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A groundbreaking ceremony was held on January 23, 2008 for what would be an extensive makeover of the Law School.^[1] The prior additions to [Trickett Hall](#) were demolished along with the [Curtilage](#). Trickett Hall was renovated, and a new addition was constructed. This addition was named Lewis Katz Hall, in honor of Lewis Katz, a philanthropist, businessman and alum, who donated \$15 million dollars to the Law School.



2008: Ice Sculpture Created for Groundbreaking Ceremony



Lewis Katz

During construction, classes were held at a temporary location in Carlisle. On December 21, 2009, faculty and staff were able to return to Trickett Hall and the newly-built Lewis Katz Hall. Students resumed classes in the new space on January 11, 2010. Lewis Katz Hall was dedicated in a ceremony held on April 16, 2010. Lewis Katz tragically passed away in a plane crash on May 31, 2014.



^[1] Meanwhile, ground had broken on January 18, 2007 for the construction of a law school building at University Park. While that building was under construction, students attended classes elsewhere on the University Park campus. Classes resumed in the new building on January 9, 2009. This building, which houses Penn State Law, is also named after Lewis Katz.

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