Alumni,

Now that we have passed the half way point of completing the new engineering building, there is a sense of urgency and excitement on the campus for the Grand Opening next fall. This new facility will provide an enhanced learning experience for students and more fully prepare them to make a greater impact throughout the world. It will also help BYU continue to attract the best and brightest.

As Chair and President of the Scholarship Society for the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering thank you for all that you do to make BYU, and specifically the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, successful. Your support over the years has had a major impact on the lives of young aspiring engineers and throughout the world, as they have shared their skills and talents in many locales.

Even in the midst of the fundraising efforts for the new building, your participation has allowed us to continue to support our students and important department activities. During the 2016-2017 year the Scholarship Society was able to assist students with scholarships totaling in excess of \$148,000. In addition to the scholarships you helped 36 students participate in study abroad courses (12 to China, 14 to the Dominican Republic and 10 to the Netherlands). You also helped the students participate in the ASCE Rocky Mountain Conference, the ASCE National Steel Bridge Competition, the AREMA Conference, and the ITE Western District Conference.

These scholarships and sponsorships are made possible because so many of you are contributing. Please know that however small or great your contributions have been in the past they have made a very real difference in the lives of individuals.

Whether just starting your career or on the verge of retirement, we are so grateful to you, the donors who keep hopes and dreams alive for the future engineering leaders of the world. Thank you for your commitment and generosity.

As we have done in previous years, we have two events planned for Homecoming week. This year's Homecoming Game is on a Friday evening with a scheduled kickoff of 8:15 p.m. MDT. That will give us the opportunity to gather that evening like we did last year for a "tailgating party" at the Clyde Bldg. Step-Down Lounge to help us get ready to cheer on the Cougars!

Here are details on the activities we have planned for Homecoming Weekend 2017:

Can anyone say FORE! On the morning of Thurs. Oct. 5, we will have our Annual Alumni Golf Tournament (note the change to a Thursday this year). This is a great way to enjoy the fall weather and the beauty of the area. The following information will help you get signed up:

CEEn 2017 Annual Alumni Golf Tournament

Date: Thurs. Oct. 5th

Time: 7:15 A.M.- Check-in/Breakfast; 8:00 A.M.- Shotgun start

Place: Hobble Creek Golf Course (Springville, UT)

To RSVP please go to http://ceen.et.byu.edu/content/ceen-alumni-bbq-and-golf-tournament-2017x

On Friday evening October 6, we will have our Annual Alumni BBQ. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring your family and come and enjoy food, friendships, and hear from students who have received of your contributions and how it has impacted their lives. This will take place in the building where we all spent so much time learning. While we will always accept donations to the Scholarship Society, we want this to be primarily a gathering and opportunity to socialize. We hope you will add this event to your plans. Details are as follows:

CEEn 2017 Annual Alumni BBQ/Tailgating Party

Date: Fri. Oct. 6th

Time: 5:00-5:30 p.m. Socializing; 5:30-7:00 p.m. Dinner

Place: BYU Clyde Step-Down Lounge, Provo, UT

To RSVP please go to http://ceen.et.byu.edu/content/ceen-alumni-bbq-and-golf-tournament-2017x

Afterward make your way to LaVell Edwards Stadium for the game. Remember no one knows how to party like civil engineers!

We again thank you for all that you have done to impact our students. In addition to the scholarships, we have seen the influence that mentoring and assisting students with the capstone program has made in preparing them for their careers. There are numerous opportunities to be involved at whatever level works for you. It is gratifying to help others through your experience, please come and get involved in the lives of the next generation of engineers.

In addition to the individual donations to the Scholarship Society this year we are making available sponsorships for the annual barbeque as well as the golf tournament. The sponsorships offset the costs of these activities and increase the amount available for scholarships and support of the students and the department. If you or your organization would like to help with sponsoring some of these events please contact Jolene Johnson at jolene_johnson@byu.edu.

We look forward to seeing you for homecoming and hope you will come and socialize with us at the barbeque and the golf tournament.

Sincerely,

Doug Weber

CEEn Scholarship Society President