University of Rochester
Metro NYC Network News

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Meet trailblazing Meliora Collective mentor Julie Shapiro ’77

A role model for women, Julie remembers the Rochester admissions interview that changed her career trajectory forever.

Read Julie’s story

News from your network

• Through a deep dive into Bruce Springsteen’s iconic album *Nebraska*, Warren Zanes ’02 (PhD) explores a lost virtue in recorded music.

• Michael Dymond ’13, the first student to become a George Eastman Circle member, is leading the 2023 Senior Giving Campaign Challenge and offering to match all gifts made by members of the class of 2023.

• Zvi Lothan ’66 (Res), author of over eighty scholarly articles and reviews on various topics in psychiatry, psychoanalysis and the history of psychotherapy, recently published a book on the famous Schreber case, entitled *In Defense of Schreber: Soul Murder and Psychiatry*.

Tell us about your career updates, family news, and more by submitting a class note.

Share your news
This worldwide effort invites University of Rochester alumni, parents, and friends to make a difference through a variety of service opportunities led by Rochester volunteers. Continue the tradition of giving back throughout the month of September with volunteer opportunities in-person and online.

This year’s Metro NYC-based sites are:
- Big Reuse Composting
- God’s Love We Deliver
- The Bowery Mission

Virtual sites:
- Project Linus
- LEAP NYC
- Heart of Dinner

Join a project near you!
The Meliora Collective’s University-wide mentorship program has brought hundreds of participants together to encourage professional development, career exploration, and personal growth. Meet your match as part of this unique and incredibly rewarding partnership by signing up as a mentor or a mentee. The next cycle opens in September!

Raise your hand

Meliora Weekend 2023

Exciting keynote speakers, celebrity headliners, innovative academic sessions, and world-class music to soothe your soul. Not to mention the #Roc comfort food you know and love. Join us on all our campuses for an unforgettable celebration!

Be among our many special guests including:

• Two-time Peabody Award-winning comedian Hasan Minhaj
• Senior correspondent for the PBS NewsHour Judy Woodruff
• Author Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
• Fleetwood Mac tribute band, The Seven Wonders
• Tony Award-winning star of Broadway’s Hamilton, Renée Elise Goldsberry

Experience the boundless possibilities, register now!
Please save the date to join University President Sarah C. Mangelsdorf and fellow alumni, parents, and friends on April 11, 2024 for a reception and program to learn about the vision for the next chapter of the University and hear from our exceptional faculty.

Upcoming events

**Global Days of Service**
September 1 through September 30
*In-person & virtual*

**Meliora Weekend**
October 5 through October 8
*In-person*

[Full events listing]
In case you missed it: In April, alumni, family, and friends convened at the intersection of art, technology, and medicine, joined by expert speakers and student artists to explore the Art New York internship program; Art and Observation program; and the need for investment in VR/AR programs at the University.
And earlier in August, alumni, family, and friends gathered for a special night cheering on the New York Yankees at home, including a pre-game party to kick off the night and access to some sweet,
Regional network leaders help plan events, build social media presence, and connect the University of Rochester community in the Metro New York City area. If you’re interested in getting involved, please contact Hannah Ramsey ’11W (MS), at hannah.ramsey@rochester.edu.

Did you know? The Metro New York City Network is on Facebook and Instagram!