Jody Long was chosen Nov. 15 as Theta Xi sweetheart, and she will represent the fraternity until the end of the school year.

Twelve members of the fraternity were judges responsible for picking their next sweetheart. Four contestants competed in the pageant: Jody Long, a senior; Gabrielle Lover, a junior; Catherine Ussery and Victoria Kennedy, both freshmen.

The contestants were required to do three things to prove to the members of the fraternity that they would make an excellent sweetheart. The first was presenting the fraternity with a brick painted by the contestant, the second was to make a baked good or dish for the members to eat and the third was to impersonate two members of the fraternity.

“Brick painting and decorating are very important things to all Greeks. We wanted the contestants to dedicate their bricks to the fraternity,” said Drew Clawson, a member of Theta Xi. Bricks were presented to the fraternity by each of the contestants; each brick was extremely creative and was meant to prove to the members that the contestants knew the members well.

Presenting the members with food was the next step in the process, and a variety of food was served ranging from cakes to sausage and cheese balls.

“It was probably the best part,” said Cameron Jenkins of Theta Xi.

The third and final part of the event was something that everyone could enjoy. The ladies were required to do a short impersonation of two different brothers. The members were looking for accuracy in the impersonations and wanted to see if the contestants had their personalities down to a tee.