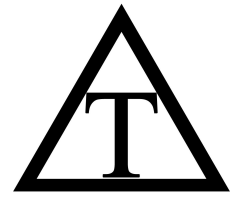


ECHOES

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Upcoming Events:

Founders Day/Super Bowl	
Chili Cook-Off:	Feb 7
Alumni Social:	Feb 18
Alumni Workfest:	
Alumni Social:	March 17
Ritual:	April 16
Alumni Social:	April 21
Crazy Legs Classic:	April 30
Spring Formal:	April 30
Alumni Social:	May 19

-See page 8 for more details-



Chapter Goals :

Recruitment Targets Spring 16

- **New Active 6**
- **New Alumni Board 5**

Bring back the Formal

15 Alumni events in 2016

Have a better GPA than the college of Engineering

Wisc Chapter Stats Fall '15 :

Active Brothers : 20

Brothers in House : 12

New Brothers : 3

Graduating Brothers : 0

Alumni Board Membership: 3

Years on campus : 103

A spring renewal

A cautious optimism fills the house as the class of 2013 enters the home stretch. By far the largest class in recent memory they comprise half of the active chapter and more that that amount is graduating in the next year. There is optimism in the state of recruitment though. The active chapter restructured the organizational tree to better define positions and to create greater accountability. The new Recruitment Chair, Brother Steve "needs no nickname because his last name is" McManus, has the full support of the fraternity to leverage his Navy background and make recruitment purr like his nuclear submarine. We expect that with his new knowledge from the Leadership Training Weekend retreat will allow recruitment to run full speed ahead and double the active chapter. A new Eboard, helmed by Brother Kevin Clark, seeks to lead Delta Chapter into a new Pax Triangle.

We welcome the new Brothers Steve McManus, Paul Smith, and Luke Salamone to our cadre of technical misfits who know how to have a good time and study like we don't. May you find the skills, support, and friendship to better yourself here in college and after for we are all Triangle Brothers, till the very end.

Don't you want to go where everybody knows your name?

A truly great meeting of the minds happens monthly for the Alumni social meetup. whether you are looking for a respite from work/family, looking for new networking connections, or are just looking for some stimulating conversation then look no further. Where else will you get to talk about the growth of plants in space or algorithms that identify a tumor better than you doctor from primary sources. Join us as we enjoy good food fine libations and the potential for your fellow brothers to lead you into a conversation that just might spark the thought for your next innovation. The good times of obligation free Triangle life are just a month away at the next Alumni Social Meetup.

You grade the courses at the Spring Formal

The Wisconsin Chapter of Triangle is proud to announce the return of the spring formal. We are all steam ahead for the revival of the proud tradition of pretending to be responsible adults. Where you set aside your sad lives of engineering design and testing, making great sums of money, and join your fellow Triangle men in delectable food and good spirits (liquid and otherwise). The festivities will be held at the Stone House in Quivey's Grove on April 30, 2016. To RSVP for the social(y awkward) event of the year follow your mouse [here](#).

● If link fails then go here: <http://wisctriangle.app.rsvpify.com/>

Brothers, where are they now?

The recent brothers are hard at work making a better world but one might ask how?

Br. Ryan Moy (wis 12)

I currently work as an Interface Analyst as part of the EDI team at Epic Systems. In my role, I assist in the development, installation, and support of interfaces. Interfaces act as a bridge of communication between Epic software and any other 3rd party software a hospital is utilizing.

Br. Luke Brandl (wis 12)

I'm in the PhD program for Machine Learning at the University of Michigan. So far my focus has been on game theory and approachability.

Br. Joe O'Donnell (wis 12)

I am in my first year at GE Aviation just outside Boston MA as a part of the three year Edison Engineering Development Program. My focus is the design of Ceramic Matrix Composite jet engine components. At the end of my three year program I will graduate with a masters degree in the engineering field of my choosing from a top east coast school.

Now you know.

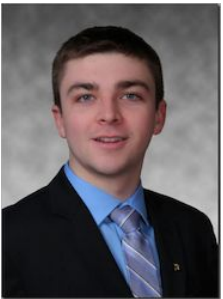
Executive Board Articles



Alec Pierce (wis14)
Recruitment Chair
Active Chapter

As the Fall 2015 semester comes to an end, the Madison Chapter of Triangle Fraternity gained three new amazing brothers; Steve McManus, Luke Salamone, and Paul Smith. With a few bumps during the pledging process, we unfortunately lost two other potential brothers for reasons beyond our control. We are hoping to see one return next semester, and finish the pledging process.

With the next recruitment season less than a month away, a successful turnover occurred between myself and the new recruitment chair, Steve McManus. Steve has had a few years of recruitment experience while serving in the Navy, and the rest of the chapter is thrilled to have him as the new chair. Although previous Spring Recruitment Seasons have little turnout, we are anticipating an abnormally large pledge class this spring. With the help of Steve and the other pledges, we are already seeing interest from their friends and classmates. More information on the Spring Recruitment Season will be posted on the chapter website shortly.



Kevin Clark (wis13)
Member Relations
Active Chapter

"Brothers,
Another great semester is in the books from the Member Relations department. With a number of events having been done, and many more in the work (including paint-balling), the bond between brothers is in great condition for semesters to come.

As I now transition from Member Relations to President, I am excited for the year to come. My main focus will remain on the bond between brothers, but I want to push that beyond only the active chapter and grow the bond between the actives and the alumni. Please keep your eyes out for emails regarding various events including Formal, the Crazy Legs Classic 8k Run, and a potential group brewing event.

I would also like to extend an invitation for any of you to reach out to me with your comments or advice, I would greatly appreciate it. You were all active in this fraternity at one point, you all know what made the chapter operate well when you were an active, and you all have something that you would like to see the active chapter do, so I encourage you to contact me at kwclark@wisc.edu at any time to discuss these topics. Just because you have graduated or moved out of the Madison area doesn't mean that we don't care about your opinions anymore. It also means that you can't stop by the house whenever you're in town, so I hope to see you around the house in the near future!

Wishing you a Happy Holidays and a Joyous New Year.



Dan Hayes (wis13)
House Manager
Active Chapter

As the winter grips the house, it stands as a proud monolith to the accomplishments of the men who once lived here, and have made their mark on the world, and a promise of the great things those who reside in it now. I had the distinct pleasure to be the man who is charged with it's upkeep and improvement of this our Chapter Home. New couches were acquired for the living room and the old living room set was sent to the basement tunnel. Oscar continues to reside at the house as all attempts to remove him from the premises have been thwarted.

The speaker system in the basement was upgraded by acquiring a high quality DAC and quad shielded wire to replace the old wire that would pick up radio stations when there was no music playing but the system was on. New carpet for the hallways was donated and awaiting install by brothers. Finally, a committee to significantly improve the wiring and overall network for the house has been formed and is looking from any input from those alumni who have experience in the area. If you have experience with running wire or the best equipment to maintain the network infrastructure is running as efficiently as possible please contact myself at dahayes@wisc.edu .



Matt Glattfelder (wis13)
Vice President
Active Chapter

I'm not going to sugar coat it: The past two semesters of pledge education have experienced some issues. From those difficulties that arise from small pledge classes to those which result from an inability to hold pledges truly accountable, the pledge education system at place at the Wisconsin chapter of Triangle Fraternity has not been up to snuff. These issues are not new to fraternities or unique to us in any means, however. These issues are not something that cannot be fixed. First and foremost, a strong recruitment season will establish a strong precedent for performance going into next year. Further, efforts need to be made to continually re-recruit the existing brothers of the fraternity and keep them involved. The phrase "it isn't hazing if everybody does it" is spoken quite frequently, but it is hard as a pledge educator to enforce and expect accountability from the pledges when many brothers themselves are not as accountable as desired. I am not exempt from this criticism, as I found myself finding excuses through coursework or other means to not attend as many events as I should. Moving forward, however, I believe it is necessary for the long term health of the fraternity to establish a continuing norm of accountability and presence within the fraternity. Most importantly, it is necessary for the leadership of the fraternity to lead through example in this regard.



Grant Herman (wis13)
Interim Treasurer
Active Chapter

In case you haven't heard the exciting news, Triangle has been busy, busy, busy this fall. We've completed major renovations to the bathroom in 144, reinforced the supports under the first floor of 148, and replaced the deck in front of 148. We're also exploring the possibility of paving our driveway and parking lot. As such, we've used a significant portion of our budget. However, these improvements were long overdue and will add significant value to the livability and enjoyment of the house for brothers new and old alike. We hope that you'll visit and enjoy these new improvements for yourself.



Chris Tatsuguchi (wis13)
President
Active Chapter

Brothers,

With the end of the fall 2015 semester comes an end to my term as President of the Wisconsin Chapter of Triangle Fraternity. During 2015 we have welcomed five new brothers to our chapter: Mitch Wanta and Steven Tang (Spring 2015), and Paul Smith, Luke Salamone, and Steven McManus (Fall 2015). We have completed many projects around the houses including: fixing the 144 bathroom and 148 porch (Summer 2015), as well as decluttering the 144 storage room and 148 laundry room (Fall 2015 Work Hours). I am excited to see what the future holds for the Wisconsin Chapter as well as Triangle Fraternity nationally. The Fraternity nationally has taken steps to not only expand to new universities but also recolonizing chapters that are inactive with the goal of having 50 healthy chapters with a national average of 50 men per chapter by 2020. During this past year we have also welcomed a new Executive Director, Christopher Hancock.

I am proud of the work the chapter and the 2015 Executive Board have put into laying the groundwork for the chapter to grow and excel in the coming years. I believe that under the new leadership the chapter will be able to be successful in growing and developing leaders within the UW-Madison community. In F, S & C,

Br. Chris Tatsuguchi (wis13)

Past-President, Wisconsin Chapter of Triangle Fraternity



Adam Anderson (wis07)

President

Alumni Board

Greetings Brothers,

As we chime in a new year, we reflect back on the year we had at Triangle Fraternity. The Alumni Board was busy this year having cooperated with the Active Chapter to remodel our front porch and bathroom. We also worked out many administrative issues allowing us to focus on our new goals for 2016. The primary goals will be suited towards the two mission areas: the Triangle Building Corporation and the Alumni Association.

The top goals for Triangle Building Corporation for 2016 are:

1. Complete work to stakeholder satisfaction with renovation of the rear lot and driveway,
2. Complete all James R. Favor Inspection bullet items before March 30th, 2016.

We will be planning for 2017 projects and finalizing them at the May 2016 Alumni Board meeting.

The top goals for the Alumni Association are:

1. Recruit 5 alumni members to the Alumni Board.
2. Hold at least 15 events for alumni during 2016.
3. Alumni Board member attendance to 80% of all Active recruitment and Brotherhood events.

We have much to look towards for next year as we will be adding more programs and events to the calendar. Alumni willing and able to help plan these event can contact me.

The Spring Formal will be held in Madison, WI on Saturday, April 30th, 2016 and a tentative time will be set for 5 pm. I will send out RSVPs by the end of January.

We will be holding the 2nd Annual Triangle Summer WorkFest on Saturday, August 20th, 2016 at 8 am. We will pair an active with an alumni to work on various projects around our grounds. Refreshments will be provided.

If you have any ideas on events, please let me know at trianglealumnipres@gmail.com.

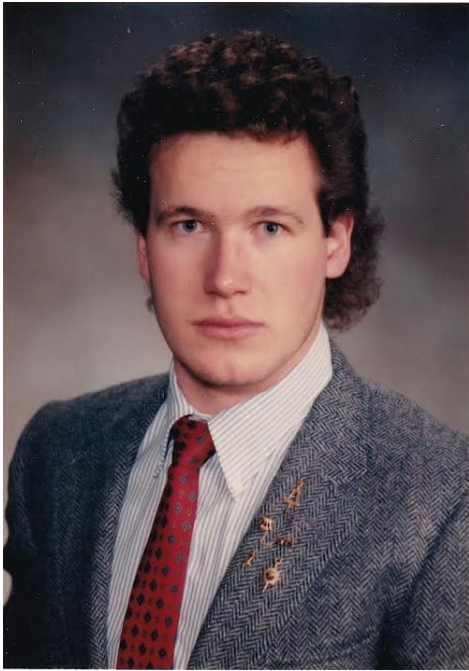
In F, S, & C,

Adam Anderson

President

Alumni Board

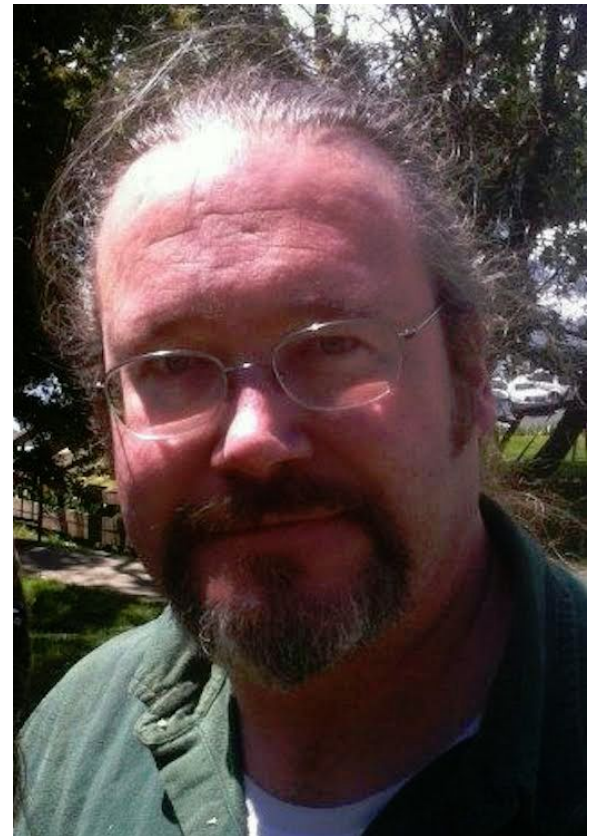
Brother Eternal



Darin R. Kohles

February 21, 1968 to January 9, 2016

Our planet lost a gentle intellectual giant on January 9, 2016 with the sudden death of Darin R. Kohles of Portland, Oregon. He entered this life in February 1968 in Lincoln, Nebraska. His formative years were spent in Lincoln as well as Verona, Wisconsin. After finishing high school as salutatorian with the class of 1986, he completed bachelors and masters degrees in Engineering Mechanics at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. This educational training in aerospace engineering led to his first job as a real-life rocket scientist. This foray into space-related design included stints working in simulated microgravity and the landing of a patent in the area of rocketry cryogenics. His penchant for computers and software development drew him into the world of software technology with self-taught credentials in the top programming languages. This intellectual pursuit initially led him to Brazil where he designed a program to optimize the placement of cell-phone towers for the South American telecom industry based on the geospatial relationships with population centers. He supported this career path with brief progress on a doctorate degree in computer science at Georgia Tech in Atlanta, Georgia. He eventually ended up in Portland so as to be closer to his immediate family and the booming technology field in the 'silicon forest' of Oregon. While in Portland he participated in web-based commerce interface development for multiple companies as a senior software developer and application engineer including that with his final employer, EVisions. He will be remembered as a voracious reader of science fiction, a master of trivia competitions, an attentive cook, a patient colleague, loving son/brother/partner, and a mischievous uncle. His mind was his tool and he taught us to challenge our own intellectual limits, even if through trivial pursuit. He is survived by his partner Olga Howell of Atlanta, his mother, Mary K. Kohles-Baker (William G. 'Buck' Baker) of Damascus, Oregon, his father, Derald S. Kohles (Reba Schafer) of Lincoln, his older brother Sean S. Kohles (Beky P. Kohles) of Portland along with his nephews Orion P. and Thoreau N. Kohles, as well as many aunts, uncles, and cousins. Donations in his name can be made to the Portland Rescue Mission or the Cleveland High School (Oregon) Boys Soccer team.



Calendar of Fall Semester Events

Recruitment:

Year Round

- Contact Steve McManus
(smcmanus2@wisc.edu)

Founders Day/

Super Bowl Chili Cook-Off: Feb 7, 6-8PM

- Chapter House
- Watch the football game on the big screen in the living room or on the projector in the basement.
- Cook and taste chili made by teams of alumni and brothers
- Contact Kevin Clark (kwclark@wisc.edu)

Alumni Social:

Feb 18, 6-8PM

- Jac's Dining and Tap House
2611 Monroe St,
Madison, WI 53711
- Meet Alumni and soon to graduate brothers for food drinks and a good time.
- Contact Adam Anderson
(trianglealumnipres@gmail.com)

Alumni Social:

March 17, 6-8PM

- Specher Restaurant and Pub
1262 John Q Hammons Dr,
Madison, WI 53717
- Meet Alumni and soon to graduate brothers for food drinks and a good time.
- Contact Adam Anderson
(trianglealumnipres@gmail.com)

Alumni Workfest:

Apr 2, 8AM

- Chapter House
- Alumni and Brothers join together to improve the chapter home, Refreshments provided.
- Contact Arthur Piatt (acpiatt92@gmail.com)

Ritual:

April 16, Morning

- Chapter House
- All alumni are encouraged to welcome the newest brothers to the fraternity.
- Contact Kevin Clark (kwclark@wisc.edu)

Alumni Social:

April 21, 6-8PM

- The Malt House
2609 E Washington Ave,
Madison, WI 53704
- Meet Alumni and soon to graduate brothers for food drinks and a good time.
- Contact Adam Anderson
(trianglealumnipres@gmail.com)

Crazy Legs Classic:

April 30, 10 AM

- Meet at the Capital, after the race, meet at Triangle
- Join Team Triangle for the 5 Mile starting at the Capital and ending at the 50 yard line of Camp Randall. Cook out at Triangle after.
- Contact Steve McManus
(smcmanus2@wisc.edu)

Spring Formal:

April 30, Evening

- Quivey's Grove
6261 Nesbitt Rd,
Madison, WI 53719
- Formal is back baby, go to [HERE](#) to get your seat at the tables.
- This is the premier Triangle event of the Season be there or be square

Commencement:

May 14, 6-8PM

- Chapter House
- Cookout as we congratulate our brothers who have made it through the gauntlet that is UW Madison
- Speaker, NFL Super Bowl Champion
Russell Wilson

Alumni Social:

May 19, 6-8PM

- Lucky's
1421 Regent St,
Madison WI, 53711
- Meet Alumni and soon to graduate brothers for food drinks and a good time.
- Contact Adam Anderson
(trianglealumnipres@gmail.com)

Meet the Triangles

Triangle Fraternity
Wisconsin Chapter

20 15

University of Wisconsin

Row 1 (Left to Right):
 KYLE SIRBASKU (ALUMNI RELATIONS), ALEC PIERCE (RECRUITMENT), DANIEL HAYES (HOUSE MANAGER), MATTHEW GLATTFELDER (VICE PRESIDENT INFO SYSTEMS), CHRISTOPHER TATSUGUCHI (PRESIDENT), ALEXANDER GUNSTENSEN (TREASURER), KEVIN CLARK (MEMBER RELATIONS SOCIAL CHAIR PHILANTHROPY), JOSEPH O'DONNELL (OCCUPANCY COMPTROLLER)

Row 2 (Left to Right):
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Row 3 (Left to Right):
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- Member Relations: [Mitch Wanta](#)