

## KUDOS &amp; COMPLIMENTS

# Honors for Alumni and Friends

Awards celebrate service and achievement.



Ronald Rettner

## ARTS, SCIENCES & ENGINEERING Dean's Medal

**Ronald Rettner**, president of Rettner Management and managing partner of Baron Associates in Yonkers, New York, received the Dean's Medal from Arts, Sciences & Engineering. Widely regarded as an entrepreneur, business executive, and developer, Rettner has worked with organizations throughout New York on redevelopment projects to revitalize business districts and neighborhoods. His higher education leadership roles include service as a University trustee since 2012. He provided the lead gift for Ronald Rettner Hall for Media Arts and Innovation, which opened in 2013 as a hub for the arts, sciences, and engineering on the River Campus. A member of the Advancement, Facilities, and Strategic and Financial Planning Committees of the board, he has also established the Ronald Rettner Campus Improvement Fund to help refurbish historic academic buildings and spaces. He and his wife, Karen, are members of the George Eastman Circle, the University's leadership annual giving society. Karen Rettner is also a member of the Eastman School of Music National Council.

## HAJIM SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES

### Distinguished Alumnus Award

**Stuart Elby** '82, senior vice president of Cloud Network Strategy and Technology at Infinera Corporation, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences. A 30-year veteran of the telecommunications industry, he is credited with bringing



Stuart Elby



Robert Dorr

to market the first disposable plastic fiber-optic delivery system. Elby joined Infinera, a California-based company that provides optical networking equipment, software, and services to telecom, cable, and Internet providers, from Verizon Labs, where he served as vice president and chief technologist. A member of the George Eastman Circle, Elby has served on the Dean's Advisory Committee for the Hajim School since 2013. He's also actively involved in several professional organizations, including the Optical Society and the Open Networking Foundation, and he has served on advisory boards of the New York State Centers for Advanced Technology.

## SIMON BUSINESS SCHOOL

### Distinguished Alumnus Award

**Ram Sundaram** '91S (MBA), a partner and global head of principal funding and investment at Goldman Sachs and Company in New York City, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the Simon Business School. Since joining



Ram Sundaram

Goldman Sachs as a vice president in 2001, he has held a number of leadership positions, including tenure as cochair of the firm's bank capital committee, as well as serving on the finance committee, the securities division executive committee, and the securities division's U.S. operating committee. Together with his wife, Preethi Krishna Sundaram '01S (MBA), he has served on the board of directors at the Child Mind Institute in New York City. Sundaram has supported the Goldman Sachs Scholars Fund at Simon, helped sponsor the school's New York City Conference, and as a volunteer, has made several keynote presentations at Simon events and activities.

## Alumni Service Award

**Robert Dorr** '97S (MBA), senior member of the high yield credit sales team at J. P. Morgan Chase in New York City, received the Alumni Service Award from the Simon Business School. Since joining J. P. Morgan in 1999, Dorr has held several leadership roles for the company in the United States and Great Britain. He has served on the Simon Executive Advisory Committee, the Simon Alumni Council, helped sponsor Simon's New York City Conference, and hosted events for Simon students. An active volunteer, Dorr has mentored students, organized and supported networking opportunities, and worked to guide Rochester undergraduates and Simon students interested in working at J. P. Morgan. He is a member of the Westchester-Fairfield Counties Regional Cabinet. He and his wife, Lori Weiser, are charter members of the George Eastman Circle.

where he's the Roscoe C. O'Byrne Professor of Law. A noted scholar in administrative law, Fred arrived at Indiana's Maurer School of Law in 1991 as dean. His stated goal, accomplished through partnerships abroad and curricular initiatives, was to prepare students to work in a legal environment that's increasingly transnational, in which the American legal system has become more dependent on other legal systems.

## 1969 Lloyd and Sandy Cullen

**Brunson** welcomed a grandson, William Peter, in December 2014. William Peter is the son of **Chris '05** and **Val Rozak Brunson '05**, and the brother of Nadiya, 2. Sandy adds that Val is a graduate of Temple University's medical school and is a pediatric hospitalist at Rochester General Hospital, and Chris is a graduate of the Royal Veterinary College, University of London, and is chief of staff at the Banfield Veterinary Hospital in Henrietta, New York. In addition, Lloyd and Sandy's daughter **Katherine Brunson '10** graduated with commendation from Scotland's University of Glasgow School of Veterinary Medicine and practices in Stamford, Connecticut.

## 1970 Harris and Debby Wright

**Leven** send a photo and an update. Unbeknownst to Harris and Debby, there were two other Rochester alumni, who also met and married as undergraduates, on the cruise they took last fall. Harris writes: "We were on a two-week cruise on the Danube, Main, and Rhine rivers this past October, and just by chance Debby and I joined **Ben '58** and **Moe Baldwin '60** for dinner one night. To everyone's surprise, we learned that we had all attended and met at the U of R. It was truly a 'Meliora Moment.'" Debby writes: "Moe and Ben are wonderful new friends. We had a delightful time reminiscing. What a small world it is!" Pictured from left to right are Harris, Debby, Moe, and Ben.

## 1971 Martha Hollander Marsh

has been named to the board of directors of the Irvine, California-based, company Edwards Lifesciences, a maker of heart valves and hemodynamic monitoring technology. Martha retired in 2010 as president and CEO of Stanford Hospitals and Clinics.

**1972 Jane Dodds** writes that **June Waldman** died last September. In