Alumni News

Alumni Association Award Nominations
Each year the Drexel University Alumni Association Board of Governors recognizes alumni for outstanding achievements in their professions, in the community, and within the university. Many of the university's colleges and schools also recognize the accomplishments of alumni with special awards. We encourage all members of the alumni and university community to participate in the awards process by sharing the achievements of fellow alumni, colleagues and friends with the Honors and Awards Committee for nomination. Click here to review the awards criteria and to nominate a qualified candidate. The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, November 30, 2011.

Is Someone Looking for You?
More than 14,000 searches are made by Drexel alumni on average each month in the Online Alumni Directory! Are your classmates and friends looking for you? If so, make sure your contact information is up-to-date today. Registration is easy! Click here to get started.

If you've already registered for the Directory, be sure to log-in today and make sure your information is current. Update your profile with what you've been up to, share a class note, add the student organizations you were a member of at Drexel, and more! Questions? Contact the Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@drexel.edu or 1.888.DU.GRADS.

For a step-by-step video on how to log in and update your profile in the Online Alumni Directory, click here.

Alumni Spotlight: Gene Muller '84

When Gene Muller '84 decided that he wanted to quit his advertising job in 1994 and open a brewery, he faced a serious obstacle.

"Investors would say, 'You've never run a brewery, never owned a business, never even worked in a restaurant, and you want us to give you money?''" Gene recalled.

Unable to open a real brewery, Gene decided to build a virtual one.

Alumni Weekend Reunion Committees: Class of 1962 and 1987
Plans are already underway for Alumni Weekend 2012, so mark your calendars for May 4 and 5. If you are a member of the Classes of 1962 or 1987 (including Hahnemann Medical College and Woman’s Medical College of Pennsylvania) and you're interested in helping to plan your 50th or 25th reunion celebration, please contact the Alumni Association at alumni@drexel.edu or 1-888-DU-GRADS.

Homecoming Committee Volunteers
Do you want to get involved and show your Drexel pride? The Drexel Homecoming Committee is looking for enthusiastic alumni volunteers to assist with the planning of Homecoming 2012. If you are interested, please contact the Alumni Association at alumni@drexel.edu or 1-888-DU-GRADS.

And remember to save the date for Saturday, January 28, 2011, for our annual Homecoming festivities!

Colleges & Schools

LeBow Dean's Cup

Athletics

Alumni Blue and Gold Club

Career Zone
"Job Search on the Go"
by Julia Levy '93
Julia breaks down some of the top mobile tools that can help you stay connected in your job search and networking efforts.

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Leadership Unlimited
"Labor Day, and Engagement's Missing Ingredient"
by Terry Wall '97
Meaningful work is the difference between a job you do just for the paycheck, and the job you look forward to every day. That's why leaders should be doing everything they can to provide meaningful work for their employees.

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Philadelphia Area

Kid's Clinics with Drexel Soccer
Score some tips from Drexel's men's soccer coaches and players on Saturday, September 24, 2011! Join us for a skills clinic designed for kids ages 8 to 12 followed by a picnic lunch.

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A second clinic with Drexel women’s soccer will be held on Sunday, October 16, 2011. The group will have a picnic lunch following the clinic, as well as face painting and poster making for the Drexel vs. VCU game at 3 p.m. that day.

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Young Alumni Eagles Tailgate
Fly Eagles, fly! Come out for a tailgate with Drexel young alumni and friends before the Philadelphia Eagles' first home game of the season on Sunday, September 25, 2011 at the Linc.

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Herr's® Factory Tour and Alumni Dinner
Join Drexel alumni for the tastiest tour in town at the Herr's® Factory on Tuesday, September 27,
Golf Tournament
This year's ninth annual LeBow Dean's Cup Golf Tournament will take place on Monday, September 26, 2011. The tournament will feature a day full of golf and amenities.

iSchool After Hours
The iSchool at Drexel and the College's Alumni Association, ISTA, invite you to a Networking Happy Hour at World Cafe Live on Thursday, September 29, 2011. Come out and make connections with former classmates, iSchool alumni, and graduating seniors.

Alumni Reception at the American Society for Radiology Oncology
The Drexel University College of Medicine Department of Radiation Oncology and Office of Alumni Relations invite you to attend a reception for alumni, students, residents and friends on Monday, October 3, 2011. The event is hosted by Lydia Komarnicky, MD, Drexel University College of Medicine Professor and Chair of the Department of Radiation Oncology, and Luther W. Brady, Jr., MD, University Professor.

College of Medicine Graduate Alumni Discovery Research Forum
The College of Medicine invites you to a reunion for its graduate alumni during Discovery 2011, on October 5 and 6. This annual research event has a long history and it remains the primary occasion for showcasing the research efforts of our students, summer interns, technicians, postdoctoral fellows, residents and faculty.

The iSchool Networking Reception at The Hub Cira Centre
The iSchool at Drexel is hosting a networking reception on Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at the Hub Cira Centre with some of the region's top employers. Meet with representatives from the fields of computing and technology, information systems, and librarianship, and learn about exiting positions in various organizations.

Campus & Community
Academy of Natural Sciences Online Survey
The Academy of Natural Sciences is gearing up to celebrate its 200th Anniversary in 2012, and it wants your opinion on how it can improve the visitor experience. Please take a few minutes to take this easy and confidential online survey and you can be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift certificate.

It's almost basketball season, so sign-up for the Blue and Gold Club and show your spirit! The Blue and Gold Club is comprised of alumni basketball fans, as well as former members of the DAC Pack, the Spirit Team and the Pep Band. All Drexel Dragon fans are welcome to join the club!

Dragons Selected for Paradise Jam
The Drexel Dragons Men’s Basketball Team was selected to participate in the 2011 Paradise Jam held in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands from November 18 to 21, 2011. The Drexel Dragons invite you to support them in St. Thomas. Click here for bracket and travel information.

Alumni Resources
Liberty Mutual News: Do You Need Flood Insurance?
Do you think you need flood insurance only if you live near water? Think again. Floods can be caused by heavy rainfall, melting snow, clogged drainage systems and broken levees. If you think you're at risk, consider protecting your home with a flood insurance policy.

Connect with Fellow Dragons Online!
With online networks like Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter, it's never been easier to keep in touch with your classmates! Look at photographs, find contact information, post a class note, network and job search, or simply reconnect with old friends and see what they've been up to. And now you can also check out videos on the official YouTube channel for the Drexel University Alumni Association.

Alumni Photo Gallery
Want to check out the photos from the last alumni event you attended? Or, do you want to see what you missed? Click here to check out photos from the latest Drexel alumni events and activities in our Alumni Photo Gallery.

Get Your Free Alumni Card Today!
Your Alumni Card is your key to campus. Visit the University libraries, Korman Computing Center or the Recreation Center (membership fees apply) and receive alumni discounts at the Mandell Theater box office.

GradMed® Offers Affordable, Short-Term Medical Insurance
GradMed® short-term health insurance is a valuable benefit provided by the Alumni Association. An ideal product for new graduates and alumni in between jobs, with GradMed you can choose a coverage period and deductible that meets your needs, protecting you from the expenses associated with an accident or illness.

Pennsylvania License Plate Program
Drexel University is a recognized organization in the Pennsylvania Department of Motor Vehicles Special Organization Plate Program. If you are interested in ordering a Drexel plate, click here for more information.

Experience the Flexibility of Drexel University Online and Save 15% on Tuition
As a Drexel graduate, you’ll enjoy an automatic 201. After touring the factory, stick around for dinner and mingle with Drexel alumni.

Alumni Night at Drexel Field Hockey: Tailgate and Game
The Drexel women's field hockey team is ready to face the Towson Tigers on Friday, September 30, 2011, and they want you in on the action! Before the game, the Alumni Association will host a tailgate so wear your blue and gold and come ready to cheer!

Historical Preservation Walking Tour with Cameron MacTavish, AIA ’87
Join the Drexel University Alumni Association, the Goodwin College of Professional Studies, and award-winning architect Cameron MacTavish, AIA ’87, for a walking tour of Powelton Village on Tuesday, October 4, 2011.

Young Alumni and Senior Fall Mixer
Congratulations to all of the Class of 2012 as they return to campus for their senior year at this fall mixer at Philadelphia Bar on Wednesday, October 5, 2011.

Young Alumni "Salsa in the City" Dance Lesson and Happy Hour
We’re going to heat up the dance floor on Thursday, October 20, 2011! Meet and network with Drexel alumni and friends and then join us for a beginner salsa lesson.

Business on the Links: How to Network on the Golf Course
We’re bringing blue and gold to the green! The Drexel University Alumni Association invites all golfers, seasoned pros or novices to the game, to join us for a nine hole round of golf and networking, followed by a discussion with C. R. “Chuck” Pennoni ’63, ’66, H.D. ’92, Chairman of Pennoni Associates Inc.

Mystery at the Museum with Mario — "CSI: The Experience" at The Franklin Institute
Become a Crime Scene Investigator with Mario the award-winning architect Cameron MacTavish, AIA ’87, at the Franklin Institute. Before the exhibit, enjoy a lunch at Franklin Foodworks.

Flying Fish Brewery Tour and Alumni Reception
Join Drexel alumni for an exclusive tour of Flying Fish Brewing Company, the largest craft brewing company in New Jersey, on Saturday, November 12, 2011. Owner Gene Muller ’84 will guide you through the brewery providing a behind-the-scenes look at how his beer is brewed.

Around the U.S.
Seattle Area Alumni Networking Happy Hour
Head out to Tap House Grill and meet up with Drexel...
Check-out the Drexel Recreation Center
The Recreation Center has many new opportunities to stay healthy and fit! Try out its 10-week circuit series, participate in Dragon on Weights, or join The 500lb/1000lb “Club”. Check out the Center for Integrated Nutrition and Performance, a new collaboration between Recreational Athletics and the Nutrition Sciences Department, on the first floor of the Recreation Center. More

The Philadelphia Shell Show and Festival
The Philadelphia Shell Show and Festival returns to the Academy of Natural Sciences from Saturday, October 1 to Sunday, October 2. Thousands of exotic treasures of the sea will be on display and for sale at the annual event which is free with museum admission and open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. More

Dragons’ Salute to Service: Veterans Day 11/11/11
DU remembers, will you? Mark your calendars for Veterans Day, November 11, 2011, when we will have a special event on campus to honor all members of the Drexel community who have served our country. During the event, we’ll also dedicate the new Veterans Lounge on campus. More details coming soon.

Are you a veteran or former member of ROTC at Drexel? If so, please let us know so we can keep you informed about veteran programs and services at Drexel. Click here to fill out a brief online form.

200 Years, 200 Stories
In celebration of the Academy of Natural Sciences’ first 200 years, it has selected 200 stories that provide a glimpse into the institution’s rich history and amazing discoveries of yesterday and today. Click here to read a new short story every day through March 20, 2012. Mark your calendar to join the Academy on March 21, when its bicentennial celebration officially begins!

15% tuition reduction on all Drexel Online programs! With 90+ degree and certificate programs to choose from, you can further your education and advance your career with 24/7 online access that works around your schedule. More

Calling All Alumni!

International Alumni
Do you live outside the United States? If so, make sure your contact information is up-to-date with the Alumni Association by filling out this brief online form.

Sign-up Now to Host a Dinner with 12 Dragons
Dinner with 12 Dragons is a program that personalizes the overall Drexel student-alumni experience. All Drexel students and alumni are invited to participate in this dinner program where alumni open their homes to students and fellow alumni for small dinner parties, bringing everyone together in a casual environment for good food, conversation, and Drexel camaraderie. We’re looking for alumni volunteers to host dinners during the week of November 14 to 19, 2011 — sign-up today! Some suggested topics for our fall dinners are: military veterans, Drexel sports teams, WKDU radio station, and marketing. For more information on Dinner with 12 Dragons, click here.

If you have any additional questions about the program, contact the Alumni Association at alumni@drexel.edu or call 1-888-DU-GRADS.

Click here to watch a video about a dinner at the Media, PA home of Catherine Campbell-Perna ’95, ’10, and learn more about what a Dinner with 12 Dragons is really like!

alumni from the Seattle area for a networking happy hour on Friday, September 23, 2011. More

Seattle Alumni Night at the Sounders
Kick-back and take in all the excitement as the Seattle Sounders take on the Philadelphia Union. After the match, Drexel alumni will get an exclusive opportunity to meet Seattle Sounders Defender, and former Drexel soccer star, Jeff Parke! More

Atlanta Alumni Night at the Ballpark
The Alumni Association is coming to Atlanta! Join us on Tuesday, September 27, 2011 for a night at the ballpark and watch the Atlanta Braves take on the National League East Champion Philadelphia Phillies. More

Tampa Area Wine-Paring Reception
The Tampa Area Alumni Club invites Drexel alumni to come out for an evening of wine and networking at The Grape. Learn about selected wines in The Grape's collection and pair them with a variety of appetizers to bring out the best in both! More

Pittsburgh Alumni Club "Burgh Bits and Bites Tour
Take a walk with the Alumni Association and discover a Pittsburgh hidden treasure – the neighborhood of Lawrenceville. Shoppers on this neighborhood walking tour will also find many treasures to take home. Samplers of sweets, savories and the city’s best sausage sandwich are included. More

Los Angeles Area Alumni Night at LACMA’s Tim Burton Exhibit
Take a peek inside the world of writer, director, illustrator and artist, Tim Burton. Drexel alumni will explore Burton’s oddly inviting creations at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), and end the evening with a reception. More

Denver Networking Reception
Save the date for Monday, November 14, 2011, and join the Alumni Association, the College of Engineering and Maenner & Associates, LLC for a networking reception during the ASME 2011 International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition. More details coming soon!