Freeman School, and the lead article expresses our gratitude for their many contributions.

I am pleased to report progress on a number of fronts. First, our new building is on track for completion this summer, and we are scheduling classes in both buildings next fall. Goldring/Woldenberg Hall II will add 60,000 square feet of classroom and office space. A second article in *Freeman* provides you with an update, but if you want to check the current status of the building, visit our Web site at <http://www.freeman.tulane.edu/future>. Also, please mark your calendar—the dedication date for our new building is Nov. 21, 2003.

The new building will have a number of exciting features. The classrooms and associated instructional technology truly will be state of the art. The Stewart Center for Executive Education will be housed on the top floor, permitting us to enhance and expand our executive programs. The Burkenroad Center will provide space for our unique Burkenroad Reports and the Burkenroad Institute for Ethics and Leadership. A new institute that focuses on energy education and research and a sophisticated trading/financial center will also be major components in the new building. In addition, our finance faculty will move to a dedicated suite of offices in the new building, the Rolanette and Berdon Lawrence Center in Finance.

The fundraising campaign for

our new building has been very successful. We met the requirements for the Kresge Foundation challenge grant and received their \$1 million commitment. In total, our alumni and friends have committed \$26 million in gifts and pledges. We still have a large number of giving opportunities, so please participate in the campaign.

We are in the final stages of faculty recruiting for this year, and the Freeman School has attracted several outstanding candidates in finance, information systems and strategy. During the next few months, three long-term faculty members will retire—Larry Arnold, David Harvey and Jeffrey Barach. We thank them for their loyalty, dedication and numerous contributions and look forward to their continued association with the Freeman School.

Our greatest challenge is finding jobs and internships for our students. If you need someone or you have potential leads, please contact the Career Development Center at (504) 865-5417 or careers@tulane.edu.

Thank you for all that you do for the Freeman School. We greatly appreciate your trust and loyalty and continue to work diligently to sustain that trust and your pride in the Freeman School.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James M. Arnold".

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