PI TAU SIGMA ANNUAL CHAPTER REPORT

2010-2011

San Diego Beta Delta

A. Initiation

Members who were deemed eligible to join Pi Tau Sigma, based on academic merit, were invited to participate in the primary initiation held at the University of San Diego. In this, the chapter's first year, members found it appropriate to follow the initiation rituals outlined in the Pi Tau Sigma Rituals section of the Chapter Guide.

San Diego Beta Delta was chartered on February 12th, 2011. A spring semester initiation was held on April 19th, 2011, wherein eleven members were inducted. The first two members were initiated at the Pi Tau Sigma Convention held at University of Chicago, Illinois on February 11th, 2011.

B. Chapter Activities

San Diego Beta Delta supported the engineering program at the University of San Diego by supplying complementary coffee during the week of final exams. Pi Tau Sigma members arranged a coffee bar and regularly resupplied it as necessary. The project was successful both in bolstering the academic efforts in the field of engineering and providing an opportunity to introduce the new chapter to students and faculty of the engineering department.

C. Future Efforts and Activities

In this formative year for the chapter, members plan to create a more defined identity for the organization within the University of San Diego's unique community. The objective will be achieved by establishing a strong foundation in officer and member responsibilities and developing cooperative partnerships with similar organizations such as ASME.

Another primary objective for the coming year is to ensure the chapter is recognized in USD's Honors Convocation which is held every year during the spring semester. This will increase recognition of the chapter and create another opportunity for the university to reward the merit of its mechanical engineering students.

In an effort to increase the quality of future service projects, members plan to organize a number of fund raising events in the coming semester. This goes along with another goal for coming years, increased exposure and outreach to fellow students and underclassmen.