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Alumni News

Happy Holidays from the Drexel University Alumni Association

The holidays are a time to spread laughter, joy and holiday cheer. And as we begin 2011, the Drexel University Alumni Association would like to wish you and your loved ones a happy holiday season and a prosperous New Year!

Ring in the Season with Drexel and the Alumni Association

Volunteer and Support Families In-need This Holiday Season with the 37th Annual Alumni Holiday Turkey Project

For the past 37 years, the Drexel University community has lent its support to the Annual Alumni Holiday Turkey Project, providing holiday turkeys to families in-need within the University's neighborhood. The need for support continues to grow each year and we ask you to please consider supporting the project. Each donation of \$25 will provide 2-3 families with turkey dinners for the holiday season. Drexel alumni, students, faculty, staff and friends can also support the project by volunteering to assist with our turkey distribution on Tuesday, December 21, 2010. [More](#)



Time is Almost Up to Get Counted and Get an Amazon Kindle!

The goal of the Alumni Association is to keep our graduates in touch with the university, the students, and each other. We want to start 2011 with the most comprehensive collection of alumni information as possible, but in order to do so, we need your help. It's simple; all you have to do is log into our [Online Alumni Directory](#) (formerly known as *DragoNet*) and update your profile. Tell us about the activities and organizations you were involved in as a student, update your home or business address, or post a class note for your classmates to enjoy. Get Counted and then see yourself reflected in our [updated alumni population maps](#)!

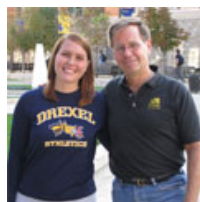
Log into the Online Alumni Directory and update your profile before **Friday, December 31, 2010**, and you could be one of two lucky grand prize winners to receive an Amazon Kindle, or one of five winners to get a Drexel Fan Pack including a hat, T-shirt and other Drexel memorabilia! Winners will be randomly selected and will be announced after the New Year. [More](#)

Alumni Legacy Spotlight: Charles "Bud" Yanak '79, '84 and Liz Yanak '09

When it comes to Drexel, Bud and his daughter Liz Yanak have more in common than just their degrees. They share a passion for Drexel athletics, a love of the food trucks on Ludlow Street, and most importantly an appreciation for the quality education they received during their time as students.

Bud grew up in Philadelphia and went to high school less than 2 miles from Drexel. After his freshman year at LaSalle University where his uncle was Vice President, he transferred to Drexel because he knew he wanted to be an engineer and as he put it, "Drexel was the school to go to for engineering."

Liz had a similar reason for attending Drexel, although engineering wasn't her area of interest. [More](#)



Legacy Family Reception and Men's Basketball Game

The Drexel University Alumni Association invites you and your family to its inaugural legacy event on Saturday, January 8, 2011. Join us as we celebrate your family's experiences and special multi-generational connection to Drexel. Enjoy a private reception at the Paul Peck Alumni Center before heading over to the Daskalakis Athletic Center to cheer for the Drexel Dragons as they take on the University of Delaware. Legacy families will have opportunities to have their photo taken with the mascot, *Mario the Magnificent*, will be treated to special reserved seating and recognized at the game.



Career Zone: 'Tis the Season for Stepping Up Your Job Search

by Julia Levy '93
Many employers will hire people at the end of 2010 or interview and make offers to candidates so they can start in early 2011. Now's the time to ramp up your job search! [More](#)



Leadership Unlimited: The First 48 Principle of Conflict Resolution

by Terry Wall '97
Interested in a better approach to conflict resolution? Then check out this month's column. It's a specific strategy, guaranteed to improve your conflict resolution skills. [More](#)



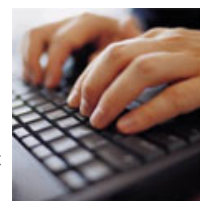
Philadelphia Area

Philadelphia Alumni Networking Reception at Continental Mid-town

The Drexel University Alumni Association and the LeBow Alumni Council invite Drexel alumni for a networking reception at Continental Mid-town in Philadelphia on Thursday, January 20, 2011. [More](#)

Philadelphia Alumni Career Services Program: "The Online Job Search Survival Guide"

Join fellow Drexel alumni in the Philadelphia area at Table 31 on Tuesday, January 25, 2011, for a networking reception and discussion with Sherrie A. Madia, Ph.D., associate adjunct professor at Drexel University. Dr. Madia will present an interactive discussion on using social networking effectively for job search. [More](#)



Young Alumni "Beat the Winter Blues" Inter-School Happy Hour

Winter blues got you down? Then join Drexel, Penn, and other area college alumni for an exclusive happy hour at Smokin' Betty's on Thursday, January 27, 2011! Meet and network with young professionals at this hot spot in Center City and chase away your

[More](#)**Celebrate Homecoming 2011 at Drexel!**

All alumni are invited back to campus for Homecoming 2011 on Saturday, January 22, and Sunday, January 23. This year's festivities will include a tailgate reception, the men's basketball game vs. Northeastern, a post-game celebration, the women's basketball game vs. Hofstra, and more! Special ticket packages for Saturday, Sunday, or both days are available. [More](#).

Student Leader Alumni Reunion at Homecoming

When you attended Drexel, were you involved in a student organization leadership role? Were you a member of USGA or the president of your club? If so, visit campus during Homecoming 2011 to mingle with fellow Drexel alumni, as well as current student leaders and members of Drexel's Student Life Office, while enjoying a buffet dinner in the University Club's City View room overlooking campus. All alumni who once had a leadership role in Drexel's student government or one of the many student organizations on campus are invited to join us on Saturday, January 22, 2011. [More](#)

Alumni Career Services Web Site Features New Content

Weren't able to make it to one of our Alumni Career Services programs in your area? Visit our Alumni Career Services Web site for videos, webinars and recaps from past events in Philadelphia, New York City, and online! There, you will find a video of the November 10, 2010 "An Insider's Look at Careers in Digital Professions" at Estia Restaurant in Philadelphia. You'll also be able to read a recap highlighting questions and answers from "An Insider's Look at the Finance Industry" held on November 9, 2010. Interested in learning how to better market yourself? Then tune in to an online webinar titled "Your Sustainable Competitive Advantage: The Key to Increasing Your Marketability". Visit the Alumni Career Services Web site today for all of these features and more! [More](#)

Sign-up Now to Receive the Alumni Career Services E-Newsletter

In 2011, the Alumni Career Services program will launch an online e-newsletter for alumni seeking continued professional development and career growth. The e-newsletter will feature upcoming Alumni Career Services events, videos, interviews with industry experts, and event recaps. To be placed on the e-mail list to receive the Alumni Career Services e-newsletter and to stay up-to-date on all of the latest career-related news from the Alumni Association, please take a moment to fill out a short information form. [More](#)

Alumni Travel Program Announces New Destinations

Be sure to join our travel mailing list to receive information on all of our new destinations. [Click here](#) to e-mail the Alumni Office and include your name, class year and address. See below for a list of our exciting upcoming trips, and [click here](#) for more information on all of our Alumni Travel Program offerings.

Tuscany, Cortona and Florence

June 14 through 23, 2011

Scotland

July 18 through 26, 2011

Normandy and Paris

September 22 through October 1, 2011

For informational videos and an inside look at the Normandy and Paris trip, [click here!](#)

Mexican Riviera Cruise

November 27 through December 4, 2011

If you act now and reserve your spot on one of our exciting and exclusive travel journeys you can enjoy significant savings of up to \$1,000 per couple. Normandy and Paris as well as the Mexican Riviera Cruise trips are eligible for this savings during the specified time period. Reserve online—each trip's Savings Code will be displayed automatically on the reservation form. You can also reserve by calling 1-800-323-7373. Be sure to give your Savings Code to the representative. [More](#)

Drexel Dragons Official Fan Shop Online Store

Shop for Drexel Dragons merchandise at the Official Drexel Fan Shop where you can find the best selection of Dragons clothing for men, women and kids. The Official Drexel University Fan Store features the latest styles of Dragons apparel from top sportswear brands so you can show off your Dragon pride while cheering for the Drexel athletic teams. Find something special for your fellow Drexel fans when you shop our store for unique Drexel Dragon gifts for fans and alumni. [More](#)

Colleges & Schools**iSchool Alumni Day****Campus News****Sacramento**

winter blues! [More](#)

Campus to Career Student-Alumni Networking Night

Alumni are invited to participate in the 5th Annual Campus to Career Student-Alumni Networking Night, where a panel of Drexel alumni professionals will answer questions, provide networking opportunities, and offer advice to current Drexel students who will soon enter the workforce. Join us for a night of networking on Wednesday, February 2, 2011, at the Paul Peck Alumni Center. [More](#)

**An Evening at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts**

Join alumni of Drexel University and the Drexel University College of Medicine for an evening at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts on Thursday, February 10, 2011. The evening will begin with a reception where Matt Herbison, Archivist at the Drexel University College of Medicine, and Charles Morscheck, Professor of Art History at Drexel University, will host a discussion providing additional insight into the "Anatomy/Academy" exhibit. Guests will then have the opportunity to tour the exhibit. [More](#)

Around the U.S.**San Diego Area Alumni Dinner with Women's Basketball**

Drexel alumni in the San Diego area are invited to join the team for a special dinner at Gordon Biersch Restaurant on Wednesday, December 29, 2010. Enjoy meeting fellow Drexel alumni while welcoming the student-athletes and coaches to the area and wishing them luck in the Surf N Slam Women's Basketball Tournament at San Diego State. [More](#)

Southern California Alumni Night at the Los Angeles Kings

Don't miss the chance to join fellow alumni from the Los Angeles area as the Alumni Club of Greater Los Angeles ends the year with a night at the Kings on Thursday, December 30, 2010! First, join alumni and friends for a pre-game gathering at Yard House, then head over to the Staples Center to watch as the Los Angeles Kings take on the Philadelphia Flyers on the ice. [More](#)

**Sacramento Cohort One Graduation Celebration**

Join Drexel alumni in the Sacramento area in congratulating and celebrating the graduation of Cohort One from the Drexel University Center for Graduate Studies in Sacramento during a reception at the Firehouse Restaurant in Old Sacramento on Saturday, January 8, 2011. [More](#)

Chester & Delaware Counties Alumni Brewery Tour, Beer Tasting and Reception

The Drexel University



at Men's Basketball

iSchool alumni are invited to catch the action as the Drexel Dragons men's basketball team takes on the University of Delaware Blue Hens! Watch the game and enjoy a reception for *iSchool* alumni and friends in the Hazem Maragah Hospitality Suite on Saturday, January 8, 2011.


LeBow College of Business Center for Corporate and Executive Education Presents: Challenges of Healthcare Reform

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act demands that providers must demonstrate the quality and efficiency of their care. In this session on Wednesday, January 12, 2011, learn what is in the legislation, describe various approaches to measuring the quality and efficiency of care, and discuss challenges in implementing these measures. [More](#)

College of Medicine Pediatric AIDS Benefit Concert

Each year, College of Medicine students put on a show to raise money for the HIV/AIDS clinic at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children. This year's event will take place at 5 p.m. on Saturday, January 22, 2011 at the Main Building on Drexel's Main Campus. Alumni are invited to come to the show to enjoy delicious food, bid on a silent auction item, and watch the concert!


Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Sciences 30th Anniversary Reception

The Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions invites its alumni to connect with fellow graduates, students and faculty, and celebrate the 30th anniversary of Drexel's Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Sciences program at a reception held in conjunction with Affinity Insurance Services, Inc. and the American Physical Therapy Association's Combined Sections Meeting in New Orleans. The reception will take place on Thursday, February 10, 2011, and will include complimentary hors d'oeuvres. [More](#)

Athletics

Dragons Upset No. 20 Louisville, 52-46

Gerald Colds scored a season-high 20 points and made three of his four free throws down the stretch as Drexel upset No. 20 Louisville, 52-46. The win knocked Louisville (8-1) from the ranks of the unbeaten and handed the Cardinals their first ever loss at the KFC Yum Center. It was the fifth straight win for the Dragons, who improved to 7-1. [More](#)

Feel the Fire with Drexel Basketball and the Alumni Association
**Campus Update**

Drexel has its first class of Sacramento-educated alumni! Drexel opened the doors to its Center for Graduate Studies in Sacramento on January 5, 2009. Three of the initial four master's programs (now there are eight) are ending this month, and 34 students will graduate: 24 with MBAs (LeBow College of Business), 7 with MS-Higher Education (Goodwin College School of Education), and 3 with MS-Library and Information Science (College of Information Science and Technology). [More](#)


Alumni Memberships Available at the Drexel University Recreation Center

Where can you beat the heat with a swim, challenge yourself with a climb and catch up with old friends while making new ones? At Drexel University's Recreation Center! Drexel alumni are welcome to join the Recreation Center, but don't forget your Alumni Card! Please check out the various Alumni Membership options [here](#). And bring a friend!

Alumni Resources

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.

Connect with Fellow Dragons Online!

With online networks like Facebook, *inCircle*, LinkedIn and the Alumni Directory, 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. Now you can also check out videos on the official YouTube channel for the Drexel University Alumni Association, and get the latest news and announcements from our official Twitter feed. [More](#)

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

Get Your Free Alumni Card Today!

Your Alumni Card is your key to campus. Visit the University libraries, Korman Computing Center or the new Recreation Center (membership fees apply) and receive alumni discounts at the Mandell Theater box office. [More](#)

Liberty Mutual News: Five Tips for Online Safety

The Internet is fertile territory for criminals who devise devious methods to exploit and steal from unsuspecting Web users. But by taking these five important precautions, you can keep your finances and personal information safe. [More](#)

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Alumni Association and the LeBow Alumni Council invite Drexel alumni for a brewery tour, beer tasting and reception at the award-winning Victory Brewing Company on Wednesday, January 26, 2011. Guests will learn about beers made on-site while networking with fellow alumni. [More](#)

**South Jersey Alumni Networking Reception**

The Drexel University Alumni Association and the LeBow Alumni Council will host a networking reception for Drexel alumni at Caffè Aldo Lamberti in Cherry Hill on Wednesday, February 2, 2011. [More](#)

Montgomery County Alumni Networking Reception

The Drexel University Alumni Association and the LeBow Alumni Association invite Drexel alumni for a networking reception at 333 Belrose in Radnor on Wednesday, February 9, 2011. [More](#)


Alumni Networking Receptions in Chester and Delaware Counties

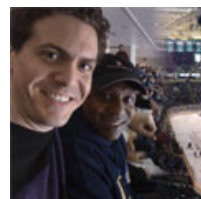
Come join the Drexel University Alumni Association and the LeBow Alumni Association for the following networking receptions in Chester and Delaware Counties and enjoy a chance to meet and get to know fellow graduates in your area.

Wednesday, February 23, 2011
The Newtown Grill
Newtown Square, PA

Wednesday, March 9, 2011
Tango Restaurant
Bryn Mawr, PA

Northern California Alumni Night at the San Jose Sharks

Don't miss your chance to join the Alumni Club of Northern California at its annual night with the San Jose Sharks on Tuesday, March 8, 2011! Watch the action from the Penthouse Plaza as the Sharks take on the Nashville Predators at the HP Pavilion. Drexel guests will enjoy dinner and will receive two drink tickets included with their tickets. [More](#)



Calling All Alumni!

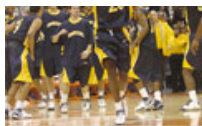
Drexel's Radio Station Alumni

When you attended Drexel were you involved with the campus radio station? If so, let us know! WKDU will be celebrating the past 40 years on air at Alumni Weekend 2011 with a special reunion event on May 7, 2011. Please take a minute to fill out an online form with your contact information and your connection to Drexel media so that we can update you on the reunion event. [More](#)

Alumni Career Services Panelist in the Washington DC Area

The Drexel University Alumni Association and the

Alumni, friends and fellow sports fans will be cheering on the Dragons at Drexel basketball games all winter long. Enjoy a pre-game reception as you gear up for each game. Click below for details on each alumni reception and game.



Men's Basketball at George Mason
January 19, 2011

Men's Basketball at Hofstra
January 29, 2011

Alumni Day at Women's Basketball: Alumni Lunch and Game

Don't miss the action as the Drexel Dragons women's basketball team takes on their conference rivals, the University of Delaware Blue Hens during Alumni Day at Women's Basketball on Sunday, January 9, 2011. Before the game, join fellow Drexel alumni and Dragon fans before the game for a lunch in the Hazem Maragah Hospitality Suite. [More](#)

Drexel Men's Lacrosse at Notre Dame: Alumni Breakfast, College Football Hall of Fame Tour & Lacrosse Game

Join fellow Drexel alumni and Dragon fans before the Drexel Dragon's men's lacrosse team takes on the University of Notre Dame Irish on Sunday, March 6, 2011. Enjoy a breakfast buffet of scrambled eggs with ham and cheese, hash brown casserole, homemade grits, assorted breads, juices, coffee and tea before the game at the College Football Hall of Fame. [More](#)



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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 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. You'll even earn the same degree as on-campus students. Drexel Online: the most convenient way for you to be a Drexel Dragon once again! [More](#)

Washington D.C. Area Alumni Club are putting together an Alumni Career Services panel discussion, focusing on entrepreneurship. We are seeking panelists with experience in this topic, including those who have worked for the General Services Administration and Small Business Administration, who can provide insight into the process of starting a small business in the D.C. area, and what entrepreneurs can do to market their businesses to the federal government. If you are interested in serving as a panelist, please contact Lauren Villanueva '04, '09, at lmr24@drexel.edu or 215-895-2744 for more information.

Sign up to Host a Dinner with 12 Dragons

Dinner with 12 Dragons is a program that personalizes the overall 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 warm, friendly environment. It's a great opportunity to get together and share some good food, good conversation and Drexel camaraderie. We're looking for alumni hosts for dinners this winter and spring. Sign-up today! [More](#)

[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!

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