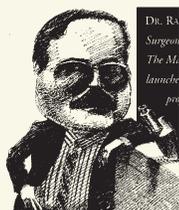




THE DREXEL 100 NEWSLETTER

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A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Drexel 100 members,

The Drexel 100 has traditionally honored those alumni whose success reflects well on the University. In recent years, this has become more

of a two-way street. Under the leadership of President John Fry, major accomplishments at Drexel are adding up at a remarkable rate, leading to enhanced recognition to both the university and alumni.

We can be especially proud of these noteworthy achievements:

- In the fall of 2011, Drexel admitted the most academically qualified freshman class in the University's history.
- In 2011, the University had four Fulbright Scholars, the most in Drexel's history.
- Drexel University's patent portfolio has grown to 225, with nearly a quarter of those issued in just the past two years.
- Drexel's affiliation with the Academy of Natural Sciences, a world leader in biodiversity and environmental research and America's oldest natural history museum, greatly expanded our research and education portfolio.
- Team Drexel Dragons won the U.S. Championship in their category at Microsoft's Imagine Cup Competition for "MathDash," a game to teach elementary school students arithmetic. They went on to win first place in the "Phone" category for game design at the world championship in Sydney, Australia in July.

Obviously, there will be no shortage of remarkable alumni suitable for induction into the Drexel 100 in the future! As for the 2013 class of Drexel 100, please plan to join us in Philadelphia for the next induction ceremony on Saturday, May 4, 2013. You can use the nomination form on page 2 of this newsletter to recommend candidates.

Finally, I hope you will enjoy catching up on the news about your fellow Drexel 100 members contained in these pages. If you have thoughts on how we can improve the Drexel 100, please send me a note in care of Drexel's Office of Institutional Advancement or via email at r-lee@uchicago.edu. Your encouragement is valuable.

Sincerely,

Raphael C. Lee '75, MD, ScD, DSc (Hon.), FACS
Chair, The Drexel 100



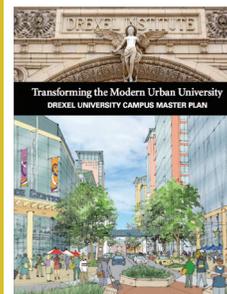
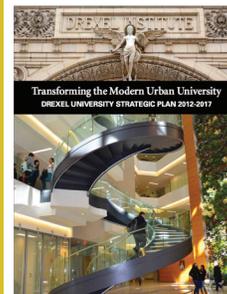
New Strategic Plan and Campus Master Plan Envision Drexel's Future

Roundtables Planned Across the Country to Gather Input for Implementation

More than a year's worth of work by students, faculty, professional staff, alumni, friends, parents, and community members has produced a new blueprint for the University's path forward. Entitled *Transforming the Modern University: Drexel University Strategic Plan 2012-2017*, the document seeks to take advantage of Drexel's rapid growth of the past two decades to chart exciting new directions for our expanded capabilities. The key themes of the Strategic Plan include:

- **One University**—Always be more than sum of our parts and operate as a fully integrated institution.
- **Co-operative Education**—Become the world's pre-eminent co-operative education provider.
- **Online and Hybrid Education**—Expand and scale high-quality online offerings and become the premier provider of hybrid academic programs (in-person and online) throughout the United States and globally.
- **Innovation neighborhood**—Develop a mixed-use neighborhood that brings together education,

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To view the *Strategic Plan* and *Campus Master Plan*, visit drexel.edu/strategicplan



Drexel 100 Nomination Form

Name of Nominee _____
First Last

Nominee's Address _____
Street Suite/Apt.

City State Zip

Phone _____ Email _____

Reason for nomination (continue on a separate sheet if necessary) _____

Your Name _____
First Last

Best way to reach you _____

Mail nomination to:

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If you have any questions, please contact **Ken** via email, goldmankh@drexel.edu, or phone, **215.895.2607**.

Remaking the Drexel Campus

If you haven't been back to the Drexel campus in a while, you'll be delighted to see the ongoing transformation. Construction is currently under way on the new home for the LeBow College of Business at 32nd and Market streets. Our "Topping Out" ceremony on August 21st (photo at right) saw the placement of the final beam as Drexel University President John A. Fry, Drexel University Board Chairman Richard Greenawalt and Interim LeBow College of Business Dean Frank Linnehan shared thoughts and then lead attendees in a toast. Meanwhile, renovation of the URBN Center continues. Robert Venturi's landmark building at 35th and Market will house the Antoinette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design this September.



Drexel also has partnered with the private developer American Campus Communities to build more than 360,000 square feet of student housing, offices and retail space, filling in the footprint of the Creese Student Center along Chestnut Street between 32nd and 33rd streets. The \$97.6 million project is the first step in the development of a new gateway to Drexel and University City.

This partnership will serve as a model for future plans to reimagine areas such as the Lancaster Avenue corridor near 34th Street and, eventually, the prime undeveloped property the University owns on JFK Boulevard across from one of America's premier transportation hubs, 30th Street Station.

research, and commercial interests to create a new gateway to Philadelphia and Drexel's campus at 30th Street Station.

Complementing the Strategic Plan is a new Campus Master Plan that describes how the physical campus will support the strategic vision. Its key principles are: 1) to distinguish Drexel's campus as a vibrant modern urban university district; 2) to bring the campus to the street to create a lively and stimulating environment; 3) to draw the community together around shared places; and 4) to expand the innovation community and promote the interaction of diverse educational, research and commercial players.

Writing the plans was the easy part. Now comes the hard work of implementing the exciting concepts that have been laid out. To do this, Drexel is inviting its alumni and friends to become partners in the effort by sharing opinions and suggestions on making the Strategic Plan a reality. Intimate roundtable discussions of 8-12 people are being organized around the country this coming fall and winter to discuss the plans and develop lists of vibrant and actionable ideas.

Drexel President John Fry expressed the importance of broad participation in implementing the plan in this way: "More than a

plan, the vision we have set forth is a call to action. A call to every Drexel campus, every college, every school, every department, every professor, every student, every graduate, every professional staff member, and every one of our partners and neighbors—it is a call to the people of Drexel. One of the greatest assets of this University has always been its humanity. By answering this call with your intellect, your passion, your creativity, your ambition, your philanthropy, and your ingenuity, you will help define what the next great, modern, urban research university looks like and how such a university—Drexel University—engages its people, neighbors, and partners to make a better world."

As many of the University's most distinguished graduates, members of the Drexel 100 in particular are entreated to join the roundtable discussions. Your expertise and experience can be a great asset to the University at this pivotal moment.

*To host a roundtable discussion in your community, or to participate in one taking place nearby, please contact **Kristen DeVries** at **215.895.0348** or **krd37@drexel.edu**.*

Malik Rose Returns to his Hometown, Philadelphia

After a long career in the NBA as a beloved player, Malik is now working for the 76ers as one of the league's most popular color commentators alongside veteran Marc Zumoff. He is incredibly adept at getting the viewer inside the mind of a basketball player and seamlessly weaves his knowledge of the game with sharp wit and rare insights.

Malik will forever be remembered at Drexel University for his incredible performance on the court, and most especially, for leading the Dragons to defeat University of Memphis in the 1996 NCAA tournament, resulting in the Dragons' only second round appearance.

Malik averaged more than 16.9 points and 12.6 rebounds per game throughout his four-year college career. He also earned the nickname "Shaq of the NAC" after being named the North Athletic Conference Player of the Year twice for his tenacious rebounding ability. Malik was on the Dean's List during his last two years at Drexel and was also a student teacher at Robert E. Lamberton School. His '95-'96 team was inducted into the Drexel Athletic Hall of Fame in 2011.

His career in the NBA blossomed immediately after graduating with All-American honors from Drexel, when the Charlotte Hornets drafted him in the second round. He was only the second Dragon in history to play in the NBA, after Michael Anderson in '88.

After one season he was traded to the San Antonio Spurs, where he was given a real chance to shine on the court. After helping the Spurs win the NBA Championship in '99 and '03, Malik went on to play for the New York Knicks and finally the Oklahoma City Thunder.

When Malik started working in broadcasting in San Antonio, the Spurs director of broadcasting told InsideHoops.com, "I have always thought Malik would make a great basketball analyst. He always provided terrific insight in interviews and his reception with Spurs fans has been off the charts since he stepped into town."

"It's awesome. I love working with Marc, and it's a dream come true to be back in Philly," Malik said.



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The Drexel 100 now has an online presence. Visit our website to find a full list of members and biographies, more information about this year's inductees, and photos from recent induction ceremonies. Take a look at: www.drexel.edu/ia/drexel100/Drexel-100.html



Drexel 100 Members in the News

Floss Barber '75 was highlighted in the "CEO File" in the *Philadelphia Business Journal*.

George Campbell, Jr., PhD '68, HD '00 was elected to the Board of Trustees of MITRE, a not-for-profit organization chartered to work in the public interest.

Augusta Clark, Esq., '58, HD '85 was profiled in a *Philadelphia Tribune* article, "Prominent African-American Women Who Have Set the Standard."

Kenneth Dahlberg '67 joined the Motorola Solutions' board of directors. He also was named a new director for the board of Parsons Corporation.

Nicholas DeBenedictis '68, '69, HD '87 rang the closing bell at the New York Stock Exchange, signifying the end of the day's trading and marking both Aqua America's 40th year on the NYSE and the company's 125th anniversary. The occasion also marked Mr. DeBenedictis' 20th year leading Aqua America.

Michael J. Dolan '85 was honored in *Irish America Magazine* in their annual feature on the Irish in corporate America.

Dana Dornsife '83 and her husband David received the University of Southern California's University Medallion, which has only been awarded once before in USC's 131-year-history. The Dornsifes also received honorary degrees at USC's commencement in May.

Robert D. Falese, Jr. '75 was elected chair of the board of trustees for St. Joseph's University.

Captain Christopher Ferguson '84, HD '09 served as commander of NASA's final space shuttle mission. At Captain Ferguson's request, Drexel graphic design students created a set of mission patches that accompanied the astronauts into space and remained at the International Space Station indefinitely.



In October, Captain Ferguson threw out the first pitch for the Philadelphia Phillies game at Citizens Bank Park. In December, Boeing's Space Exploration division named him director of Commercial Crew Interface.

Robert J. Hall '67 was named to the Lankenau Medical Center Foundation board in Wynnewood, Pa.

Mary "Nina" Henderson '72 was appointed to CNO Financial Group's board of directors.

Mian H. Jiang '91 is co-chairing an executive committee for a partnership between the U.S. Department of Energy and China on thorium-based nuclear reactors with molten salt cores. Dr. Jiang is president of the Chinese Academy of the Sciences' Shanghai Branch as well as vice president emeritus of the Academy.

Robert M. Koerner, PhD, PE, '56, '63 came out with the sixth edition (volume two) of his book *Designing with Geosynthetics*.

J. Michael Lawrie '77 was highlighted in an article, "The Ambidextrous CEO," in the *Harvard Business Review*, June edition. In February, CSC, a leading global IT services company, appointed him president and CEO.

Raphael Lee, MD, ScD, DSc (Hon.), FACS '75 was chosen as the president-elect of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering.

The Honorable Earle Mack '59, HD '06 received an honorary degree from Fordham University.

Joan McConnon '89 received the University of Notre Dame's 2011 Laetare Medal, the oldest honor given to American Catholics. She also received an honorary doctor of humane letters degrees from Cabrini College.

Denis O'Brien '87 was appointed senior executive vice president of Exelon Corporation and CEO of Exelon Utilities. In addition, the Anti-Defamation League Eastern Region honored him with the 2011 Americanism Award.

Wilbur Oaks, Jr., MD HU '55 received an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree from Lafayette College at the College's 176th commencement.

C. R. "Chuck" Pennoni '63, '66, HD '92 was named to the Lankenau Medical Center Foundation board in Wynnewood, Pa.

The Honorable A. Raymond Randolph '66 spoke at the constitutional studies symposium at the University of Oklahoma Norman.

Susan O. Seidelman '73, HD '91 directed a new film, *Musical Chairs*, which premiered at Lincoln Center, New York. She is also directing and producing the soon-to-be-released film *The Hot Flashes*.



Gurvinder P. Singh, PhD, PE '76, '79 was a guest on the radio program "San Antonio's Movers and Shakers" which airs on NewsTalk 930 KLUP in San Antonio.

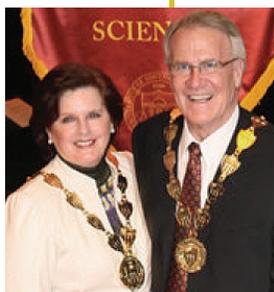
Susan Sordoni, MD '97 was one of nine women honored as Pennsylvania's Distinguished Daughters. The Eastern Pennsylvania/Delaware Region Anti-Defamation League also presented her with the Distinguished Service Award.

Margaret Stineman, MD '81, '83, was profiled in an article, "Penn Doctor's Disabilities, a Springboard to Helping Others," which appeared in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*.

Norman Joseph Woodland '47, HD '98 was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame for his contribution to the invention of the Universal Product Code (UPC).



For questions, comments or suggestions about *The Drexel 100 Newsletter*, please contact **Ken Goldman** in the Office of Institutional Advancement at 215.895.2607 or goldmankh@drexel.edu.



The Drexel 100 celebrates our new honorary degree recipients:

Robert Buckley '58, HD '12 from Drexel's College of Engineering

Wayne Gattinella '76, HD '12 from the *iSchool* at Drexel

Walter Straub '65, '70, HD '12 from Drexel's Center for Graduate Studies in Sacramento, California