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The e-newsletter for Drexel Alumni

CONNECTING DRAGONS EVERYWHERE

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CLASS OF 2012 SPECIAL EDITION

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. And don't forget to check us out online at www.drexel.edu/alumni, for the most up-to-date alumni news and information!

2012: The Year of the Dragon!

The Alumni Association has been celebrating the Year of the Dragon since January and now, as alumni, you can join in the fun! We've got lots of exciting events, programs, games, giveaways and more planned for the remainder of 2012, so stay in the loop and visit the [Year of the Dragon website](#) today!

During the month of June, alumni have been submitting their advice to the Class of 2012. Click here to read the words of encouragement and advice that alumni have shared with your class.

The Year of the Dragon theme for July is "Celebrating Dragon Talents." This month we will share the unique interests and talents of our alumni through a series of "how to" events and online videos. We know that Drexel alumni are a gifted bunch, so we're asking you to help us celebrate Dragon talents by sending us your "how to" videos sharing a special skill or talent. Can you play an instrument, change a tire, or grill the perfect steak? Whatever your talent may be, take a few minutes to film your step-by-step "how to" video and send it to us at alumni@drexel.edu or post it to our [Facebook fanpage](#)!

And if you're in the Philadelphia area, join us at our "how to" events in July: [Mixology: How to Make Great Drinks](#) and [Philadelphia Wok 'n Walk Tour](#).

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: Alisa Melekhina

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



Career Zone

"Would You Supply Your Facebook Password During an Interview?"
by Julia Levy '93

Hiring managers and recruiters can learn a lot from your online presence. Follow Julia's tips to make sure it's positive and professional. [More](#)



Your Career Retainer "The 3rd Alternative"

by Chris Bilotta '77, '84
Conflict resolution is discussed in this month's column. Learn how to arrive at the "3rd Alternative" — a solution to a conflict where everybody wins. [More](#)



Join Us for an Upcoming Alumni Association Event

Behind the Scenes at The Philadelphia Zoo with Dr. Gail Hearn

Experience The Philadelphia Zoo like you never have before! Join us for a summer evening at this private, after-hours event in the Philadelphia Zoo's new Rare Animal Conservation Center and Impala Plaza on June 19. Offered only to Drexel alumni and guests, enjoy wine, beer, and deluxe hors d'oeuvres among unique and endangered creatures like the golden lion tamarin, white bellied spider monkey, and blue-eyed black lemur — to name a few! Special guest, Dr. Gail Hearn, research professor in Drexel's Department of Biology and director of the Bioko Biodiversity Protection Program, will speak about her latest research.

Class of 2012 Discount: The first 50 graduates from the Class of 2012 may attend for just \$10 per person! [More](#)

Young Alumni Networking Happy Hour

Meet Drexel alumni in the Philadelphia area and enjoy complimentary appetizers, soft drinks and drink specials in Mad River's private, upstairs lounge on June 27. Each guest will also receive a ticket for a complimentary drink! [More](#)

Mixology: How to Make Great Drinks

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](#)

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.

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, LinkedIn, the Online Alumni Directory, Twitter and YouTube

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.



LinkedIn — With more than 9,000 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.

Twitter — Our official feeds are [@drexelalumni](#) and [@drexelyoungalumni](#).

YouTube — Watch videos from alumni and students on our official [YouTube Channel](#).

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!

"Mix" and mingle with Drexel alumni in Manayunk! Join the Alumni Association at the Main Line Center for Bartending on July 13 and learn how to become a master mixologist. Try your hand at making some fun summer cocktails and bring your friends to kick-off your Friday night in Manayunk! [More](#)

Philadelphia Wok 'n Walk Tour

Join us at Joseph Poon's Chef Kitchen on July 22 in Chinatown for a private lesson on how to make a variety of Dim Sum treats, including wontons, shu mai and dumplings. After this hands-on experience, you'll take a mini Chinatown tour with Chef Poon and cap-off the afternoon with a three-course meal back at the Kitchen. [More](#)

Young Alumni Night at the Phillies

The Drexel University Young Alumni Association invites alumni to a night at the ballpark as the Philadelphia Phillies take on the Washington Nationals! Meet alumni from the Philadelphia area before the game at Chickie's & Pete's and then we'll head to Citizens Bank Park for Fan Appreciation Night! [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](#).

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

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