

2008 Leadership Award Committee

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To whom it may concern:

Today I recommend Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) for the 2008 Leadership Award – Outstanding RSO Award. TKE has had an amazing year. The organization has taken on projects of all sizes to benefit people and SIUC.

Over the 12 months, philanthropy has been TKE's primary objective. Last May TKE raised \$2,000 for the Ronald and Nancy Reagan Institute for Alzheimer's Research. By doing so, TKE set a new world record for the largest Twister Tournament and gained notoriety for the Greek System and for SIUC. The event was held at McAndrew Stadium. It is TKE's goal to raise \$2,000 every year for this noteworthy cause.

TKE currently has its sights set on raising money for this year's Relay for Life. To date TKE has nearly \$1500 in contributions (third for all SIUC organizations). The proceeds of Relay for Life help in educating people about cancer and also fund research for the cure.

TKE members also donated time and sweat over this year's Spring Break to help the College of Education based RSO, Educ8kidz, build toy cars in the SIUC wood shop. Educ8kids then donated the cars to victims of Hurricane Katrina. TKE members are always willing to lend a helping hand for a good cause.

It has been a great year for recruitment this year as well. This fall TKE initiated 22 new members into the organization. Many of these members have since become involved with Intergreek Council and the Interfraternity Council. With the help of our new members, TKE won the IFC athletics award and won Greek Sing.

TKE members over the past year have proven their willingness to help others and to help lead the Greek community and SIUC. Those, among other reasons, are why I enthusiastically recommend Tau Kappa Epsilon for the 2008 Leadership Award for Outstanding RSO.

Sincerely,

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