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Columbia Alumni Federation Names New President

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As the new president of the Columbia University Alumni Federation, Donna Rosenthal ’67SSW intends to make sure that more alumni get to know the organization—and, better yet, get involved. After all, each and every Columbia alumnus becomes a member upon graduation.

“We invite alumni to participate in our events, to volunteer in our programs, and to feel free to make recommendations for programs they think will enhance their roles as alumni of the University,” she says. “I hope to provide more opportunities for that as well as to provide more avenues for the Federation to respond to alumni needs and concerns.”

Rosenthal herself has been actively involved in the Columbia community since the 1980s. She has served as treasurer, secretary, and vice president of the Alumni Federation, and in 1991 she was awarded the University Alumni Medal. In addition to leading the Alumni Federation, she is currently serving a three-year term as chair of the School of Social Work’s Advisory Council.

Rosenthal is the executive vice chairman of CLAL–The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, where she has been since 1994. Previously, she was the first executive director for the National Down Syndrome Society and worked for ten years at United Neighborhood Houses of New York.



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