

# CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Upsilon Omega | University of Oregon | Fall '24



## Welcome to the Upsilon Omega Colony Newsletter!

We are excited to share what we are currently up to and keep you updated on our progress and upcoming events.

## Our Beginnings

In the spring of 2022, 11 founding fathers helped refound the Upsilon Omega Colony. We've battled through ups and downs these last 2 years, but we are now confident that we will soon receive our charter, converting us to a chapter, rather than just a colony.



## What We've Been Up To

Over the past few terms, we've prioritized forming stronger connections with each other through brotherhood activities and events. We held a river day, an airsoft event, and a weekend trip to the Oregon coast. We created an intramural softball team in the spring of 2024 and an intramural flag football team in the fall of 2024, allowing our brothers to bond over sports. Finally, we regularly attend Shabbat dinners as a fraternity, ensuring we assist in setting and cleaning up. We feel very strongly about making a positive impact on our community, and Shabbat dinner is a special opportunity to make that presence and impact felt. All in all, we've found that brotherhood events are a fantastic way to grow closer, and there are endless opportunities to host unique events together.

## NEW MEMBER CLASS - ZETA



This past term, we grew by 80%, and we had the pleasure we have had the pleasure of initiating our Zeta class of 15 new brothers, which brings our total to 34 brothers. We put a lot of work into ensuring this rush would be successful, and we can confidently say it was. This was our biggest class by far, and we are excited about how our new brothers can help us grow even more in the future.

## House Update

Currently we have two small houses off campus that hold five and four people. As of now, these houses are used for rush, brotherhood events, and alumni events. We are in the process of looking for bigger houses or even possibly a chapter house for the next year due to our rapid growth.

## Our Goals

1. We want to help create a safe space for Jewish men on our campus.
2. Obtain our charter at the upcoming convention to officially become a chapter
3. Grow our chapter even more during rush
4. Involving ourselves with more philanthropic events and activities that involve more Greek organizations
5. Getting a chapter house for the upcoming year



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- We will be trying to host an alumni weekend during the spring football game this year. Date: April, TBD
- A couple of brothers will be attending the National Convention in Houston this upcoming summer in order to make new connections and learn more to help our chapter.
- We are in the process of planning our next rush for spring term and the possibility of open bidding during winter term.

The brothers of the Upsilon Omega Colony are proposing an alumni weekend for the Oregon Football Spring Game this Spring Term. Typically this game is the final weekend in April. We are still awaiting a game date from the athletic department. The undergraduate brothers at Oregon are keen to build relationships and create a consistent line of communication and dialogue with alumni moving forward.

Once the game date is announced and if there is enough interest from alumni then the brotherhood will proceed with the following proposed itinerary (Subject to change). If you are interested in attending this Spring's alumni weekend, please email our alumni chairman, Robbie Klieid at [rmkleid@icloud.com](mailto:rmkleid@icloud.com) or shoot him a text at 949-258-1245. Please see the proposed itinerary below.

**Friday:**  
Hillel Shabbat at 6  
Bars/Drinking and poker at the Pi satellite house after shabbat

**Saturday:**  
Tailgate beginning at 10 at Autzen  
Game at 1pm  
Brotherhood event at our house for dinner around 6 or 7 if people aren't too tired

**Sunday:**  
Brunch around 11 at pancake house or hillel or on your own  
Possibly duck baseball game if people are still around or an alumni vs. actives softball game at the riverfront field

## Financial Support

Even though we are growing at a fast pace. We are still a relatively new colony and still lack the proper funds and resources of our past chapter. We kindly ask for your support to help us grow even more and provide a safe space for Jewish men at the University of Oregon.

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