



THE SPENCERIAN



A note from the #1

Brothers,

As the weather begins to turn and fall exams come to a close, it is always beneficial to reflect on the time that flies by quicker than we can comprehend. Ever since being elected as President, the members of our Alpha have participated in numerous events and experiences, both inside the classroom and out. From the academic side, our Alpha currently has two members up for valedictorian this spring, in a class of 467. From Economics theses to Engineering capstone projects, the wide range of skill sets is extremely evident throughout our Alpha. We have Brothers working with surgeons at Albany Hospital to manufacture biomechanical limbs, as well as a Brother on the Union College racing team building a vehicle to be tested in the spring.

As seniors approach their last term, it is also time to bring thinking about the future. Many Brothers have already accepted prestigious positions in the economic consulting field in places such as Bank of America, Analysis Group Inc., and KPMG. From the athletic side, we are proud to represent on the Liberty League All-Conference football team, as well as having two Brothers committing to play graduate school baseball.

While many of our Brothers are busy with all aspects of their daily lives, the Brotherhood at Union College has moved to an all-time high. We recently welcomed 19 New Members from our fall pledge class. Thanks to the newly-elected Rush Chairs, our recruitment process was a huge success. We could not be more thrilled with the 19 men we have gained, and the quality within each member is something we look forward to continuing for years to come. The newly-initiated Brothers have had a seamless transition into the full Brotherhood of the Fraternity, already participating in our philanthropy events and various Brotherhood events and workshops. The fall weather has made for great cookout weather, capitalizing on many Sunday Night Football matchups this season.

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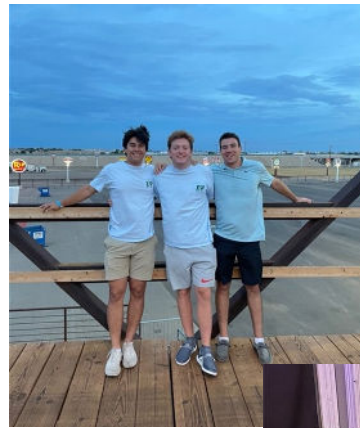
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The Brothers of Alpha Pi have also humbly accepted the Brown Cup Award at Union College, awarded to the fraternity with the highest GPA and best participation in campus-wide and philanthropy events. This award is just one of the ways in which our well-roundedness and support of the community are shown. One of the main goals I set out to achieve as #1 - with the rest of my Executive Board - was to improve communication and growth within the Fraternity. Within a large group, it is easy to get lost in the business of a schedule and the continuous stream of social events. I can truly say that through these last three terms, I can see the tangible difference in the growth of Brotherhood within the walls of the Lodge. Our senior and junior class of Brothers have set a great precedent that we see in our New Members of the sophomore class, which we believe will be carried on for years to come.

As my term as #1 comes to a close, I can honestly say that I have no doubts or concerns about the future of Alpha Pi. The fall term has served as a positive continuum of the goals which were set in place last winter, and the brothers of Alpha Pi continue to grow and cherish the values which we were founded upon.

YITB,

Daniel Choate, '23, #1



L to R: Sam Strazza, '25, Ryan Cowles, '24, and Kyle Zaslaw, '25, enjoying a Big-Little night.



L to R: Jono Santos, '23; Daniel Choate, '23; and Sebastian Pike, '24, at the 181st Annual Convention.



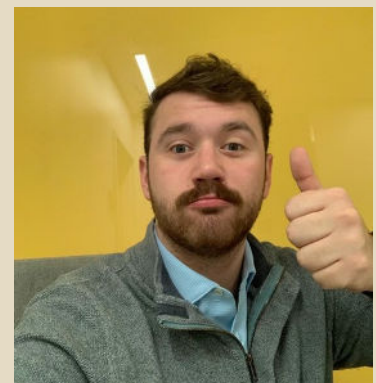
Brothers of Alpha Pi holding the Brown Cup.

PHILANTHROPY UPDATE

By: Anders Fish, '23, Philanthropy Chair

Brothers,

In the spring of 2022, the Brothers put on a very successful Spelling Bee with around 100 participants and spectators. This event raised \$1,000 for a local organization called Things of My Very Own. Starting this November, the Brothers are participating in Movember to raise money to support men's health. Specifically, the money raised will help support mental health, prostate cancer, and testicular cancer. To show support, Brothers are growing mustaches and committing to walking, running, and moving a certain distance throughout the month. So far, the Brothers have raised around \$1,000 and moved nearly 200 miles. The Brothers are hoping to continue this momentum throughout the month of November.



Joseph Ferrer, '23, shows off his mustache for Movember.

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BROTHERHOOD UPDATE

By: Thomas Parisi, '24, #36 (Alpha Communications Director)

Brothers,

This October, Justin Zolot, '12, came back to his alma mater to hold a Brotherhood event for the Brothers and Potential New Members of Alpha Pi at the Lodge at Union College. During this Brotherhood event, Brother Zolot discussed the leadership positions throughout the organization and how to be a successful student while being a part of this organization. The main portion of this workshop that stood out to me and my fellow Brothers was how to get the most out of this Brotherhood that we've created. Whether it was one from one Brother to another or the organization as a whole, Brother Zolot emphasized the importance of communication and how it helps make decisions easier.

One of the most successful sections of this workshop was when we went around the room and shared examples of when Brothers confronted an issue regarding the organization, whether it was in response to a leadership flaw or social issues. We also discussed the tragic story of "Gordie" Bailey at the University of Colorado, who was extremely intoxicated due to "encouraged" drinking and was drawn on with permanent markers on his bid night. He ended up passing away because no one asked or called for help. This story opened the eyes of all the current Brothers of Alpha Pi because of how easily it could have been prevented and because of the impact that it has had on the Chi Psi organization.

Throughout my time in this organization, the Brothers of Alpha Pi have organized many events including Sunday barbecues (my personal favorite). They are so enjoyable because they bring all of the Brothers together to talk about their weeks and enjoy hot dogs and hamburgers at the same time. It emphasizes the idea of Brotherhood that Brother Zolot preached to us because it creates an environment within the entire organization where Brothers are free to discuss whatever they want without fear of judgment.



Devin Smith, '24, and Aidan Parente, '24, living in York, England on their study abroad program.



Kevin Dewing, '24, named Liberty League Second Team All-Conference as an offensive lineman.



Christopher Kucich, '23, and Daniel Choate, '23, present their robotic sphere for a Mechanical Engineering senior project.

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SPOTLIGHT: JAKE FISHMAN, '16

By: Ryan Cowles, '24, Social Chair

Chi Psi gentlemen do not settle for their accomplishments during their time at Union College. Jake Fishman, '16, is a great example of that. Fishman played three years of baseball at Union as a two-way player, helping the Dutchmen to two conference championships in 2014 and 2016. After collegiate ball, he was drafted as a pitcher in the 30th round of the 2016 MLB draft by the Toronto Blue Jays. He continued his career professionally by joining Team Israel as a reserve in 2017's World Baseball Classic, and had the privilege of competing in the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, Japan. During the Olympics, Brother Fishman wore the number 17 on his jersey. This past summer, Brother Fishman made his Major League debut. On July 31, he pitched 3.1 innings out of the bullpen for the Miami Marlins, allowing just one run. He went on to appear in six more games, pitching 11 total innings. Brother Fishman's impressive achievements have been an inspiration to the Union College baseball team along with all Chi Psi Brothers. We are all excited to keep watching him continue to work hard and chase his dreams. Keep an eye out for this driven alum on the baseball diamond.



*Brother Fishman
throws a pitch in a
game for the Miami
Marlins this summer.*

ALUMNI RELATIONS

By: Jason Ayala, '23, Alumni Relations Chair

My main goal as Alumni Relations Chair was to enhance our relationship with the alumni through networking. Earlier this year, actives and New Members completed a networking training through the Becker Career Center. This training centered around how to effectively network with our alumni. Reaching out to alumni in a sector that you find interesting and creating that initial conversation about their trajectory after Union is something that can go a long way. We are currently working on a networking platform that would be composed of only present and past members.

Additionally, one of the biggest ways we engage with alumni is through ReUnion Weekend. This spring, for the first time in three years, we were able to have an in-person alumni weekend. I reached out to hundreds of alumni and invited them back to the Lodge for an event catered by a local food truck, a tour of the Lodge to see new improvements, and to meet the actives. It was great to see a nice turnout of alumni and to start building relationships with both recent and past alumni that will hopefully continue to grow.

I am continuing to work with the Central Office to further engage with alumni. We are hoping to create a mentor-mentee dynamic with alumni in certain sectors who will be willing to work with an active interested in pursuing that field after graduation.