

ALPHA DELTA CHI FALL RUSH 2009

RUSH PACKET

"ENTER THE KINGDOM"

"FOR WHOEVER BECOMES AS HUMBLE AS THIS CHILD IS THE GREATEST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN." MATTHEW 18:4



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WELCOME TO ALPHA DELTA CHI'S FALL RUSH 2009!

Thank you so much for taking the time to become familiar with our sorority. We're so excited that you're interested in becoming one of our sisters! We hope that, over this next week, you will get to know more about our customs and get to know us on a more personal level.

Alpha Delta Chi, A Sisterhood in Christ, exists to strengthen the spiritual lives and testimonies of its members resulting in service and outreach, promote higher scholastic standards among its members, and provide social fellowship among university students living the Christian life. We encourage, support, and hold each other accountable on a daily basis through Bible studies, accountability groups, and prayer partners. Apart from weekly meetings and devotionals, the sisters of AΔΧ host invites, holiday parties, philanthropy projects, and a flag football tournament at Pismo beach with our brother fraternity, Alpha Gamma Omega.

Our Disney theme, "Enter the Kingdom," draws from the childhood magic of Disney and the importance of having the heart of a child when entering God's Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus explains in Matthew 18:4, "For whoever becomes as humble as this child is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven."

Join us this week as we honor God's promise to let us live with Him in "The Happiest Place...*not* of this Earth" (John 8:23)!

Tuesday 9/2, 6-9pm: Disney Princess Pinkberry. Enjoy Pinkberry as you play games and bond with actives, and please feel free to stay for a popcorn movie night to watch *Beauty and the Beast* at 9pm!

Wednesday 9/3, 6-9pm: "I'll Make a Woman Out of You" Devotional. Please join us for a wonderful devotional by our very own Rebekah Stokes as we take a closer look at Matthew 18:4, and see how AΔΧ has made a difference in the lives of some of our actives.

Thursday 9/4, 6-9pm: Finding "Nemo" Scavenger Hunt. A race to the finish spent finding out what it means to be "not of this world." We'll start at the house and move to campus for the game.

Pledging AΔΧ is a big time commitment, but an unforgettable and rewarding experience. We look forward to getting to know you better and walking with you as sisters in Christ!

~EVENTS CALENDAR~ FALL 2009

- ALPHA DELTA CHI EVENTS ARE IN RED
- DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

MONDAY NIGHTS every week starting at 5:30pm

AUGUST

AUG. 31-SEPT. 6: Fall Rush 2009

SEPTEMBER

SEPT. 5: USC vs. San Jose State, Coliseum, 12:30pm

SEPT. 7: Labor Day

SEPT. 18: Big/Little Bonding

SEPT. 19: USC vs. Washington, 12:30pm

SEPT. 26: USC vs. Washington State, Coliseum, Time TBA

OCTOBER

OCT. 3: USC @ Cal (Weekender), 5pm

OCT. 5-9: Greek Week

OCT. 9-10: Campus-wide Outreach Event

OCT. 11: Tony Hawk Charity; 9am Check-in, 11am-4pm @ Green Acres

OCT. 17: Invite

OCT. 17: USC @ Notre Dame, 12:30pm

OCT. 23-24: Pismo Beach Football Tournament

OCT. 24: USC vs. Oregon State (Parents' Weekend), 5pm, Possible event at AΔX

OCT. 30: Halloween Party, 9pm-1pm

OCT. 31: USC @ Oregon, 5pm

NOVEMBER

NOV. 5: Alpha AΔX & Epsilon AΔX Exchange

NOV. 7: USC @ Arizona State, 5pm

NOV. 14: USC vs. Stanford (Homecoming), Time TBA

NOV. 26-27: Thanksgiving Break

NOV. 28: USC vs. UCLA, 7pm

* Java Jive will be either Nov. 6 or Nov. 20

DECEMBER

DEC. 4: Last Day of Classes

DEC. 5: USC vs. Arizona, 12:30pm

DEC. 7: Cookie Decorating & Hot Chocolate Party, AΔX, 1pm

DEC. 5-8: Study Days

DEC. 9-16: Final Exams

ALPHA DELTA CHI FAQs

HOW MUCH TIME DOES ADX TAKE?

We have a dinner meeting every Monday night from 5pm to about 9pm. We also have various sisterhood events throughout the semester lasting around a couple hours. Serving our brothers and sisters through philanthropies is very important to us. We trade off doing Monday morning hot chocolate each week, and many groups volunteer with an after-school tutoring organization called Adventures Ahead. The largest time commitment is during the last week of pledgship where there will be a 2-4-hour event each night depending on individual schedules.

WHAT'S THE DRESS ATTIRE FOR MONDAY NIGHT DINNERS (MND)?

We wear dresses or skirt outfits to MND with the following guidelines: no plunging necklines, 2-inch-or-thicker shoulder straps (sweaters are cute cover-ups for strapless or spaghetti straps), and no shorter than 3 inches above the knee. Nylons are worn with heels or flats, which can be peep-toe but must be closed-heel. You *will* need a white dress for certain AΔX events, so make sure you have that handy starting this week!

WHAT IS THE FINANCIAL COMMITMENT INVOLVED?

Pledge dues are approximately \$700, with a payment schedule available throughout the semester. Pledge dues are higher than those for actives because of the start-up fees involved, so when activated, dues will be lower. Scholarships are also available for girls in need, so please don't let an adverse financial situation keep you from joining.

SO, ADX IS BASICALLY AGO FOR GIRLS, RIGHT?

As much as we enjoy social fellowship and similar interests with our brother fraternity, Alpha Gamma Omega, Alpha Delta Chi was founded separately, having its own distinct aims and purposes, including:

- To strengthen the spiritual lives and testimonies of the members of the National Sorority, resulting in service and outreach to others.
- To promote higher scholastic standards among the members of the National Sorority.
- To provide social fellowship among the university students living the Christian life and active in Christ's service.

Historically, AΔX has been more inwardly focused as a support network for the women involved, but we women of the Epsilon Chapter desire to add this tradition by increasing our evangelical community involvement as well. We are currently recognized as a student organization through The Office of Religious Life and are working on affiliation with a Greek council.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ADX AND PANHELLENIC SORORITIES?

We aren't a Panhellenic sorority, but as an organization, we feel like we get the best of both worlds. We definitely get to experience the sisterhood you expect from a sorority, having a common identity and a social group of like-minded women. Mentoring occurs through Big/Little Sister relationships, and there are plenty of fun social events. What makes us different is that Christ is our center. This means our number one goal is to glorify Him with our relationships and actions, and we do this by being a support network used to pray for one

another, help each other with our struggles, and participate in meaningful service activities to further His kingdom.

DO WE STILL GET TO DRESS UP?

YES! We still have fun social events, formal and informal, including Invite, and various philanthropies and exchanges. There's plenty of opportunity for bonding and girls' nights out!

WHAT ARE COKE DATES AND WHY DO I HAVE TO HAVE TWO OF THEM?

Coke Dates are one-on-one dates with two actives of your choice anytime between Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon depending on your and the actives' schedules. We feel that, even though Rush is a fun social event, it doesn't always allow for deep, personal, spiritual conversation as much as an individual Coke Date does. You and the actives can get better get to know each other, allowing for a much more personal and more rewarding Rush experience.

WHAT IS A BID?

A bid is an invitation to join Alpha Delta Chi. Actives will meet and decide which girls we would like to invite to be a part of our Fall 2009 Theta Class. A bid is an invitation — you are not obligated to pledge Alpha Delta Chi if you receive a bid, but we hope you will consider it since it means that we as a sorority feel you would be a great addition and a wonderful sister with whom we'd be honored to share our walks with Christ. However, if you do not receive a bid, we are not obligated to explain the circumstances under which you were not granted one.

HOW MUCH OF A TIME COMMITMENT IS AΔX?

You will not find pledging overwhelming as long as you manage your time well. It is an absolute blast, and everything you spend your time doing is so worth the hours, but just be on top of things and make sure to get things done in a timely manner!

Emily "dancing through life" Camin, Epsilon

Pledging is all about what you're willing to put into it. Basically, you get what you contribute. If you're willing to commit 5 hours each week to getting to know all of the girls, you will love it that much more. But if you just do what it takes to get by, you'll see the results later.

Alisa "espionage" Miller, Zeta

Let's see...there's praying for your pledge sisters/AΔX, meeting with prayer partners, accountability partners, hanging out with them, active interviews and the pledge party, in addition to Monday Night Dinners and AΔX events. I would say at least 10 hours per week including Monday Night dinners. I hope this is somewhat near close to how much time I actually do spend!

Amy "fritters" Oettle, Zeta

As a pledge, there was about an hour commitment before MND to prepare and collect deliveries. There was about an hour or two the rest of the week in completing pledge duties and studying for quizzes. There is of course the added time devoted to planning pledge party the week before and the duties on the day of. Being an active, the commitment extends to MND and social events, so there's less of a time commitment since there are no pledge duties. As the National Representative for Fall 2008, it included an extra 1-2 hours communicating with other chapters. As a member of E-Board now, there is an extra time commitment of the 2-3-hour E-board meeting each week, and being secretary includes another 3-4 hours per week.

Diana "dunder mifflin this is pam" Coleman, Epsilon

You definitely get what you give when it comes to pledging. The more you want to invest into the actives and the rest of your pledge sisters, the more rewarding your experience. Monday Night Dinners are about 4 hours, my active interviews averaged about an hour, prayer/accountability meetings were also about an hour, so I would estimate around 8-10 hours a week. You definitely have to manage your time well for class, but every moment invested into AΔX is so worth it!

Jaqueline "scrumdiddlyumptious jklol" Moreno, Zeta

ALPHA DELTA CHI MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

1. Personal acceptance of Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord
2. Enrollment in a university where a chapter of the National Fraternity has been chartered by the National Board
3. Active participation in Christian service
4. Regular attendance or membership in an evangelical church or in some other church approved by the National Board
5. Interest in leading others to Christ
6. Willingness to avoid situations which would cause one's sister or brother to stumble
7. Willingness to abstain from sexual relations until marriage
8. Willingness to abstain from smoking and illegal use of drugs
9. Willingness to abstain from alcohol in circumstances where the Christian witness would be affected
10. A Scholarship rating of at least a "C" (2.0) or its equivalent maintained in all university work
11. Passage of annual examinations on the National Constitution, II Corinthians 3, and the active chapter's bylaws
12. Procurement of a membership pin
13. Payment upon graduation or leaving the university of an amount specified by the chapter to their Scholarship and Housing funds

THESE 13 REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO BOTH PLEDGES AND ACTIVES ALIKE.

FEEL FREE TO TALK TO US IF YOU'RE STRUGGLING WITH ANY OF THESE — IT DOESN'T MEAN YOU CAN'T JOIN; WE STRUGGLE WITH THEM, TOO!