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Homecoming 2016: Eat, Drink, Cheer, Win!



Show your pride during **Drexel's 5th Annual Homecoming Weekend** on Saturday, Jan. 30 and Sunday, Jan. 31!

Come back to your alma mater for an action-packed weekend as the men's and women's basketball teams take the court against conference rivals Hofstra University and University of Delaware. Special events including free food, drink specials and giveaways are

planned for the entire weekend — read on for all the details and to register today!

Young Alumni Tailgate and Men's Basketball Game Saturday, January 30

Join current seniors at Cavanaugh's Bar & Restaurant for a tailgate exclusive to the Classes of 2006-2016! Enjoy free food, drink specials and lots of raffle prizes, while you kick off the Class of 2016's countdown to commencement. Registration includes tailgate access and the opportunity to purchase specially discounted game tickets.

Cheer from the suite: Upgrade to Hazem Suite access for just \$5 — includes food, beer and wine. >>

Alumni Pre-Game Rally and Men's Basketball vs. Hofstra Pride Saturday, January 30

Eat, drink and prepare to cheer the Dragons on to victory from the Hazem Maragah Hospitality Suite before and during the game! Game ticket, food, beer and wine included. >>

Alumni Pre-Game Rally and Women's Basketball Game vs. Delaware Blue Hens Sunday, January 31

Join the Alumni Association on Sunday for food and drinks overlooking the court in the Hazem Maragah Hospitality Suite before and during the game. Game ticket, food, beer and wine included. >>

The Alumni Impact Endowed Scholarship Challenge: Invest in a Student's Future

The Drexel University Alumni Association challenges all alumni to come

Alumni Career Services

Virtual Networking Hour for the Business Sectors: An Alumni Career Services Event

Looking to build your professional network in 2016? Join fellow Drexel Dragons of the LeBow College of Business on Wednesday, Feb. 10, for a unique opportunity to share your experiences, exchange career advice, and strengthen your professional network. The Drexel University Alumni Association has partnered with LeBow to offer a virtual speed networking-style event where you will be randomly paired with fellow graduates who share similar interests or backgrounds for several 10-minute text-based chats. >>

Career Column by Drexel Alumna

Productivity Zone
by Penny Zenker, BS '92
"Boundaries for the Self Employed"



It's important to create transitions that help you break the pattern of physically leaving work but continuing to mentally run through the unfinished work ahead. >>

together and raise \$100,000 to provide scholarships to civic-minded students. The Association has already contributed \$100,000 to seed the Alumni Impact Endowed Scholarship fund. Once alumni like you bring the fund to \$200,000, Drexel will be able to award multiple scholarships every year, in perpetuity. Your gift — and every gift — counts. >>

Alumni Association Scholarships Available for Students

Do you know a current Drexel student who has demonstrated leadership, achievement, and participation in campus and community activities? Encourage them to apply for a Drexel University Alumni Association scholarship for the 2016-17 academic year. Four scholarships are available: the Alumni Impact Scholarship, the Alumni Leadership Scholarship, The Alumnae Planning Board Scholarship, and the Alumni Legacy Scholarship which is for children or grandchildren of Drexel alumni. The deadline to submit a scholarship application is Friday, Feb. 12. >>

Alumni Association Board of Governors Nominations

Are you: a leader in the community, at work or at Drexel; interested in connecting with fellow alumni; looking for a way to give back to your alma mater; or interested in helping to develop programs, service projects, awards and other opportunities for Drexel grads to connect? If so, membership in the Alumni Association Board of Governors may be right for you.

Next week, you will receive an email from the Alumni Association, announcing that it is accepting nominations of qualified alumni interested in running for election to the Board of Governors. All alumni interested in learning more about the Board of Governors are invited to attend its next meeting on Tuesday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m. in Gerri C. LeBow Hall. For more information about the meeting, contact Kayla Tygh in the Office of Alumni Relations at 215.895.2375 or kmt97@drexel.edu.

Dragon Love in Boston Contest

One lucky fan and a guest will have the opportunity to win an exclusive Valentine's Day weekend trip to Boston to see the Drexel men's basketball team take on Northeastern University on Saturday, Feb. 13, courtesy of the Drexel University Alumni Association.

To enter: Submit your most creative and original photo of you and your loved one(s) wearing Drexel gear to the Drexel Athletics Facebook, Twitter or Instagram page using the hashtag #DUinBoston by noon on Friday, Jan. 29. The top three photos will be selected as finalists and Drexel Athletics social media followers will vote on a winner. The winner will be announced on Wednesday, Feb. 3.

Prize details: Round-trip transportation to Boston; hotel accommodations for one night; dinner for two; two tickets to the game; the opportunity to attend the Drexel pre-game shoot-around practice; and official Drexel apparel to wear to the game. Contact Dave Lanza in the Office of Alumni Relations at dl467@drexel.edu or 215.571.3823 with any questions.

News and Views

Alumni Spotlight: Dana Olzenak, DPT Physical Therapy '06

By Margaret DeGennaro,
Communication Manager, College of
Nursing and Health Professions

How do you combine backgrounds in physical therapy and epidemiology to find a career that allows you to call upon both skill sets? Dana Olzenak '06, an alumna of Drexel's Physical Therapy Program, carved a such a path as a "disease detective" for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. >>



You Are Drexel: The 2015 Philanthropy Journal

Drexel is excited to announce the online edition of the *2015 Philanthropy Journal*. Read stories about the impact of giving at Drexel, find your name and learn more about the donors and volunteers who supported the University from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. >>

Kline School of Law Alumni Win Essay Competition

Elia Robertson, JD '15 and Peter Johnsen, JD '15, won the University of Pennsylvania Law Review's Public Interest Essay Competition with a piece that explores civil protection order statutes as a means to address domestic violence in the U.S. >>

Drexel's Million-Dollar Scholar Named to 2016 Forbes 30 Under 30 List

Drexel student Christopher Gray has come a long way since he first made headlines in 2013 as the million-dollar scholar who secured \$1.3 million from 34 scholarships and created the Scholly app to help other students find and apply for scholarships. He made a successful appearance on ABC's "Shark Tank" in 2015 and secured a \$40,000 investment from two sharks for a 15 percent stake in his startup company, but recognition for his achievements didn't stop there. Gray recently made the 2016 Forbes' 30 Under 30 list of social entrepreneurs. >>

Benefits and Services

Bonus Personal Training Session at the Drexel Rec Center



Looking to give your fitness resolution a boost? The **Drexel Recreation Center** is offering alumni a free 60-minute session with the purchase of an eight-session personal training package. Meet one-on-one with a personal trainer to develop a fitness program tailored towards your personal needs and interests.



Take advantage of this offer by stopping by the Membership Services Desk at the Rec Center or calling 215.571.3834 by Sunday, Jan. 31.

Alumni Save 20% on Six Sigma Courses

Did you know that Drexel alumni receive a 20% discount on continuing professional education programs offered online and on campus at the Goodwin College of Professional Studies? Courses kicking off in January 2016 include LEAN Six Sigma Green Belt, LEAN Six Sigma Black Belt, and Fundamentals of Project Management and PMP® Exam Preparation. >>

Upcoming Alumni Events

Featured Event: College of Medicine Alumni Weekend

Registration is now open for College of Medicine Alumni Weekend! [Click here](#) for a full schedule of events and to register online.

Philadelphia Metro

Seniors and Young Alumni Homecoming Tailgate and Men's Basketball Game

Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016
Cavanaugh's Restaurant;
Daskalakis Athletic Center, Drexel University, Philadelphia

Homecoming 2016: Alumni Rally and Men's Basketball Game

Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016
Daskalakis Athletic Center, Drexel University, Philadelphia

DUNAC Alumni and Student Mass and Brunch

Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016
St. Agatha & St. James Catholic Church and Drexel Newman Center, Philadelphia

Homecoming 2016: Alumni Rally and Women's Basketball Game

Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016
Daskalakis Athletic Center, Drexel University, Philadelphia

FreshDance Winter Concert

Saturday, Feb. 6, 2016
Mandell Theater and CoZara Restaurant, Philadelphia

An Evening at the Arden Theatre: Alumni Reception, Talk and Performance

Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016
Arden Theatre Company, Philadelphia

Around the World

Virtual Networking Hours for the Business Sectors: Alumni Career Services

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2016
Online

Colleges & Schools

A View from the Top with JJ Ramberg, host of MSNBC's "Your Business"

Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016
Gerri C. LeBow Hall, Drexel University, Philadelphia

CCI Alumni Network: Old City's First Friday Networking Reception

Friday, Feb. 6, 2016
Tamman Technologies, Inc., Philadelphia

AAAS Family Science Days: Drexel Faculty and Students Demonstrations at Booth 132

Saturday, Feb. 13 and Sunday, Feb. 14, 2016
Mariott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Campus & Community

Tarantulas: Alive and Up Close

Opens Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016
The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia

Access to Science: Opening Doors to Autism

Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016
The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia

Dance Ensemble Winter Concert: Reverie

Thursday, Jan. 28 to Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016
Mandell Theater, Drexel University, Philadelphia

Upsilon Pi Epsilon 27th Anniversary Celebration and Annual Alumni Dinner

Thursday, Feb. 25, 2016
University Club, Drexel University, Philadelphia

Spring Break Camp

Tuesday, March 22, 2016
Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia



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