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programs across the University, the foundation has provided more than $20 million to The Meliora Challenge: The Campaign for the University of Rochester.

Wegman and his wife, Konstanze (Stency), are members of the George Eastman Circle, the University’s leadership annual giving society.

Newly Elected Trustees
Lizette Pérez-Deisboeck ’87 is a general counsel of Battery Ventures, a Boston-based venture capital and private equity firm focused on worldwide technology and innovation investment. Before joining Battery Ventures in 2009, Pérez-Deisboeck was a partner at Goodwin Procter, where she practiced in the area of technology and emerging companies, and was vice president for legal affairs and operations for Idealab, a creator and operator of pioneering technology companies.

A member of the George Eastman Circle, she serves on the Diversity Initiative Campaign Committee and was a member of her 25th Reunion Committee.

Alan Zekelman ’87S (MS) is a director of Zekelman Industries, the largest independent tubular products manufacturer in North America. A native of Windsor, Ontario, Zekelman received Rochester’s Richard L. Rosenthal Award for Innovation in Investment Management/Corporate Finance. He received an honorary doctor of laws degree at the Simon School commencement ceremony in June.

Zekelman, a George Eastman Circle member, has served on Simon’s Executive Advisory Committee, National Council, and Advisory Council. He and his wife, Lori Talsky-Zekelman, established the Lori and Alan S. Zekelman Distinguished Professorship of Business Administration at the Simon School.

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Quad River Walk
The lower section of a new diagonal walkway will “emphasize the natural beauty and fluidity of the Genesee River and provide a cantilevered experience overlooking a new conifer collection and evergreen vegetation,” says Chris Jones, principal architect at Carol R. Johnson Associates Landscape Architects.

A New Plaza
Wegmans Hall will open onto a large terrace, and the stairs to the building will be designed to create a “front porch” that overlooks an outdoor plaza between Wegmans and Goergen Halls.

Edmund A. Hajim Science & Engineering Quadrangle
A gathering space for the science and engineering portion of the campus, Hajim Quad replaces the green space that was formerly between Hylan and Goergen Halls with a more usable flat expanse, with paths, trees, and seating.

Rain Garden
Featuring new plants and grasses, the sunken rain garden between Goergen and Hylan Halls will be relocated to a more visible location beside Goergen.

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Plans for the quadrangle will bring greater functionality to the land, with steep inclines reduced to create large, flat green space for tents and other activities. The quad will also feature walkways, seating, new trees, and a botanical rain garden.

—Sara Miller