

Triangle Fraternity - Michigan Technological University

Spring Newsletter, 2015



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

This semester has been one full of changes for our chapter. With nearly half of the E-Board being initiated last semester we have had many new views and ideas which, although sometimes unpopular, are certainly helping our chapter grow to a stronger organization. We have officially enacted the much needed House Manager position, and have created a Judicial Board to function as a disciplinary system. This semester's E-Board has worked to create transition material for their respective positions. In doing this the transition process has been much smoother and has also created a written archive to be referenced by the new E-Board members.

Along with these organizational changes, we have initiated three new brothers to our chapter, all of whom will be holding chair or E-Board positions in the fall. We have also continued our philanthropy efforts with our very successful Seafood for Charity event, participating in Relay for Life and other events. Our Founders' Day celebration in Copper Harbor was wonderful with many alumni in attendance and even a brother from the MSU chapter! Overall this semester has been a successful one full of forward progress for the active body here at MTU and I look forward to helping this progress in the fall!

-Jerry Tozer mtu13

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Vice President Updates:

Philanthropy

The brothers at the Michigan Tech Chapter of Triangle were out in full philanthropic and Service force this year. We really kicked things off with another fantastic Pi Mile in early October. Runners all received an event t-shirt and got the chance to pie a brother in the face! Turn out and the weather were both great and we raised over \$800 for the UP Food Bank! We had brothers help out with Make A Difference Day by volunteering with many other Tech students on various service events in the community. Our fall Joey's fundraiser brought many Tech students and community members in to Joey's Seafood and Grill where a percent of their bill was donated to the Houghton Pigs-in-Heat fire relief fund. In total that event rose over \$350 which was directly donated to the fund. The spring Joeys event was just as successful with over \$350 raised for Don't Do It Yourself which helps local families struggling with medical bills. The Michigan Tech chapter of Triangle also participated in Relay for Life this year. The brotherhood made a large appearance at the event and in total overshot their goal of \$1000 settling in at a total \$1022 thanks in part to brother Kyle Tice for winning the Euchre tournament and donating the prize money. Brothers also provided service to the local community in a variety of ways this year. Some examples include: woodcutting for Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly, walking dogs at the Copper Country Humane Society, ticket taking at a home hockey game, and being a mentor for several local high school FIRST Robotics teams. Triangle stands out among much of Greek life at Michigan Tech by going above and beyond when it comes to service and philanthropy money raised. This year served to prove that once again.

Jacob Loew *mtu14*



Jerry Tozer *mtu13* trying to raise enough money to get out of “jail” at Relay for Life. This year Triangle raised over \$1000 for cancer research at this event.

Recruitment

We had a Pledge class of 3 this Spring who were initiated on April 11. We also worked to create more of a structure in our Recruitment Process moving forward. With the help of Brother Brandon Montalvo, the Recruitment Committee and I were able to construct a Strategic Recruitment and Marketing Plan. This plan was created in order to guide our recruitment efforts in the future.

Membership

What a semester this has been for the brotherhood of this chapter. After more than doubling our membership last year and initiating 9 more solid young men this year, the dynamic of brotherhood for this chapter has completely changed. With our membership being at an all time high, we struggled as brothers to get to know everyone on that deeper level, where long lasting bonds may be formed. To counter this we started having chapter dinner at the house every other week along with more bro time at the house to just enjoy each others company. This year we also brought back the ever popular re-ball, not once but twice, so brothers could relieve some stress by shooting one another with rubber balls at high velocities. Our big brotherhood event this past semester was focused on team building and gaining a deeper understanding for one another. We participated in activities such as Knot Master, Train Wreck, and The Invisible Maze. Our most impactful activity by far was True Colors. Each brother took a short personality assessment which helped them to better understand not only themselves but also one another, from completely different perspectives.

This semester we also had our Founders' Day celebration at the Mariner North. At 91 people this year marks the largest attendance by both the active and alumni. I would like to give a special thanks to the enormous number of alumni that came to celebrate with us. Brothers: Brett Billington, Jon Juskiewicz, Matt Porter, Ben Cottril, James Hartel, Sam Michels, Troy Bouman, Derek Reque, Chris Jagusch, Jeff Kellogg, Chris Pollock, Jeremy Chrobak, Eric Rinkus, Nick Pomeroy, Dan Hirst, Andy Klescewski. Our formal award winners are as follows:

10th Ethic Award	Tanay Patel
Brotherhood	Kyle Oberle
Cutest Couple	Dustin St.Arnaud & Rebecca Villerot
Most Valuable Pledge	Jacob Loew
Orange Jump Suit	Noah Rau
Pledge Father/Son Couple	Daniel LaForest & Darien Benner
Triangle Scholar	Jared Richards
Cutest Bromance	Kyle Tice & Chris Helmer
Man of the Year	Jerry Tozer

Mike Spenle *mtu13*



The full group picture from formal

New Member : James Baker

My name is James Baker, I am a 2nd year Mechanical Engineering student from Troy, Michigan. I enjoy hanging out with friends, sports and adventuring.



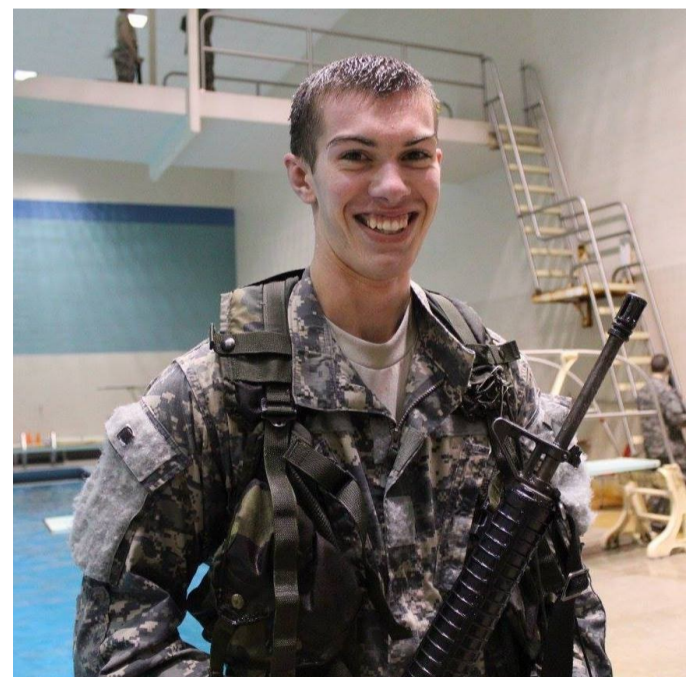
New Member : Darien Benner

My name is Darien Benner. I was raised K-8 in Millington, MI and then transferred to the Saginaw Arts & Sciences Academy for high school. At the conclusion of this semester, I will be a third year Electrical Engineering major at Michigan Tech. I have been involved with Housing and Reslife as an Resident Assistant this past year and have been involved with the Undergraduate Student Government at Michigan Tech for the past two years



New Member : Dallas St.Arnaud

I am a 2nd year Mechanical Engineering major from Skandia, Michigan. I am in the Army ROTC Program and also am involved in many IM sports. I enjoy many sports, hunting, biking, and spending time in the outdoors.



Graduated Seniors

Ethan Bell *mtu12* – AX

Ethan graduated with a degree in Forestry. This summer he will be conducting research with Dr. Evan Kane in Fairbanks, AK, then hopes to join the Peace Corps for the next two years.

Richard Taglione *mtu13* – AΩ

Richard graduated with a degree in Civil Engineering and will be working for Prein and Newhoff in Muskegon, MI.

Noah Rau *mtu13* – BA

Noah graduated with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and will be working for Ford Motor Company.

Daniel LaForest *mtu14* – BB

Dan graduated with a degree in Chemical Engineering and will be working for Archer Daniels Midland in Memphis, TN.

Kaleb Horn *mtu14* – BΓ

Kaleb graduated with a degree in Biomedical Engineering.

TO OUR ALUMNI

It's been a long semester, and we've been busy. With the upcoming reunion this summer, and Founders Day (Formal) just behind us, we're trying our best to reach out to you, our alumni. That being said, my time has come - I'm joining your ranks myself. With that, the Alumni Relations position will be filled by Brother Nicolas Winkler *mtu13*. You can contact him at nlwinkle@mtu.edu. Nick is a capable young man, and a pleasure to talk to.

For more information about the upcoming reunion, visit www.mtutriangle.com/reunion. If webpages aren't your thing, you can still email Troy at tmbouman@mtu.edu (although he may just point you back at the website in an infinite loop).

It's been fun, and I look forward to seeing many of you this coming Labor Day weekend. Get excited!

Brother Alex Ott
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If you have any questions or comments, please contact our current Alumni Relations Chair, Nick Winkler, at:

nlwinkle@mtu.edu

OFFICER TRANSITIONS

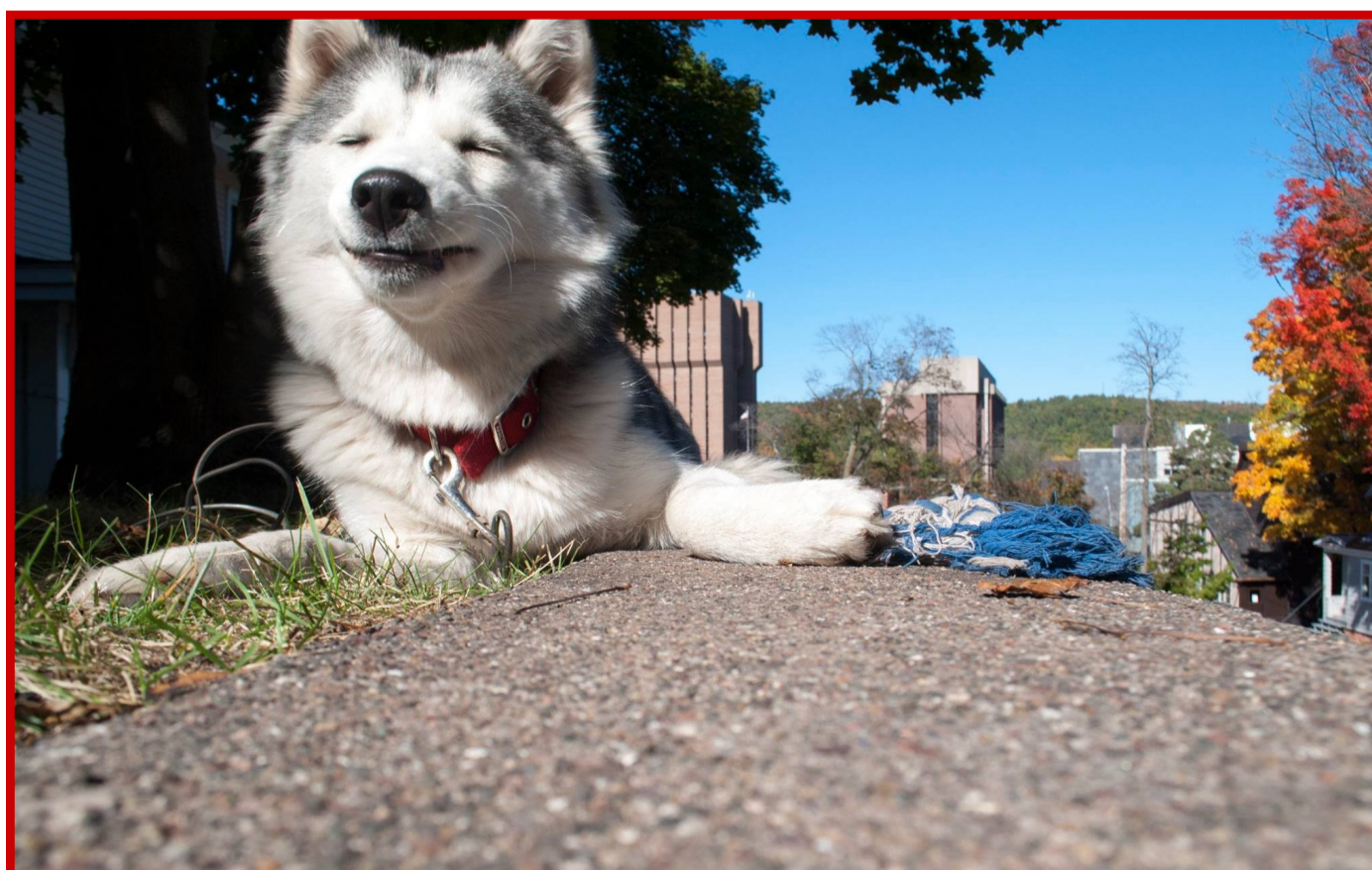
Position	Old	New
VP Membership	Michael Spenle	Daniel Chappell
VP Member Education	Mitchell Paris	Andrew Webb
VP Philanthropy	Jacob Loew	Daniel Sullivan
Treasurer	Michael Schmitz	Ian Wakely
Secretary	Lucas Kuta	James Baker
Social Chair	Tanay Patel	Kyle Tice
Sergeant at Arms	Nicholas Coon	Dallas St.Arnaud
Alumni Relations	Alexander Ott	Nicholas Winkler

UPDATES FROM THE ALUMNI

The Alumni group has worked hard to put together the first ever chapter reunion. The event will take place September 5th to 7th 2015. The family orientated event will have a number of events including, but not limited to, a trip to the KBC, a beach cookout as well as campus and house tours. For more information about lodging and the agenda go to www.mtutriangle.com/reunion

The chapter is looking for help with creating a study room within the house and if you have anything you are willing to donate please contact the VP of Scholarship Braden Bennet at bwben-net@mtu.edu.

Lastly, meetings are the second Sunday of every month over google hangout. For more information please contact Brother Baumen at tmbouman@mtu.edu for more information.



Maya is still the most majestic dog on campus.