PI TAU SIGMA ANNUAL CHAPTER REPORT
2009-2010
University of Evansville Phi Rho

A. Initiations

The initiation ceremony for this year's initiation followed the standard ceremony predetermined by the Pi Tau Sigma initiation script. A selection of students meeting the overall GPA requirements of Pi Tau Sigma was given to the current chapter members. Current members then selected this year's new members were determined following the standards as defined in the constitution of Pi Tau Sigma and by overall standing in the college of engineering and computer science. Twelve students were invited to join the chapter and this year the chapter initiated 8 new members on March 24, 2010. Following the initiation ceremony, the newly inducted members as well as the current members and the chapter's faculty advisor had dinner at Olive Garden to celebrate.

B. Chapter Activities

Chapter meetings were held a few weeks prior to the induction ceremony to discuss which students met the additional requirements of the Phi Rho chapter, meaning which students were active in community outreach through programs ran by the university.

This year the chapter participated in campus activity by proctoring the annual engineering scholarship day for potential incoming seniors. Seniors take two separate exams, one on problem solving and one on basic knowledge of math and science. Pi Tau Sigma members supervise the exams and grade each exam immediately following its completion. Pi Tau Sigma members also helped with this event by providing campus tours to students following their exams.

Chapter members also participated in a variety of community services event throughout the college of engineering and computer science. Such events included Engineers Rock! and Webelos Day. Each of these events were sponsored by the university and were used to ignite interest in math and science for surrounding youth.

The Phi Rho chapter also chose to sponsor the travel expenses of a senior led project team. The University Student Launch Initiative is a senior led project in its first year at the university. The team's budget came short and appeared that the team would not be able to attend its competition in Huntsville, AL. Phi Ro took this as an opportunity to support not only the current project, but by allowing the current team to compete, an opportunity to show confidence in future teams.