**Tau Kappa Epsilon Calendar of Events**

February 5

Brotherhood Banquet

The brotherhood banquet will begin at 7 pm and all brothers and Candidates are expected to be in attendance. The purpose of this event is to create an opportunity for Candidates to meet and bond with brothers that they may not have met during the rush process and vice versa.

February 6

Beginning of Delta-Xi education.

This event will begin at 8pm and will only include the PNMs and and the Education Committee. The Candidates will be given their Tau Kappa Epsilon manuals and their Candidate Pins at this event. Following the presentation of Candidate materials, the candidates will be given a tour by the House Manager who will explain the various duties of brothers to maintain the house.

**Week 1:**

The first week of education is designed to create a bond within the Candidates’ class. Each day will involve different events that will encourage the candidates to learn about each other and work with each other to achieve a goal.

February 7

6pm-8pm- Study Tables after class

8pm-10pm-Name games

February 8

6pm-8pm-Study Tables after class

8pm-10pm - candidates will be split into groups and will work together to complete an organized scavenger hunt that involves local Delta-Xi history as will as history of the greek community as a whole.

February 9

6pm-7pm (Study Tables are shortened to accommodate Delta-Xi Olympics)

7pm-10pm Delta-Xi Olympics involves splitting the class into four random teams and competing in a round-robin style tournament involving football, basketball, soccer, dodgeball, and a relay-race.  This will be a two day event.

February 10

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February 11

6pm-8pm PC dinner (this will wrap up the week’s theme of getting to know and bonding with your class)

Following the dinner, Candidates will be quizzed on the names and various facts on others in their class. Candidates are expected to know this basic information about the members of their class.

**Week 2**

The focus of the week is for the candidates to get to know and bond with upperclassmen brothers who do not live in the chapter house. Each day will involve an event that involves interaction and bonding between the candidates and the “out-of-house” brothers.

February 12

Prior to a Saturday social event (TBD)  The candidates will be holding an election for Class President, Class Vice President, and Class Treasurer. This election will follow the same format as normal Delta-Xi elections and will take place at 7 pm Monday.

February 13

4pm-6pm meeting with Academic Chair to outline academic plan and expectations.

6pm-8pm Study tables

8pm-9pm Delta-Xi education with Delta-Xi Historian

February 14

6pm-7pm Study Tables

7pm-9pm Trivia night- this is a yearly event in Delta Xi in which the Candidate class is split up into four random groups and will spend time at one of the four upperclassmen houses. Candidates will compete in a “quiz bowl” competition in which they are asked Delta-Xi history and questions about the upperclassmen brothers. The winner is given a prize (typically a Shirt or other various passdowns from the house in which they are being quizzed.)

February 15

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February 16

6pm-7pm Study Tables

7pm-9pm Talent Show- Delta-Xi has a number of extremely talented individuals. This will be an opportunity for them to showcase their talents. (Candidates are not *required* to participate if they do not feel comfortable doing so)

9pm-11pm If candidates choose, they may bring a date to Delta-Xi’s annual valentine's

February 17

6pm-7pm Study Tables

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February 18

6pm-8 Quiz night- Candidates will be quizzed on knowledge of current Delta-Xi brothers including name and hometown. Candidates who do not successfully complete the quiz will be asked to repeat the quiz at their earliest convenience. (Candidates will be given study materials.)

**Week 3**

The goal of week three is for candidates to learn all of the Tau Kappa Epsilon national education and the Delta-Xi education necessary to qualify for formal initiation.

February 19

4pm-7pm Tau Kappa Epsilon National Education- In this session, candidates will be learning about the history of the founding of Tau Kappa Epsilon as well as all of the information required by TKE International Headquarters in order for a Candidate to become a fully initiated Brother. This will be lead by the Education Chairm the Candidate Educator, and the Delta-Xi historian.

7pm-9pm Study Tables

February 20

6pm-8pm Study Tables

8pm-10pm Candidates will plan organize and run an event of their choosing (as outlined in the above section titles “Candidate planned event”). This will be the planning process of that event.

February 21

6pm-8pm Chapter Advisor Pete Lindsay will walk the candidates throughout oxford showing them various historical points and sharing with the candidates his more than 30 years of Delta-Xi experiences.

8pm-10pm Study Tables

February 22

6pm-8pm Former Historian, Alex Calabro, and Current Historian, Henry Teeter, will be teaching the candidates Delta-Xi history as outlined by TKE International Headquarters.

8pm-10pm Study Tables

February 23

6pm-8pm Study Tables

8pm-10:30pm Delta-Xi Jeopardy- Jeopardy is a tradition in TKE with more than 30 years of history in Delta-Xi. It incorporates all of the information that the Candidates have learned in the prior week and makes it into a quiz competition.

February 24

6pm-8pm Formal TKE History Quiz as sanctioned by Tau Kappa Epsilon International Headquarters.

February 25

Halfway point. Free Day.

**Week 4**

The focus of this week is to teach Candidates valuable life skills that will set them up for success and that they will keep with them long after they leave Delta-Xi.

February 26

4pm-6pm Continue planning Candidate event.

6pm-8pm Study Tables

February 27

6pm-7:30pm Resume workshop. Candidates are expected to create and bring a resume to the chapter house in order to be evaluated.

8pm-10pm Study Tables

February 28

6pm-8pm “Tim Gessel workshop”- Candidates will be learning how to change a tire, perform and oil change, jump a car etc.

8pm-10pm study tables

March 1

6pm-9pm The House Manager will work with the candidates to organize and complete a house improvement project (Project TBD)

9pm-10pm study tables

March 2

Candidate event day. Candidates will hold their event on this day. (details to be determined by Candidates)

March 3

6pm-8pm Candidates will be quizzed on a variety of topics that were covered

8pm-10pm Study Tables

March 4

Big/Little Night- Candidates and eligible Delta-Xi brothers will work together to select the best pairing of Big and Little brothers. During this ceremony, the Big Brothers will recite the Big Brother Creed and will commit themselves to acting as a mentor and a guide to their Little Brother, not just during their time at Tau Kappa Epsilon Delta-XI, but also throughout their life.

**Week 5**

March 5

Family day- to be organized by Each family. Every family has different traditions that focus on creating a strong bond within the family. Typically a dinner or lunch.

March 6

6pm-8pm Study Tables

8pm-10pm Basketball Tourney

March 7

6pm-8pm Study Tables

8pm-10pm Candidate reflection process with big brother

March 8

6pm-8pm Study tables

8pm-10pm Ode to the Skull (Ritual): This is the first of 3 formal ceremonies preceding initiation in which the deepest secrets are revealed about the fraternity. Ceremony is intended to instill a lasting commitment to the national ideals of the fraternity: Love, Charity, and Esteem.

March 9

6pm-8m Study tables

8pm-10pm Vision planning for Delta-Xi lead by current Delta-Xi Executive Board

March 10

6pm-7pm Study Table

7pm-10pm Knights of Classic Lore: Second of 3 formal ceremonies, revealing secrets about the fraternity’s origins, history, and goals.

March 11

6pm-8pm Study Tables

8pm-10pm Delta-Xi Documentation- ranking of the scroll and submission to Tau Kappa Epsilon International Headquarters.

**Week 6**

March 12

6pm-8pm Study Tables

8pm-10pm Woods Walk: This ceremony dates back to chapter founding, 1954. Ceremony in which chapter shows appreciation for candidates during the education process.

March 13

7pm-9pm Study Tables

8pm-9pm Delta Xi Ceremony: 3rd and final of initiation week ceremonies in which candidates are revealed secrets about Delta-Xi chapter origins, secrets, and ideals. Designed to foster a lasting commitment to the individual chapter in the candidates.

March 14

6pm-7pm Study Tables

7-7:30 Meet with Oxford Police department about GBD conduct.

March 15

GBD

**Week 7**

March 26

Briefing on the formalities of initiation and steps to complete with nationals.

March 27

New Members will create a brotherhood event for the fraternity as a precursor to initiation

March 28

Initiation