

Today is a GREAT day to be a Theta Delt!



There are two Undergraduate Member at Large positions available on the Grand Lodge. These positions are for a one-year term. In the words of Bradley Rosenblatt, Rho Proteron '22 one of the two current undergraduate representatives on the current Grand Lodge:

"I would encourage others to run for this position if they want to help shape the future of the Fraternity."

Click <u>here</u> to apply for one of the Undergraduate positions on the Grand Lodge Positions. Applications must be submitted by August 5th at 6:00 pm EDT. It is a great opportunity to chart a future for the "Old Lady."



Registration for NON-Delegates is now available. Join hundreds of Theta Delts from across the U.S. and Canada in Schenectady, NY at Union College as we "renew in UNION our social joys" August 4-7, 2022.

Go to the <u>Convention website</u> for all of the detailed information you will need to register for the event and to connect with the <u>Landing Hotel</u> (Group code **TDC0822**)

This year's program features a half-day at <u>Mountain Ridge Adventures</u> OR a trip to the <u>Saratoga Race Track</u>, the moving and inspirational Omega Service, numerous educational sessions, and the fun and engaging Grand Banquet. The full convention registration includes these activities and ALL of your meals. Register today to participate in this historic event.



- Tommy Cavallo, Alpha '23 Captain Union College Football
- Tim Driscoll, Alpha '22 Captain Union College Football
- Stan Koss IV, Alpha '23 Captain Union College Football

- Nick Whiteman, Alpha '23 Facilitator for OFSL Critical Conversations
- Owen Foley, Alpha '22 Facilitator OFSL Critical Conversations
- Dr. Mark Webster, Alpha '88– Union College Alumnus of the Year 2022
- Carlos Gregory, Alpha '22 Union College President's Recognition Cup 2022
- Zach Dubinsky, Alpha '23 IFC Vice President
- Anthony Buzzetta, Alpha '24 IFC Treasurer
- Calvin Schneider, Alpha '24 IFC Recruitment Chair



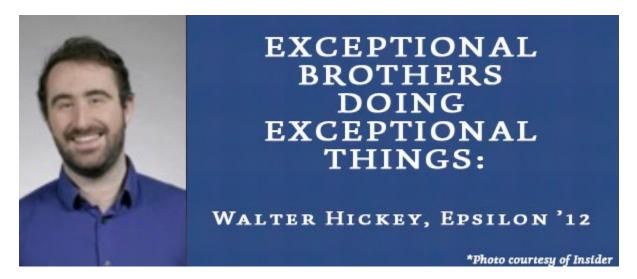


With the annual Convention being held in Schenectady, New York, it seemed appropriate to highlight the Alpha Charge in this newsletter. As we are all aware, the Alpha Charge was founded in 1847. While Theta Delta Chi thrived shortly after its founding, the Alpha Charge closed twenty years later in 1867 due to a lack of members. In 1923, the Charge was re-established and has been in continuous operation since. The Charge currently boasts a membership of 77 with a goal of a recruitment class of 30+. While this might seem a stretch, the last new member class was 29. The Charge has the second-highest GPA of six fraternities on the Union College campus with a cumulative GPA of 3.5. While the Charge boasts a large number of Union College athletes including the co-captains of the football team, recruitment is focused on diversifying their membership and they have already secured several members who are in the Leadership in Medicine program, the only fraternity that has members from this highly demanding program.

The Alpha Charge was the recipient of the <u>Brown Cup</u> for the best Fraternity on the campus in 2021. The Charge has currently celebrated **Dr. Mark Webster, Alpha '88**, being awarded the Alumnus of the Year 2022, and **Carlos Gregory, Alpha '22** winning the President's Recognition Cup 2022.

The Charge is preparing to conduct a weekly service project at the <u>Schenectady City</u> <u>Mission</u> during the 2022-23 academic year. The City Mission was founded by Mike Saccocio, Alpha '83, who is also the Executive Director of the program.

Nick Whiteman, Alpha '23, Charge President, was a facilitator for the 2022 Preamble.



Walter Hickey, Epsilon '12 was recently awarded the Pulitzer Prize for illustrated reporting and commentary. Brother Hickey was part of a team at the online publication, <u>Insider</u>, that reported on the situation of the Uyghur community in China using comics.

The Pulitzer Prize is the nation's highest honor for journalism, literary works, and musical composition. The Pulitzer is awarded annually and was established in 1917. The illustrated story is "<u>How I escaped a Chinese internment camp</u>" and is based on a first-person account of their capture and beating. Brother Hickey served as a journalist and editor for the story along with participating in numerous hours of interviews with Zumrat Duwat, the subject of the story.

Brother Hickey majored in applied mathematics at William & Mary and was on the staff of the college newspaper, the **Flat Hat**. He was able to marry two of his interests, data, and journalism. After graduating from W&M he worked at Insider, then worked at **Five ThirtyEight** as their chief culture writer before returning to **Insider**.

Brother Hickey shares this award with the other members of the team at Insider that produced the story, Fahmida Azim, Anthony Del Col, and Josh Adams. Again, congratulations to Brother Hickey and the team at Insider for a job well done.



Brother Simon Sajan, Gamma Triton '24 sent us this picture of himself from the top of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania. Mount Kilimanjaro is the tallest mountain in Africa and the tallest free-standing mountain in the world at 19,341ft. This picture attests to his commitment to the "Old Lady."