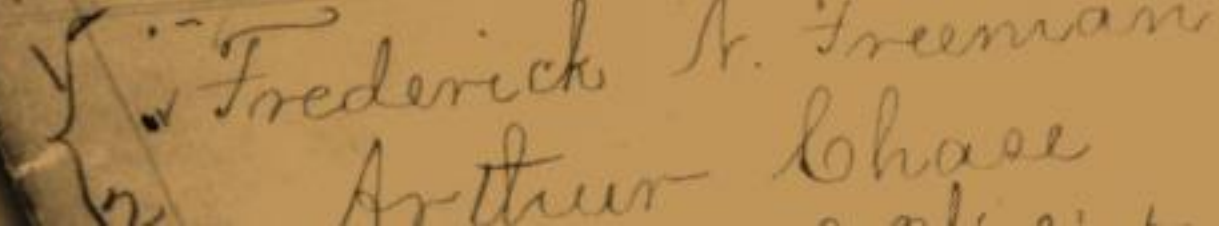


# Chapter/Colony Operations and Chapter Housing during COVID-19



## Presenters:

- Bill Russo – Chief Housing Officer
- Rebecca Easterling – Director of Health & Safety



## Presentation Logistics:

- Click on chat to send a question out to the group.
- You can send a question privately by selecting “Theta Chi Fraternity” from the list of participants.
- Time is limited, any questions not answered tonight will be answered via email.



## Topics Covered Tonight

- COVID-19 and the challenges facing fraternities
- Resources available from Theta Chi Fraternity
- What is expected and required of our brothers
- Housing concerns
- Frequently asked questions
- Questions from the group

*The OX society was the idea and plan of Fredrick Porter Freeman and with the assistance of Arthur*

## COVID-19 Challenges

### Issues facing fraternities

- Protecting the health and safety of our brothers, guests, and campus communities
- Changes in campus operations
- Financial strains impacting our brothers, chapters, and house corporations
- Setting the example by being the example

## Resources Available

<https://www.thetachi.org/covid-19>

- State-by-state links to local guidelines and expectations
- Resources created by Theta Chi's fraternal partners and vendors
- Theta Chi Fraternity's COVID-19 reporting protocol
- Theta Chi Fraternity's best practices quick guide

The member should....

Notify the Chapter/Colony President.

**Seek medical attention and self-isolate.**

For more information about what to do if you become sick or when you can be around others after you had or potentially had COVID-19, please refer to CDC guidelines [click here](#) and [here](#).

Follow university and local health department guidelines for reporting positive cases.

The President should...

Notify the Alumni Corporation  
President and/or Chapter/Colony  
Adviser.

Notify IHQ via Rebecca Easterling,  
Director of Health & Safety:  
reasterling@thetachi.org  
317.848.1856

Notify all members that there has been a  
positive case within the chapter/colony.

If the chapter has a house,  
the Alumni Corporation  
President should coordinate  
a thorough disinfecting of  
the facility, following local  
and CDC guidelines.

All members should be  
advised to self-monitor for  
symptoms including fever,  
dry cough, and shortness of  
breath. If at any times these  
symptoms arise in another  
member, he should see his  
medical provider or seek  
medical attention.



## Resources Continued...

### Sacred Purpose

- Sacred Purpose Kickoff – fall 2020
- Collegiate COVID-19 presentation

### Norwich Blueprint

- Alumni corporation section of myThetaChi resource center
- Sample lease language and liability waivers
- Updated regularly

# What is Expected?

## Expectations vs. Recommendations

- Expectations - Following the law! (i.e. state and local expectations)
- Recommendations - Take into consideration the CDC, local health department, and university's recommendations and guidelines
- Theta Chi recommendations
- Over communication is key – make sure all members know the rules and procedures for your area

- Be flexible – you may need to change plans and local traditions to keep everyone safe
- Be smart – the health and safety of your brothers and guests comes first
- Procedures for when someone becomes sick/tests positive/shows symptoms
  - Privacy concerns
  - Recommendation: Personal Isolation Plan
  - Expectation: COVID-19 reporting protocol

## Housing Concerns

Limiting of guests – respectful of brothers who live at the house

- Recommendation: Track guests using a platform (i.e. Slack) for contact tracing

Cleaning and maintenance

- Recommendation: Deep cleaning before move-in
- Recommendation: Regular professional cleaning



## Have a house plan/policy for ...

- Common areas
- Out of state brothers (i.e. quarantine period)
- Filling the house – leases, seniors
- Financial concerns and parlor fees
- Alumni outreach now, not later
- Supplies
- Food preparation and distribution
- Sleeping arrangements
- Move in – reservation system

## Frequently Asked Questions

How do we plan for upcoming events and meetings?

- Consider virtual/outdoor options
- Follow state and local guidelines

What happens if campus operations change again?



## Questions?

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