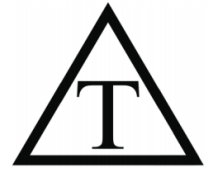


LINES FROM THE MINES

SD Mines Triangle Fraternity

Fall 2024



MESSAGE FROM THE ACTIVE PRESIDENT: HUNTER KADLECIK

It's been a busy Fall semester. With new freshman coming to campus, Triangle had six first-year peer mentors assisting with orientation and helping the incoming freshman transition to life at Mines. Like every Fall, the House was geared up for Rush season. We also had two members inducted into the Order of Omega Greek honor society and two members accepted into the President's Leadership Academy. More on that is available later in the newsletter.

Fall also brought another year of homecoming festivities. Triangle was again responsible for the Burning of the M which consisted of building, setting up, and setting fire to the school's most prominent letter. We were also in charge of the whitewashing on M hill with brothers filling and driving the water tanks up the hill as well as dumping the whitewash on any students, faculty, or alumni brave enough to slide down. The brothers also participated in other homecoming events such as paint the town, kegs and eggs, and the homecoming parade.



We love being a part of our University's greatest traditions and hope to keep them alive for years to come.

The Fall career fair was another highlight of the semester as graduating seniors sought to secure full time job opportunities and younger members looked for internships. Last Summer we had 13 members complete internships, and currently have another 3 leaving for co-ops during the Spring semester. We always appreciate meeting Triangle alumni at the career fair, so if you're ever on the other side of the booth be sure to keep a look out for our Triangle pins.

We ended the semester with some of our more festive activities. The graduating seniors and rookies went out for the annual Christmas Tree hunt. After buying tags, we secured trees for both the House and for the Parade of Trees hosted in the Surbeck Ballroom. We also invited neighbors and faculty over to the House for our Tom and Jerry Party for a nice evening to celebrate the end of the semester. (continued on Pg 2)



Active President: Continued

As I reflect on my term as President, I feel good about our GPA and academic success. As a chapter, our cumulative GPA as of Fall 2024 was 3.21 and we continue to see positive growth. While I did face some challenges with lost relations, I have made it a priority of our chapter to strengthen relationships with neighbors, faculty, and our community as a whole. Our PR Chairman has done great work expanding our philanthropic efforts, but it is the more personal relationships that I have shifted our focus toward. Along with that, I have worked to encourage our brothers involved in CAMP teams, professional societies, and other student organizations to take officer positions and become leaders on campus. I want our brothers to be prominent on campus and show their pride in being a Triangle.

With the completion of this semester, my duties as President are coming to an end. I leave our chapter in the capable hands of my successor, and I look forward to seeing what the next leaders in the House can accomplish as I head into my last semester at SD Mines.



President's Leadership Academy

This semester two of our brothers, Hunter Kadlecik and Dade Gomez, were accepted into the 2024-2025 cohort of the President's Leadership Academy. This is a year-long leadership development program that exposes 10 SD Mines students to the skills, insights, and perspectives that leaders exemplify. The program consists of a series of CEO speakers, followed by an exclusive dinner with each of them as well as the President of South Dakota Mines. During this time, students in the group can ask questions and get more insight into the leadership styles of these prominent figures in the community.

The two of them have greatly enjoyed both the food and the conversation during these dinners. They appreciate the company of other student-leaders on campus and the opportunity to learn from their challenges and successes. They were also able to ask more personal and specific questions to the guest speakers which might have felt out of place in a more formal setting. One of the main takeaways has been the realization that all leaders struggle and face difficult situations, but they all have good groups of people to support them. Delegating tasks is an important skill, and surrounding yourself with trusted peers can ensure that these tasks get done well. The program will continue through the Spring semester with a visit to the State capital, Pierre, for the legislative session.

Chapter Home Update

This semester was filled with numerous house projects both inside and out. The Fall workday saw three main projects: a new basketball hoop, a new bullpen fence, and the application of a fresh coat of stain to the deck. Along with the new improvements, workday also consisted of trimming hedges, painting parking lines, and deep cleaning the property. Another large project that the brothers took on was repainting the bus. Several brothers spent over 30 hours in three days on this project and we greatly appreciate their efforts. The final result speaks for itself.

Our main focus throughout the semester has been fire safety improvements. This has consisted of installing wire molding over any exposed wires, fire caulking holes between walls, replacing light switch/outlets, and hanging exit signs at egress doors. Although this has been a large undertaking, the Rapid City Fire Lieutenant has been very pleased with the progress we have made. Like the Fall semester, Spring semester will again be full of projects. As of right now, we plan to continue fixing the few remaining fire safety issues, repairing minor damages throughout the house, fixing some of the broken tiles in the basement and waxing the floor, and keeping the yard in good shape as the snow melts.



In F, S, & C,
Andrew Wipf
House Manager



Rushing Wild

Following a smaller rush class past semester, the brothers of Triangle knew we had to step up our efforts in recruitment this year. Across the four open rush events held, the average attendance hovered at around 23 rushees, with many of them becoming regulars to our events and frequently coming to the house to hang out with brothers. We started the semester with a cookout rush event at Founder's Park, followed by our second rush event at X-Golf. This was the first year we had rented out bays at a golf simulator and everyone, even the non-golfers, had a good time.

Our third rush event was a pool tournament at the Breakroom, where an active and a rushee partnered up to try and take the first-place prize. The final open rush event was the Skillz Challenge, a classic mini-game style event. Intermural sports were another big part of our rushing effort with a number of them joining our flag football team. Our team got 2nd place, with big hopes for a championship next year.

Our final invite-only rush event was the poker tournament followed by a trip Around the World. As always, the rushees said that this is the best rush event they have been to all year, and they wish they could do it again. Following the final rush event, the brothers gave out 19 bids at a brief reception held in the classroom building. Pending grades, we hope to have a double-digit pledge class heading into next semester. We look forward to welcoming these men who have demonstrated F, S, and C into the house next semester and teaching them what it means to be a Triangle man.

In F, S, & C,
Allan Dade Gomez, Rush Chairman



Social Endeavors

This semester was very successful in terms of the social events. The brothers were able to gather with other fraternities and sororities here on campus for a variety of events including a costume competition with Alpha Delta Pi and a dodgeball social with Theta Tau. The dodgeball social with Theta Tau was a favorite around the house, and we plan on making it a semesterly competition between the two houses. These events allowed us to strengthen the existing relationships with the other Greek organizations at SDM.

Along with these social events, the brothers rented out 2 ramp spots at O'Harra Stadium and continued the tradition of tailgating at the home football games. This provided a great opportunity to strengthen the bond with each other as well as rushees, family, and friends. The brothers all participated in these tailgates, helping on the grill and playing games together. Our favorite tailgate was over parents' weekend, allowing us to meet everyone's family and enjoy some carne asada tacos on the House.

Our annual informal dinner was held at the Alex Johnson Hotel, where the brothers and their dates were able to eat, take pictures, and bond while the rushees watched the house. Informal was capped off with awarding the office of Santa to the brother who best represented the office, Colin Sweeney. The House also had Beach Week, another staple Fall activity. The basement was filled with sand so that the brothers and friends of the house could relax on the beach for a week as the weather turned cold and classes began to ramp up.

In F, S, & C,
Logan Hammer, Connor Comer, and Grant Behrend
SDM Tri-Socials



Public Relations

Our Chapter continues to make philanthropy and volunteer work a priority. Together, we raised \$1500 for Working Against Violence Inc. (WAVI) with the help of alumni, brothers, and other donors. This money was spent on gifts for the children living in their domestic abuse shelter and were delivered by Santa during our WAVI Christmas Party. Over the span of the academic year, the brothers had approximately 642 volunteer hours as a House.

The men of Triangle intend to maintain a culture of service at the SD Mines chapter. We recognize that we have the power to enact real change and hope to do so by fostering connections within our community. We constantly strive to have a positive impact on those in need.

In F, S, & C,
Trey Wood



Volunteer Events

- Freshman Move-in
- Blood Drives
- First Lego League Tournament
- AAUW
- YFS Kids Fair
- Feeding South Dakota
- Highway Cleanup
- Court Appointed Special Advocates for children (CASA) Banquet
- WAVI Christmas Party
- United Way
- Paint the Town

Rookie Remarks

Living with our brothers this semester has been a great experience. Since we joined the house we have gotten very close. From learning to care for our chapter home to deepening our friendships, we are glad to be a part of it all. The sense of Brotherhood, knowing we can rely on each other for help with anything—big or small—has been invaluable. We're proud to be Triangles and excited for what the future holds.

In F, S, & C,
The Rookies



SD Mines Triangle Welcomes New Alum:

Nolan Rader from Sheridan, WY

B.S. Civil Engineering; Design Engineer for Nucor in Norfolk, NE

Best of luck on your next adventure!

A Message from the Alumni

Hello Brothers,

As another year comes to a close, we look back on another year of Brotherhood. This fall we have worked to have better relationships with the University and our Neighbors. For the Alumni board this year has been mostly looking forward. Working on budgets, taxes, and all of the general "housekeeping" for the business side. With the reunion around the corner the Actives have been working on little projects, but there are a couple of big projects to go. A big thank you goes out to the members of the board, as well as the other Brothers that have dedicated time and resources over this last year. With contributions to the Legacy Fund, we have been able to start looking forward and planning for house maintenance projects. Of course, a big thank you goes out to those Brothers and Families that were able to support those funds.

As we continue to look to the future, we look forward to catching up or even meeting some of you for the first time at the All School Reunion coming up in July. It looks like it will be a fun few days of reminiscing and talking about the "good ole days." If you would like to join us for our socials and be informed about Triangle events at the reunion, please remember to select "Triangle" when registering. The website to the SD Mines All School reunion can be found on the back page. Looking forward to 2025!

In F, S, &C,

Evan Hammer

Alumni Board President



Alumni Spotlight

Les Rose has been a big supporter of South Dakota Mines ever since he graduated in 1970, B.S. Mechanical Engineering. This past year he was honored with a Distinguished Alumni Award for his incredibly successful career. At the same time, he announced his generous \$6 Million donation to Mechanical Engineering, renaming the department to the Leslie A. Rose Department of Mechanical Engineering. Thank you, Les, and congratulations!

As the former President of L-3 National Security Solutions (NSS), Les Rose brings decades of experience leading multi-million and billion dollar global organizations. NSS delivered best-in-class integrated solutions for complex defense and intelligence customers that span across cyber, intelligence, enterprise/mission IT, command and control, big data, and integrated security. While in this role, he drove efforts to continuously improve and optimize the delivery of new capabilities and proprietary technologies to top customers including government agencies.

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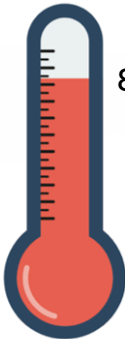
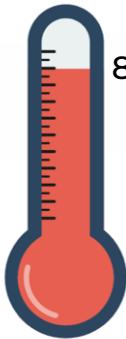
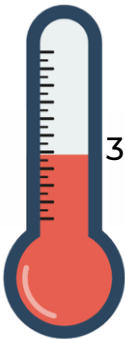
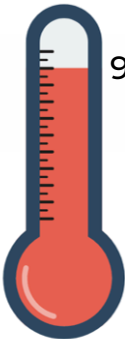
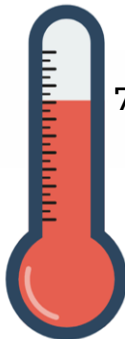
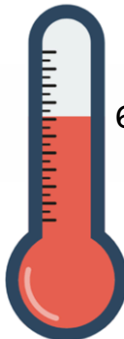


We hope to see you at the 2025 All School Reunion!
Reunion Website: <https://cara.sdsmt.edu/events/reunion>
****Don't forget to select "Triangle" as your Greek Affiliation****

Triangle Legacy Campaign

As of: 12/31/2024

We're on track to achieving the goal of \$1.4 Million by the 2025 All-School Reunion in July. We hope to see you at the event and help us cross the finish line. More information can be viewed on the SD Mines Triangle Website. Contributions may provide for taxable deductions.

SD Mines CARA Foundation	Triangle Education Foundation		Black Hills Area Community Foundation South Dakota Mines Triangle Fraternity		
SDM Chapter of Triangle Fraternity Endowment Fund	Terry Newlin Memorial Endowment Scholarship Fund	SD Mines Chapter Endowment Fund	Alumni Scholarship Fund	Chapter House Endowment Maintenance & Repair	Chapter House Replacement Quasi Fund
 <div>84%</div>	 <div>89%</div>	 <div>38%</div>	 <div>90%</div>	 <div>71%</div>	 <div>62%</div>
Goal: \$300,000	Goal: \$175,000	Goal: \$100,000	Goal: \$350,000	Goal: \$150,000	Goal: \$325,000

If you have something you'd like shared, e-mail it to us!