KUDOS & 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.

Stuart Elby

HAJIM SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES
Distinguished Alumni Award
Stuart Elby ’82, senior vice president of Cloud Network Strategy and Technology at Infinera Corporation, received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences. A 30-year veteran of the telecommunications industry, he is credited with bringing

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.

Robert Dorr

Alumni Service Award
Robert Dorr ’75 (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.

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 Nadya, 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 ’56 and Sandy’s 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