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# Special Edition Details in Brief

Click the video for a preview of the April 2014 *Drexel Details* alumni e-newsletter, hosted by Kristin Schrier '17, a sophomore marketing student.

## Alumni Weekend Highlights



Click the video above and get an inside look at what's planned for Alumni Weekend hosted by Drexel freshman, Marissa D'Elia '18.

## Class of 1964 50-Year Reunion Activities



The Class of 1964 will celebrate its 50-year Reunion on Friday, May 2, with a day full of special events including a Welcome Breakfast, the Golden Golden Dragon Society Induction and Awards Ceremony, a Class Photograph, the Golden Dragon Society Luncheon and a Campus Bus Tour.

The entire Drexel community is excited to welcome you back to campus! Whether your experience was at D.I.T, Hahnemann or Woman's Medical College, we hope you will join us and

## Back by Popular Demand! The Alumni Scavenger Hunt

Explore Drexel's campus and the City of Philadelphia, as you compete against alumni and friends for great prizes including Steven Starr Restaurants gift cards and Drexel Alumni Swag Bags! You can register a team of 4 to 6 participants, but if you don't have a full team or you're coming on your own, don't worry, we'll match you with a team!

You and your team will receive free Alumni Scavenger Hunt T-shirts at check in, as well as instructions and your list of clues. Make sure you wear comfortable shoes for standing, walking and running! We'll tabulate the results at St. Declan's Well, University City's newest Irish pub, while you relax and enjoy lunch. >>

## Cheers to the Class of 1989 Silver Dragons!



If you are a member of the Class of 1989, join us on campus as we raise a glass to your 25-year reunion at Alumni Weekend on Saturday, May 3! We will commemorate this very special occasion with your induction into the Silver Dragon Society. *All Silver Dragons from the Class of 1988 and prior are welcome to attend.* 

Following the Silver Dragon Induction Ceremony, you'll enjoy a reception with your classmates where you can catch up on the last 25 years — jobs, weddings,

kids, big moves — and share stories from your days at Drexel. Afterwards, we'll head over to the Main Building to cap off Alumni Weekend with a night of food, drinks, dancing and entertainment at Drexel After Dark! >>

share your Dragon pride as we celebrate your 50-year Reunion on Friday, May 2. All Golden Dragons from the Class of 1963 and prior are welcome to attend the Golden Dragon Luncheon. >>

# LeBow College of Business Brunch and Learn: Elder Law

With baby boomers approaching middle age and beyond, many are faced with planning care for elder parents, spouses, siblings, or a combination of all three. Richard Freedman, Esq., JD, '72, associate professor and head of Drexel's Legal Studies Department, will discuss the resources and planning that will put you on the path to providing a safe and stress-free future for your loved ones. Alumni and guests from all colleges and schools are welcome to attend! >>

#### College of Engineering Tours and Dean's Buffet Luncheon

Tours will take alumni and guests to the Departments of Mechanical Engineering and Mechanics, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Chemical and Biological Engineering, and Construction Management. Connect with alumni, faculty, and students and hear what's new and exciting at the College of Engineering. Then join **Dr. Joseph Hughes, dean of the College of Engineering**, and other distinguished faculty for a complimentary buffet lunch to get an update on the strategic plan of the College of Engineering, take a walk down memory lane, and honor some of the College's dedicated faculty. *Alumni and guests from all colleges and schools are welcome to attend!* >>

#### Westphal College of Media Arts & Design Open House



Peter Bartscherer, associate dean at the Westphal College of Media Arts & Design, will host alumni and toast the new, state-of-the-art URBN Center. Enjoy light refreshments as you tour the Center, visit the Historic Costume Collection, watch demonstrations in the Hybrid Lab, see current students hard at work on the Fashion Floor, and shop the Design & Merchandising Pop-up Kiosk in the lobby. Alumni and guests from all colleges and schools are welcome to attend!>>

#### College of Computing & Informatics Inaugural Alumni Champagne Brunch

Graduates of the former College of Information Science and Technology (the iSchool), the Department of Computer Science in the College of Engineering, and the Department of Computing and Security Technology in the Goodwin College of Professional Studies are invited to come together for a complimentary champagne brunch with **David E. Fenske**, **PhD**, **founding dean of the College of Computing & Informatics**, to learn more about Drexel's newest college and how it continues to grow. Alumni celebrating milestone reunions will also be honored at the brunch. *Alumni and guests from all colleges and schools are welcome to attend!* 

### Gerri C. LeBow Hall Tours

Tour the brand-new, 12-story, 177,500-square-foot home of the LeBow College of Business as current LeBow students provide their insiders' perspective on the recently-opened facility. >>

# Few Spots Remain for the Annual Alumni Wine Pairing Dinner

# Celebrate Drexel Alumni and Students With the Alumni Association Awards

The Alumni Association Board of Governors will present the Alumni Association Awards, Scholarships and Outstanding Student Awards at its Awards Ceremony on Saturday, May 3. Members from several of the University's colleges and schools will also honor graduates of their programs with awards. All alumni are invited to join us in celebrating these Drexel Dragons, however space is limited. >>

## New This Year! Drexel After Dark

Excitement has been building for months for the final event of Alumni Weekend — the brand new Drexel After Dark celebration on Saturday evening!

Drexel After Dark will feature four floors of fun and entertainment in the Main Building. The Great Court will have a dance floor with a DJ playing music of all genres. The second floor will feature food and beverage stations, and the A.J. Drexel Picture Gallery on the third floor will be transformed into a piano bar with wine and cheese pairings and lounge seating. The fourth floor will become an after-hours space for the young and the young at heart with appetizers, drinks, music and video games. Registrations are rushing in for Drexel After Dark; sign up today before it sells out! >>

### Go Dragons! Sports Fans of the '50s Hosts Its Biennial Rally and Luncheon

Were you a student athlete? Did you spend your Drexel days cheering for the Dragons? All former Drexel athletes, DAC Pack members and Dragon fans are invited for a special rally and patio BBQ where members of the Sports Fans of the '50s will kick off their biennial reunion on Friday evening.

Then, on Saturday, the Sports Fans of the '50s will reunite with former and current Drexel athletes and supporters at their biennial luncheon where the John and Mary Semanik Awards will be presented to the male and female student-athletes of the year. **University Archivist Rob Sieckiewicz, MS '11**, will also share a special look at Drexel sports over the years. >>

### 22nd Annual University City 5K Run Benefits the Nicholas P. Pipino Memorial Scholarship



No matter your level of experience, you are invited to lace up those running shoes on Saturday, May 3, to support a great cause. The University City 5K Run is dedicated to the memory of Nick Pipino, a Drexel student who died in 1992. Proceeds go directly to the memorial scholarship established in his name, which benefits Drexel students in need. Register to join us at the starting line for the shotgun start, or line the race route to cheer on alumni, students and community members as they race by! >>

#### Get 10% Off at The Drexel Bookstore During Alumni Weekend

All alumni will receive a 10% discount at the Drexel Bookstore during Alumni Weekend. This discount will be applied to your entire purchase. No coupon is required; simply let the cashier know that you are a Drexel graduate. The Bookstore hours during Alumni Weekend will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, May 2, and noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 3. >>

College of Medicine Alumni Weekend and

The popular Alumni Wine Pairing Dinner sells out every year and this year is no exception. With just over two weeks until Alumni Weekend, only a few spots remain, so register today! This year's inventive, seasonal, four-part menu will be fully prepared and served by Drexel culinary and hospitality students under the direction of Greg Garbacz '04, chef de cuisine at Sbraga. >>

## **Reunion Celebrations**

It's time to celebrate your reunion from the Drexel University College of Medicine! Don't miss out on this opportunity to refuel your imagination and foster your relationships with friends both old and new. Call a classmate and make plans to meet in May to celebrate and be a part of the fun at Alumni Weekend!

Click here for full event descriptions, as well as hotel, parking and shuttle information.

For information on 50th Reunion activities for the Hahnemann University and Woman's Medical College Classes of 1964, held from May 14 to 16, **click here**.

# Alumni and Campus News

#### View the 2013 President's Report

The 2013 President's Report is now available online. **Click here** to access the Report which provides a review of the University's milestones and accomplishments in 2013, as well as the status of recruitment, co-op, faculty research, civic engagement, and finances.

#### 4th Annual Drexel Alumni Global Night of Networking: Event Recap



Jaci Downs Photography

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 4th Annual Drexel Alumni Global Night of Networking on Wednesday, April 2! On a single day, a record-breaking 1,335 alumni either attended a GNN reception, or tuned in to the Virtual Site online. In addition, hundreds more followed along with the GNN on social media throughout the day. We hope you enjoyed meeting, networking and sharing your Drexel connection with fellow Dragons at the GNN!

A huge thank you also goes out to

all of the alumni volunteers who helped to make the GNN a success! Whether you hosted an alumni reception in your area, you were one of our talented Virtual Site presenters, or you spread the word about the GNN on social media, we were so glad to have you on our team. We couldn't have pulled off such an exciting day without you!

Soon we'll be planning the 5th annual GNN and for that, we need your help. Please take a moment to **fill out this brief survey** about your experience this year—at a reception or on the Virtual Site. Your feedback is extremely important to us, and it will guide us as we plan an even bigger and better GNN in 2015!

#### **View GNN Photos on Facebook**

Watch the Virtual Site Programs on YouTube

## Drexel Libraries' Tales of the Dragon

Do you know a graduate who made or continues to make a positive impact on Drexel? Someone who was active in student activities or academics who is a gifted story teller?

If so, nominate him or her to be interviewed as part of the Drexel Libraries' Tales of the Dragon oral history program. The Libraries are especially interested in interviewing Drexel alumni who made a contribution to fraternity or sorority life or had notable athletic accomplishments during their time as students. Candidates should be able and willing to come to campus for the interview. To nominate someone, send an email to **archives@drexel.edu** with the nominee's name, contact information and a brief explanation (fewer than 250 words) of why this person's story should be told and preserved for future generations to hear!

#### Alumni Travel Program: The Flavors of Northern Italy



Amarone-infused Risotto amidst Valpolicella vineyards. Behind the scenes with a tortellini maker from Valeggio sul Mincio. A simple gelato in beautiful Borghetto. This Orbridge specialty program offers intimate experiences with celebrated Italian makers, producers and chefs, showcasing age-old methods and ingredients of the Veneto and Emilia Romagna regions' world-famous wine and cuisine. Make a beautiful, historic Italian wine estate outside Verona your base as you explore the region, visiting

Verona's Roman Arena and other ancient sites, and discovering Italy's cultural connection to farm and table along the way. Touring centuries-old wineries, tasting rare hand-made cheeses, and dining in homes of chefs and producers are just some of the exclusive highlights of this journey. >>

**Click here** to watch a preview video for an even closer look at the Flavors of Northern Italy Food Tour which runs from Sept. 20 to 28, 2014. This is a small group tour with a maximum of 19 guests.

# Complete Alumni Weekend Schedule

#### Friday, May 2, 2014

**Class of 1964 Welcome Breakfast** The Great Court, Main Building 9 to 10 a.m.

Class of 1964 Golden Dragon Society Induction and Awards Ceremony Main Building Auditorium 10 to 11:30 a.m.

**Class of 1964 Photograph** The Great Court Staircase, Main Building 11:30 to 11:45 a.m.

#### **Golden Dragon Society Annual** Luncheon Behrakis Grand Hall, Creese Student Center

12 to 2 p.m. **Campus Trolley Tour** 

Departing and returning outside the Papadakis Integrated Sciences . Building 2:30 to 4 p.m.

**ROTC Band Reunion and Dinner** Reunion: MacAlister Hall, Room 2031; 4 p.m. Dinner: White Dog Café; 6 p.m.

Sports Fans Rally University Club, MacAlister Hall 4 to 7 p.m.

#### Annual Alumni Wine Pairing Dinner The Academic Bistro, Paul Peck Problem Solving and Research Center

7 to 9 p.m. Delta Kappa Rho/Phi Sigma

Kappa Reunion Dinner The Sheraton, University City 7 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 3, 2014

22nd Annual University City 5K Run Benefitting the Nicholas P. Pipino Memorial Scholarship Outside the 33rd Street Armory Runner Check-in: 8:30 a.m., Race Start: 9:30 a.m.

LeBow College of Business Brunch and Learn: Elder Law Gerri C. LeBow Hall 10 to 11:30 a.m.

**College of Engineering Tours and Dean's Buffet Luncheon** Bossone Research Enterprise Center 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Westphal College of Media Arts & **Design Open House URBN** Center Lobby 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### College of Computing & Informatics Inaugural Alumni Champagne Brunch University Club, MacAlister Hall 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Alumni Scavenger Hunt Check-in: North Gym, Daskalakis Athletic Center; 11 a.m. Lunch and Awards: St. Declan's Well; 1 p.m.

Sports Fans of the '50s Reunion Luncheon Behrakis Grand Hall, Creese Student Center 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Gerri C. LeBow Hall Tours Gerri C. LeBow Hall 12 to 1 p.m.

**Campus Walking Tours** Admissions Visit Center, Main Building 1:30 to 3 p.m.

**Drexel Veterans Alumni Network** Gathering Veterans Lounge, Drexel Armory 3 to 5 p.m.

Harriet E. Worrell Society Reception Student Living Room, Gerri C. LeBow Hall 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

**Class of 1989 Silver Dragon** Society Induction and Reunion Reception Papadakis Integrated Sciences Building

4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

#### Delta Kappa Rho/Phi Sigma Kappa Reunion Rose Terrace and Grand Meeting Room, Gerri C. LeBow Hall 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

**Alumni Association Awards** Ceremony Paul Peck Alumni Center

5 to 6:30 p.m.

#### Celebrate the LGBTQIA Student Center and Get to Know FUSE LGBTQIA Student Center, Creese Student Center 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Study Abroad Alumni Reunion Office of International Programs, Randell Hall 5 to 6:30 p.m.

#### **Drexel After Dark**

Main Building 6:30 to 10 p.m.



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