The Eta Xi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Presents a Barbie World ‘Skee Week’

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Athens, GA — On the campus of the University of Georgia, the Eta Xi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (AKA) hosts their annual ‘Skee Week’, with this year’s theme being Barbie.

The concept of ‘Skee Week’ happens throughout every AKA Chapter and is an opportunity for members to plan and host a week full of events that aim to achieve each initiative the organization stands on. For the 2022-2026 administration, the initiatives go as follows; Empower Our Families, Build Our Economic Wealth, Enhance Our Environment, Advocate for Social Justice and Uplift our Community.

For Eta Xi, the week began on Jan. 15 with the Advocate for Social Justice initiative, where members joined Athens MLK Day for a day of service. With volunteers stretching from both the Brooklyn Cemetery Clean-Up and Invasive Species Removal at Shoal Creek Sanctuary, Eta Xi spent the day giving back to the community and celebrating their 116th Founders’ Day.

The Empower Our Families program on Jan. 16 was entitled “Pink Table Talk”. The discussion focused on Black mental and physical health, along with overall health promotion for Black women. The discussion panel included Angela Thomas, Wanda Johnson and Bethany Hight, who took the time to speak on their own research and experiences as they have studied and worked toward the betterment of mental health in the community and at UGA.

On Jan. 17, the chapter hosted the Economic Wealth program, entitled “A Pretty Girl’s Guide to Post-Grad Finances”. The initiative committee began with a discussion on budgeting, investing and financial tips for current seniors preparing to transition out of college. Members also got to hear from UGA alums, Harrie Williams and Godswill Nwankwo, as they discussed what budgeting and finances can look like practically.

For the Enhance Our Environment initiative on Jan. 18, Eta Xi hosted “The Future of Pink is Green” program. The presentation took members through the journey of CO2 emissions, not only in the atmosphere but in the lives of each individual, as they unpacked their own carbon footprint. The program concluded with a swap shop where items were donated and swapped, with the remaining items donated to the Athens Area Homeless Shelter and Goodwill.

The week full of programs ended with the opportunity to Enhance Our Community on Jan.19, with the program entitled “Project Pink”. The chapter hosted a menstrual product donation drive through the entire week and spent the evening learning about menstrual health disparities in the world while packaging the donated products for Project Safe.