

# Details

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## The Alumni Association Welcomes You!

Welcome to the Drexel University Alumni Association and congratulations on earning your Drexel degree! The Alumni Association is here to help you stay connected to your alma mater and to your friends and classmates, and we encourage you to keep in touch with Drexel and become active members of the Alumni Association. You'll stay in the loop, make new friends and stay connected to old ones. We'll help you give your career a boost, tell you about fun social events in your area, and give you the chance to share your Drexel experience with the students that come after you.



Make sure you log into the [Online Alumni Directory](#) to keep your contact information up-to-date so that you continue to receive correspondences from the Alumni Association, such as this monthly e-newsletter, *Drexel Details*.

Please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at any time if you have any questions, or would like more information about how you can get involved in the Drexel University Alumni Association. Call us at **215-895-ALUM** or **1-888-DU-GRADS**, or e-mail us at [alumni@drexel.edu](mailto:alumni@drexel.edu). And don't forget to check us out online at [www.drexel.edu/alumni](http://www.drexel.edu/alumni), for the most up-to-date alumni news and information!

### Alumni Advice for the Class of 2012

With graduation day now behind you, members of the Drexel University Alumni Association Board of Governors wanted to share some words of encouragement and advice for your class, so they put together a series of videos. The Alumni Association also extended an opportunity to the entire Drexel alumni community to share advice with the Class of 2011. [Click here](#) to view and read the advice Drexel alumni have to share with you.

### The Young Alumni Association

The Young Alumni Association (YAA) provides our newest alumni with career-development programs, professional and social networking events, volunteer opportunities and other social outlets. Some of the exciting events and programs that the YAA plans year-round are Homecoming Weekend, Young Alumni Night at the Ballpark, as well as social and professional networking happy hours.

The YAA is always looking for energetic members who can bring fresh ideas to the group, so let us know if you'd like to get involved with the YAA committee, the Homecoming planning committee, or if you'd simply like to help plan something in your area! [More](#)



### Alumni Spotlight: Rick Gettlin '77

On Thursday, May 26, Professor Beth Phillips' Analysis of Product class had a unique opportunity. They traveled to S. Walter Packaging, the nation's leading designer and provider of shopping bags, gift boxes and other packaging products, where their classroom curriculum came to life before their eyes.

This opportunity was the result of a connection made between Drexel graduate Rick Gettlin '77 and current student Naomi Izen '13.

In February 2011, Rick and his wife hosted a student dinner at his home where he met Naomi, who is studying design and merchandising in the Antoinette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design.

"During the dinner, Mr. Gettlin made it very clear through his storytelling and warm hospitality that he would be someone that would help us in our futures if we ever needed anything," said Naomi. [More](#)



### Career Zone "Stand Out on LinkedIn"

by Julia Levy '93

LinkedIn is one of the best, most useful tools you can have in your job search arsenal.

Learn how to get the most out of this professional networking site with Julia's 5 useful tips. [More](#)



### Career Makeover Strategies "When You Can't Choose Just One Career or Passion..."

by Tai Goodwin '95

Tai recommends *The Renaissance Soul*, a guidebook for individuals with more than one career interest. Read on and learn how to find balance among your many passions. [More](#)



### Your Career Retainer "Three Traits Every CEO Needs"

by Chris Bilotta '77, '84

Approximately 200 CEO candidates at major U.S. corporations were evaluated by *Better Under Pressure* author Justin Menkes. Find out what three attributes were most common among these senior-level professionals. [More](#)



## Join Us for an Upcoming Alumni Association Event

### Spring into Summer Fitness: Young Alumni Night at the Rec Center

Get ready to shape-up for summer by joining Drexel alumni for a night of fitness and fun at Drexel's new, state-of-the-art Recreation Center on Tuesday, June 21, 2011. Take your pick of activities offered to alumni for the evening, including group exercise classes, pick-up basketball and rock-climbing. You'll also learn how to stay fit and happy this summer with a wellness talk from Jess Norman, Drexel's Assistant Director for Health, Fitness and Wellness. [More](#)

### Young Alumni Night at the Phillies



**Get Your Alumni Card — It's Free!**

Once you graduate, you can request a free Alumni Card which allows you to access the Recreation Center (membership fees apply), the Korman Computing Center and the University libraries. Also, receive a \$5 discount on university performances at the Mandell Theater. To get your Alumni Card, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 1-888-DU-GRADS or [click here](#).

**The 2012 New Graduate Guide**

Check out the [New Graduate Guide](#) and use it as a handbook to help you take advantage of all of the great opportunities the Alumni Association provides for you to stay involved with and connected to your fellow alumni and the University.

**A Gift from Drexel Athletics and Alumni Relations**

Congratulations to the Class of 2011! As a thank you for all of your support the last 4-5 years, the Athletic Department is partnering with the Alumni Association to offer you complimentary basketball season tickets for next year. If you would like to receive your free season tickets, please send a mailing address where they can be sent in the fall to Molly Rallo at [mer73@drexel.edu](mailto:mer73@drexel.edu). If you have any questions, e-mail Molly or call 1-866-4-DREXEL.

**Alumni Career Services — Get the Tools for Professional Success**

The Alumni Career Services (ACS) program provides you with opportunities for professional growth and development, featuring services and programs like résumé-writing workshops, networking receptions, seminars, and question-and-answer sessions with alumni and industry experts.

Networking receptions provide an ideal environment to meet and establish relationships which could potentially lead you to that next career step. The ACS program hosts speakers who cover a wide range of topics from how to win the interview, to achieving a work-life balance, to maximizing your worth in a competitive job market. [More](#)

**Stay Connected with Facebook, Twitter, inCircle, LinkedIn and the Online Alumni Directory**

With all of our official online networks staying in touch with your friends and classmates after graduation, and connecting with Drexel alumni has never been so easy! Thousands of alumni are already part of these communities, so don't be left out — [click here](#) to sign-up for our online networks today!

**Facebook** — Join the Drexel University Alumni Association on the most popular online networking site in the world. There are dozens of official alumni Facebook fan pages to choose from.



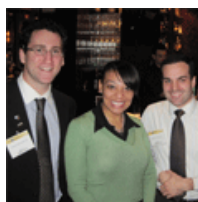
**LinkedIn** — With more than 6,500 members, the Drexel University Alumni Networking Group on LinkedIn is our largest online community, and it continues to grow. Make it your number-one online professional networking tool.

**Online Alumni Directory** — Membership to this exclusive directory is complimentary to Drexel alumni. Be sure to visit the [Online Alumni Directory](#) often and keep your information up-to-date.

**Drexel inCircle** — This is an online alumni networking tool, similar to Facebook, but it is open to only Drexel alumni. Thousands of graduates use it to keep in touch, view job postings and share class notes.

**Help Future Students: Become an Alumni Ambassador**

As the newest alumni of Drexel University, you are the foremost experts on what it takes to succeed at Drexel. Now is your chance to use that knowledge to help current high school students in search of a college. Alumni Ambassadors answer student questions via e-mail, attend local college fairs or events, and recommend students for merit scholarships. To learn more about becoming an Alumni Ambassador, [click here](#).

**GradMed Short Term Medical Insurance**

Since you're no longer a student, you may be without health insurance. After graduation, your medical coverage through student health insurance or your parents' policy may end. GradMed Short Term Medical is a benefit to help fill the gap between graduation and employee benefits at your first job. Coverage can start the day after receipt of your application. To get more information, [click here](#) or call 1-800-922-1245.

**Liberty Mutual**

Your degree will open doors for you, Renter's Insurance from Liberty Mutual will protect what's inside. Got a laptop? An iPod? Flat-screen TV? Digital camera? Imagine them all stolen or damaged. That's a lot of money down the drain. Liberty Mutual has partnered with the Drexel University Alumni Association to offer you renters insurance that protects your prized possessions from theft, fire and some types of water damage-in your apartment, in your care and even when you're on vacation. Learn more about renters insurance from Liberty Mutual, and get a quote today. Visit [Liberty Mutual Auto and Home Insurance](#) or call 1-800-524-9400 today!

Join the Young Alumni Association to cheer as the National League Champion Philadelphia Phillies take on the Atlanta Braves! Join us on Wednesday, September



7, 2011, at Citizens Bank Park, and before the game for a reception at Chickie's and Pete's. [More](#)

**Baseball Games Around the U.S.**

If you're not in the Philadelphia area, visit us online to find out when we're hosting an alumni reception at a baseball game near you, and join us for the fun. For a complete listing of all receptions and games, [click here](#).

**Homecoming 2012**

Do you want to become involved and show your Dragon pride? The Young Alumni Association is looking for enthusiastic alumni volunteers to assist with the planning of Homecoming 2012! Homecoming is a great success every year, as it welcomes hundreds of alumni and their families back to campus, so join us for the fun this year as a member of the planning committee. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at [alumni@drexel.edu](mailto:alumni@drexel.edu) or 1-888-DU-GRADS.

And keep an eye out for further details regarding Homecoming 2012 in late January!

For a complete calendar of upcoming alumni events, including college and school events, and more information, [click here](#).

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