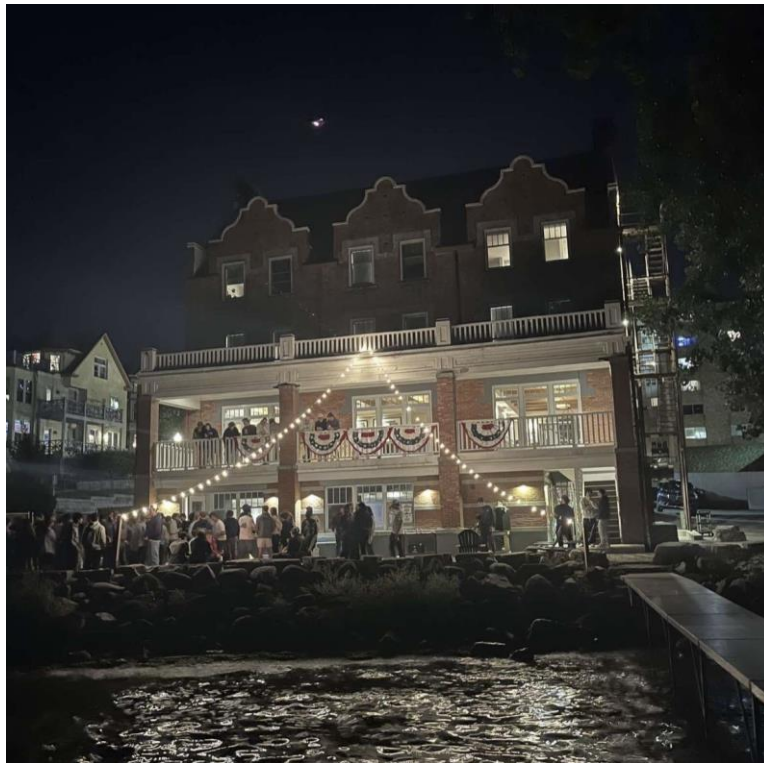




Delta Upsilon Newsletter

Fall Semester Recap



by Ben Russell, VP of Alumni Relations - Wisconsin Delta Upsilon (Class of 2027)

The fall semester started with a great Dad's weekend in early September (pictured below). We then had a successful rush process, welcoming a pledge class of 19 new brothers. The chapter continued its philanthropy, including our annual event with Gamma Phi Beta and their 0.1K Race, which successfully raised money for Girls on the Run, our third annual Hot Dog Eating Contest with the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, and other philanthropy events to help raise money for the DU Global Service Initiative.

In athletics, the DU football team had an outstanding regular season going undefeated but falling short in the second round of the playoffs. The basketball team is off to a good start and looks to continue it during the Spring semester. The semester was wrapped up in Chicago where the Winter Formal was held, as the brothers were able to venture throughout the city and enjoy their time together!



Members of our Junior class at the first football game during Dad's weekend!

New Executive Board

Elections for the new executive board were held the week before Thanksgiving, marking the transition of leadership with former President Sam Shydrowski and the executive board passing the torch to our new leaders. The new positions include:

- Jackson Shea (Manhattan Beach, CA) as **President**
- Jack Altman (Boston, MA) as **VP of Risk Management**
- James Kellerman (Marin County, CA) as **Treasurer**
- Jack Laubusch (Milwaukee, WI) as **Assistant Treasure**
- Oliver London (New York City) as **Social Chair**
- Nico Tribuzio (Marin County, CA) as **Recruitment Chair**
- Max Steiner (Madison, WI) as **Health and Wellness Chair**
- David Rashid (Joliet, IL) as **Philanthropy Chair**
- Liam Ried (Zionsville, IN) as **Academic Excellence Chair**
- Ben Russell (Kansas City, KS) as **VP of Alumni Relations**

We appreciate and applaud the great work done by our previous executive board and look forward to a successful year under new leadership!

Senior Spotlight



I am Josh Watters, and I am a senior from Madison, WI graduating in May with a degree in Finance and Real Estate. I had the pleasure of serving as the Chapter President in 2022, which taught me more than I could have ever imagined. When I began pledging during the Fall of 2020, I was excited at the thought of joining a group of very different individuals that are brought together by commonalities stemming from unity, loyalty and friendship. As I thought to my 18-year-old self, I would have been very happy if I found myself immersed in a community that shared those three values; now, at age. 22, I reflect and see that that was solely the “tip of the iceberg”. This fraternity is a family. The bonds between pledge classes and grades are like that of siblings; older and younger guys naturally make personal connections that grow into deep relationships built on trust and mentorship. The men in a respective pledge class are like twin brothers; we may argue, but our bonds are stronger than steel and at the end of the day there is never a doubt in any of our minds that our brothers will be there for us, no matter what.

Delta Upsilon, internationally, prides itself on “Building Better Men”. At face value, this seemed to me like a slogan that many organizations could stamp on their website. What about Delta Upsilon would build me into a better man? While the training sessions and surveys I completed as a member and as president taught me a lot, the real value of this fraternity is the culture of “family”. Our values are pure, and when you grow up in this tight-knit fraternity, you grow into those values. This is what has built me, and every single person I’ve known throughout my time here, into better men.

Josh Watters '24
Wisconsin Chapter President 2022

Looking Ahead

- Looking ahead to the spring semester, we are thrilled by the number of juniors within our chapter taking the opportunity to **study abroad**. We have brothers traveling across the globe, including **Copenhagen, Prague, Paris, and Frankfurt**.
- We are happy to host another **Mother's Weekend** in early March with invitations sent to mothers of our active DU brothers.
- If there are any alumni that you wish to celebrate, please contact me at brrussell3@wisc.edu, and I will be sure to include them in the next newsletter.
- Regarding the fall, we're looking forward to the **DU Dinner** that's currently scheduled for **October 12!** For any questions, please reach out to me or Jeff Stoltman (jstoltman@tds.net).
- We're hoping to continue the tradition of the **Homecoming Alumni Tailgate**, which will take place October 26th against Penn State; we hope to see you all there!
- With the spring semester underway, the Delta Upsilon chapter is excited to work hard and enjoy time with each other on the frozen lake!

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