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# What's Hot



## Blue and Gold Alumni Weekend 2008

The campus was buzzing on May 2 and 3, 2008, for Alumni Weekend, when more than 1,000 alumni, families and friends returned to Drexel to enjoy a variety of events, among them the University City 5K Run, the Alumni Family Picnic and the University Gala. We would especially like to thank and congratulate the members of the class of 1958 who were present to celebrate their milestone 50-year reunion and induction into the Golden Dragon Society. Click here to view and order Alumni Weekend photographs online.

It's never too soon to begin planning for next year! If you are a member of the class of 1959 and would like to help us plan your 50th reunion celebration, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@drexel.edu or call 1-888-DU-GRADS. Mark your calendars for Blue and Gold Days on May 1 and 2, 2009.

## Take the Drexel University Magazine Survey

By now you should have received the newly redesigned spring 2008 issue of the Drexel University Magazine. We want to know how we can make your magazine better. Click here to take a brief online survey and tell us what you think!



## Alumni Leadership Library

The Drexel Alumni Association invites graduates to donate new or used books that they have found to be particularly motivational for the Alumni Leadership Library. The Library is a collection of books generously donated by alumni and housed within the Dean of Students' office. The books are available, free-of-charge, for Drexel students to borrow and use. Click here for more information, donation instructions and a listing of suggested titles.

## **On Campus**



Drexel Law Celebrates New Name and Namesake - Earle Mack '59, Hon. '06 Drexel University leaders joined law students and law professors in celebrating the newly renamed Earle Mack School of Law during a gala ceremony on May 1, 2008. Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell and former New York Governor George Pataki were among the luminaries who joined hundreds of law students, professors and administrators in a champagne toast to the school's namesake, a former ambassador to Finland and a 1959 Drexel alumnus. More



## Drexel to Break Ground for the University's 10th Dorm

Drexel broke ground in University City on May 20, 2008, on a new \$42 million residence hall. The 17-story building will be the university's 10th dorm and house 500 students in a hybrid suite configuration with a series of shared living areas. The building, made primarily of glass, will feature spectacular views of Center City and incorporate many environmentally sustainable features including a green roof. The building will open in fall 2009. More

June 18 Mariners vs. Marlins Seattle, WA

June 26 Bulls vs. Iron Pigs Durham, NC

July 2 Braves vs. Phillies Atlanta, GA

August 13 Dodgers vs. Phillies Los Angeles, CA

August 14 Pirates vs. Reds Pittsburgh, PA

August 15 Padres vs. Phillies San Diego, CA

August 22 Orioles vs. Yankees Baltimore, MD

August 22 Giants vs. Padres San Francisco, CA

August 27 Young Alumni Night Phillies vs. Mets Philadelphia



Alumni News

## Alumni Association Award Recipients

We would like to congratulate the following alumni who were presented with Alumni Association Awards during Alumni Weekend 2008:

Special Distinction Award – Patricia C. Woody '93 Service to Profession Award – Klas C. Haglid, P.E. '90 Service to Community Award – Joan McConnon '89 Alumni Entrepreneur Awards – Jeffrey S. Backal '93 and Merrick B. Rosenberg '92

Silver Dragon Society Award – Kathleen P. Chimicles, ASA '83 Young Alumni Entrepreneur Award – Anthony J. Bracali, AIA '99 Golden Dragon Society Awards – Robert R. Buckley '58, George F. Krall Jr. '58 and John D. Rittenhouse '58, Hon. '88

In addition, two Drexel students were presented with Outstanding Senior Awards and seven students were awarded Alumni Association scholarships.



### Young Alumni Happy Hour at The Field House

Join the Young Alumni Association for a happy hour at the Field House in Philadelphia on Thursday, May 29, 2008, from 5 to 7 p.m. For \$5 per person, enjoy appetizers and a complimentary open bar. For more information, **click here**.

#### Swing into Summer with Drexel!

Join Drexel University alumni and students this summer for a reception and baseball game in your area. Click each game below for details:

Houston Astros vs. Philadelphia Phillies Sunday, May 25, 2008 Houston, TX

Florida Marlins vs. Philadelphia Phillies Thursday, June 12, 2008 Miami, FL

Seattle Mariners vs. Florida Marlins Wednesday, June 18, 2008 Seattle, WA

Durham Bulls vs. Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs Thursday, June 26, 2008 Durham, NC

Atlanta Braves vs. Philadelphia Phillies Wednesday, July 2, 2008 Atlanta, GA

Los Angeles Dodgers vs. Philadelphia Phillies Wednesday, August 13, 2008 Los Angeles, CA

Pittsburgh Pirates vs. Cincinnati Reds Thursday, August 14, 2008 Pittsburgh, PA

San Diego Padres vs. Philadelphia Phillies Friday, August 15, 2008 San Diego, CA

Baltimore Orioles vs. New York Yankees Friday, August 22, 2008 Baltimore, MD

San Francisco Giants vs. San Diego Padres Friday, August 22, 2008 San Francisco, CA More information coming soon! Philadelphia Phillies vs. New York Mets Young Alumni Night at the Phillies Wednesday, August 27, 2008 Philadelphia



## Coaches vs. Cancer: Bowl for the Cure

Enjoy a night of complimentary cocktails, appetizers and bowling while 100 percent of your ticket costs go directly toward cancer research. The Drexel Sport Management Graduate Program has teamed up with the City 6 Schools and Coaches vs. Cancer to raise money for a great cause. Come out after work on Friday, June 13, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. for a night of fun at North Bowl Lanes in Philadelphia. Ticket prices vary based on sponsorship level. For more information, contact Addie Spector at 215-895-2033 or bowlforthecure08@yahoo.com.



#### College of Nursing and Health Professions Alumni Reception

The College of Nursing and Health Professions invites you to an alumni reception in Atlantic City, NJ, on Saturday, June 28, 2008, at 7 p.m. Enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and drinks at the Sheraton Atlantic City Convention Center Hotel. RSVP by Friday, June 20, to Anne Jensen at 215-762-8868 or arj37@drexel.edu. For more information, click here.



### **Dragon Boat Festival: Call for Paddlers**

Join our team! Build teamwork, spirit and pride as part of the 7th Annual Philadelphia International Dragon Boat Festival and help Drexel alumni, students, faculty and friends paddle to our 5th consecutive Collegiate Challenge Championship. The festival will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2008, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia. We are looking for 50 participants to fill our two Drexel boats. Paddlers 8 years and older, of all skill levels, are welcome! For more information, **click here**.



## Become an Alumni Ambassador Today!\*

One of the greatest ways you can support Drexel is to share your stories and experiences as a student with others. Becoming an Alumni Ambassador is a unique, convenient way for you to connect with prospective students and answer questions they may have about Drexel. Attend a college fair in your area or simply answer questions by phone or e-mail when your schedule allows. If you are interested in becoming an Alumni Ambassador and for more information, click here or e-mail the Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@drexel.edu

\*There is a special need for volunteers who live in Chicago, Long Island, Florida and California, and for alumni of the Westphal College of Media Arts & Design and the College of Nursing & Health Professions.



#### Grab Your Passport for Our 2008 Alumni Travel Program

Join fellow alumni as we head to exciting new locations with our Alumni Travel Program in 2008. Each trip offers educational opportunities in beautiful locations worldwide. Our upcoming destinations include the following: **Ukraine and Romania** (July 2 through 15), **Ireland** (July 31 through August 8) and **Italy: Sorrento and Orvieto** (September 14 through 25). For more information, **click here**.

The Alumni Associations of Drexel and the Drexel College of Medicine are excited to announce a new travel program which includes Category 2A CME credits. We will be traveling to the following locations: Antarctica (February 18 through March 3, 2009), Rome and Greece (June 22 through 30, 2009), The Great Lakes (August 29 through September 5, 2009) and South Africa by Sea (March 2010). For more information, please contact the College of Medicine Alumni Relations office at medical.alumni@drexel.edu.

Interested in receiving the latest information and brochures on our travel program? E-mail alumni@drexel.edu with your address to be added to the list.





## Sacramento Alumni Reception

Please join alumni of Drexel University and the Drexel University College of Medicine for a reception on Wednesday, May 28, 2008, at CRUSH29 in Roseville, California. Guests will enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a wine sampling from 6 to 8 p.m. For more information, **click here**.



#### Tampa Alumni Wine Tasting and Reception Please join James Schmidt '99 and fellow Drexel University alumni for a wine tasting and reception on Wednesday, June 4, 2008, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Grape at International Pla

reception on Wednesday, June 4, 2008, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Grape at International Plaza in Tampa, FL. For more information, click here.

## **Alumni Resources**



#### This Spring, Take a Break from Interest Payments!

Take a vacation from interest payments with the Visa® card that offers 0% APR for nine billing cycles\*! With the Drexel University Visa Platinum Card, every dollar you spend is interest free until next winter. Whether you use your Drexel Visa for everyday purchases or that major purchase you've been waiting to buy, now is the time to switch. Plus, you'll benefit our organization and earn great rewards with every purchase.

The Drexel Visa® Card also provides great benefits, including: no annual fee; your choice of benefits and rewards; a percentage of every purchase goes directly to Drexel University.

This Visa Platinum card issued by U.S. Bank is now the only card that supports Drexel University. Upon receiving your new card, Drexel University receives a payment from U.S. Bank and then we will continue to receive a percentage of each net purchase that you make on your card. This helps us continue to fund important programs and activities. Hurry, offer ends June 30, 2008! Click here to apply today.

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#### **Drexel Athletics**

Are you a sports enthusiast? If so, you can take pride in your alma mater as the Drexel Dragons compete against some of the country's toughest teams. For more information on the athletics program, **click here**.

## Register Today for inCircle

Join our growing online alumni community by building your own network of classmates and friends. Register today for Drexel's online alumni networking tool, inCircle. Staying in touch has never been so easy! Register by **clicking here** and completing the simple registration form using your Alumni ID [:O1/0000123456:] and you're on your way to making your Drexel connections using inCircle. For more information or help getting started, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 1-888-DU-GRADS or e-mail alumni@drexel.edu.

## DragoNet

Search the online alumni directory, post and view class notes and register for permanent e-mail forwarding. This exclusive membership is complimentary to alumni. Signing up is easy. For more information, **click here**. Your temporary password can be viewed in the inCircle article above.

## Alumni Cards

Your alumni card is your key to campus. Visit the university libraries, Korman Computing Center or the Daskalakis Athletic Center (membership fees apply) and receive alumni discounts at the Mandell Theater box office. For more information, **click here**.

## Stay in Touch!

Be sure that you receive invitations to upcoming events in your area, the *Drexel University Magazine* and updates regarding your alma mater. To update your contact information, click here.

## Drexel University College of Medicine e-Mentoring Program

The Drexel University College of Medicine e-mentoring program connects students and alumni through online resources. It provides a way for students to correspond with alumni about career issues, shadowing experiences and life as scientists and physicians. Call Patty Comey at the Alumni Office at 215-255-7341 or Marie Hartman in the Office of Student Affairs at 215-991-8219 for more information.



End of Details, Wednesday, May 21, 2008