

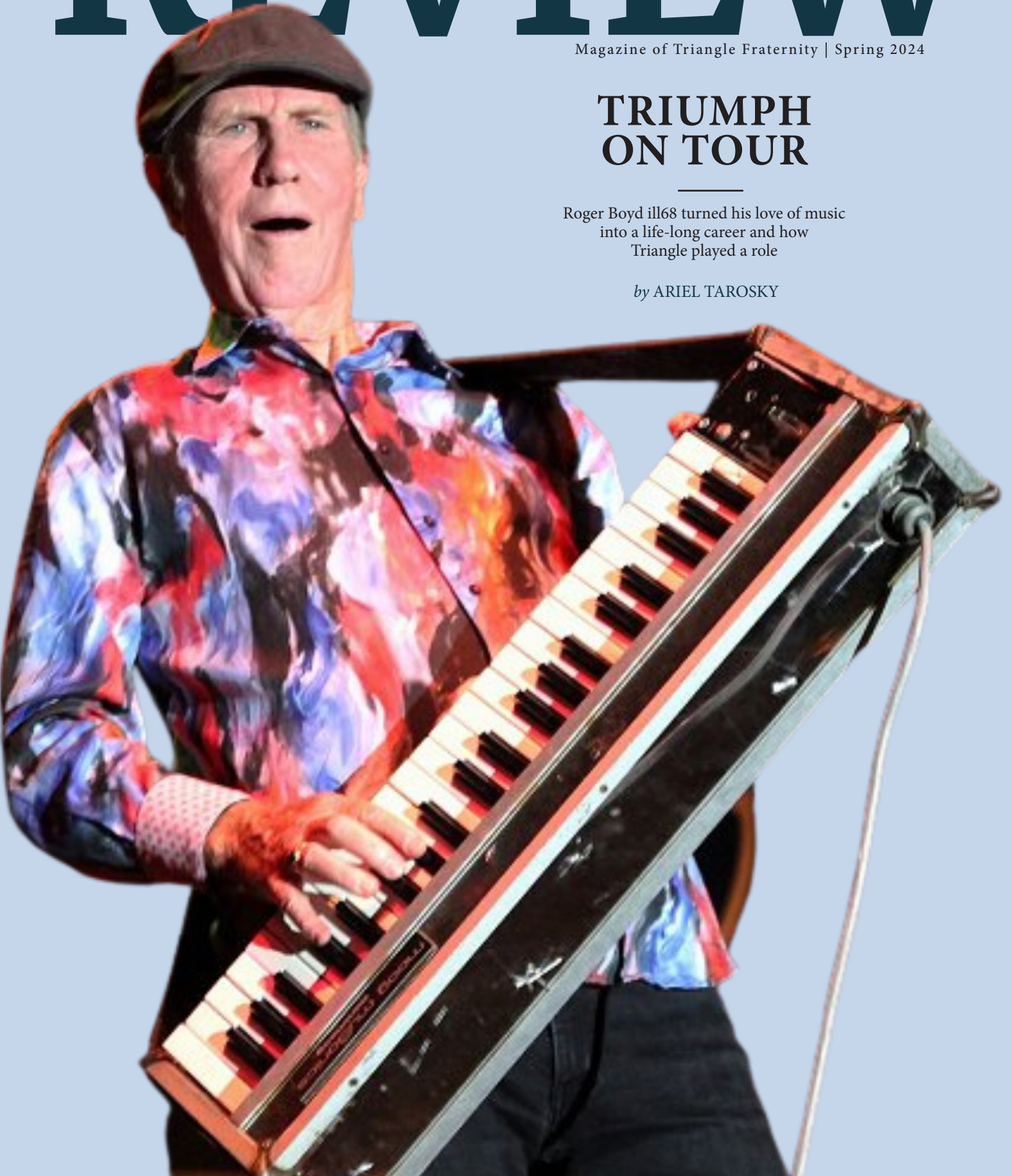
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THE TRIANGLE STORY



For many of us, the story of Triangle begins on a college campus because we are searching for a place to belong. When I joined Triangle,

I joined...

new friends who became brothers and people who shared similar interests, goals, and values.

But the greatness of the Triangle story is the impact that our members have beyond their college campuses. The members of Triangle have influenced countless industries and policies, have invented solutions for some of the world's most challenging problems, and have become leaders in their communities.

When I think about the legacy of Triangle, these are the stories that will inspire the next generation of Triangle brothers. It is our privilege and obligation as members to tell these stories.

As a national organization, it is our priority to create an environment that not only fosters the development of deep personal friendships between members, but also enables the development of young men capable of influencing the world around them in a positive and significant way. We will continue to take actions as an organization that bring this further into focus.

This issue of the Triangle REVIEW celebrates some of the great impact our members have made in STEM and beyond. While reading the articles, I hope you take the opportunity to reflect on your own Triangle story.

In F, S, C,



Ryan Sunyak
National Council President



Step right up and join us for the ultimate showdown of fraternalism and fun at Triangle's National Convention in Milwaukee, WI on August 1-3.

It's not just a convention—it's a chance to win big by taking home new connections, Triangle swag, and memories.

Don't miss out on the excitement, register now and let the games begin!



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Over 100 participants gather for opening remarks at the Jameson Camp located in Indianapolis, Indiana, for the 2024 Leadership & Training Weekend.

UNVEILING THE FUTURE: REFLECTING ON THE 2024 LEADERSHIP & TRAINING WEEKEND

By Morgan Brickley, Sr. Director of Leadership Programs

Each January, Triangle leaders from across the country gather at Jameson Camp in Indianapolis for a weekend of brotherhood, fellowship, and learning. Leadership & Training Weekend (LTW) 2024 was the second year back in person after a two-year hiatus in 2021 and 2022 when virtual experiences took the helm. Triangle saw a 21 percent increase in LTW registration numbers from 2023 to 2024, which can be attributed to additional advertising and students sharing their positive personal experiences with their successors after attending LTW or Herb Scobie Leadership School in 2023.

Though a winter storm swept the nation in the days leading up to LTW and made it impossible for several members to make the trip to Indianapolis, the students who attended learned a lot from facilitators, staff, National Council, and each other. Most important, brotherhood connections were strengthened, and fun was had by all.

By the Numbers	
Total students registered	118
Total students attended	86 (<i>most absences were weather-related</i>)
Total facilitators, alumni, and staff	24
Educational program hours delivered	1,118 (<i>avg. 13 hrs per student</i>)
Average star rating of LTW overall	4.5 out of 5.0 stars

LTW focuses learning into six topical tracks:

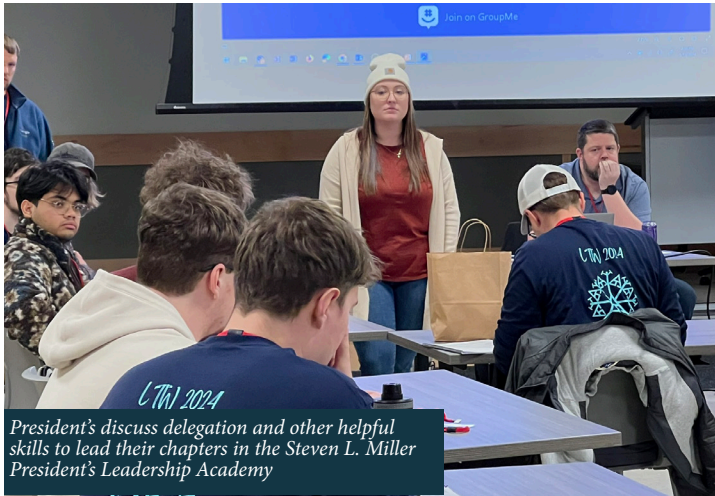
1. Steven L. Miller President's Leadership Academy (SLMPLA)
2. Finance
3. Recruitment
4. Wakerly Service-Learning Workshop
5. New Member Education
6. Risk Prevention & Wellness (*new in 2024*)

A few common learning objectives were woven throughout each track program, including:

- Enhanced leadership skills
- Enhanced communication skills
- Preparedness for responsibilities of chapter leadership role
- Awareness of Triangle national structure and resources

Learning Objective	Student Growth
Enhanced leadership skills	95% of students felt confident in their own leadership skills after LTW, compared to 85% before.
Enhanced communication skills	96% of students felt confident in their strategic vision communication after LTW, compared to 82% before.
Preparedness for chapter role	95% of students felt prepared to fulfill the responsibilities of their chapter role after LTW, compared to 86% before.
Awareness of Triangle structure	91% of students have an awareness of Triangle's national structure and support, compared to 65% before.

To achieve these learning outcomes, LTW incorporates a combination of facilitator-led sessions, large-group team-building activities, and peer-to-peer student learning throughout the weekend. According to student feedback, peer-to-peer learning was well-liked, with 72% of students reporting it was the best part of LTW.



President's discuss delegation and other helpful skills to lead their chapters in the Steven L. Miller President's Leadership Academy

As the weekend came to a close, students were asked to share an "I WILL" statement, indicating at least one commitment they will make in their current leadership role. Some student commitments are shared below:

"I will bring more transparency to the chapter, so that everyone has the opportunity to know everything that's going on, and the reasons behind our actions."

"I will work with my brothers to help both them and myself improve our decision-making in our chapter roles and personal lives."

"I will commit to being a force for good within the campus community. Reaching out to organizations, especially different FIRST teams, will be crucial to my mission in this. I will also commit to developing the next generation of Triangle leaders through delegation techniques."

"I will encourage discussion and disagreement about issues, and learn to be able to see sides of an issue other than my own."



Brothers from various chapters break during lunch to swap chapter t-shirts.

Each track has volunteer facilitators who arrive at the event early and are trained in facilitation expectations and program content before student sessions begin. In most cases, the facilitation team for each track is a Triangle staff member or campus-based fraternity/sorority advisor partnered with a National Councilman or other Triangle alumnus. **Many thanks to this year's facilitation team!**

SLMPLA Group 1

Brian Jarman pur01 | Past National President
Lilly Bowman, Director of Chapter Services | Triangle Fraternity

SLMPLA Group 2

John Cottage ps04 | Past National President
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Risk Prevention/Wellness

Pete Satre os89 | National Vice President
Blaine Ayers, Vice President | Favor & Company



Our 2024 LTW Facilitation team poses for a group photo.

LTW 2024 was a success overall, despite weather-related challenges. Triangle could not achieve event success like this without the undergraduate members who attended to help better their chapters and the time and talent of our dedicated volunteer facilitators and staff. We look forward to enhancing the event even more in future years!

If you are interested in learning more about LTW or how to get involved as a volunteer facilitator, reach out to Morgan Brickley, Sr. Director of Leadership Programs, at Morgan@Triangle.org.



Brothers pose for a picture at the Iowa State chapter house before recruitment.

Spring 2023

Spring 2023 saw expansion at Washington State University in Pullman, providing another Pacific Northwest group to complement the existing chapter at the University of Washington in Seattle. This semester also included a restart of the Colorado State chapter, which will serve as anchor for activity in Colorado.

Fall 2023

The Triangle name returned to the University of Colorado at Boulder, after a 20-year absence. This compliments the CSU renewal and will enhance a new group at UDenver.

Spring 2024

Over the last few months, staff and volunteers have been busy recruiting founding members at Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Our GVSU chapter will be a nice addition to our Midwest chapters.

We now have recognized an interest group at Texas A&M University, which includes the son of a founding chapter member. The previous chapter closed in 1999 and had a failed restart in 2002-2005.

Fall 2024

Plans for Fall 24 include a focus on our Southern California schools. We need to rebuild at UCLA and Cal Poly-Pomona, two campuses where the chapters have suspended operations. In addition, we need broader alumni support for our groups at UCSD and UC-Irvine.

LET'S GET GROWING

By Tom Pennington, Executive Director

We are excited to have been invited to start or rebuild Triangle groups at several campuses. Some are former hosts, where we can bring the Triangle name back. Some are campuses new to Triangle, but at reputable engineering institutions.

Expansion can be a challenge for any fraternity. We look for respected academic institutions with a sizable population of males pursuing STEM degrees. We also want to be at schools in areas where there are Triangle alumni or other Triangle chapters that can help a new group form and succeed. Lastly, we need to be able to offer a point of differentiation, especially if we consider tech campuses where there is a large STEM student population already involved in existing fraternities.

With an expansion plan focused on managed growth, we can schedule staff to start and support campus projects each semester over the next few years. Here's a look at our plans...

Spring 2025

Spring 2025 will welcome our third chapter to Colorado, with a planned expansion at the University of Denver. 2025 will focus on the continued expansion and support of chapters in western states.

Additionally, we have future commitments from the University of Dayton for Spring 2026 and are in discussions with several more new and former host campuses. Area alumni will be alerted via email when opportunities are realized.

How You Can Help

- If you're an alumnus in an area where we have plans to expand, please consider volunteering as a colony advisor. We are in need of local alumni who can commit to five hours a month to coach our new groups. Volunteer for service to any chapter online at our Volunteer Form at <https://tinyurl.com/TriangleVolunteering>.
- If you work on a campus where you think Triangle would be successful, please contact us at hq@triangle.org.
- If you have family or friends you think may be interested in starting a Triangle chapter at their campus, please contact us at the email above.

We are excited to grow and share a premier STEM fraternal experience with men all over the country. Furthermore, the targeted growth to new campuses will assist in the overall growth of Triangle membership, providing increased visibility and name recognition. We look forward to continuing Building Better Men for a Better World.

MILWAUKEE CHAPTERS FORGE STRONG COLLABORATION ACROSS UNIVERSITIES

By Zack Pfeifer, Assoc. Director of Chapter Services

In the vibrant city of Milwaukee, a remarkable collaboration is underway among the Triangle Fraternity chapters from Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee (UWM), and Marquette University. Bound by a shared commitment to the principles of Triangle and the belief that fraternity extends beyond individual chapters, these institutions are pioneering a new era of collaboration and solidarity within the Triangle community.

At its core, this collaborative effort aims to emphasize the intrinsic unity among all Triangles, irrespective of their chapter affiliation. Anchored in the principles of the Triangle Code of Ethics, particularly the mandate to foster enduring friendships within the chapter, the collaboration seeks to create an environment where fraternity transcends university boundaries and becomes a shared experience for all members.

Central to this initiative are the various events organized by the chapters to bring members and alumni together, fostering a sense of belonging and camaraderie within the Triangle community. One of the hallmark events of their collaboration is the hosting of inclusive Thanksgiving and Christmas events, inviting all members and alumni from the city to join in the festivities. These gatherings not only celebrate the spirit of the holidays, but also serve as platforms for members to forge meaningful connections and strengthen fraternal ties.

Beyond these seasonal celebrations, the chapters actively collaborate on a range of endeavors, from supporting each other's initiatives and events to participating in joint community service projects with FIRST Robotics in the state. This collective approach not only amplifies the impact of their individual efforts but also fosters a sense of unity and mutual support among the chapters.

A shining example of this collaboration is the partnership between Marquette University and MSOE, which has flourished into a dynamic alliance. Through shared events, joint programs, and collaborative projects, members from both chapters have forged deep friendships and cultivated a strong sense of belonging within the larger Triangle community in Milwaukee.

As they continue to nurture this culture of collaboration and solidarity, the Triangle Fraternity chapters in Milwaukee serve as beacons of fraternal excellence, embodying the values of leadership, service, and brotherhood. By transcending institutional boundaries and embracing the collective identity of Triangle, these chapters not only enrich the lives of their members but also inspire a new generation of Triangles to uphold the spirit of unity and fellowship.

In essence, the collaborative efforts of the Triangle chapters in Milwaukee exemplify the transformative power of fraternity in fostering lifelong friendships, creating lasting memories, and building a strong and vibrant community grounded in shared values and mutual respect.

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ARMOUR

Armour recruited nine men for the fall term. They are planning to implement Triangle's national Everyman New Member Education experience, as they want a combination of discussion and activities that they can do with their members. In the past, their new member education has primarily focused on discussion-based sessions. We are working to implement the national Everyman New Member Education into existing programs so all members maintain an active voice and role in the chapter. *Connect with the chapter at their website: triangleiit.org.*

CAL POLY POMONA

There are no active members right now, and while staff has been in contact with potential area-alumni advisors.

Chapter alumni are working with staff to expand alumni involvement in the southern California region. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@triangleccp](https://www.instagram.com/triangleccp).*

CINCINNATI

The Cincinnati chapter has been hosting professional development events for the greater campus community. So far, they have done a *STEM Resume Review*, *Surviving UC Engineering*, and *Networking for Co-Ops and Internships*. This has helped drive their connections on campus and expand their recruitment opportunities. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@uctriangle](https://www.instagram.com/uctriangle).*

CLEMSON

The chapter took part in homecoming celebrations in the fall, including creating a Homecoming float. The men were partnered with another fraternity and sorority, and worked to develop new friendships with other organizations on campus. They continue to foster a relationship with the STEM Living Learning Community on campus to recruit interested men. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@clemson_triangle](https://www.instagram.com/clemson_triangle).*

COLORADO-BOULDER

CU-Boulder is back! With a new interest group of 13 good men, we are working to make our name known and build to 20 or more by the end of May. Keep track of our success at colo.triangle.org and stay in touch with us at colo@triangle.org.

COLORADO STATE

The Colorado State chapter continues to recruit and work diligently toward re-chartering! They are excited to be working with the alumni chapter and University administration to revitalize the newly restarted group. Please share any questions,

comments, or concerns with Triangle's Director of Chapter Services, Lilly Bowman (Lilly@Triangle.org). *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@csutriangle](https://www.instagram.com/csutriangle).*

ILLINOIS

The Illinois chapter is enjoying its newly renovated chapter house, thanks to the generosity of Illinois alumni. Welcoming 23 new members in the fall, the chapter was off to a successful start. The men continue to have a close friendship and partnership with Phi Sigma Rho. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@uiuctriangle](https://www.instagram.com/uiuctriangle).*

IOWA STATE

Over the summer, the Iowa State chapter focused on recruitment efforts and welcomed 30 new members in the fall. In addition to impressive recruitment efforts, the chapter hosted several successful events, including a brotherhood retreat, a car wash, and the Triangle tailgate. The chapter won Homecoming in the fall. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@isutriangle](https://www.instagram.com/isutriangle).*

KANSAS

The Kansas chapter is hard at work for spring recruitment. They're working closely with alumni, campus professionals, and national headquarters staff to improve their recruitment efforts. They plan to utilize 365 recruiting to establish continuous contacts and pledging during the year. The chapter was involved in The Big Event at KU, an opportunity for the chapter to give back to the local community. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@kutriangle](https://www.instagram.com/kutriangle).*

KENTUCKY

The Kentucky chapter held an officer retreat where they set goals and made plans for the upcoming year based upon the Triangle Pyramid Assessment. The officers are looking forward to leading the chapter into another successful year of growth. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@uktriangle](https://www.instagram.com/uktriangle).*

LOUISVILLE

Rufus the Robo Dog made a guest appearance at the chapter's first fall "meet the brothers" recruitment event. Throughout the week, Rufus and the brothers met many potential new members and are glad to announce a new member class of 12. Now that formal recruitment is wrapped up, the chapter is looking forward to continuing informal recruitment, the new member education process, big/little, and initiation. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@uofltriangle](https://www.instagram.com/uofltriangle).*

MARQUETTE

Marquette is in the middle of their recruitment period, having just had a very successful O-Fest. We are working with the

men at MSOE to do some combined recruitment events between the chapters. Additionally, the chapter is looking to utilize more of our CEF funds this year and are working with our alumni chapter to host several alumni events with Marquette students to show the value of a STEM education, what a graduate of Marquette can achieve, and how to utilize all the resources that are offered by the school. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@marquette.triangle.fraternity](https://www.instagram.com/marquette.triangle.fraternity).*

MICHIGAN

The brothers of the Michigan chapter hosted and created a haunted house raising over \$1,500 for the local Habitat for Humanity of Huron Valley this past fall. They are working hard this spring recruitment to ensure a large spring new member class. The Michigan men are hoping to engage with more alumni. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@michigantriangle](https://www.instagram.com/michigantriangle).*

MICHIGAN STATE

The Michigan State chapter welcomed 24 new members in the fall, marking a very successful recruitment. The chapter was also awarded the Outstanding Campus Involvement Award at our Scobie Leadership School. Unfortunately, brother Evan Bean msu21 was recently diagnosed with leukemia. The chapter is rallying to support both Evan and his family during this difficult time. If you would like to support Evan, a donation link can be found on the chapter's Instagram page. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@msutriangle](https://www.instagram.com/msutriangle).*

MICHIGAN TECH

The Michigan Tech chapter completed the Fall 2023 semester on an academic high, earning a 3.47 chapter GPA. The chapter ranked the highest among fraternities at MTU and one of the highest GPAs within Triangle. The chapter is in the middle of recruitment and expects to welcome a talented group of new members this spring. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@mtu_triangle](https://www.instagram.com/mtu_triangle).*

MINNESOTA

After celebrating their centennial last year, the Minnesota chapter has continued to engage with alumni and their campus partners. The former chapter president is now the current IFC president, bolstering a stronger relationship with the FSL community at Minnesota. The chapter is focused on recruitment efforts and expects to welcome a large spring new member class. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: [@triangle_umn](https://www.instagram.com/triangle_umn).*

MISSOURI MINES

Following a difficult start to the fall semester, the Missouri Mines chapter is focused on rebuilding their brotherhood and connection to the university. The chapter recently completed

renovations to their chapter house. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @triangle_mom.*

MSOE

MSOE hit the ground running this school year, with a new member class of ten in the fall. They have been partnering with Marquette to have some combined recruitment events. As the spring semester continues, HQ staff looks forward to working with them to pilot new social media outreach strategies, specifically working with Instagram reels. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @msoe_triangle_fraternity.*

NEBRASKA

The Nebraska chapter utilized 365 recruitment to the best of their ability this past year. The chapter recruited three new members in the fall and is looking forward to continuing their growth this spring. Nebraska is also working to transition from colony status to a chartered chapter soon. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @unltriangle.*

OHIO STATE

The Ohio State chapter continues to be a strong chapter academically, socially, and in their recruitment efforts. They earned a 3.41 chapter GPA in the fall and welcomed eight new members. Additionally, the Ohio State chapter was awarded the Outstanding National Involvement, and 2nd place for the Kahlert Academic Excellence Award at our Herb Scobie Leadership School this past summer. The chapter is excited to welcome 23 new members for Spring. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @osutriangle.*

PENN STATE

The Penn State chapter has adopted a new social media and recruitment plan. The chapter welcomed six new members in the fall and we hope to take a strong spring new member class. The chapter continues to work closely with alumni and staff. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @psutriangle.*

PENN STATE BEHREND

The brothers of Penn State Behrend held a successful fall retreat that gave active members an opportunity to connect with chapter alumni. The active members used the fall retreat to network and receive career coaching. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @behrendtriangle.*

PITTSBURGH

This summer the Pittsburgh chapter was recognized as the 2023 Chapter of the Year for the university. They also earned first place for the Kahlert Academic Excellence Award with a chapter GPA of 3.36 at our Herb Scobie Leadership School this past summer. The chapter had both a successful fall and spring recruitment, welcoming 24 new

members this academic year. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @triangle_pitt.*

PURDUE

Triangle at Purdue ended last academic year with an alumni event that brought decades of alumni back to the chapter. The chapter is proud of their alumni advisor, Mark Bowman pur71, who recently retired. The chapter continues to work closely with staff and alumni to increase membership. Brother Randall Hubbel pur22 won the Purdue Grand Prix in October. Unfortunately, the chapter experienced an unexpected passing of brother Neel Acharya pur23. Please keep Neel's family and our Purdue brothers in your thoughts. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @purduetriangle.*

ROSE TECH

The chapter recruited a substantial new member class last academic year, hosted various service events for their community, and are leaders in the national Triangle community. Brothers at Rose Tech completed internships at Airvac, The Boeing Company, Collins Aerospace, Hills Inc., Milwaukee Tool, Kimberly-Clark, and various others. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @rhit_triangle.*

SOUTH DAKOTA MINES

The SDM chapter kicked off the academic year strong with a full chapter house. The chapter welcomed eight new members this spring. The chapter continues to be leaders within their community and nationally within Triangle. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @sdmt_triangle.*

TEXAS A&M

After a lengthy absence from campus, we now have a group of students working to bring the Triangle name back to TAMU. An initial group of 10 men, including the son of a chapter founder, are working to grow to become a recognized colony by end of May.

TOLEDO

The Toledo chapter volunteered at Camp Miakonda and hosted a haunted house that raised over \$300 for Big Brother and Sister of Northwestern Ohio. The members received a chapter visit from Lilly Bowman in the fall. Additionally, the chapter completed multiple updates to the chapter house, including fresh paint to the chapter room. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @triangletoledo.*

UCI

UCI continues to work closely with alumni and staff to increase chapter membership. The chapter hosted a live gaming stream to earn funds for a local nonprofit. They are expecting to welcome a good new member class this spring. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @triangleuci.*

UCSD

We're excited to announce six new members this year, which has nearly doubled the chapter size. Brother Darwin Yu ucsd23 won the Outstanding Philanthropy and Service by an Individual award at this past Herb Scobie Leadership School. Darwin showed his commitment to not only Triangle, but to the greater San Diego area for his work with homelessness and food insecurity. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @triangle_ucsd.*

UTAH

The brothers of the Utah chapter are motivated to carry the chapter into a successful spring semester after some positive leadership experiences at the Herb Scobie Leadership School this past summer. The chapter is focused on growth and brotherhood. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @utahtriangle.*

UWM

Looking to expand their horizons, UWM is in the process of reviewing the approved courses for the campus. Additional degree approvals will qualify more good men for membership. We also are working to plan an "all Milwaukee" event with the three chapters soon. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @uwmtriangle.*

VPI

The VPI chapter was installed in spring 2023, making it our newest chapter. VPI is also our largest chapter, with 84 members. Members continue to be strong leaders within their community and within Triangle. The chapter received the Rattle Award at the Herb Scobie Leadership School this past summer. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @vttriangle.*

WASHINGTON

We welcomed seven new members in the fall. The chapter is hosting an alumni panel for the campus community. The panel will feature national and local alumni who will share how their involvement in Triangle has propelled their careers. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @triangle_uw.*

WASHINGTON STATE

After an exciting start in Spring 2023, the colony has grown to 31 men. We remain focused on increasing our visibility on campus and continuing our growth, while planning for initiation later this Spring.

WISCONSIN

The chapter earned several National Awards at the Herb Scobie Leadership School this past summer, including Outstanding Philanthropy and Service by a Chapter, the Kahlert Academic Excellence Award, Outstanding Chapter Operations, and 2nd place in the Building Better Men program. *Connect with the chapter on Instagram: @wisocotriangle.*



Brother Jacob Rausch tol10 poses with “Unbottled Pride” at a Brewery for a community outreach event

PROUD HYDRATION: HOW ONE WATER BOTTLE IS SHAPING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

By Jacob Rausch tol12

Back in 2019, I was approached by a coworker who was interested in having our company, O-I Glass, participate in the Human Rights Campaign’s Corporate Equality Index. Together, a group of six of us started on a path that would eventually lead to the development of the “Unbottled Pride” Employee Resource Group at O-I, with the six of us being the founding members. Being one of the founding members of this group has been one of the most rewarding and empowering experiences of my career thus far.

But why is a group like this important? The mission and purpose that we founded “Unbottled Pride” on is as follows: “The Unbottled Pride Employee Resource Group (ERG) was formed by O-I Glass employees to be a strategic partner with O-I to promote a culture of diversity and inclusion through continual learning. The ERG will advance the understanding and inclusion of employees who identify as members of the LGBTQ+ Straight/ Allied community.”

So, what does this REALLY mean? Well, since our group was formed in late 2020, the other founders and I have been busy! We have grown to a board of seven members and have a membership of 50+ employees across the United States so far, and we continue to grow monthly. I have told my coming out story, which was shared both internally to all O-I employees for “Zero Discrimination Day” and externally to our company’s social media sites. Sharing my story was very nerve-racking for me, but the support I have gotten from my team and coworkers has been extremely positive, and I’ve had some employees share that it has helped them to feel comfortable coming out at work as well.

We started some initiatives at corporate HQ, which our plants are encouraged to participate in too. Things like, raising a Pride flag at our corporate office, walking in our local Pride Parade, and hosting other Pride-Month-themed-events.



Alumnus Jacob Rausch to12 marches in his local Pride Parade representing Unbottled Pride

This past year, I was able to combine my day job at O-I with my after-hours job of being a bar trivia host, and we hosted a Pride-themed trivia night at a local brewery for members of our surrounding community. We had 80 community members attend this event and the venue, Juniper Brewing Co., went all out with Pride decorations. Juniper Brewing Co. also created Pride-themed T-shirts, which were sold with part of the proceeds going to a local LGBTQ+ charity. Unbottled Pride also upped the ante by providing all the winning teams with an O-I Glass Pride-themed water bottle.

Our “Celebrate Pride” water bottles have helped spread the word about our organization a lot over the years. They were designed in house by members of our insanely creative and talented design team, and the decoration to the bottles was applied in one of our plants in Europe. Every employee who joins Unbottled Pride is gifted one, and they act like a beacon in the office space saying, “Hi, I’m a safe employee to talk to about your gender identity and sexuality.” Each of the hearts on the bottle represents a different LGBTQ+ Pride Flag, with some examples being the standard rainbow pride flag, bisexual flag, transgender flag, and non-binary flag. Everyone is represented and celebrated on this one inclusive bottle. These are extra special to me because I am the board member who has the distinct honor of hand-delivering or mailing each new member their bottle, kind of like “Gay Santa”.

Our annual food drive is another great fundraiser that supports a local LGBTQ+ friendly food bank. In 2023, we raised roughly \$4,250 with O-I matching \$3,500 for a grand total of \$7,750 in food and personal care items being donated to Equality Toledo. The food drive was started by two of the other founding members of Unbottled Pride before our group’s inception, but we have since included it in the ERG’s annual calendar, and I personally love that we get to help deliver all the donated items to the food bank and see exactly how large of an impact we can have.

More important, we have actively participated in the Corporate Equality Index Survey every year since 2020 and work to continually improve our company’s score. Participating in this nationwide survey has helped us push improvements like transgender-inclusive healthcare, better benefits for all employees, and LGBTQ+ speakers and trainings to further educate our employees. I have been in countless meetings with two of the other board members to discuss and plan how we can continue to improve our workplace for all, which will in turn help improve our DEI score. These meetings can be long, tedious, and tiring, and sometimes we get bounced from talking to the Legal Department to talking to Human Resources, then bounced to the Ethics Department, just to get one piece of the puzzle solved, but it has all been worth it. We still have plenty of work to do, but it’s amazing knowing my workplace supports these things, and it feels awesome that I’ve been able to help get us there and get to assist in pushing us even further.

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“It’s crazy to sit back and think that all these things that I’ve shared so far started only five years ago with six people and a single idea.”

None of this work has been easy. We get push-back and negative feedback and harsh comments on some things, but the impact Unbottled Pride is having far outweighs any negatives we’ve seen. It isn’t easy being part of the LGBTQ+ community in today’s political climate. The HRC has issued a nationwide “State of Emergency” for LGBTQ+ people, and that’s kind of scary if I’m being honest, but that hasn’t stopped me from wanting to do things like work on the Corporate Equality Index, give back to my community through charity and outreach, or share things like my coming out story with my coworkers. I want to be able to keep having an impact at my job and improve the workplace for LGBTQ+ employees. It’s crazy to sit back and think that all these things that I’ve shared so far started only five years ago with six people and a single idea.



O-I Glass Pride-themed water bottle



Empowering Alumni:

Unlocking the Value of Triangle's Services

The Triangle Education Foundation (TEF) staff support alumni through engagement opportunities, event planning assistance, and marketing and communications. Looking to increase alumni engagement for your chapter or local area? Here are just a few ways we can help with that!



Alumni Engagement

The invitation to engage is open at any stage of your Triangle membership. Here are a few ways TEF can support you as alumni and volunteers:

- Triangle Portal
- Chapter Coaches
- Alumni Board Officers
- Council of Emerging Leaders



Event Planning

Events are not always easy to coordinate. Contact TEF staff for assistance and guidance to make your event special. We are happy to support any of the following chapter, alumni group, and national or local events:

- Homecoming and reunion celebrations
- Founders' Day celebrations
- Hosting Tour de Triangle events



Marketing & Communications

As alumni members and volunteers begin planning gatherings and seek to re-engage with brothers, TEF can support you with marketing and communications.

- Alumni Communication Program
- Marketing & email support for events
- Social media support



Donor Engagement

We recognize that not everyone can spare the time for direct involvement, yet still desires to contribute to Triangle's mission. If this resonates with you, consider making a donation to Triangle, allowing you to support our initiatives and make your commitment known. Every contribution, regardless of size or form, plays a crucial role in advancing our shared goals and strengthening our community.

Direct questions to Director of Alumni Engagement, Vicki Gerentes, at VGerentes@Triangle.org.



Legendary classic rock band, Head East poses for a promotional photo. Brother, Roger Boyd ill68 is pictured in the bottom left corner.



TRIUMPH ON TOUR: A TRIANGLE ALUMNUS'S MUSICAL JOURNEY

By Ariel Tarosky
Introduction by Roger Boyd ill68

It was the “summer of 69” as Bryan Adams sings in the song of the same name. I had just been initiated into Triangle that spring, and my brother Larry had just pledged. We both had decided to pick up a few credits in summer school and were able to stay at the house.

We had a small band back home in Southern Illinois that performed at teen centers, proms, sock hops (yes, sock hops!), and homecomings. That summer we decided to try and expand the band's performance area and move up to larger venues and shows. We needed a good lead singer and found one across the street in the Beta Theta Pi house in the person of John Schlitt. The Triangle brothers graciously allowed us to practice in the dining area for that summer and we did so on a daily basis while at night catching many of the talented bands performing in the Urban-area college clubs. After an entire summer, of endless rehearsals, learning many new songs, and perfecting our potential performance skills, we had our first performance on Monday August 4, 1969, at the Golden Gauntlet in Carbondale, Illinois, the home of SIU. We were an immediate hit and performed there every week for the rest of the year—I was hooked!

In 1971 I surrendered my scholarship and formally left the university. I gave myself about 6-8 years to give a musical career a shot, something that I had never imagined, but vowing someday to return and finish my college degree. I had chosen to follow a path and a dream that I had never ever considered. However, an unexpected door had opened to another segment of life I loved but had never planned on. And as they say, “the rest is [would become] history!”

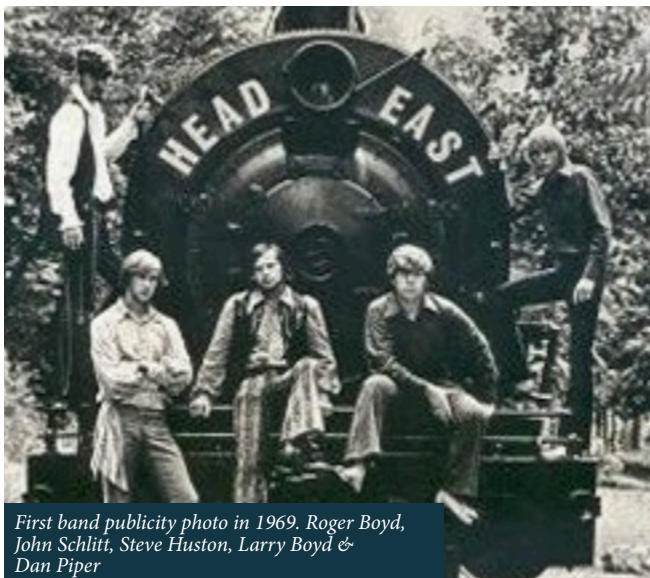
In the annals of rock history, few stories resonate as profoundly as that of Roger Boyd, the keyboard virtuoso whose journey from the hallowed halls of Triangle Fraternity to the pinnacle of rock stardom with Head East is a testament to talent, perseverance, and the enduring power of brotherhood.

Born with an innate passion for music, Boyd's destiny seemed written in the stars from an early age. He started piano lessons at an early age and went on to play trumpet in the school band. However, it was during his college years that his musical odyssey truly began to take shape. Immersed in the vibrant atmosphere of Triangle Fraternity, Boyd found himself surrounded by kindred spirits who shared his love of music and provided the perfect canvas for his creative aspirations to flourish.

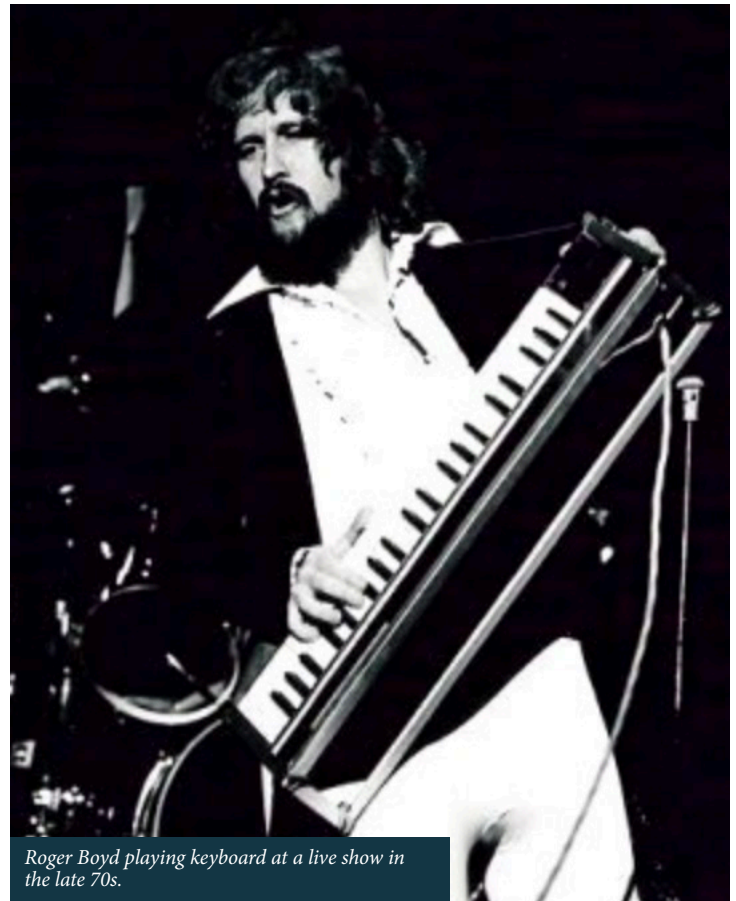
Within the nurturing embrace of Triangle, Boyd honed his skills, collaborated with fellow members, and laid the groundwork for his future endeavors. It was here that he discovered the transformative power of brotherhood – a bond that would shape his path in ways he could never have imagined.

Roger got his start by playing in local Illinois rock bands in the mid-60s before forming the TimeACTIONS with drummer Steve Huston. The TimeACTIONS were formed by merging the best players from both Roger's and Steve's bands. As Boyd's musical journey continued to unfold, fate intervened in the form of Head East, the iconic rock band that would catapult him into the spotlight and etch his name into the annals of music history.

Co-founding the band on August 6, 1969, Boyd's keyboard wizardry became the soulful heartbeat of Head East's sound, captivating audiences with his mesmerizing melodies and electrifying performances.



First band publicity photo in 1969. Roger Boyd, John Schlitt, Steve Huston, Larry Boyd & Dan Piper



Roger Boyd playing keyboard at a live show in the late 70s.

The band, originally composed of Roger, his brother Larry, Steven Huston, John Schlitt, and Dan Piper, would see many members come and go over the next four years. The lineup that would take them through their first six albums began to take shape in Champaign, Illinois, in 1973. By 1974, Roger, Steve, John, and new member Mike Somerville entered Golden Voice studios in Pekin, Illinois, and recorded tracks to their first album, *Flat As A Pancake*, which they released on their own label, Pyramid Records. A&M Records soon took note of the band's popularity, as well as the airplay and record sales, and signed Head East to the A&M label.

The rise of Head East was nothing short of meteoric, fueled by Boyd's boundless talent, unwavering dedication, and the indomitable spirit of brotherhood that he carried with him from his days in Triangle. With chart-topping hits like "Never Been Any Reason" and sold-out concerts at legendary venues, the band's success seemed limitless, yet Boyd remained grounded in the values instilled by his fraternity experience – integrity, camaraderie, and a commitment to excellence.

In 1976, Head East released *Get Yourself Up*, followed by *Getting' Lucky* in 1977, the self-titled *Head East* in 1978, and *Head East Live!* and *A Different Kind of Crazy* in 1979. During this time the band was a huge concert draw, regularly playing to large crowds at major venues as the headlining act.



Roger Boyd playing keyboard at a live show in the early 80s.



2012 band photo. Jones, Bridger, Manahan, Walker & Boyd

As Head East's star continued to ascend, Boyd's connection to Triangle Fraternity remained steadfast, serving as a guiding light in an industry often fraught with challenges and uncertainties. The lessons learned and friendships forged within Triangle provided Boyd with a rock-solid foundation upon which to build his musical legacy, inspiring him to reach new heights and defy the odds at every turn.

For the next several years, Head East experienced personnel changes but would find their way once more in the early 90s as classic rock began to regain popularity. With a new synthesized sound reminiscent of other popular 80s rock bands and an internet presence, Head East issued several CDs including *Choice of Weapons* and their live album, *Raise a Little Hell*.

Currently, Head East performs about 20 to 30 shows each year, providing fans with a high-energy show that is true to their original sound.

Their set list includes selections from Head East classics like "City of Gold," "Fly By Night Lady," "Love Me Tonight," "Lovin' Me Along," "Never Been Any Reason," and more.

Head East has brought five decades of classic rock to their fans and, according to Roger, will continue to rock as long as he can lift his synthesizer over his head and play. Today, as Boyd reflects on his extraordinary journey, he remains grateful for the pivotal role that Triangle Fraternity played in shaping his path. From the camaraderie of brotherhood to the electrifying rush of the stage, Boyd's story is a testament to the transformative power of music, friendship, and the unwavering pursuit of dreams.

In every chord struck and every note played, Roger Boyd continues to embody the spirit of rock 'n' roll and brotherhood, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts and minds of fans around the world. As his music reverberates through the ages, Boyd stands as a beacon of inspiration for aspiring musicians and fraternity brothers alike, reminding us all that with talent, perseverance, and a little help from our friends, anything is possible.



Roger Boyd at a recent show. Photo by Dana Chapman Photography

To learn more about Head East and to view these photos and more, visit www.headeast.com.



Some of the Manhattan team. Photo from <https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/14-project-management-insights-from-oppenheimers-manhattan-kumar/>

BEHIND THE CURTAIN OF HISTORY: A TRIANGLE BROTHER'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE MANHATTAN PROJECT

By National Historian, Kevin Fong [ucla84](https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/14-project-management-insights-from-oppenheimers-manhattan-kumar/)

Ever since the blockbuster film *Oppenheimer* was released last summer, people have asked, “Did any Triangle brothers work on the Manhattan Project?”

We know of several Triangle members who worked on the effort to produce the first atomic bomb. Those employed at Oak Ridge, Los Alamos, and elsewhere included Robert B. Blanning ps39, Carl Combs ky40, Richard L. Conklin ill42, William Davis ps36, Allen J. Fruit pur12, Jack James nu42, John Michel kan42, Thomas Stewart ky39, William Swank pur20, James Tourek ill34, and Dean Zumwalt ill43.

When the first nuclear bomb was detonated at what is now White Sands Missile Range near Alamogordo, New Mexico, Brother Conklin was present, and in 1948, TRIANGLE REVIEW published his account of the test:

EARLY IN THE MORNING of July 16, 1945, some 200 very sleepy GI's groped their way to the top of a small range of mountains in central New Mexico. There we settled ourselves to wait. Some of us knew what was supposed to happen, but nobody in the world knew exactly what would happen. We'd come there from Los Alamos, the secret city where the atomic bomb was born, and that morning The Bomb was to receive its first test.

I'd arrived at Los Alamos about seven months before as a civilian assigned to help Dr. D. W. Kerst, the inventor of the betatron, with the installation and operation of the betatron there. Shortly after arrival I was drafted, sent to Fort Bliss, and after the shortest basic training imaginable—the whole process of induction and basic took less than a day—I was back on the same job.

What happened in those next six months was pretty much the realization of a young physicist's dream—watching all sorts of research, seeing just about everybody who was anybody in the realm of physics, and gaining invaluable research experience.

There was no scientific reason for our being on that mountaintop on the Alamogordo air base that morning in July, though. They just wanted a lot of men around to help in case something went wrong. It was an extremely bad morning for doing anything, and particularly bad for testing atomic bombs. Rain was falling in a melancholy drizzle, and there were uncomfortably numerous flashes of lightning over the distant cliffs.

It was about 3:00 A.M. and still very dark. In the middle of the huge basin our mountains rimmed, we knew The Bomb was waiting atop its hundred-foot tower. Although it was 20 miles away, we could see the headlights dashing

back and forth around it, as last-minute preparations were made. An occasional airplane droned overhead checking weather conditions. Finally the last pair of headlights left the tower, and we watched with mounting tension as they crawled back toward the control shack.

The hour set for the test came and went, and nothing happened. We shivered. We speculated. We scratched our little shelter holes deeper. Finally we gave up and decided to go back to the convoy. It was obviously too light for the test now, and the weather was too bad.

Just as I rose to go, I was stopped in my tracks by something the like of which had probably never before been seen on earth. The whole mountainside was drenched in a dazzling white light. It was as if someone had fired a large bank of flash bulbs behind my head. There were no shadows. Every stone, every blade of grass stood out in bold relief.

By the time I'd realized that this was The Bomb - and I was supposed to be lying down, with my head away from it - the danger was past. When I turned toward the test ground, a vast yellow ball of fire was churning close to the ground. Slowly it rose, changing from yellow to orange and then to deep red. At last there was nothing left but the familiar tower of smoke that has come to be the symbol of The Bomb.

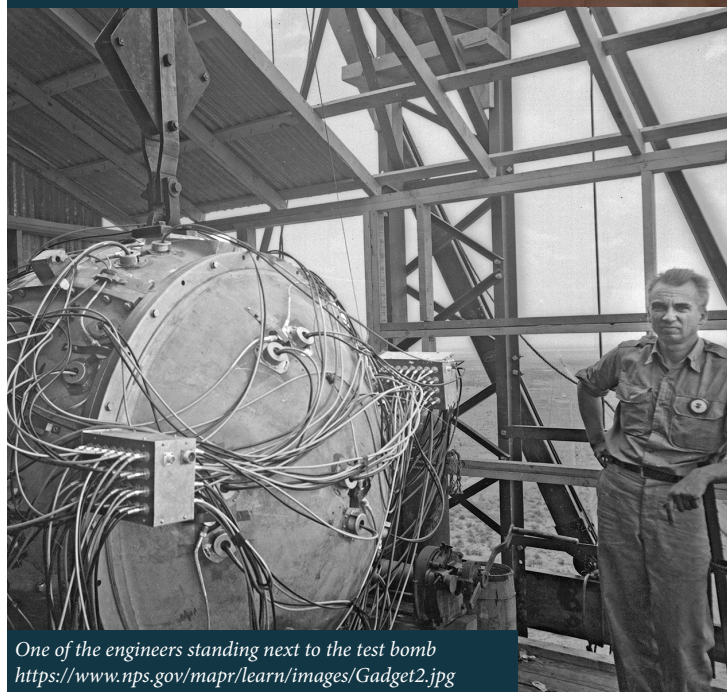
Some time during that interval the shock wave arrived. None of us knew what sort of shock might follow such an explosion, and we were pretty apprehensive during the more than a minute it took to reach us. Fortunately for us, the shock and sound were anticlimactic. We felt almost nothing, and the sound, while satisfyingly loud, wasn't at all oppressive.

A lot of stories came out of the secrecy surrounding the blast. There was the rancher who was last seen whipping his Model T toward the Mexican border. And there was the lady who got up with the sunrise, only to have the sun go back down again and not come up until later.

After the war, Conklin received an M.S. from the University of Illinois and a Ph.D. from the University of Colorado before teaching physics at Hanover College in Indiana for more than thirty years. He entered Chapter Eternal on March 7, 2018.



Brother, Richard Conklin ill42



One of the engineers standing next to the test bomb
<https://www.nps.gov/mapr/learn/images/Gadget2.jpg>



Oppenheimer testifies before Senate
<https://static.politico.com/>

MIKE FOUTS ACHIEVES THE COVETED CPM CERTIFICATION FROM IREM



*By Don Hatfield msu88,
Triangle Building &
Housing Secretary*

In the competitive world of real estate and property management, professionals are constantly striving to enhance their expertise and distinguish themselves. TBHC needs

a wide range of experience and knowledge to continue meeting the needs of Triangle's chapters and the Triangle family as a whole. Achieving a Certified Property Manager (CPM) designation from the Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM) is a testament to dedication, knowledge, and excellence in this field.

Recently, Mike Fouts joined the ranks of distinguished professionals who have earned the prestigious CPM certification, demonstrating his commitment to the highest standards in property management.

The Journey to Excellence

Mike Fouts embarked on this journey towards the CPM certification with a strong background in property management, armed with years of experience as the Executive Director of TBHC and a genuine passion for the industry. IREM's CPM program is renowned for its rigorous standards, encompassing education, experience, and a commitment to ethics. Earning this certification is no small feat, as it involves a series of challenges designed to ensure that individuals possess a comprehensive understanding of the complexities of property management. These challenges usually take two years to complete:

- **Education:** To qualify for the CPM certification, candidates must complete a set of educational courses that cover a wide range of topics, from property operations and financial management to risk management and ethics. Mike Fouts diligently completed these courses, gaining

valuable insights and practical knowledge to excel in his profession.

- **Experience:** In addition to education, candidates are required to have a certain amount of experience in the property management field. Mike's extensive background in managing properties and working with diverse clients provided him with the necessary experience to meet his requirement.
- **Ethics:** Upholding the highest ethical standards is a hallmark of IREM, and CPM candidates must commit to a strict code of ethics. Mike Fouts's unwavering commitment to integrity and professionalism was evident throughout his certification journey, reflecting his dedication to the ethical principles that guide the industry.

The Benefits of CPM Certification

Achieving the CPM certification is not just a personal achievement; it also brings a multitude of benefits to both Mike and TBHC:

- **Enhanced Knowledge:** The educational requirements of the CPM program ensure that individuals possess a comprehensive understanding of property management, equipping them with the skills to excel in their roles.
- **Professional Recognition:** The CPM designation is widely recognized and respected in the real estate industry, giving certified professionals a competitive advantage and enhancing their career prospects.
- **Network and Resources:** Certified Property Managers gain access to a vast network of like-minded professionals and valuable resources provided by IREM, furthering their ability to excel in their roles.
- **Ethical Standards:** The commitment to ethical conduct is a fundamental aspect of the CPM program, ensuring that professionals like Mike Fouts uphold the highest standards of integrity in their work.

Mike Fouts' achievement of the CPM certification from IREM is a testament to his dedication, knowledge, and commitment to excellence in the TBHC and property management. This prestigious designation not only represents a personal milestone but also highlights his readiness to deliver top-tier property management services and contribute positively to TBHC. Please join TBHC in congratulating Mike.

NEW PORTAL FOR TRIANGLE ALUMNI

In an effort to continue engaging alumni in meaningful ways, Triangle is bringing all alumni a new online experience through Triangle Portal, powered by ChapterSpot. This portal will allow alumni to update their contact information, view and search the brotherhood directory, access resources and guides, and much more.

Alumni should have received an email with a unique link to set up their portal profile from HQ@Triangle.org. Please review your inbox and spam/junk folders.

All members must create a new login through FSID.

If you already claimed your account, visit www.chapterspot.triangle.org or scan the QR code below to login again.



Questions can be directed to the Director of Alumni Engagement, Vicki Gerentes, at VGerentes@Triangle.org.



TRIANGLE BUILDING & HOUSING HELPS WITH MORE THAN THE HOUSE WE IMPROVE THE ENTIRE CHAPTER

The chapters we service are generally more successful on their campuses, have more members, and perform better in academics. How does TBHC measure its own success?

We measure success by the success of the chapters we support.

Reach out to us through any National staff member or contact the Triangle Building & Housing Executive Director, Mike Fouts, at MFouts@TriangleBHC.org or at **317-837-9640**.

Check out www.triangle.org/tbhc for more information.

LEAVING YOUR LEGACY WHILE SUPPORTING TRIANGLE'S FUTURE

By Greg Lamb, Triangle Education Foundation Vice President

Including Triangle Fraternity in your estate plans is a way to support our students and programs for generations to come. The Triangle Education Foundation provides several ways for you to leave your legacy with a future gift and create potential tax advantages through philanthropy.

There are several charitable gift vehicles that allow you to make future commitments and provide resources for Triangle. The most common ways are through charitable bequests in your will or living trust or by naming the Triangle Education Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement plan assets or a life insurance policy. The Foundation's professional staff can assist you with language to include in your documents.

Estate gifts can be made to support Triangle broadly through the Triangle Fund or be designated to specific programs such as the Herbert Scobie Leadership School and Leadership Training Weekend. Gifts can also be directed to support your chapter's Chapter Endowment Fund or scholarships.

All alumni and friends who make a planned gift to the Triangle Education Foundation are recognized as part of the The Living Oak Society. More than 60 brothers and friends of Triangle are members of The Living Oak Society. You can document your gift today or learn more by connecting with a member of the Triangle Education Foundation staff.

USING YOUR IRA TO INVEST IN TRIANGLE

By Greg Lamb, Triangle Education Foundation Vice President

Another tax-advantageous way of giving is through your IRA. This popular gift option is often referred to as the IRA charitable rollover, but you may also see it referred to as a qualified charitable distribution (QCD). Alumni 70 ½ years old and older, can give from your IRA directly to a qualified charity such as the Triangle Education Foundation without having to pay income taxes on the money. You get a deduction for the market value of the gift you make, even if its cost basis is a fraction of that. Contact Greg Lamb, Vice President, at glamb@triangle.org or at (319) 203-4510 today to learn more.



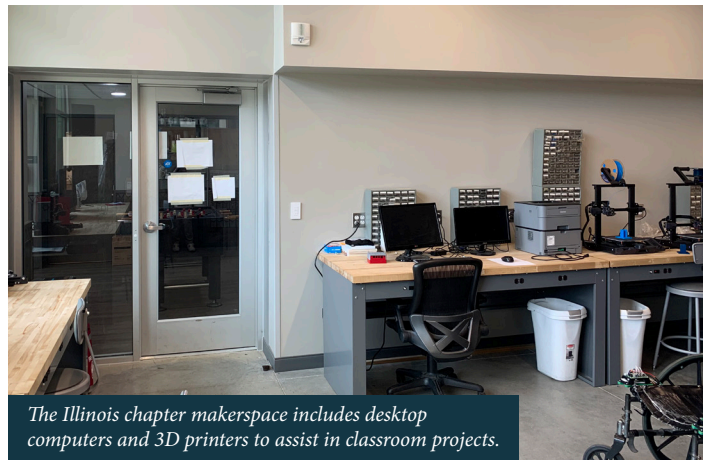
THE TRANSFORMATIVE IMPACT OF MAKERSPACES

By Ariel Tarosky, Triangle Education Foundation Sr. Director of Development & Marketing

Makerspaces are not just workshops; they're dynamic hubs where creativity flourishes and innovation takes shape. For undergraduates living in communities where makerspaces are accessible, the impact can be transformative. These spaces offer more than just tools and equipment; they foster a culture of collaboration, exploration, and hands-on learning.

First, makerspaces provide students with a platform to turn their ideas into reality. Whether it's designing a new product, experimenting with technology, or creating art, these spaces offer the resources needed to bring concepts to life. This hands-on experience is invaluable, complementing traditional classroom learning and allowing students to develop practical skills that are highly sought after in today's job market.

Moreover, makerspaces serve as catalysts for interdisciplinary collaboration. By bringing together students from various academic backgrounds, these spaces encourage the exchange of ideas and perspectives, leading to innovative solutions to complex problems. This collaborative environment fosters a sense of community and belonging among students, creating a supportive ecosystem where everyone can thrive.



The Illinois chapter makerspace includes desktop computers and 3D printers to assist in classroom projects.

The addition of a makerspace at the Illinois chapter house has promoted experiential learning and creativity. Brothers are encouraged to take risks, experiment with new technologies, and learn from both successes and failures. This iterative process not only enhances problem-solving skills but also fosters resilience and adaptability, qualities essential for success in any field.

The Illinois chapter's investment in a newly built makerspace is already yielding impressive results. Triangle Education Foundation Vice Chairman, Mark Tolliver ill70, witnessed firsthand the transformation during his visit in Fall 2023. He noted a palpable surge in pride and dedication among active members—a sentiment that has translated into tangible success. This year, the chapter welcomed one of its largest new member classes for the fall, a testament to the impact of their makerspace initiative.

Speaking with new pledges, many attributed their decision to join Triangle directly to the allure of the innovative makerspace facilities. The convergence of vision and action is propelling the Illinois chapter to new heights, setting a shining example for Triangle chapters nationwide.

“It signals our commitment to our members - to offer a unique and valuable experience during their time at Illinois. One that will build lasting friendships and launch successful careers. And with our new makerspace, one that will increasingly integrate professional skills and development with personal and social development. And one that will help us build a strong, resilient Illinois chapter and a more innovative future for Triangle going forward.” - Mark Tolliver ill70

Makerspaces have the power to revolutionize undergraduate living communities by providing students with the tools, resources, and opportunities they need to unleash their creativity and innovation. By fostering collaboration, experiential learning, and interdisciplinary exploration, these spaces empower students to become the leaders and change makers of tomorrow.



Another angle of the Illinois chapters makerspace lab and storage.



Wide-angle view of the Illinois chapter's workspace within their newly built makerspace.



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DONOR SPOTLIGHT: GUILLAUME ROUSSON *rose06*



By Vicki Gerentes, Triangle Education Foundation Director of Alumni Engagement

Triangle Education Foundation officially welcomed Guillaume Rousson *rose06* to the Board of Directors during the Cabinet meeting this past November in St. Louis, Missouri. Prior to this

new role, he started his leadership involvement as a member of the Council of Emerging Leaders. Guillaume currently resides in New York with his family and serves as the Vice President of Development and Construction for Raycliff Capital.

We asked Guillaume a few questions about what giving back to Triangle means to him.

What inspires you to give back to Triangle?

Most people think of a fraternity as just a social network. Triangle for me was that and much more. It's a place that gave me the support and confidence to power through the rigors of an engineering degree, it prepared me for my professional career, and most important, it provided me with lifelong friends who will always be there when I call. These are the reasons that inspire me to give back.

I hope my contributions are giving future engineers a memorable college experience and the same levels of support that helped me through undergrad.

What does your new leadership role through the Triangle Education Foundation mean to you?

When Dr. Cary Laxer *rose88* approached me with the opportunity, I was humbled and very honored. I see this leadership role as a meaningful opportunity to help strengthen our Foundation using both my professional experiences and my passion for networking. I take pride in helping people find opportunities, and I firmly believe the stronger our network is, the more inclined people will be to give back.

Through your engagement as a donor and board member, what impact or mark do you hope to leave on the Fraternity?

My greatest sense of accomplishment is when I help my team get us somewhere we have never been, and I try to do that by empowering others. I don't want to be remembered for personal achievements or impact; I want to be remembered as a brother who was on the Board that helped get the Triangle Education Foundation somewhere it's never been.

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