CONGRATS: Eastman guest speaker Jeff Beal ’85E (right), shows off a “performer’s certificate” Dean Douglas Lowry quickly drafted for him after Beal mentioned in his address that he had never received one; College classmates celebrate (below); Walker Julliard ’11M (MD) (opposite) gets a congratulatory hug from his wife, Eliza.

SPRING CELEBRATIONS
Commencement 2011
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WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY: “We live in a world of both sobering challenges and awesome opportunities,” Ursula Burns, chairman and chief operating officer of Xerox Corporation, told the College’s graduating Class of 2011. “I would encourage all of you to follow the example of the University and embrace change and learning. Do it willingly and with a sense of excitement and wonder.” One of several guests honored during this spring’s ceremonies, Burns, a University trustee, received the University’s George Eastman Medal for outstanding achievement and dedicated service. While the College’s outdoor ceremony took place under rainy conditions, the weather failed to dampen the enthusiasm of almost 1,500 graduates at the College ceremony receiving bachelor’s and master’s degrees, their families, and friends.—Sharon Dickman

FAMILY AFFAIR: Nursing graduate Libby Geller (above, left) celebrates with her mother, Jean, who’s also a nurse and formerly worked at Strong Memorial Hospital.
HONOREES: XEROX CEO Ursula Burns (left) and John Bruning (above), former president and CEO of Corning Tropel Corp., received the George Eastman Medal at the College ceremony.