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#### **TRUSTEES**

# Danny Wegman Becomes Board Chair

Two new trustees appointed during board's May meeting.

Danny Wegman, CEO of Rochester-based Wegmans Food Markets, became chair of the Board of Trustees at the May meeting. Wegman, who was chair-elect for the past year, will serve a five-year term. He succeeds Ed Hajim '58, who is now chair emeritus.

Wegman has been a trustee for more

than 15 years. For five years, he and President and CEO Joel Seligman cochaired the Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council, part of New York State's community-based economic development program. Wegman became president of the 88-store grocery chain in 1976 and was named CEO in 2005.

In April 2014, as president and chairman of the board of the Wegman Family Charitable Foundation, he announced two major contributions to the University: a \$10 million lead gift to the new Goergen Institute for Data Science and a \$7 million gift to support the Golisano Children's Hospital. Together with previous gifts to several

#### **ENGINEERING**

# Wendi Heinzelman Named Dean of the Hajim School

Internationally regarded electrical and computer engineer takes the helm.

A noted researcher and academic leader is the new dean of the Hajim School of Engineering & Applied Sciences.

Wendi Heinzelman, a professor of electrical and computer engineering with a secondary appointment in the Department of Computer Science, begins her five-year term on July 1. She is the school's first female dean.

Heinzelman takes over from Rob Clark, who on July 1 begins a five-year term as provost, succeeding Peter Lennie.

Since 2008, Heinzelman has served as dean of graduate studies in Arts, Sciences & Engineering. In the announcement of her appointment, which followed a nationwide search, President and CEO Joel Seligman praised Heinzelman's cultivation of "topnotch and innovative graduate programs" as well as her own research and the collaborations surrounding it.

Heinzelman is a specialist in wire-



NEW DEAN: Heinzelman says she will emphasize interdisciplinary collaboration.

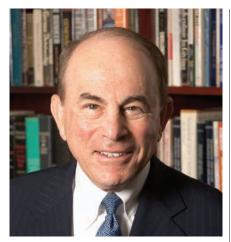
less communications and networking, mobile computing, and multimedia communication.

Her work has broad implications, including providing real-time communications tools for soldiers in the field, enabling conservation through the observation of remote rivers, and developing mobile applications that support personal health monitoring.

Heinzelman is a cofounder of Networking Networking Women, or N2Women, an international organization that fosters connections between women in computer networking and related research fields. Created a decade ago, the group now has more than 900 members worldwide.

She emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration as one of her goals for the school as dean. "I believe that engineering has relevance to the arts, medicine, social sciences, natural sciences, business, and education, and that these disciplines have relevance to engineering," she says. **3** 

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**Ed Hajim** 

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.

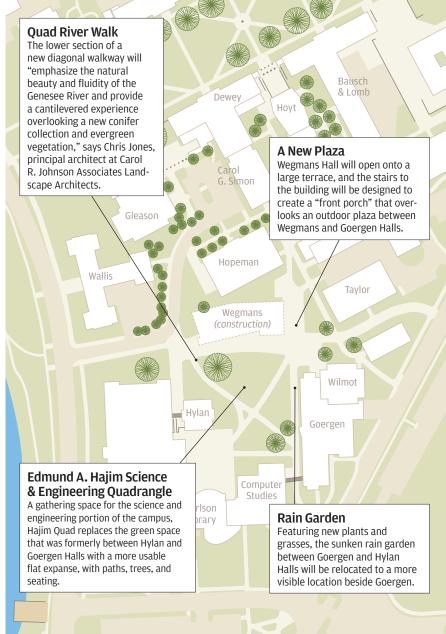
### **Newly Elected Trustees**

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. @



## Tip of the Hat to Hajim

The Board of Trustees in May also recognized the contributions of Ed Hajim '58, voting to name the new science and engineering quadrangle in honor of the outgoing chairman.

Hajim has served on the board for more than 28 years, and steps down as chair after eight. His involvement with the University spans almost 60 years. As chair of the board's Investment Committee, he was instrumental in strengthening Rochester's endowment, and he has been especially involved in strategic planning and advancement efforts.

The president of Diker Management, a business management consulting firm, Hajim received the Eastman Medal at commencement this spring, in recognition of his achievement and

The Edmund A. Hajim Science & Engineering Quadrangle is under construction in the area enclosed by Robert B. Goergen Hall, Hylan Hall, Hutchison Hall, the Computer Studies Building, and the future Wegmans Hall.

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