



December

ALUMNI QUARTERLY
NEWSLETTER



Condy Richardson, Rio Grande's new Director of Student Services and former student-athlete star enjoyed a day on campus with former teammate Mark Bennett, who visited for the day. The pair enjoyed lunch at the cafeteria and walked around the village to reminisce about old times! Photographed (left) is the pair in front of the main sign near Berry Center and (right) a snapshot in Condy's office with their championship banner in the background. Very neat!



Warm Greetings!

As the holiday season unfolds, we find ourselves reflecting on the cherished moments and enduring connections that define our Rio Grande community. It is with great joy and gratitude that we extend our warmest wishes to you and your loved ones during this festive time.

This holiday season is a special opportunity to celebrate the spirit of togetherness, resilience, and the shared journey that unites us all as members of the Rio family. As we navigate the ever-changing world around us, your achievements and contributions continue to inspire and shape the future of our alma mater.

May this season be filled with joy, laughter, and the warmth of loved ones. May you find time to reflect on the successes and memories that have molded you into the remarkable individuals you are today.

In the spirit of giving, we encourage you to consider reaching out to fellow alumni, reconnecting with old friends, and extending a helping hand to those in need within our global Rio Grande community.

As we bid farewell to the year and welcome a new one, let us carry the spirit of Rio with us—drawing strength from our shared experiences and looking forward to the promising opportunities that lie ahead.

Wishing you a holiday season filled with peace, prosperity, and the company of those who hold a special place in your heart.



CREATING A BRIGHTER TOMORROW



It's an exciting time to be a member of the Red Storm Family! Everything is growing. We now have 5 campuses. Student enrollment has grown to the point that we need an entirely new dorm. Our robust international student population has more than doubled in the last few years and we are always adding new programs of study. This year, we've added Industrial Maintenance, an MS in Nursing and Agricultural Sciences. The Grand Chorale is back in full swing and we have added cheerleading and concert band. The campus is buzzing with excitement. We wanted to take a moment to thank you for always staying connected to your alma mater.

One way to help our current students is to register any jobs, mentorship or internship opportunities with our career services department. If you own a business, consider volunteering with our Center for Entrepreneurship or letting our marketing department interview you so we can share it with our fellow alumni and friends. We want to brag about your successes! As we mentioned above - be sure to update your alumni information.

Kala Sue (Waugh) Bush, Class of 1979 is pictured posing next to a photograph of her from 30 years ago, which hangs in the Davis University Center. She was surprised to see the photo during her visit to campus!

Students enjoy the "Red Zone" area of the Davis University Center - which houses popular ping pong tables, a theatre and student pantry / clothing closet.

As with many other areas - the Red Zone is well-loved by students and is in need of renovation to the theatre and furniture in the near future as we experience such growth in our on-campus student population!



CAMPUS UPDATES



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A new era for
Welsh Heritage
at Rio Grande
and beyond.
Watch for
Davis House
building
renovation
and an
invitation to utilize
the Welsh Library.

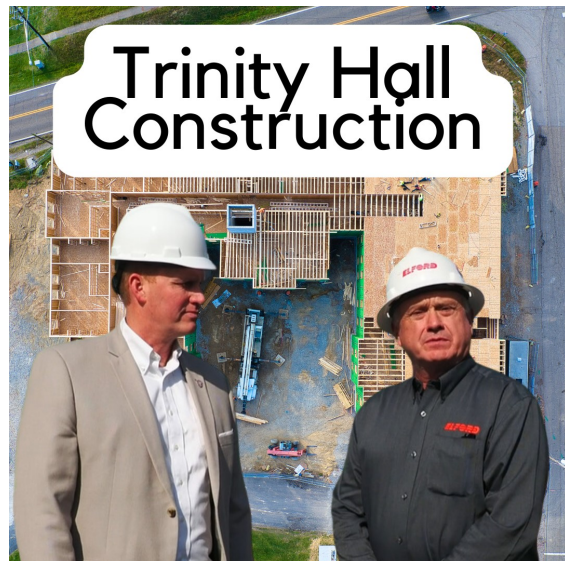


Community Members, Faculty and Staff
Gathered at the President's Home to Enjoy
Cookies and Hot Cocoa after Giving Tuesday.
Click to watch the video!



IN YOUR RIO PHOTOS

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Members of the Rio Grande family rallied together during the annual Athletic Hall of Fame this fall to celebrate and honor Art Lanham. They established an endowed scholarship - meaning that it will continue to grow with more donations and live on forever to commemorate his outstanding service to U of Rio! Students will be selected annually to receive the gift of this scholarship. If you would like to make a donation to his scholarship - or are interested in starting your own in honor of a fellow alumni or former professor, please call the Office of Advancement at 740-245-7200.



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