



The Bazoo

Fall 2022



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Leadership

The Executive Board

	Fall 2022	Spring 2023
• President	Douglas Lattuca, '22	Ethan Gunther, '25
• Executive Vice President	Brendan Berman, '23	Jacob Leisawitz, '24
• VP of Loss Prevention	Anthony Haak, '24	Cage Lasley, '25
• VP of Internal Relations	Alex Mendel, '24	Robert Munch, '25
• VP of External Relations	James Roberts, '23	Nathan Starkey, '25
• VP of Finance	Riley Wall, '24	Riley Wall, '24
• Housing Manager	Ethan Gunther, '25	DylanGreenhouse, '24
• Secretary	Maximo Lockhart, '25	Cole Weintraub, '25
• Rush Chair	Corey Bruno, '23	Luke Profaci, '25
• Associate Member Educator	Akshay Kapur, '25	Marco Tinetto, '23

Chairmen

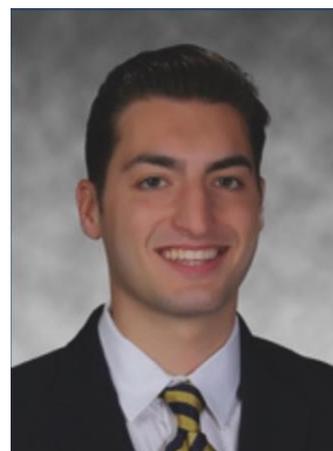
	Fall 2022
• Internal Philanthropy Chair	Hugh Medvecky, '23
• External Philanthropy Chair	Robert Munch, '25
• Community Engagement Chair	Justin Herzfeld, '24
• Governance Chair	Jonas Weissberg, '25
• Alumni & Family Relations Chair	DylanGreenhouse, '24
• Assistant Treasurer	Riley Wall, '25
• Athletic Director	Owen Brown, '25
• Social Chairs	Tomas Posada, '23
	Jared Aaronson, '24
• Brotherhood Chairs	Marco Tinetto, '23
	Arren Cuyler, '23
• PR Chair	Ejay Ramos, '24
• Academic Excellence Chair	Zach Byle, '23
• Historian	Matt Holmes, '25
• Diversity, Equity & Inclusion	Zion Henriques '24



President's Pen Points

Brothers,

Welcome to the Fall 2022 edition of the Bazoo! For those you who don't know me, I'm Douglas Lattuca ('23), outgoing President of the Delta Upsilon at Syracuse University. With this being my final duty as President, I want to first thank my Executive Board, listed on the previous page, for all the great work they did over the past two semesters.



The fall 2022 semester was another successful one for the brotherhood. DU at Syracuse was recognized as a top seven chapter in the entire Delta Upsilon International Fraternity for the first time since 1983! The continued internal and external growth of the brotherhood has been gratifying to watch, especially for me as one of the older members in the house. Through hard work, building a strong foundation, instilling the right morals, and striving to get better, Delta Upsilon is as strong as it's ever been and credit should be given to every single brother in the chapter. It comes down to buying in to what Delta Upsilon is all about - Building Better Men - and through proper education our new members continue to understand the values, ideals, and pillars that we as a brotherhood are built on.

This chapter has already done great things to make the brothers of old proud, and I look forward to watching from the sidelines as this group climbs to even greater heights while upholding the great legacy and traditions that this house was established on. The foundation is built, it's strong, and I can't wait to see what the future holds.

If you have any questions or would just like to chat, feel free to reach out to me at douglaslattuca@gmail.com or at (516) 983-0738.

Dikaia,

Douglas Lattuca
Chapter President (Spring 2022 – Fall 2022)
Vice President of Loss Prevention (Fall 2021)

Newly Initiated Members

A Message from Recruitment Chair

After a very successful spring semester, Delta Upsilon Syracuse initiated 12 new members this fall. Spearheaded by Corey Bruno, the Recruitment Committee secured a class of gentlemen that the chapter is extremely proud of. Official IFC recruitment lasts only one week but the rush season is long and arduous. The Recruitment Committee worked very hard for months preparing for the week-long process to put DU in an optimal and competitive position. It's extremely important that this process runs smoothly and the Recruitment Committee did outstanding and efficient work. With a mix of students from all majors and backgrounds, Delta Upsilon welcomes these young men who will serve as the future of the fraternity.

Meet the Nu's (Fall 2022)



Bottom Center: Associate Member Educator: Akshay Kapur

Philanthropy

DU Dingers

On October 21st the brothers of DU held our Fall Philanthropy event to benefit the Syracuse Branch of *We Rise Above The Streets*. This local nonprofit organization stands to reduce the financial burden on the homeless population of Syracuse by providing affordable food, clothing, and other necessities. Hugh Medvecky, Robert Munch, and James Roberts were responsible for the organization and execution of this brand new and hopefully staple event for the Brotherhood: "DU Dingers".



In an effort to find a fun and engaging way to raise money for a great cause we decided to host a wiffleball home-run-derby. During this event many fraternities and sororities donated money and participated. Top prize was a \$50 gift card to a business of their choosing, but after a long battle and a tie breaker between the DU and Phi Psi teams, we secured the victory and decided to contribute the prize to the overall donations. On the day we were able to raise \$850 in donations to *We Rise above the Streets*. Later that evening Hugh Medvecky and James Roberts went to the opening of the new headquarters and pledged the donation.



We are extremely grateful for the houses and individuals who came by to contribute to our philanthropy.



Delta Upsilon / Tri-Delta Fundraiser

On June 24, 2022, Roe v. Wade was overturned. The undergraduate brotherhood believes and supports the idea that everyone should have the right to decide what they do with their own bodies. With this in mind and the knowledge that millions of people across the U.S. were affected by this ruling, the brothers of Delta Upsilon and the sisters of Delta Delta Delta decided to fundraise for *If/When/How*. This is a reproductive rights legal defense advocacy group. It covers bail costs and pays for legal defense for those investigated, arrested, or prosecuted for self-managing an abortion. It also provides free confidential help from legal experts.

Together, Delta Upsilon and Tri Delta raised \$895, nearly reaching the \$1000 goal.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

IF/WHEN/HOW REPRO LEGAL HELPLINE
<https://www.reprolegalhelpline.org>

PLANNED PARENTHOOD ACTION FUND
<https://www.plannedparenthoodaction.org>

THE BRIGID ALLIANCE
<https://brigidalliance.org/donate/>

BANS OFF ABORTION
<http://bansoffabortion.org>

External Philanthropy

Every semester it is extremely important for the brothers of Delta Upsilon to participate in as many other houses' philanthropies as possible. In doing so, we expand our outreach and contribute to many important causes. With external philanthropy chair Robert Munch leading the charge, this semester we were much more involved than we have been in some time. Some of the philanthropic events in which DU participated included the Delta Kappa Epsilon Volleyball, Phi Sigma Sigma Inferno, Delta Gamma Anchor Games, Alpha Epsilon Phi Festival, Alpha Chi Omega French Fries, Sigma Delta Tau Pizza Eating Contest and the Theta Bowl.

Highlights of the Philanthropy Season: DU's Rugby team made it to the finals of the Phi Sig Inferno. And the team of Jonas Weissberg, Aidan Zaicek, Zach Weiss, Jason Curry, Mo Holtzman and Billy Salapow won Alpha Chi Omega's Frisbee Tournament!



Mo Holtzman Holding the AXO Frisbee trophy

Community Engagement

This semester our community engagement chair Justin Herzfeld spearheaded a new initiative to revitalize our volunteerism. Each week we sent a group of up to 5 undergraduate brothers to The Samaritan Center. During these volunteer hours the brothers cleaned the facilities and prepared food to be provided for underprivileged people in the Syracuse community. This weekly obligation for the house is an outstanding way to give back to the community that many of us call home. Additionally, the Samaritan Center was extremely grateful for our continued support and labor



Chase Conolly, Robert Munch, Philip DiGregorio, and Justin Herzfeld



Nick Grande, Jackson Haugenes, Chase Connolly, Bailey Gorman, and Justin Herzfeld

Housing Updates

DUSU Housing Corp, Gamma Omicron (our landlord), and Premier Cleaning and Property Services (our facility manager) and the undergrads made remarkable progress during the Summer of 2022, restoring, repairing, and improving the chapter house at 801 Walnut Ave. Projects during the summer included, a general cleanout, wall and room repairs, a furniture repair and replacement program, upgrades to the Great Room, the half bath and basement, and doorway restoration.

The general clean out consisted of removing removing trash, broken furniture, and general debris from the property. Several bedroom and stairwell walls were patched, sanded, and painted. The bathroom for room 1 (“The Eagle’s Nest”) was regouted and thoroughly cleaned. The entire house underwent a deep cleaning, and several bedrooms received new furniture.



Room 6 (“The Hive”) went through a comprehensive transformation which included removing the carpet and installing new vinyl floor, a new full sized bed frame, patching the ceiling, and repainting the trim. Room 9 (“Cloud Nine”) had the floor sanded, refinished, and the walls touched up. Room 10 (“The Alps”) had the carpet removed and replaced by vinyl flooring, the walls painted, and a new desk provided. Room 11 (“The Dungeon”)



had the carpet removed and replaced by new vinyl flooring, the doorway repaired, and the walls painted. It was also furnished with a new desk, chest of drawers, and a full-sized bedframe. In Room 12 (“The Sandcastle”), three lofted twin-sized bed frames with mattresses were installed. The Great Room was thoroughly cleaned and the floor refinished. The half bath used by the chef was rebuilt, including a new floor, toilet, mop sink, paint, and flooring. Finally, in the basement, several upgrades were made to improve safety and fulfill requirements by the Fire Marshall, and the floor was repainted.

The new furniture purchase program included the Housing Corp buying the “basics” (beds, mattresses, desks/chairs and clothing rods) previously owned by undergrads for continued use and eventual upgrade. Non-essential items such as couches, tables, and air conditioners will continue to be owned by undergrads.



We are extremely grateful to the Housing Corp. for their commitment to upgrading our wonderful chapter house at 801 Walnut Ave.

Dikaia Scholar



For the 2022/2023 academic year, The Dikaia Foundation has selected **Jack Cote '24** as Dikaia Scholar from a group of highly qualified candidates recommended by the Chapter Executive Board. The Dikaia Scholar was created in 2019 to represent Dikaia and support Dikaia's Grants and Awards Committee led by **Peter Gaines '79**.

Jack is a junior from Lunenburg, Massachusetts majoring in Finance and Business Analytics. Jack follows **Miles Isgrig '23** as Dikaia Scholar for the 2021/2022 academic year. "I'm grateful to be selected as the Dikaia Scholar for the upcoming year," said Jack. "Having seen the great accomplishments Miles achieved during his tenure, I am determined to follow in his footsteps. I will strive to make the Dikaia Awards process the best it can possibly be for our brotherhood."

The Dikaia Awards application portal opens on **December 1** and closed on **December 31, 2022**.
All applicants must fulfill their housing commitment to be considered for a Dikaia award.

"We were thrilled to learn that Jack Cote was selected as the Dikaia Scholar for this academic year," stated Chapter President, **Doug Lattuca '23**, adding, "Jack joined our Chapter in the Fall of 2021 as part of the Lambda class and has become an important member of our house. We are hopeful he will become one of the future leaders of our Chapter."

Jack has begun working on the upcoming application process along with Dikaia President **Kevin Stein '83** who stated, "We encourage active members of the chapter to apply for scholarships which fulfill Dikaia's mission to aid, encourage, and promote the education and general well-being of members of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity at Syracuse University".

At Dikaia's annual meeting on September 24th, **Rick Holland '83**, acting Chairman of the Nominating Committee welcomed **David Nass '91** and **Gary Cohen '93** to the Dikaia Foundation Board of Trustees. "Dave and Gary are highly respected members of our alumni brotherhood, and they've been strong supporters of the Dikaia Foundation," said Rick. "They each bring important professional experience to the Dikaia Board, and help the Board expand its representation such that we now have alumni from the '70s, '80s, '90s and 2010's." Rick also recognized the contributions of long-time board member, **Dick Lowery '82**, who departs the Dikaia Board in 2022 after many years of dedication and support. "The Board has been fortunate to have Dick's steady involvement, thoughtful insights and sense of humor," Rick said, "and we'll continue to seek his help with projects in the days ahead."

The annual Dikaia Foundation Awards Ceremony, including the new Albert P. Stauderman, Jr. Newhouse Leaders Award, is scheduled for Saturday **February 25, 2023**,

on the Syracuse University campus. All family, friends, and alumni are invited and encouraged to attend in person or via Zoom. Details for the event will follow.

For more information on The Dikaia Foundation and the scholarship application, please visit www.dikaia.org.

And, as always, alumni are encouraged to support our undergraduate brothers through Dikaia's Annual Fund Drive.

Dikaia Foundation Board of Trustees

Abdulaziz Al-Sulaiti '19
Lawrence Cantor '84
Gary Cohen '93
John T. Fitzpatrick '85
William French '85
Peter Gaines '79
Steven Hochberg '83
Rick Holland '83

Kenneth Hyman '88
Jonathan A. Levy '82
Theodore H. Limpert '81
David Nass '91
Kevin Stein '83
Oswald C. Street IV '80
Michael Whalen '86
Aidan Wisner '21

Important Alumni Virtual Chapter Meeting

January 10, 2023 @ 7 p.m. Eastern

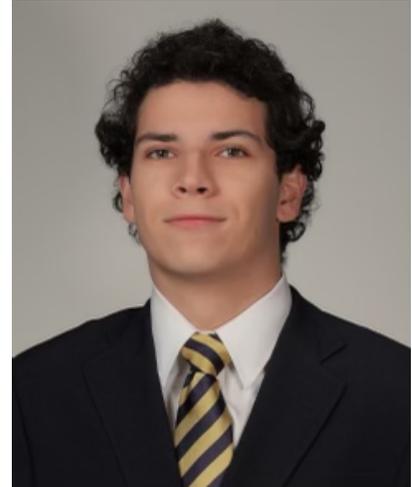
All alumni brothers are invited and encouraged to attend a special
Alumni Virtual Chapter Meeting
to reconnect and get additional updates about the chapter.

REGISTER TO ATTEND AT: <http://www.dusyracuse.com/>

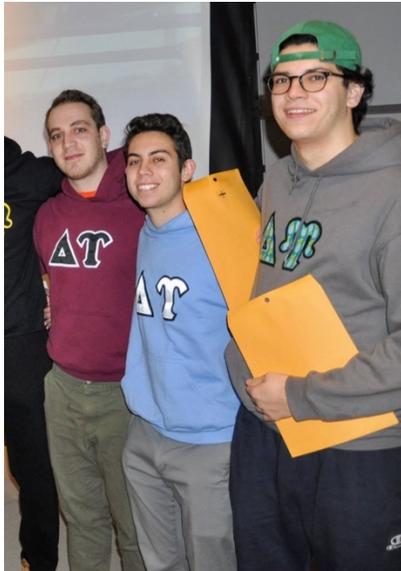
Brother Spotlight

Connor Pignatello

For our brother spotlight, Connor Pignatello was the clear choice. His contributions to the Syracuse chapter of Delta Upsilon and the University are numerous and exemplary. Throughout his undergraduate career, Connor led by example. He held the positions of Brotherhood Chair and Rush Chair, as well as having commitments outside the house. As Brotherhood Chair during the pandemic with social events unavailable, Connor was responsible for upholding the brotherhood. He has participated in many chapter committees. Connor is also the VP of Recruitment for the Interfraternity Council for 2022-23, coordinating recruitment for all Syracuse IFC fraternities. Connor works for the Daily Orange as a senior staff writer. He recently covered the NCAA champion Syracuse men's soccer team. He works for Syracuse.com as the woman's basketball reporter.



Additionally, when asked about the time he spent with Delta Upsilon, Connor had this to say:



“DU has been the fundamental basis for my college experience at Syracuse. I came into college not knowing anything about fraternity life, but joining DU was the defining decision of my college career and life so far. Now that I’ll be leaving soon, I’m glad to say I believe I’m leaving it better than I found it.”

Connor will graduate this Spring from the Newhouse and Maxwell colleges with majors in newspaper and online journalism as well as history. His career aspirations are to work as a sports reporter. As he completes his academic career we wish him luck in his future endeavors.

Connor is an incredibly kind person and a wonderful brother. His contributions to the house will be felt and appreciated for years to come. We thank him for his continued devotion to Delta Upsilon and wish him good luck on his future endeavors.



In Conclusion

This year, it has been my privilege as EVP of External Relations to document and share our growth with our incredible network of supporters from family and alumni to the greater Syracuse community. This Semester has been one of tremendous growth for the Syracuse Chapter of Delta Upsilon.

As we reflect on the semester, we also look forward to the coming year. During this semester, the house has elected a new Executive Board. The incoming President, Ethan Gunther, is a tremendous leader and we have the utmost faith in him as he takes the reigns.

On behalf of all our active brothers, thank you to the Chapter Advisory Board, Housing Corporation, and Dikaia Foundation for all their help and guidance throughout this semester. Finally, thank you to the Executive Board and all the Fall chairmen for the hard work they put into making this house as great as well all know it can be.

For more information regarding the Delta Upsilon Syracuse Chapter and ways to get involved visit our website at <http://www.dusyracuse.com>. Follow our Instagram @deltaupsilonsu for regular updates.

Dikaia,

James Roberts
EVP of External Relations