SONGS
of
TAU KAPPA EPSILON

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UNISON SINGING

In this section, the songs are all presented in the standard popular sheet music format. Piano accompaniments have been rigorously simplified. Chord symbols are included with all of the songs so that accompaniment may be provided on guitar, accordion, chord organ or related instruments if a piano is not handy. Skilled pianists may wish to play the bass line in octaves in order to make a richer sound. Pianists who play partly “by ear” are encouraged to add their own embellishments to the simple texture of these arrangements.
ALL HAIL!

Omicron
Fast march tempo

VICTOR F. CADA

All hail to our fra - ter - ni - ty,
With all our might and main we'll work
Teke is known thru - out the land;
East to West our song is heard;
here's to Tau Kappa Ep-si-lon,
Our fel - low - ship so dear.
To make the Teke the best.
Are out to show the rest.
(we'll raise our cheer.)
might - y is our cry.
(With)
Thy name will nev - er die.
The
Our
Our
We'll
So
So
(With)

1.

2.
Epsilon Loyalty

Moderately slow

We'll sing a toast to T. K. E., Her hon-or we'll up-hold. The

(D7) G C#dim.7 G G7 C G G#dim.7 D7

fel-low-ship that we en-joy, we val-ue more than gold. The

G C Cm6 G B7 Em Em7 A7 D7 F7 Am F7 D7

love we hold for T. K. E., In words can ne'er be told. So

G C#dim.7 G G7 C G G#dim.7 D7

let us hon-or her to-night, The cher-ry and grey un-fold.

G C Cm6 G G7 Eaug.E7 A9 A7 D7 C Cm6 G
Rambling Song of T.K.E.

At a very lively tempo

RUSSELL D. MILLER, Epsilon

He rambled to a college town, He thought he'd make a frat.

A7  D  A  D  A7  D  A

looked around and looked around To see where he was at,

D  A  D  B7  E7  (E9)  A7  D7

just because he was the best That ever came that way,

G  D  A7(6)

colors that he wore each day Were cherry and the grey. He gun.

D  A  D  Bm  Em  A7  D  A7  D
He rambled up to Heaven
To see the fellows there,
And there they were all loafing
Around the golden stair.
Some were smoking cigarettes,
And he was at his ease,
For they were all good friends of his
And frater T.K.E.'s.

He rambled down to Hades,
To see the poor, lost souls.
The A T O's and Sigma Chis
Were roasting on the coals.
The Delta Taus and Delta Sigs
To burn had just begun,
While all the Tekes on velvet seats,
Were watching all the fun.

He had a talk with Moses,
He interviewed St. Paul,
He met the wives of Solomon
And kissed them one and all.
And when with Cleopatra,
He floated down the Nile,
She said, "I like the Tekes the best,
They never cramp my style."

The Sigma Nus were labeled bums,
And laid upon the shelf,
When in came old Beelzebub,
The King of Hell himself.
He gave the boys a hearty grip,
And it was plain to see,
He was a charter member,
And a darn good T.K.E.

Adam was the first man,
To ever wear a pin.
Solomon was the wisest,
The Tekes have taken in.
Samson was a strong man,
But he had the itch.
If Julius Caesar came back to life,
We'd pledge the son-of-a-gun.
A Toast to T.K.E.

At a moderately slow tempo

Oh, pass the loving cup around And pass no father's key. We

(D7) G   B7  Em  G7  (9)  C  Cdim.7  C  G  (D7)

all drink from the same canteen In dear old T. K. E. Oh,

G  C  Cm6  G  G7  Eaug.(7)  E7  A9  A7  A9(b5)  D7  (D7)

you and I will ne'er grow old While this fair cup we see. Here's

G  B7  Em  G7  (9)  C  Cdim.7  C  G  (D7)

health, here's wealth, here's fellowship, To good old T. K. E.

G  (G)  G  A7(b5)  G  G7  Eaug.(7)  E7  A9  A7  D7  G
To our fraternity we pledge a life of service true. The
we'll let Teke spirit guide us to those Teke ideals so high. These

Kindly deed, the cheering word for others may we do. Oh,
ties will bind each brother close as in the years gone by. Oh,

May our hopes ring true, we ask, Ring true to T. K. E. No
may our hopes ring true, we ask, Ring true to T. K. E. We

Matter what may be the task, We'll give our best to thee.
pledge to give our very best, Our hearts, our lives to thee.
William P. Vaughn, Beta-Theta

Hymn of Praise

Traditional

Moderately fast

Oh come let's sing to T. K. E., Our own belov'd fra-ter-ni-ty. And

(D7) G D7 G C G Am G D G (D7)

while we raise her songs to-day, We'll praise the cher-ry and the grey. Oh

G D7 G C G (G) G7 C Am G D7 G

T. K. E., to you we sing, To you all fame and hon-or bring. For

(G) D G C G D G D7 G F dim. G D (D7)

love, es-teem, and char-i-ty, For-ev-er bind us, T. K. E.

G D7 G C G (G) G7 C A G D7 G
As fra - ters in the bond, We pledge our last - ing loy - al - ty, To
(C7) F (C7) F C7 F Bb D7
As fra - ters here we’ve learned, A les - son in sweet char - ri - ty, From

our be - lov’d fra - ter - ni - ty, Tau Kap - pa Ep - si - lon. By
Gm D7 Gm G7 C (C7) F Dm C G7 C (C7)
rites of our fra - ter - ni - ty, Tau Kap - pa Ep - si - lon. So

friend - ship’s mag - ic wand, This tie that binds each heart of us, Be-
F (C7) F F7 Bb
let us be con - cerned, To cher - ish with un - dy - ing love, Our

comes a liv - ing part of us, Tau Kap - pa Ep - si - lon.
Bb m F Bb Gm7 C9 C7 F fra - ter - s in es - teem and love, Tau Kap - pa Ep - si - lon.
Sweetheart of T.K.E.

Dutch Andre, K '22

Richard Rountree, K '22

Moderately slow

There's a girl at the end of each rainbow.
There's a girl 'mid the sparkling dew.
There's a girl in the heart of each sunset.
She's the girl who is ever true.
Her lips are as red as the wild red rose,
Her eyes are blue as the sea.
She's the dearest friend our memory holds,
She's the sweet-heart of T. K. E.

F C7 F F7 Bb Bbm F Cm6

D7 Gm G9 G7 G7 (b5) C7

C11 C7 E7 (b5) A7

D (7) D aug. D7 G9 G7 F dim.7 Gm7 G7 C7 (6) F C7 (6)
sweet-heart, sweet-heart, sweet-heart, Of dear old T. K. E.
F6 F dim.7 C7 Gm7 Bb m6 C6 Caug.(7) F

Sweet-heart, sweet-heart, sweet-heart, the dear-est one to me. Tho' the
F6 F dim.7 C7 Gm7 Bb m6 C6 Caug.(7) F Cm6

years come and go, in my heart I shall know True you'll ev-er be; And our
D7 G9 G7 G9 G6 G7 (G7) (b 5) C7

ritardando

badge of gold o'er your heart you'll hold. You're the sweet-heart of T. K. E.
F A dim.(7) D (7) F# dim.7 Gm G9 G6 G7 (G7) C7 F
Moonlight above, Night made for love, Joy's melody wildly ringing.

Flower's perfume, Hearts all a-tune, Listen, dear,

while I'm singing, Sweetheart, sweetheart of mine and sweetheart of T. K. E.

Sweetheart,
say you'll be mine for now and all time to be.

Bb  Bbm6  F  G9  G6  G7  G9  G7  C7

Say that you'll love me 'til we're grey and old. Say that you'll cherish this
c7  c6  c9  c9  c6  c7  f  Fdim.7  F  Cm6  D7  Daug. D9(b9)  Daug. D7

dear badge of gold. My sweetheart, sweetheart of mine and
g7  g9  g7  c7  Caug.(7)  f  Bb  Bbm6  D7

1.  

sweetheart of T. K. E. 
G9  G6  G7  C7  F  C7  Caug.(7)  G7  C7  F

2.  

sweetheart of T. K. E. 
G9  G6  G7  C7  F  C7  Caug.(7)  G7  C7  F
Old Sweetheart Song

Traditional

At a moderate tempo

AL ROCKWELL

Of all the girls that I have known, The dearest one to me, Is the girl who wears a-bove her heart, the badge of T. K. E. No other girl could be so fair, So loyal and so true. I pledge her my heart, that I nev-er shall part, From my sweet-heart in T. K. E.

Traditional
She Is the Sweetheart

M. SEAGRAVE, Zeta Upsilon

Moderately slow "rock" (in 2)

Ask any fraternity, we all agree!

C        Am        F        G        C

She is the

sweet-heart of T. K. E.

One special fraternity her

Am        F        G        C        Am


love will be.

She is the sweet-heart, the sweet-heart of T. K. E-

F        G        C        Am        F
She has the right personality.

G C Am F G

Her looks are something we seldom see.

C Am F G

She wears his pin. Lucky fraternity, he! She is the

C Am F G

4 times

sweetheart, the sweetheart of T. K. E. She is the T. K. E.
We’re Moving Closer to You

Fast (in 4)

We've spread across the U. S. A., We've gone Canadian too! And where-
From Maine to California, Between the oceans so blue, From new

ever we may work or play, We're moving closer to you! We
Mexico to Hudson’s Bay, We're moving closer to you! We

started with a tiny band, Then our fraternity grew. Now as
gave our friends a helping hand, With love and charity true. Now the

Greeks we're known throughout the land, We're moving closer to you! Tekes have spread throughout the land. We're moving closer to you!
We've Spoken Together

M. SEAGRAVE, Zeta Upsilon

Rather slowly, quietly and pensively

We've spoken together of love and esteem, Of

Dm G Dm

friendship and charity too. And of working for

F G Am Dm7

Tau Kappa Epsilon's dream: Fraternity loyal and

G Dm Am Dm Dm7 Bb C
true. The bond that we've taken unites us for
G     Dm     G
life, In friendship together we strive, to af-
Dm    F    G    Am
firm and to keep in this world full of strife, Our spirit forever a-
Dm7   G   Dm   Am   Dm   Dm7   Bb   C
live. Our spirit forever alive.
G      Bb      C   Am7   Dm    G  D
Nothing Can Take This Away

At a moderate tempo

M. SEAGRAVE, Zeta Upsilon

We're sing-ing of T. K. E., boys, Sing-ing of cher-ry and grey. No
(Cm) Fm   Eb   Fm   Db (Db 6)   Ab   C

mat-ter what we may see, boys, Noth-ing can take this a-way. If the
Fm   Eb   Fm   Db   C aug. C7   Fm

world in its pain and its sor-row, Were to shud-der and crum-ble one day, We'd
Ab   Eb   Fm   C   C7

still sing of T. K. E., boys, Noth-ing can take this a-way.
Fm   Eb   Fm   Db   C aug. C7   Fm
As Fraters We Are Loyal

Slowly and with reverence

As fra - ters we are loy - al to the Cher - ry and the Grey, And this
A D G G6 A F# Bm Em7 D Em Bm A A7

bond of true fra - ter - ni - ty grows strong - er day by day. With-
D G11 G D F# Bm Em7 D Em D A D D7

in Tau Kap - pa Ep - si - lon our bond shall ev - er be. For we
G Em6 D Em7 A D D7 G A A7

pledge our lives in fel - low - ship to last - ing loy - al - ty.
D G11 G D F# Bm Em7 D Em D A D
In this section, the songs are all presented in the standard choral music format. Accordingly, each voice part is given its own separate staff. The instrumental accompaniment, if any, appears in a separate system directly below the vocal parts. If an arrangement has a "piano part" but is intended to be performed by voices without accompaniment, this will be indicated by the words "a capella" in parentheses below the title.
Teke Grace
(4-PART ROUND)

JOHN GEHLMANN, Delta

SLOWLY, SOFTLY AND WITH REVERENCE

____ 2. 3. 4.  

For this food and fellowship in our fraternity; For

8 8

all these gifts from God's good hand may we truly thankful be.

(WRITTEN-OUT VERSION)

(1.)

For this food and fellowship in our fraternity; For all these gifts from God's good hand may

(2.)

For this food and fellowship in our fraternity; For all these gifts from

(3.)

For this food and fellowship in our fraternity; For

(4.)

For this food and fellowship in our fraternity;

truly thankful be.

God's good hand may we truly thankful be.

all these gifts from God's good hand may we truly thankful be.

For all these gifts from God's good hand may we truly thankful be.
Teke Closing Ode

By Founder, CLARENCE MAYER

As fraters in the bond, We pledge our last-ing loy-al-ty, To
As fraters here we’ve learned, A les-son in sweet char-i-ty, From

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our be-lov’d fra-ter-ni-ty, Tau Kappa Epsi-lon. By
rites of our fra-ter-ni-ty, Tau Kappa Epsi-lon. So

our be-lov’d fra-ter-ni-ty, Tau Kappa Epsi-lon. By
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our be-lov’d fra-ter-ni-ty, Tau Kappa Epsi-lon. By
rites of our fra-ter-ni-ty, Tau Kappa Epsi-lon. So
friendship's magic wand, This tie that binds each heart of us, Be- 
let us be concerned, To cherish with undying love, Our

comes a living part of us, Tau Kappa Epsilon.
fraternal in esteem and love, Tau Kappa Epsilon.

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