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Details in Brief

Click below for a video preview of the June 2012 *Drexel Details* alumni e-newsletter, hosted by Drexel student **Lucy Stone '14** in the MAD Dragon recording studio.



Alumni Association News

Alumni Association Board of Governors Election

The Drexel University Alumni Association invites you to take part in this year's election of candidates to the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors oversees the Alumni Association's efforts to engage, advance and support the campus community and its alumni and students through a variety of programs, services and awards as well as opportunities for volunteerism and advocacy. You are invited to review each of the candidate's letters of interest and submit your vote online. Voting will conclude at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, June 22. [More](#)

Congratulations to the Class of 2012

On Friday, June 15, and Saturday, June 16, Drexel's 125th Commencement ceremonies took place, marking an exciting new beginning for more than 6,000 students. We hope you'll join us in congratulating the Class of 2012 on this outstanding achievement, and welcoming our newest grads to the Drexel University Alumni Association!

We're also collecting alumni advice to seniors. Looking back, what's one thing you wish you knew before graduation? Did you learn something after graduation that you wish you would have known before stepping out into the real world? Do you have a piece of advice you'd like to share? If so, please share your words of wisdom with the Class of 2012 [here!](#)

Drexel Year of the Dragon: Celebrating Dragons of the Future in June

Are you a Drexel graduate, and do you have a relative who graduated from Drexel in June? In Chinese tradition, a red envelope is a special gift given by elders to represent luck. If you have a relative who is graduating from Drexel and continuing your family's legacy, [fill out this brief form](#) and we'll send you a red envelope containing a commemorative Year of the Dragon pin. You can give it to your family member to commemorate your Drexel Legacy



Co-op Chronicles from Crete, Greece

Natasha Pande '13 Communications

During her time as a co-op student in Crete, Greece, Natasha Pande, a senior communications student, will chronicle her experiences for Drexel alumni in a series of online journal entries. Natasha was afforded the opportunity to work in Greece, thanks to the Vidalakis Cretan Scholars Program.



For her co-op, Natasha is currently working at Creta Maris Beach Resort as a marketing and public relations assistant. She is working on various campaigns within the hotel, writing press releases, and is working on material for the information channels of the hotel. "I feel it is important to gain experience in different fields of business and understand how methods of marketing are molded accordingly," she said. [More](#)

Career Column

Your Career Retainer

Chris Bilotta '77,
'84



"Why Top Talent Leaves"

Top talent leaves when they're badly managed and the organization is confusing and uninspiring. Find out how to prevent this from happening at your company. [More](#)

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connection and so they'll always remember that they became a Drexel graduate during the Year of the Dragon!

Celebrating Dragon Talents in July

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 we'll share it on our official YouTube Channel and on the Year of the Dragon website. To view examples of "how to" videos that alumni have already submitted, [click here](#).

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

All I Really Need to Know I Learned at Drexel: 366 Drexel Life Lessons

So far we have enough Drexel life lessons to share one every day until August 4. Help us get through the rest of the year by submitting your life lesson today! For the first life lesson you submit, you'll automatically get a promo code toward commemorative Year of the Dragon prizes. [More](#)

Today's life lesson comes from John Fleming '54, '62: ***"After interviewing many young engineers, I realized the sound engineering education I received at Drexel."***

Stay in the loop and visit the [Year of the Dragon website](#) today for more information on all of our exciting Year of the Dragon events, programs, activities, and giveaways!

See the World with the Drexel Alumni Travel Program

As part of its commitment to lifelong learning, the Drexel University Alumni Association invites all alumni to take part in our exciting travel opportunities in 2012 and 2013. Join other alumni for the once-in-a-lifetime chance to experience other cultures through a combination of educational forums and exciting excursions.

Upcoming trips include: Dornbirn, Austria; The Mediterranean and Greek Isles; National Parks and Lodges of the Old West; Prague, Czech Republic; Alaskan Frontiers and Glaciers; The Italian Riviera; and The Rhine Riverboat Tour. For more information and to register, [click here](#).

Only 2 spots remain for the Alumni Travel Program trip to Dornbirn, Austria. [Sign up today!](#)

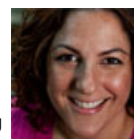
If you act now and reserve your spot on the trip to Prague, you can enjoy significant savings of up to \$1,000 per couple. [Find out how.](#)



Julia Levy '93

"How To Connect with People Using Social Media"

For this month's issue of *Career Zone*, Julia recorded a "how to" video to share her tips for making connections online. [More](#)



Upcoming Events

Philadelphia Metro Area

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

"Mix" and mingle with Drexel alumni! 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 head to Citizens Bank Park for Fan Appreciation Night! [More](#)

Around the U.S.

Detroit Alumni Night at the Ballpark

Alumni in the Detroit area are invited to join the Alumni Association for a summer night at the ballpark on June



Colleges & Schools



Campus and Community



College of Engineering: Golf Tournament

Kick off your summer with a round of golf at one of the Delaware Valley's most popular courses and help gifted students continue their Drexel education at the Drexel Engineering 8th Annual Golf Tournament on June 25. [More](#)

Game Design's Theme Park Ride

Drexel Game Design, an interdisciplinary program between the Westphal College and the College of Engineering, has a new motion platform system to build motion-based games for immersive simulation environments that can be used for both entertainment and for serious gaming and training purposes. A motion simulator or motion platform is a mechanism that encapsulates occupants and creates the feeling of being in a moving vehicle. [More](#)

Threepenny Posters Exhibit

The Westphal College and its Graphic Design program are home to a collection of thousands of outstanding examples of 20th century Polish poster art. Now, the Leonard Pearlstein Gallery will present a selection of these posters devoted to Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill's 1928 musical "The Threepenny Opera" in the upcoming exhibit "Brecht in Poland: Poster Designs for The Threepenny Opera 1979 — 1990." The exhibition will be open from June 25 to July 27 with an opening reception on June 27. [More](#)

Mammals, Reptiles and Amphibians — Oh My!

July 14 to 15 is Mammal, Reptile and Amphibian Weekend at the Academy of Natural Sciences. Visitors will get to meet the Academy's scientists, see some of the museum's amazing live animals as well as research specimens in the collection, and participate in fun, hands-on activities for animal lovers of all ages. [More](#)

Behind the Scenes Tours of Academy Treasures

As part of its yearlong Bicentennial, the Academy of Natural Sciences is offering behind-the-scenes tours of its world-renowned scientific collections, normally open only to researchers by appointment. The 20-minute tours take place at 11 a.m., Thursday through Monday, and are \$5 for members and \$7.50 for nonmembers. Tours are available to ages 8 and up. Tickets are available at the door on the same day as the tour, or in advance by calling 215-299-1167.

Buggin' in the Dark

Join insect specialists from the Academy of Natural Sciences on a hunt for insects in the New Jersey Pine Barrens on July 20 from 7 to 11 p.m. You'll get to help set up various methods of collection, learn how to identify bugs that thrive at night, and see cool beetles and big moths! [More](#)

20. We'll enjoy a pre-game pizza party before cheering as the Detroit Tigers take on the St. Louis Cardinals. [More](#)

Bowie Alumni Night at the Ballpark

Join Drexel alumni for a night at the ballpark and cheer as the Bowie Baysox meet the Reading Phillies on June 23! ****UPDATED INFORMATION: The Baysox and the Phillies will be playing in a double-header beginning at 5:35 p.m. The teams will face-off in two, 7-inning games. Gather during the first game from 5:35 to 7:35 p.m. in the All-You-Can-Eat Pavilion to meet Drexel alumni from the Bowie area while enjoying a barbecue buffet. We'll cap-off the evening with a fireworks display!** [More](#)

Miami Alumni Night at the Ballpark

Only two tickets remain for this night at the ballpark as the Miami Marlins take on the Philadelphia Phillies on June 29. You'll meet Drexel alumni before the game at the Home Run Porch, and receive \$15 in "Marlins Bucks" which can be used at the stadium's concessions. [More](#)

Denver Alumni Night at the Ballpark

Drexel alumni will be at the ballpark as the Colorado Rockies meet the Philadelphia Phillies on July 14. Gather before the game in the All-You-Can-Eat Platte River Picnic Area to gear up for the game with Drexel alumni from the Denver area. **Please note new times: Gates Open: 4:30 p.m., First Pitch: 6:10 p.m.** [More](#)

Los Angeles Alumni Night at the Ballpark

Enjoy a summer night at the ballpark and cheer as the Los Angeles Dodgers meet the Philadelphia Phillies on July 17! Gather before the game in the All-You-Can-Eat Picnic Pavilion for Dodger Dogs and other ballpark treats. Plus, it's Beach Chair Giveaway Night! [More](#)

Durham Alumni Night at the Ballpark

Swing into summer with Drexel alumni as the Durham Bulls meet the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs on July 19! Gather before the game at the Herald Sun Home Run Patio to meet Drexel alumni from the Durham area while enjoying a two hour all-you-can-eat picnic buffet of ballpark treats, including hamburgers, hot dogs, and fried chicken. [More](#)

San Diego Day at the Races

Join Drexel alumni for a summer get-together and an afternoon at the Del Mar Racetrack's outdoor Pacific Pavilion on July 29. Catch up with area alumni while enjoying

Alumni Resources



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Alumni Benefits & Services

- [Alumni Card](#)
- [Auto, Homeowner's and Renter's Insurance with Liberty Mutual](#)
- [Continuing Nursing Education Courses and Conferences: 25% Alumni Discount](#)
- [Drexel Online 15% Tuition Discount](#)
- [Health, Life and Travel Insurance with American Insurance Administrators](#)
- [Drexel Dragons Official Fan Shop Online Store](#)
- [Online Alumni Directory](#)

[Click here](#) for more benefits and services offered to Drexel alumni!

sandwiches, salads, soft drinks, and dessert. [More](#)

Alumni Night at Pageant of the Masters

Get your tickets now to join Drexel alumni for the popular Laguna Beach Festival of the Arts and Pageant of the Masters on August 4! Before the performance, enjoy a dinner with Drexel alumni from throughout Southern California at Tivoli Too!, located across the street from the festival grounds. [More](#)

Around the World

London Alumni Dinner with the Drexel Crew Team

Drexel University's Varsity Eight Men's Crew Team is coming to the United Kingdom to compete in the Henley Royal Regatta! Drexel alumni are invited to join the student-athletes and coaches for a special dinner in London on June 25. [More](#)

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