Pi Tau Sigma Annual Chapter Report
2012-2013
Dayton Delta Nu

A. Initiations

Our initiation procedure begins each semester with our advisor, Dr. Andrew Murray, sending the officers the list of students who meet the criteria to become members of Pi Tau Sigma. As indicated in the Pi Tau Sigma by-laws our chapter allows Seniors in the top 35% of their class and Juniors in the top 20%. The officers then narrow the list down by eliminating current members and students set to graduate at the end of the semester. Once all of the candidates are set, emails are sent to congratulate the students on their academic success and let them know that they are able to join the Dayton Delta Nu chapter of Pi Tau Sigma. The officers then hold an informative meeting to talk more about Pi Tau Sigma and answer any questions that potential inductees may have. Shortly after the informative meeting, we hold the official induction ceremony.

B. Chapter Activities

The Dayton Delta Nu chapter of Pi Tau Sigma participated in some events both on campus and further reaching to engage the current members, spread awareness to potential members and encourage the values and ideals of the organization as a whole. The chapter continued Freshman mentoring which has been conducted by the chapter for several years now. Freshman mentoring involves members of the chapter reaching out to Dayton Engineering first year students and providing guidance about a variety of topics such as class schedules, professor recommendations, and study techniques. This event not only aids the underclassmen but familiarizes many with our organization.

To ensure proper organization and involvement of our chapter we felt it was important to stay connected with the greater School of Engineering (SOE) and attended leadership panels with the Dean of the school. Representing PTS and SOE leaders, President Josh Rellinger and Vice President Brad Lonsway eagerly responded to the Dean's request to chair UD's participation in National Engineering Week as leaders of an engineering organization. By taking on this role, we proudly contributed to the recognition and involvement of PTS within the SOE and followed in the previous Dayton Delta Nu's President and Vice President's footsteps as they led it last year. We led all of E-Week and coordinated the chapter's sponsoring of a major event of the week. E-Week is a national event that celebrates the engineering profession with friendly competition between Engineering Departments while spreading passion and admiration for engineering as a whole. Specifically to celebrate E-Week at UD, with the help of a small committee, we incorporated and directed over fifteen student organizations to plan several events involving service, engineering mentorship, faculty involvement, networking and physical competitions. As the planning began, we were able to encourage our PTS chapter members to increase participation in E-Week and influence a greater student group. We worked hard to reignite the strong tradition of E-Week at UD where hundreds of students and faculty enthusiastically participated. The leadership gave us the ability to indorse fraternity ideals of friendship, respect and elevation of mind by engaging the entire SOE faculty, staff and students to participate in E-Week and gain a further appreciation of our academic and career focus. It managed to become a great opportunity to work with the highly intelligent and motivated employees within the office of SOE and the bright and encouraging fellow peer leaders of the other engineering organizations. We helped to continue campus recognition of E-Week and saw an increase in

event participation as well as left notes for next year's planning committee to help with problems and successes we noticed.

After having the great privilege of attending the National Conference in Columbus, Ohio the executive board was encouraged and eager to share the new information gained with the rest of the organization. The executive board decided to alter a position added last year and change it from Event Coordinator to Social Chair. This altered position would be encouraged to organize at least one event per semester with either community service or Dayton Delta Nu social activities for bonding. All five executive board positions were nominated, voted upon and instituted during this meeting. Dayton Delta Nu's 2013-14 executive board is as follows: President: Kyle Koester, Vice President: Stephen Maloney, Treasurer: Aaron McClanahan, Secretary: Joseph Shepherd, and Social Chair: Brenna Nowacki.

New connections between Dayton Delta Nu alumni and current members were also implemented with a Pi Tau Sigma Dayton Delta Nu Linkedin account. The executive board felt that this would be a good way for alumni to recruit Dayton Delta Nu members to co-op for them and possibly to invite to interviews for full-time positions after graduation.