



Electee Packet Checklist - Winter 2014

Tau Beta Pi MI-G

Make sure your packet has all of the following items:

1. Information Sheet
2. Electee Requirements & Deadlines
3. Character Evaluation
4. Electee Exam
5. MindSET Background Check Form
6. Service Project Descriptions
7. Point System for Electee Groups

If you are missing something, stop by the office (1226 EECS) or visit the website (tbp.engin.umich.edu). Also, feel free to contact the Vice President (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu).

Go to the website (tbp.engin.umich.edu) and create a profile.

Turn in the MindSET background check form to the K-12 Outreach officers by Third General (Feb. 18).

Sign up for interviews here: bit.ly/w14interviews

Fill out the short information survey here: bit.ly/electeesurvey

Information Sheet - Winter 2014

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Important Dates

January

14	First Actives	6:30 pm	1013 Dow
21	First General	6:30 pm	1013 Dow
28	Second General	6:30 pm	1013 Dow

February

5, 6, 7	Interviews	All day	DC*
11	Second Actives	6:30 pm	1013 Dow
18	Third General	6:30 pm	1013 Dow

March

11	Fourth General	6:30 pm	1013 Dow
18	Third Actives	6:30 pm	1013 Dow

April

1	Elections	6:30 pm	1013 Dow
8	Fifth General	6:30 pm	1013 Dow
12	Initiation	4:00 pm	1109 FXB
12	Banquet	6:00 pm	Campus Inn

* - Duderstadt Connector Conference Rooms

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Electee Requirements - Winter 2014

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The following is a list of the requirements to be join Tau Beta Pi MI-G

I. Attend all of the required meetings.

If you cannot attend a meeting, please email the Vice President at tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu, look over a copy of the meeting's agenda at tbp.engin.umich.edu, and make up the meeting with one hour of service.

- i. First General on January 21 at 6:30pm in 1013 Dow
- ii. Second General on January 28 at 6:30pm in 1013 Dow
- iii. Third General on February 18 at 6:30pm in 1013 Dow
- iv. Fourth General on March 11 at 6:30pm in 1013 Dow
- v. Elections on April 1 at 6:30pm in 1013 Dow
- vi. Fifth General on April 8 at 6:30pm in 1013 Dow
- vii. Initiation on April 12 at 4:00pm in 1109 FXB
- viii. Banquet on April 12 at 6:00pm at Campus Inn

II. Complete 18 total hours of service projects.

These include the 5 hours that we recommend you to complete by Second Actives (February 11th) and the 10 hours that are required by Third Actives (March 18th). These hours include the 3 required hours of MindSET and 1 required hour of tutoring/flyering (i.e. 3 hours MindSET, 1 hour tutoring/flyering, 14 hours of your choice [which may also be completed through MindSET/tutoring/flyering]). You may do a maximum of 5 independent hours of service (hours not associated with Tau Beta Pi) provided you show adequate proof of your involvement, and that the hours do not count for another society. Finally, you cannot get all hours from a single event; a minimum of two events is required. Signing up for a service project is a commitment to attend; you must un-sign up at least 24 hours in advance or you will have to complete an extra hour of service projects. Sign up for service projects at tbp.engin.umich.edu.

i. Volunteer for at least one MindSET session.

Volunteer for at least one MindSET session (equivalent to three hours of service). Any additional hours of MindSET will count towards the minimum requirement for service hours. The MindSET sessions will be held on March 15th, March 22nd, and March 29th. You must turn in a background check form in order to volunteer. Turn in the forms to the K-12 Outreach Officers (Laura Kruger or Sara Rusignuolo) or to the TBP Office (1226 EECS) by Third General (February 18th).

ii. Volunteer for at least one hour of TBP tutoring/flyering.

Our tutoring service pairs students interested in receiving tutoring (mainly for intro-level classes) with qualified TBP tutors. TBP tutors will meet with the student several times throughout the semester and receive service hour credit for the hours they have spent tutoring as verified by the student. If you do not feel like you can commit to tutoring a student for a whole semester, you may complete this requirement by helping to post flyers about TBP tutoring for an hour.

III. Attend a 50 minute interview.

You will write two essays regarding exemplary character and submit them, along with a copy of your resume, to the Vice President at tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu by Monday, February 3rd. You will then attend one 50 minute interview with current actives in the Duderstadt Connector Conference Rooms on February 5th, 6th or 7th. Please dress in business casual. **Sign up at bit.ly/w14interviews.**

IV. Complete and submit the electee exam.

Hand in the electee exam, which tests your knowledge of the history of TBP as well as our chapter. We encourage you to work together on it! It is not meant to be stressful. Feel free to drop by office hours to ask officers for answers (up to three). Please don't ask for answers via e-mail — we want to get to know you! **Turn in the completed exam at the TBP Office (1226 EECS) or at meetings.**

V. Interview six fellow Tau Bates.

The interviews are to get to know your fellow members in Tau Beta Pi a little better. At least two of the people interviewed must be active members. Think of 6 creative questions to ask members — no mundane questions will be accepted (“What is your favorite color?”). The questions may be typed, but answers must be hand-written by you, not your interviewee. To encourage personal interaction, interviews should be done in person, so no e-mail interviews. Please have your interview subject sign the sheet afterwards. **Turn in interview questions and answers at the TBP Office (1226 EECS) or at meetings.**

VI. Attend a total of at least TWO TBP social events.

Social events include IM sports, TG's, movie nights, game nights, intersociety activities, etc. Sign up for social events at tbp.engin.umich.edu.

VII. Attend at least two Electee Group activities.

You must attend at least two Electee Group activities with at least half of your Electee Group present. You must make a group dessert and Yell for a competition during Fifth General (you will receive more information about this later).

VIII. Pay a one-time membership fee of \$90.

A one-time fee to be a member of Tau Beta Pi, which pays for electee supplies, the banquet, your bent, your certificate, your lifetime membership, etc. given to the Treasurer, Jason Cassell.



Electee Deadlines - Winter 2014

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The following requirements must be completed on or before the dates listed.

I. First General - January 21

- i. Go to the website and create a profile: tbp.engin.umich.edu
- ii. Fill out a brief survey at bit.ly/electeesurvey.

II. Essays and Resume - February 3

- i. Submit your resume and each character essay to the Vice President via email (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu) by Monday, February 3rd.

III. Interviews - February 5, 6, & 7

- i. Attend a 50 minute interview in the Duderstadt Connector Conference Rooms (sign up at bit.ly/w14interviews).

IV. Second Actives - February 11

- i. Attend at least one TBP social event.
- ii. Attend at least one Electee Group activity.
- iii. *Recommendation:* Complete at least five hours of service projects.

V. Third General - February 18

- i. Turn in MindSET background check forms to the K-12 Outreach Officers.

VI. Third Actives - March 18

- i. Complete at least ten hours of service projects.

VII. Fifth General - April 8

- i. Pay \$90 membership fee to the Treasurer.
- ii. Attend an Electee Group activity where you make a dessert and devise a Yell.
- iii. Complete all other Electee requirements

VIII. Initiation & Banquet - April 12

- i. Attend Initiation at 4:00pm in 1109 FXB.
- ii. Attend Banquet at 6:00pm at Campus Inn.



Character Evaluation - Winter 2014

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Exemplary character is one of the requisites for membership in Tau Beta Pi. In addition to being active members of the engineering community, Tau Beta Pi members must meet the **highest standards of moral character**. Our chapter will assess your character through written essays and an interview.

Essays:

The first component of the character assessment in Tau Beta Pi is the written essay. You will be required to write two brief (1 page) essays. Please note that these essays (and a copy of your résumé) are due by **Monday, February 3rd** by submitting them via email to the Vice President (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu). Submit your **essay and résumé** by **Monday, February 3rd**.

1. **The first essay must answer the question: "What does exemplary character mean to you?"**

This essay is a rather open-ended assignment, and we encourage you to get creative with your description. Nevertheless, exemplary character is not an arbitrary concept, and we are looking for specific evidence that you know what this important quality means. The quotes on the following page may help inspire you on the subject of exemplary character, but don't limit yourself to those ideas.

2. **The second essay may address any ONE of the following questions:**

- (a) **"What role do you feel engineers play in society?"**
- (b) **"What are your priorities in life?"**
- (c) **"Who is your greatest role-model or mentor?"**

Each of these questions is meant to give you the opportunity to speak on something you might feel passionate about. While not a direct question on character, any of these questions will allow us to better understand you and grasp your personal character.

Interviews:

The interview is the most important part of character assessment. Electees can be denied membership on the basis of a negative interview, so take the process seriously. Interviews will be held **February 5, 6 & 7** in the Duderstadt Center Connector Conference rooms. Your interview will last approximately 50 minutes. Dress is business casual — you don't need to wear a suit, but don't show up in jeans. Interviewers will review the résumé and essays that you submitted by **Monday, February 3rd**. You can sign up for a time slot at bit.ly/w14interviews.

Interview Dates: **February 5, 6 & 7**

Each interview is 50 minutes long.

Location: **Duderstadt Center Connector Conference Rooms**

Requirements: **Dress is business casual**

Email your résumé and essays to the Vice President (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu) by **Monday, February 3rd**. Sign up for an interview slot at bit.ly/w14interviews.

The interview information will be re-addressed during Second General. However, if you have any questions, please contact the Vice President (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu).

Quotes about Character

“Character, not circumstance, makes the person.”

– Booker T. Washington, American educator and civil rights activist (1856-1915)

“Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.”

– Abraham Lincoln, 16th U.S. president (1809-1865)

“It is with trifles, and when he is off guard, that a man best reveals his character.”

– Arthur Schopenhauer, German philosopher (1788-1860)

“Weakness of attitude becomes weakness of character.”

– Albert Einstein, Swiss-American mathematician and physicist (1879-1955)

“Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired, and success achieved.”

– Helen Keller, American author, activist and lecturer (1880-1968)

“When the character of a man is not clear to you, look at his friends.”

– Japanese Proverb

“The right way is not always the popular and easy way. Standing for right when it is unpopular is a true test of moral character.”

– Margaret Chase Smith, American Senator (1897-1995)

“The best index to a person’s character is (a) how he treats people who can’t do him any good, and (b) how he treats people who can’t fight back.”

– Abigail Van Buren, American columnist (1918-2013)

Electee Exam - Winter 2014

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INSTRUCTIONS:

This exam will cover the history and organization of Tau Beta Pi at a national level as well as the history and organization of our chapter, Michigan Gamma. This exam is not meant to be difficult, and you should not stress about it. Please complete this exam and bring it to Fifth General on April 8.

THE EXAM HONOR CODE

I have given or received aid on this examination. I have exposed no honor code violations. (There are none!)

Name: _____ Uniqname: _____
(Please print)

1. Name all of the officers of Michigan Gamma, their unqinames, positions, and majors.

11. Where are the 3 brass bents (permanently mounted) located throughout campus?
EXTRA CREDIT: Where is the fourth?

12. List the national requirements to be considered for TBP membership as an undergraduate.

13. List the ideals of Tau Beta Pi Honor Society as stated in the preamble of our constitution.

14. What is the symbol of the TBP motto?

15. What are TBP's colors?

16. What is the TBP emblem?

17. Identify a Tau Beta Pi laureate from Michigan Gamma.

18. Name 3 other schools in the same district as Michigan Gamma.

19. Get at least 5 signatures from Tau Beta Pi actives from Michigan Gamma who are not officers. (There are over 7500 of them - remember, once a member, always a member).

20. Get at least two signatures of current Tau Beta Pi officers. Going to office hours is a great way to find these!

OFFICER/ADVISOR QUESTIONS

Below are some interesting facts about the officers and advisors of Michigan Gamma posed as questions.

21. Which officer/advisor has performed live for Barack Obama?
22. Which officer/advisor is scared of fish?
23. Which officer/advisor broke his/her wrist in 6th grade and didn't find out until 8 weeks later?
24. Which officer/advisor hates to eat cereal with milk and instead eats cereal with yogurt or applesauce?
25. Which officer/advisor has an identical twin?
26. Which officer/advisor spent an evening hanging out with Chris Evans and Anthony Mackie (the actors who play Captain America and The Falcon) during their filming of Captain America: The Winter Soldier?
27. Which officer/advisor plays club volleyball for the University of Michigan?
28. Which officer/advisor went through TSA at the wrong airport?
29. Which officer/advisor has been hit by a car and broke his/her leg?
30. Which officer/advisor was once a flower girl, and after dropping the flower petals on the ground (which is the job of the flower girl), went back to pick them all up again?
31. Which officer/advisor could beat Andy Boucher in a 5 km race?
32. Which officer/advisor waited outside for 19 hours before the Michigan vs. Indiana basketball game?
33. Which officer/advisor was born in Italy?
34. Which officer/advisor initiated in the 90s?
35. Which officer/advisor has, on many occasions, consumed a venti Pike Place from Starbucks and subsequently gone immediately to sleep?
36. Which officer/advisor has an unhealthy obsession with the Chicago Cubs?

37. Which officer/advisor has never had a haircut?
38. Which officer/advisor was homecoming king in high school?
39. Which officer advisor is going to Guyana for an alternative spring break trip?
40. Which officer/advisor sleeps with blankets regardless of temperature?
41. Which officer/advisor worked with lab animals for the first time over the summer, and subsequently got bitten by rats twice during his/her first week handling them?
42. Which officer/advisor ate a whole cup of ice cream meant for dogs before realizing it was not meant for humans?
43. Which officer/advisor went on a camel ride in Israel?
44. Which officer/advisor has hypnotized over 80 people?

MIKE OR KYLE

Each of the following is either about Mike Hand or Kyle Lady, two graduate advisors for our chapter. Good luck!

45. Who dated a "model"? **Bonus:** Explain the quotation marks.
46. Who has a tumblr for breaking things? **Bonus:** Send him a picture of something new broken.
47. Who has more Michigan Honor Points?
48. Whose research project launched a metal cap through a metal ceiling and into the concrete superceiling?
49. Who made the new website? **Bonus:** How long has the new website been under development?
50. Who has the bigger shoe size **Bonus:** What size is it?
51. Who once got lost and ended up in Newark, and subsequently did a class presentation about why Jersey sucks?
52. Who is a national TBP student advisor?
53. Who is a member of the HKN Board of Governors?
54. Who accidentally ran a half marathon but had to limp the last four miles?
55. Who was the Epeians president - twice?
56. Who was on *America's Funniest Home Videos*? **Bonus:** Was he actually funny?
57. Who has won HKN's most attractive active award? **Bonus:** How many times? Should he have won?
58. Who swam in a Venetian canal?
59. Who has held more officer positions in any one organization?
60. Who broke a chair at HKN banquet?
61. Who covered a faculty member in flour?
62. Who keyed an active (a DA, even!) in the face? **Bonus:** Why?

BULLPEN QUESTIONS

63. Where is the Michigan Gamma office and have you been there?

If you answered "no," go there right now

64. What is SWE's motto?

65. Who was the TBP President when you were born?

66. Which US president congratulated MI-Gamma on the 100th anniversary of our founding?

67. Our office cabinet has pictures of the bents from what colleges?

68. Whose office is right next to the UMEC office?

69. Which TBP members have competed in Mr. Engineer (both for TBP and for other organizations)?

BONUS

70. To the optimist, the glass is half full.
To the pessimist, the glass is half empty.
To the engineer, the glass is _____.
71. What do you get if you cross a grape with an elephant?
72. How many times can you fold an 8.5" by 11" piece of paper in half?
73. What do you call a Local Area Network in Australia?
74. Fill in the blank: "I take 10 steps with a _____ left vision / Study the disorders we've absorbed inside the village"
75. Fill in the blank: "Obviously dead _____, and spent every red cent / To rule you, and still drop more jewels than schools do / Or even TV news that's designed to fool you"
76. Fill in the blank: "When I consider how my light is spent / E're half my days, in this dark world and wide, / And that one Talent which is death to hide / Lodg'd with me useless, though my Soul more _____"



MindSET Background Check - Winter 2014

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Ann Arbor public schools require anyone volunteering with children to fill out background check forms. This means that in order for anyone to volunteer at MindSET, he or she must fill out a background check form. The form is attached to this sheet. Please fill out the form and turn it in to the K-12 Outreach Officers (Laura Kruger and Sara Rusignuolo) as soon as possible. You can turn them in during First General or at the TBP office (1226 EECS). **You must turn them in by Third General (February 18) in order to volunteer at MindSET.**

Remember that volunteering for at least one session of MindSET is required in order to initiate. If you do not wish to fill out a form, please contact the K-12 Outreach Officers, Laura (krulaura) or Sara (srus), ASAP.



**ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADMINISTRATIVE AND HUMAN RESOURCE SERVICES
VOLUNTEER CERTIFICATION FORM**

Dear Volunteer,

Thank you for agreeing to volunteer at _____. Your contribution of your valuable time is a special gift. You are contributing to the Board of Education's top goal of student achievement.

The safety of students, staff, volunteers, and guests in our buildings is a top priority of AAPS. The Board has developed policies to help ensure the safety of all who interact with students and staff. All AAPS employees and unsupervised volunteers are required by Board Policy, 7350 to undergo a criminal background check. The AAPS uses the I-Chat (Michigan State Police) system to perform background checks. All information gathered through the background check is confidential.

Please complete the following:

Name _____ Maiden Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Alias _____

Gender **M** **F** State _____

Ethnic: African American____ American Indian____ Asian____ Hispanic____ White____ Middle Eastern____ Other____

Pursuant to Public Act 68 of 1993, I represent that (check one):

1. I have never been convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere (no contest) to any crimes.
2. I have been convicted of or pled guilty or nolo contendere (no contest) to the following crimes: *(Use other side of this form, if necessary, to explain nature of conviction, date and court.)*

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____

Pursuant to Public Act 68 of 1993, I understand and agree that:

- The Board of Education of the school district or governing body of the non-public school (the "School" must request a criminal history check on me from the Central Records Division of the Michigan Department of State Police.
- Until that report is received and reviewed by the School, I am not able to volunteer; and
- **If the report received from the Department of State Police is not the same as my representation(s) above, respecting either the absence of any violation(s) or any crimes of which I have been convicted, I shall not be permitted to volunteer for Ann Arbor Public Schools.**

Signed: _____ Date: _____

THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS DOCUMENT WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL AND BE HELD AT THE AAPS HRS OFFICES 2555 S. STATE, ANN ARBOR, MI 48104

Shonta Green
7/30/08



Service Project Descriptions - Winter 2014

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The following projects and descriptions are examples of service projects that our chapter has carried out in the past. Because the actual list of service projects that will be done this semester will likely change over the course of the semester, we cannot provide you with a definitive calendar of service projects. However, this list of examples should give you a good sense of the magnitude and different types of service projects that we undertake.

Adopt-A-Highway: MDOT created Adopt-A-Highway in 1990 to improve the beauty of our highway road-sides with community help. With the help of 6-12 TBP members, we clean a stretch of Fuller Road near North Campus.

Arb Restoration: If you like the outdoors, this project is for you! We help to keep the Nichols Arboretum the beautiful place it is by clearing out dead trees, picking up litter, and performing assorted groundskeep-ing tasks. Previous projects have included maintenance and re-routing of the stream that runs through it, planting, and various other types of light outdoor work.

Be the Match Registry: The Be the Match registry is a program administered by the National Marrow Donor Program with the goal of matching marrow-requiring patients with potential donors. For most of these patients, a marrow transplant is their last shot at surviving their disease. For this service project, we solicited for people to join the marrow registry by having them provide a DNA sample (cheek swab) and their contact information.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters: Big Brothers/Big Sisters pairs mentors and children to develop positive relation-ships that have a direct and lasting impact on the lives of young people. Volunteer to help out with a fun activity with their organization! Previous projects include helping out with a Rec Night; volunteers were needed to help with crafts, games in their gym, general supervising, and clean-up.

Blood Battle: The American Red Cross runs a number of blood donation competitions throughout the year on campus. Volunteer opportunities include helping out at the Bursley and Pierpont Commons donation sites or posting flyers on North Campus the week prior to this event.

Book Swap: TBP organizes this COE-wide event to help students buy and sell used books. First, students can bring in their used books and set their asking price. Next, other students stop by to peruse our selection and purchase used books. Project leaders should ideally be in Ann Arbor a week or two before school starts to set this up.

Botanical Gardens: The University of Michigan has its very own Matthaei Botanical Gardens that houses exotic plants from around the world. Volunteer opportunitites range from planting/maintaing the gardens to administrative work.

Bottle Drive: We collect cans, bottles, and bottle slips from TBP members to promote recycling. The money from the deposits are given to a local charity of choice.

Cancer Center: The U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center provides its patients diagnostic, treatment, and support services in a collaborative environment. Past projects include putting together patient information packets for clinics and preparing Valentine bags of homemade cards and candy for patients.

Cub Scouts Day: Cub Scouts Engineering Day is a TBP-organized event for local Cub Scouts troops to receive their engineering badges. Activities include bridge building, egg drop, circuits, and floor plan. Volunteers are needed to help run these stations and to lead groups of Cub Scouts through the stations.

Detroit Partnership Pen Pals: TBP is pairing up with the Detroit Partnership and the Society of Physics Students to provide pen pal mentors for 80 second through eighth grade students at Michigan Technical Academy in Detroit. The project entails writing one detailed letter each month and attending a brief orientation to make a meaningful impact on the life of a Detroit student. Young people need mentors, and even though you might sometimes be nerdy and awkward, you also might be exactly the sort of person who can inspire them.

Diag Clean-up: Work with fellow TBP members to help clean the North or Central campus Diag and its surrounding areas.

Ele's Place: Ele's Place is a nonprofit, community-based organization whose mission is to help children to cope with the death or life-threatening illness of a parent, sibling or other close family member or friend. Volunteers are needed to assist Ele's Place staff and the support group facilitators by greeting families as they arrive at Ele's Place for their group sessions, assisting with monitoring the children's Activity Rooms, helping in the Ele's Place Library, and/or helping with various set-up and clean-up duties.

Food Gatherers Soup Kitchen: Food Gatherers help prepare a warm meal, serve it, and clean up afterwards at the Delonis Center in Ann Arbor, which temporarily houses approximately 90 homeless people and serves regular meals to the community that have trouble making ends meet. This project directly benefits certain members of the Ann Arbor community that need food. As this is a popular project, project leaders should aim to set up four events a semester (monthly).

Food Gatherers Warehouse: Food Gatherers collects surplus food from businesses around the community to alleviate hunger. Volunteers are needed to help out at Food Gatherers' warehouse with activities including cleaning the warehouse and sorting and packaging food.

Habitat for Humanity: Habitat for Humanity seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness and has built more than 300,000 houses around the world. This is a great hands-on activity where we help build a local house for a family in need. NO experience is necessary. Experienced builders will help you and tell you exactly what to do.

Hands-On Musuem: The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum aims to inspire people to discover the wonder of science, math and technology. Have fun with kids while learning cool science facts! Past events include helping children make their own microbes, exploring unique musical instruments, and celebrating DNA day.

KnitWits: KnitWits helps the less fortunate during the cold winters by creating warm clothes from donated material. We sew together scraps of fleece to make mittens, hats, and scarves for the homeless here in Ann Arbor. No experience is necessary; instructions and materials all provided!

Leslie Science Center: The Leslie Science and Nature Center, situated on 50 acres of fields, woods and prairie in the heart of Ann Arbor, focuses on the public education of science and conservation. It has nature trails, a Critter House, and a solar-powered Nature House. Help them prepare for one of their biggest activities - Animal Haunts! Volunteers are needed for clearing trails, creating a maze in the prairie, carving pumpkins, etc.

MathCounts Tutoring: MathCounts is a national math enrichment & competition program that promotes middle school mathematics achievement throughout the U.S. We will help coach students at a local middle school in preparation for their competitions. This is a weekly after-school event.

Meals on Wheels: Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels reduces hunger and food insecurity by delivering meals to those who are unable to shop and cook for themselves. Volunteers are needed to drive around to various locations in Ann Arbor and deliver meals to the elderly in their homes or apartments.

Neutral Zone: This local teen center is a hangout place for high-school-aged youth in Ann Arbor that offers ongoing programs such as Volume Youth Poetry, Break Dancin' Basics, Youth Owned Records, Rebel Grrls Music Project, The Mentor Program, and Drop-in Tutoring. Previous projects include preparing a full dinner for the teens and helping with a mailout for a musical event.

Project SEED: This project encourages science and engineering among elementary school students by running a hands-on activity in a local classroom. Previous projects include making slime, building potato batteries, and making pencil windmills.

Recycle Ann Arbor: Recycle Ann Arbor's ReUse takes donations of reusable material such as furniture, housewares, and lumber, and then resells them to the public or donates to other non-profit organizations. Volunteers are needed to maintain the center; tasks include sorting materials, making displays, cleaning, and some outdoor work.

Ronald McDonald House: The Ronald McDonald House is a place for parents who have children receiving medical treatment at the UM Hospital to live and take care of their children during a difficult time. We prepare a dinner for the families.

SAFE House: SAFE House is a place that supports survivors of domestic violence and their children. Previous projects include making dinner for them and helping organize and clean the children's play area.

Sequoia Place: TBP has paired up with HKN go to a local retirement home (Sequoia Place) on alternating weeks to help the residents with technical support for 2 hours (Word, Gmail, stereos, etc).

Towsley Children's House: U of M Towsley Children's House (formerly Pound House) is a U of M affiliated child care center which watches over 45 children each week. This is a great opportunity to do something worthwhile for the children in the Ann Arbor community; past projects include organizing the library, preparing for a field trip, and doing general maintenance of the center.

U of M Environmental Health Department: This department is dedicated to managing the local environment at U of M. This project typically consists of clearing invasive plant species from the North Campus woods.

VA Bingo Night: The Community Living Center at the local VA holds a Bingo Night every weeknight for veteran patients. We assist by getting drinks for the vets, helping them play, and handing out prizes. The

veterans enjoy spending time with students!

Washtenaw Literacy: Washtenaw Literacy helps adults improve their reading, writing, and English as a second language skills. Volunteer opportunities range from tutoring in their library to helping out with their events, mailouts, and fundraisers.

Washtenaw Science Fair: The 53rd Annual Southeast Michigan Science Fair is sponsored by the University of Michigan and Washtenaw Community College in cooperation with public and private schools in the five county regions. Projects are submitted by students from grades 6 through 12. Volunteers will judge a set number of science fair projects. Dinner is provided! Transportation will be arranged for those who need it.

World Medical Relief : World Medical Relief distributes donated medical equipment and supplies to areas in need on a local, national, and international basis. Volunteers work with M-HEAL, another U of M student society, to repair and sort medical equipment at a warehouse facility in Detroit.



Electee Groups Point System - Winter 2014

Tau Beta Pi MI-G

You will be placed in an electee group consisting of 5-7 electees with two active members as your group leaders. Throughout the semester, you will have the opportunity to earn points for your electee group by completing any of the items listed below. At the end of the semester, the electee group with the most points will be announced and awarded the Electee Group Trophy.

Activity	Points
Competitions after meetings	
• First Place	15
• Second Place	10
• Third Place	5
Come to a general body meeting with the entire group wearing TBP t-shirts	5
Paint the Rock (send at least one photo to the Vice President - tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu)	30*
Polish the Bent (send at least one photo to the Vice President - tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu) Supplies are in the TBP office	25*
Bring food to an officer meeting (6:00pm Sundays before meetings in the Baer Room in Cooley)	20*
• Homemade food	25*
Service	
• Participate in a service project with all the electees in your group	30
• Participate in a service project with at least half the electees in your group	15
Socials	
• Attend a social event with all the electees in your group	10
• Attend a social event with at least half of the electees in your group	5
• All the electees in your group attend at least three social events	40
• At least half the electees in your group attend at least three social events	20
Write an article for The Cornerstone with at least half of the electees in your group (send to TBPcornerstone@umich.edu)	15*
Have an extra group meeting (at least 3/4 of the electees in your group must attend)	10**

* - Limited to 1

** - Limited to 3

NOTE: Extra group meetings are described as a gathering outside of the above events (e.g. painting the Rock, polishing the Bent, writing an article) after the two required meetings. If you have questions, please contact the Vice President (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu).