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What's Hot**35th Annual Alumni Holiday Turkey Project**

The Drexel University community has lent its support to the Alumni Holiday Turkey Project for 35 years, providing holiday turkeys to families in-need within the university's neighborhood. In 2007, turkeys were given to more than 1,200 families in West Philadelphia and to those served by Drexel's 11th Street Family Health Services Center. Alumni, students, faculty and friends can help by making a donation to the project and volunteering to assist with the turkey distribution in December. Please consider making a donation to the 35th Annual Alumni Holiday Turkey Project and helping out someone in need. For more information, [click here](#).

**Alumni Profile: Fred Kaplan, MBA LCoB '83**

On Wednesday, November 12, 2008, Fred Kaplan, Director of Consulting for Relevante, Inc., kicked off our Alumni Career Services series with his presentation, "Win the Interview" at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse in King of Prussia, PA. [Click here](#) to find highlights from Fred's presentation on the do's and don't's of interviewing.

And, join us tonight for a panel discussion at Estia Restaurant in Philadelphia with fellow alumni who have made the leap from one career to another or changed careers within their current industry. For more information, [click here](#).

On Campus**MAD Dragon Records Nominated for Three Prestigious Music Awards**

Drexel's student-run record label, MAD Dragon Records, has been nominated for three 2008 Independent Music Awards (IMAs). MAD Dragon was nominated twice in the "College Label of the Year" category for the Swimmers' album "Home" and The Redwalls' self-titled release. A nomination was also received for "Best Rock/Pop Song" for The Redwalls' track, "Modern Diet." This nomination includes all independent music labels, not just those from college labels. [More](#).

**Drexel Alumnus and Astronaut Christopher Ferguson '84 Leads "Greening" of International Space Station**

Christopher Ferguson '84, a Drexel University alumnus and Philadelphia native, led the crew of the space shuttle Endeavour for the first time as mission commander. During the mission, crew members will install a system that recycles urine into drinking water.

"I would challenge you to find any other system on the Earth that recycles urine into drinkable water," Ferguson said. The crew of Endeavour launched on November 14, 2008 at 7:55 p.m. EST, from Kennedy Space Center and docked with the International Space Station on November 16. [More](#).

Alumni News

Memphis, TN

December 22
Women's Basketball
Daskalakis Athletic Center
Drexel University

January 13, 2009
A View From the Top
Pearlstein Business
Learning Center
Drexel University

January 29, 2009
Going Global
Radnor Hotel
Radnor, PA

February 27, 2009
Iceland Study Tour
Reykjavik, Iceland

May 1 - 2, 2009
Alumni Weekend
Drexel University
Philadelphia

Alumni Travel Program

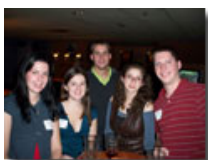
June 2 - 10, 2009
Italian Lake District

June 17 - July 2, 2009
Turkey with Dean Guceri

July 28 - August 10, 2009
Passage of Peter the Great

August 26 - September 7, 2009
China and the Yangtze River

October 6 - 14, 2009
Provence

**Alumni Cultural Series in Philadelphia**

This fall, the Alumni Association will present a series of fun and festive cultural programs in the Philadelphia area! [Click here](#) to learn more about the events below and to register.

Reception and "Legally Blonde: The Musical"

Wednesday, December 3, 2008
 Estia Restaurant and Academy of Music

Breakfast and Fairmount Park Holiday House Tour

Saturday, December 13, 2008
 Paul Peck Alumni Center and Fairmount Park

Drexel Basketball Series

Come cheer on the Drexel Dragons as they kick off their 2008-09 season. All alumni and guests are invited to join us before each game for exclusive alumni receptions. Mark your calendars!

Drexel Men's Basketball at Georgetown Hoyas

Saturday, November 22, 2008
 Pre-Game Alumni Reception: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Tip-Off: 1 p.m.
 Verizon Center, Washington, DC

Drexel Men's Basketball vs. Memphis Tigers

Monday, December 22, 2008
 Pre-Game Alumni Brunch: 10 a.m.; Tip-Off: Noon
 Brunch: The Peabody Memphis Hotel; Game: FedExForum
 Memphis, TN
Please note that all times are Central Standard Time

Drexel Women's Basketball vs. Richmond Spiders

Monday, December 22, 2008
 Pre-Game Alumni Reception: Noon; Tip-Off: 1 p.m.
 Reception: Hazem Maragah Hospitality Suite; Game: DAC

Denver Area Alumni: Save the date! Drexel will be at the University of Denver with the men's lacrosse team on March 24, 2009. More information coming soon.

Young Alumni Holiday Networking Happy Hour

Join Drexel, Princeton and other area college alumni for an exclusive holiday happy hour on Thursday, December 11, 2008, at Yakitori Boy, a Japanese tapas restaurant and karaoke bar. Meet and network with young professionals at this new Chinatown hot spot from 5 to 8 p.m. Admission is free with specially-priced appetizers and drinks, plus half-off karaoke room rentals. For more information, [click here](#).

Question of the Month

The holidays are just around the corner and that means it's time to start shopping! Over the years, we all accumulate quite a collection of gifts from friends and family. And there always seems to be that one gift that stands out. Share with us the most unique holiday gift you've received - whether it was exactly what you asked for, or the last thing you expected. To answer the question of the month, [click here](#).

Drexel University Triangle Alumni

When you were a student at Drexel, were you a member of *The Triangle*, the independent student newspaper? If so, we want to hear from you! We are seeking to establish the Drexel University Triangle Alumni Group to provide you with opportunities to network and connect with former Triangle members and current students as well as attend social and educational events that relate to the fields of communications and journalism. If you are interested in joining or would like to learn more, please e-mail us at alumni@drexel.edu.



Study Abroad: Iceland Study Tour

Drexel alumni are invited to participate in the Iceland Study Tour, part of the DSMR Exploring Global Youth Culture undergraduate course. The study tour focuses on all aspects of design and gives exposure to one of the current epicenters of youth culture. During their time in Iceland, participants will complete industry visits and one workshop focusing on topics related to brand communication, retail and product development. This is a great opportunity for alumni to network with international industry experts while gaining a new perspective on global youth culture. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).



American Art Therapy Association Alumni Reception

The College of Nursing and Health Professions Offices of Institutional Advancement and Alumni Relations invite you to reconnect with alumni and faculty at an alumni reception on Friday, November 21, 2008. Join us for hors d'oeuvres and cocktails at 6 p.m. at the Renaissance Cleveland Hotel in conjunction with The American Art Therapy Association 39th Annual Conference. RSVP to Anne Jensen at 215-762-8868 or arj37@drexel.edu. For more information, [click here](#).



College of Nursing and Health Professions and South Jersey Alumni: We Want Your Feedback!

All alumni who graduated from the College of Nursing and Health Professions as well as those in the South Jersey Area are encouraged to take a few moments to fill out a brief survey and share your suggestions for future events and programs with us. Your feedback is very valuable to us!

To complete the College of Nursing and Health Professions survey, [click here](#).
To complete the South Jersey Alumni survey, [click here](#).



A View from the Top Speaker Series

Alumni are invited to join the LeBow College of Business as it hosts Hugh C. Long II, Northeast Group Executive for Wholesale Banking at Wachovia Bank, on Tuesday, January 13, 2009. Hugh will discuss the challenge of leading through tough times and the enduring legacy that companies can create by wisely responding to changing market forces. The event will be held in the Pearlstein Business Learning Center at 6 p.m. For more information and to register, please contact Cassandra Brown at cassandra.l.brown@drexel.edu or [click here](#).



Join us on Facebook!

Facebook is a great way to connect with fellow classmates, whether around the corner or across the world! We encourage you to check out the official Alumni Association Facebook pages to stay in touch with other Drexel alumni, get up-to-date information on news and events, and to easily communicate with our growing online community of Drexel grads. Click the links below to join.

[Drexel University Alumni Association](#)
[University City 5K](#)
[Drexel University Young Alumni Association](#)
[Community Alumni Network at Drexel University](#)



Dinner with 12 Dragons Call for Alumni Hosts

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 Association members open their homes to students and fellow alumni for small dinner parties, bringing everyone together in a warm, friendly environment for good food, conversation and Drexel camaraderie. If you are interested in hosting a Dinner with 12 Dragons, or for more information, [click here](#).



Alumni Weekend 2009

Plans are underway for Alumni Weekend 2009 so mark your calendars for May 1 and 2! Members of the Class of 1959 should have received their save-the-date letter in the mail and an invitation will be coming in early 2009.

If you are a member of the class of 1959, including nursing alumni from Hahnemann Medical College and Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, 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.

The College of Medicine will be celebrating its 50th reunion on May 13, 14 and 15, 2009. If you are a College of Medicine graduate from 1959 and you would like to get involved in planning your reunion celebration, e-mail medical.alumni@drexel.edu.

Club News



Tampa Bay Area Alumni Dinner

Tampa Bay area alumni are cordially invited to an evening of dinner and pleasant company at the Tampa hot spot, Rigatoni's Tuscan Oven. Join us Friday, December 5, 2008, from 7 to 9 p.m. for a family-style dinner served in a private dining room, a great place to catch up with old friends or meet fellow alumni for the first time. RSVP by November 25, 2008. For more information, [click here](#).



Northern California Holiday Dinner

The Drexel Alumni Club of Northern California would like to invite area alumni to a holiday dinner party at 6 p.m. at Daffodil Restaurant on Saturday, December 6, 2008. Join fellow alumni to reminisce and enjoy some of the Bay Area's freshest seasonal cuisine paired with flavorful wines from around the world. For more information, [click here](#).



Going Global —Connecting Your Business to the World

Join guest speaker Dino Ramos, Director of Trade Services for the World Trade Center of Greater Philadelphia, to learn about the resources that companies need to compete internationally in today's economic world. Breakfast and networking hosted by the Alumni Club of Chester and Delaware Counties will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 29, 2009, followed by Ramos' presentation at 8 a.m. For more information, [click here](#).

Alumni Resources

Grab Your Passport for Our Alumni Travel Program

Join fellow alumni as we head to exciting new locations with our Alumni Travel Program. Each trip offers educational opportunities in beautiful locations worldwide. Our upcoming destinations include: **Italian Lake District** (June 2 through 10, 2009), **Turkey with Dean Guceri** (June 17 through July 2, 2009), **Passage of Peter the Great** (July 28 through August 10, 2009), **China and the Yangtze River** (August 26 through September 7, 2009), and **Provence** (October 6 through 14, 2009). For more information on the Alumni Travel Program, [click here](#).

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.

Leadership Library

The 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. **And now, anyone who brings a book to an alumni event will receive a free alumni T-shirt!** For more information, donation instructions and a listing of suggested titles, [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 and Health Professions.*

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](#).

Drexel is Coming to Colorado for the Women's Basketball Coors Classic Tournament

November 28 and 29, 2008

Boulder, Colorado

Please note: this is for the game only; there is no alumni reception.