Pi Tau Sigma Annual Chapter Report
2015-2016
Dayton Delta Nu

A. Initiations

Before formal initiations are held, invitations must be sent out to those who have proven their academic excellence in the field of mechanical engineering. Prospective initiates are chosen based off of their current cumulative GPA and class standing. All juniors who are in the top 25% of their class, and all seniors in the top 35% of their class are invited to join the Dayton Delta Nu chapter of Pi Tau Sigma. Once the initiates are chosen, a formal email inviting them to the initiation ceremony is sent out. There is one ceremony in the Fall semester, and one is held in the Spring. Typically these are held in the October and April months. During initiation, the group is gathered in a room in UD's engineering building. All PTS plaques, memorabilia, and candles are displayed for both current, and prospective new members. The initiation is held, following the script provided by the national PTS chapter. After all new members are initiated, elections are held. All open positions are announced, and the members run for all of the positions they are interested in. A vote with all members in attendance is taken, and the new officers officially begin their terms. A celebration then follows, with pizza and pop for all in attendance. This past fall Dayton Delta Nu gained 5 new members on December 10th, 2015. During the spring term 11 new members joined on April 21st, 2016.

B. Chapter Activities

The main source of income for Dayton Delta Nu's chapter is in the form of the initiates dues. The chapter also gains money from funding from the university. The chapter spends this money on the initiation celebrations. The UD mechanical engineering department funds all trip expenses to the annual Pi Tau Sigma convention. On campus, the Dayton Delta Nu chapter is responsible for hosting the "Duct Tape Your Professor" challenge for E-Week. Please refer to pictures below.

C. Other

The University of Dayton's mechanical engineers greatly benefit from having Pi Tau Sigma as an honor society. Through the events and scholarship, both PTS members as well as the greater community benefit. Pi Tau Sigma and the University of Dayton's core values align, making the organization a perfect addition to the campus.