Hello!

We hope you are all continuing to do well and stay healthy! UO staff is working remotely, and keeping up with our students. I wanted to provide you a brief update on some of the initiatives we are working on, and things to look forward to.

- **Spring Recruitment:** chapters that were eligible to recruit in the spring were able to do so. Only a couple of fraternities are offering bids, and most are holding off on the new member process until fall.
- **Fall Recruitment:** we are working with our campus partners, the National Panhellenic Conference and the North-American Interfraternity Conference to develop several alternatives for fall recruitment. We know that typical methods of recruitment, in particular for Panhellenic, will probably not be in line with the governor’s updated orders. NPC has a workgroup developing plans, and we are looking forward to their guidance. I anticipate that we will have limitations on the size of gatherings, so recruitment will likely look different. We are putting together a number of different options for Panhellenic Recruitment. We will have our options developed by the end of the month, and hopefully will know more about moving forward. NPC released their initial guidance yesterday, so we will be carefully reviewing that as we develop our plans.
- **Facility Occupancy:** we know that many of you are planning for what occupancy in your chapter house will look like in the fall. I am in contact with our colleagues in University Housing to get some suggestions. They are following the CDC guidelines [here](https://www.cdc.gov). Additional information about the University’s response can be found [here](https://uoregon.edu). As I learn of anything that can be helpful, I will pass it on.
- **Availability:** The FSL staff is hosting open office hours via Zoom every Monday-Thursday from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Chapter leaders, or any members for that matter, are encouraged to stop by and say hi. We are available to answer questions, brainstorm, etc. Our social media is updated daily so students can check to see who from our staff will be available. Please encourage your students to stop by and chat with us! At this point it is only available to those with a uoregon.edu email address. If it is something you all would be interested in, let me know and we can set up a different platform.
- **Pennington & Company Webinar:** Pennington is offering another free webinar, on preparing your chapter facility to open this fall. It will be Tuesday, May 12 at 4:00 p.m. PT. You can register by clicking [here](https://uoregon.edu). All registrants will receive a recording, and I have already registered. If you’re unable to make the webinar today, I will share what I receive. The webinar will discuss:
  - Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): do we need to provide/require it?
  - Sick Room: is self-isolation realistic?
  - Sleeping Porch/Cold Dorm/Warm Dorm: where do we even start?
  - Vendors Are Coming: ideas on how to manage access.
Cleaning: how much is enough?

Please let us know how we can support you and your chapter.

Take care,

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