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Alumni News

Celebrate the Year of the Dragon with the Alumni Association!

The Chinese Year of the Dragon kicks-off on January 23, 2012. To celebrate this special occasion which only comes around once every twelve years, the Drexel University Alumni Association will offer twelve months of signature experiences for alumni. **The Year of the Dragon** is a unique opportunity to remind all alumni they they are Dragons, to strengthen their relationship with Drexel, and to build alumni-to-alumni, alumni-to-student, and alumni-to-Drexel connections. All alumni around the world will be able to participate in the signature experiences in person, online, or via social media. Stay posted for more information on the Year of the Dragon coming soon!



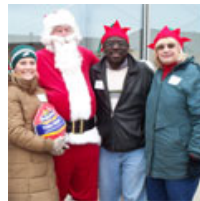
As part of Drexel's Year of the Dragon, the Alumni Association is compiling a list of 366 Life Lessons (2012 is a leap year) that our alumni learned at Drexel. Most people have heard of, "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten," but we like to think that all your really need to know you actually learned at Drexel. If you agree, send some of your Drexel life lessons, along with your first and last name and class year(s) to alumni@drexel.edu and we'll consider adding them to our list. We'll share the life lessons on our Web site and on Facebook and Twitter starting on the first day of 2012 and continuing each day until December 31.

Dragons @ Work

Bring the fire to your job and become a Dragons @ Work captain! As the kick-off event to the Year of the Dragon, Drexel alumni are encouraged to come together to show their Dragon pride at work on January 23, 2012. We'll send you a spirit box filled with Drexel "flair" to share with your colleagues who are also Drexel graduates. You can celebrate Dragons @ Work in whatever way works best for you and your colleagues. Wear blue and gold, gather for an alumni group photograph, or meet up as a group for lunch that day. It's all about celebrating the Drexel connection you all share! For more information contact Louisa Kopp '08 at lcs42@drexel.edu.

Support the Alumni Holiday Turkey Project This Year

The Drexel University Alumni Association is proud to continue its 38-year tradition of providing holiday turkeys to in-need families within the university's West Philadelphia neighborhood and to those served by **Drexel's 11th Street Family Health Services Center** in North Philadelphia. The need for support continues to grow each year and we ask you to please consider supporting the project. For information on how to make your donation to the Turkey Project, [click here](#).



Drexel alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends are invited to volunteer to assist with the distribution of holiday turkeys to the community organizations on December 20 outside of the Paul Peck Alumni Center. [More](#)

Alumni Spotlight: Chip Roman, Culinary Arts 2002

Charles "Chip" Roman has become one of Philadelphia's most popular rising star chefs. As proprietor of Charles Roman Catering, Blackfish Restaurant in Conshohocken and Mica in Chestnut Hill, he has been receiving rave reviews from diners as well as critics. Chip's love of culinary arts grew with age, and he attended Drexel's Culinary Arts program while also earning a business degree.



Learn a little more about Chip and experience Blackfish Restaurant for yourself at **Achieving Work-Life Integration: An Alumni Career Services Program**, hosted by the Alumni Association and featuring Andrea Alfonsi, MBA '04, on Monday, November 7, 2011. [More](#)

Alumni Association and Young Alumni 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



Your Career Retainer "Building a Better Top Team"

by Chris Bilotta '77, '84

Before it disrupts your entire organization, learn the three crucial priorities for building and directing an effective top team. [More](#)



Career Zone "Mistakes Job Seekers Make"

by Julia Levy '93

The job search process can be a tough one. Follow these tips to avoiding common job-seeker mistakes and improve your chances of success. [More](#)



Philadelphia Area

Kid's Clinics with Drexel Soccer

Score some tips from Drexel's men's soccer coaches and players on October 22! Join us for a skills clinic designed for kids ages 8 to 12 followed by a picnic lunch. [More](#)



Young Alumni "Salsa in the City" Dance Lesson and Happy Hour

We're going to heat up the dance floor on October 20! Meet and network with Drexel alumni and friends and then join us for a beginner salsa lesson. [More](#)

Business on the Links: How to Network on the Golf Course

The Drexel University Alumni Association invites all golfers to 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., on October 24. [More](#)

Business Breakfast: "Reputation Matters" with Dr. Elliot Schreiber

Come hear Elliot Schreiber, Ph.D., Clinical Professor of Marketing



by sharing the achievements of fellow alumni, colleagues and friends with the Honors and Awards Committee for nomination. The deadline for nominations is **November 30**. [More](#)

We also invite you to review the awards criteria for the Young Alumni Awards and submit nominations of worthy candidates by **November 18**. The award will be presented during the Homecoming basketball game on January 28. [More](#)

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!

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](#).

Now Accepting Recommendations for The Dragon Alumni Scholarship

The Enrollment Management Office has opened the recommendation request page for the Dragon Alumni Scholarship. This is a \$1,000 scholarship awarded annually to full-time undergraduate students who have been recommended by a Drexel or College of Medicine graduate. [More](#)

Athletics

Alumni Dinner with Drexel Crew

The Drexel men's and women's varsity eight rowing teams will be in Boston for the Head of the Charles. The crews will have a team dinner on October 22 at 7 p.m. at Bertuccis, and Drexel alumni are welcome to join! Cost is \$25. Contact Dan Simmons at des26@drexel.edu with questions or to RSVP.



Alumni Blue and Gold Club

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! [More](#)

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 team invites you to support them in St. Thomas. [Click here](#) for

Colleges & Schools

Goodwin College Focus Group

Goodwin College of Professional Studies is seeking alumni who have been out of school more than 20 years to participate in focus groups to help design a new career transition program. The groups will be held on the Drexel campus and will only take an hour. For more information or to sign up, contact Dr. Rosalie Guzofsky at guzofsky@drexel.edu or 215-898-3922.

Dance/Movement Therapy Reception for Alumni and Friends

The Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions Art Therapy Program invites its alumni to connect with fellow graduates, faculty and students of its Dance/Movement Therapy program at a reception held in conjunction with the American Dance Therapy Association's 46th Annual Conference on October 22. [More](#)

Upcoming College of Medicine Alumni Receptions

The Drexel University College of Medicine is hosting a series of alumni receptions held in conjunction with professional conferences around the country. For more information on all upcoming College of Medicine receptions, [click here](#).

Dr. F. Elaine



and Executive Director of the Center for Corporate Reputation Management at Drexel University's LeBow College of Business, discuss why "Reputation Matters" at the Union League on October 27. [More](#)



Mystery at the Museum with Mario — "CSI: The Experience" at The Franklin Institute

Become a Crime Scene Investigator with Mario the Magnificent on October 29 at "CSI: The Experience" at The Franklin Institute. [More](#)

CAN DU Philadelphia Parks Project

The Community Alumni Network at Drexel University invites Drexel alumni and students to join members of the faculty, professional staff and friends for a fall park clean-up at Morris Park in West Philadelphia. Bring your family and friends and come together with Drexel volunteers on November 6 to create a beautiful community park for our neighbors! [More](#)



Achieving Work-Life Integration: An Alumni Career Services Program

Join Drexel alumni on November 7 at Blackfish in Conshohocken and hear Andrea Alfonsi, MBA '04, as she offers practical advice and ideas on how to re-think your work-life balance to improve your overall well-being. [More](#)

Celebrate the Season with Byers' Choice Ltd. and Drexel Alumni

Bob '65, Hon. '02 & Joyce Byers '64, Hon. '02 invite Drexel alumni and friends to spend a fun-filled evening inside Byers' Choice Ltd. on November 12. [More](#)



Drexel at Delaware: Men's Basketball Game and Alumni Reception

Don't miss the action on December 3 as the Drexel Dragons men's basketball team takes on their CAA conference rival, the University of Delaware Blue Hens, in their first conference game of the season! [More](#)

Alumni Holiday Luncheon and Tour at Winterthur Museum

Experience the traditions of the past and dazzling holiday entertaining displays by joining Drexel alumni for a holiday luncheon and Yuletide tour of the Winterthur Museum on December 10. [More](#)

Around the U.S.

Northern California Alumni Monthly Networking Happy Hours

The **Alumni Club of Northern California** invites you to two networking happy hours this fall.

October 21
Osha Thai Restaurant and Lounge
San Francisco, CA

bracket and travel information.

Campus & Community

CAA Blood Drive Challenge

Drexel Athletics will host the 10th Annual "Have A Heart" Colonial Athletic Association Blood Challenge on October 20. Help the Dragons surpass last year's total of 1045 pints collected and win the CAA Challenge for the 5th year in a row! [More](#)

Dragons' Salute to Service: Veterans Day 11/11/11

DU remembers, will you? Mark your calendars for Veterans Day, November 11, 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](#)



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.

Bugs...Outside the Box

Giant, exquisitely detailed insect sculptures from Italy will make their U.S. debut at the Academy of Natural Sciences starting October 22 in the exhibit "Bugs... Outside the Box: Discover the Art Within the Science" which highlights the beauty and complexity of the often maligned mini-beasts of nature. The exhibit runs through January 16, 2012 and is free with museum admission. [More](#)



Academy/Drexel Affiliation Day

To celebrate the new affiliation of the Academy of Natural Sciences and Drexel University, the Academy will offer free admission on October 26. Meet Academy and Drexel scientists at a dozen activity tables will and learn about their current research projects. Pose for pictures with Mario the Magnificent and the Academy's Triceratops mascot. [More](#)

Mega-Bad Movie Night

Visit the Academy of Natural Sciences after hours to watch an awesomely awful movie. The Academy's own experts will be on stage to comment on the many scientific absurdities — think "Mystery Science Theater 3000"! On October 27, the movie is "Eight Legged Freaks." [More](#)

Calling All Alumni!

DeLancey: Remembering a Life

The College of Arts and Sciences and the Department of English and Philosophy at Drexel invite you to a memorial celebration of the life of our dear friend and colleague, Professor F. Elaine DeLancey on November 1. Dr. DeLancey served Drexel for more than twenty-five years as a Professor in the Department of English and Philosophy and an internationally recognized scholar on Sonia Sanchez. [More](#)



College of Engineering Alumni Talk and Tour at the Benjamin Franklin Bridge

Join the College of Engineering Alumni Association and Michael Howard, Delaware River Port Authority engineer and co-author of *The Benjamin Franklin Bridge*, for an insider's look at the Benjamin Franklin Bridge on November 5. [More](#)

LeBow College of Business Alumni Council & College of Engineering Alumni Association Networking Reception

The LeBow College of Business, LeBow Alumni Council, and the College of Engineering Alumni Association are pleased to welcome all alumni, friends, and family of the colleges to a networking reception on November 17 at Ladder 15. [More](#)

D&M Kiosk: A Retail Laboratory for Design and Merchandising

Are you an artist? Do you knit? Make products? The Antonette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design is looking for alumni who wish to sell their products at the D&M Kiosk in Chapman Court during the week of November 28. Offerings may include jewelry, stationary, knitwear, photography or accessories. The entry deadline is **November 10**. For more information, contact Kristen Ainscoe at dsmrkiosk@drexel.edu.



Alumni Resources

25% Alumni Discount for Continuing Nursing Education Courses and Conferences

The Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions offers alumni a significant discount on all of its continuing nursing education courses and conferences! [Click here](#) to learn more. To take advantage of the 25% discount on registration fees, select "Drexel University Alumni" as the type when registering for your course or conference. Join the mailing list for the Drexel University Division of Continuing Nursing Education [here](#).

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November 18
Empire Grill and Tap Room
Palo Alto, CA

Sacramento Area Alumni Monthly Networking Happy Hour

Head out to Cafeteria 15L on October 21 for a casual happy hour to meet and network with Drexel alumni from the Sacramento area, as well as students from Drexel's Center for Graduate Studies. [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 on October 25 at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), and end the evening with a reception. [More](#)



Seattle Area Alumni Networking Happy Hour
 Head out to Tap House Grill and meet up with Drexel alumni from the Seattle area for a networking happy hour on October 28. [More](#)

Scottsdale Area Alumni Luncheon

The Alumni Associations of Drexel University and Drexel University College of Medicine along with Great Court Society and the Arch Street Legacy Society invite alumni in the Scottsdale area for a complimentary luncheon on November 1. [More](#)

Denver Networking Reception

Join the Alumni Association and the College of Engineering for a networking reception on November 14. The reception, co-hosted by Maenner & Associates, LLC, is open to all Denver-area alumni. [More](#)



How to Become a Social Enterprise: An Alumni Career Services Program in San Francisco

Join Drexel alumni in the San Francisco Bay Area on November 15 for a networking reception and discussion and learn how your business can become a social enterprise. [More](#)

Las Vegas Area Alumni Dinner with Drexel Wrestling

Drexel alumni are invited to join the team and coaches for a dinner in Las Vegas on December 3 while the team is in town for the Cliff Keen Las Vegas Collegiate Wrestling Invitational Tournament. [More](#)

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!

Theater box office. [More](#)

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