PI TAU SIGMA ANNUAL CHAPTER REPORT
2009-2010
UAB Phi Tau

A. Initiations

Potential initiates are found simply by standing in the Mechanical Engineering department on school (that is, all of the top 25% of Juniors and top 33% of Seniors are considered.) Faculty and current PTS members are asked for any reason that these students should not be accepted. In extreme circumstances, individuals which meet the requirements are removed from consideration. We have one spring and one fall initiation. Potential initiates are contacted via email and sent a power point about the basics of PTS. They are told a date and time to meet at the Engineering building. Initiates are forbidden to talk about the initiation or the initiation process. Each initiate is given a key to polish and mount. Every effort is made to have a welcome party shortly after each initiation. This year, Fall initiation was held September 22nd. Unfortunately, none of the potential initiates this spring expressed a desire to join. Therefore, only one initiation was held this year.

B. Chapter Activities

Our goals for this year were to increase awareness of PTS in the freshmen class and increase incentive to maintain superior grades. We raised awareness of Pi Tau Sigma by hosting many fundraisers, which increased the exposure of the honor society. Our members continue to be available to underclassmen as tutors in various subjects. One PTS member from the Phi Tau Chapter attended the national convention in Lubbock, TX this year. We held an end of the year Mechanical Engineering Faculty vs Students softball game in conjunction with the student chapter of ASME. We also held a party to celebrate the end of the year and our graduates. Lastly, in May, we hosted a fishing tournament to raise funds.

C. Other

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