Pi Tau Sigma Annual Chapter Report

2015-2016

Baylor University Beta Beta

A. Initiation

1. Requirements from Initiates – Potential initiates of the Baylor University Beta Beta chapter of Pi Tau Sigma are selected using the following criteria:
   - Scholarship: upper 25% of Junior mechanical engineering class and upper 33% of Senior mechanical engineering class
   - Good Character: must be shown both in and out of the classroom

   Potential initiates must also exemplify the core values of Baylor University, and must represent Baylor University and the Beta Beta chapter in a positive light at all times.

2. Selection Process – A list of students is compiled that meet the scholastic standard of Pi Tau Sigma. If any of the faculty sponsors or officers has an objection to one of the students on the list, a discussion is held to determine the cause of the objection. The faculty sponsors have the final authority on removing someone from the list of potential initiates. Once the list is finalized, an e-mail is sent to all of the students on the list, and they are invited to come to an interest meeting for the Beta Beta chapter. The interest meeting explains what Pi Tau Sigma is, what it stands for, when initiation will take place, etc.
3. Initiation Ceremony – The date of the initiation ceremony is set by the faculty sponsors and the officers. It is usually held in the evening on a day in the second half of the semester, in a lecture hall within the Rogers Engineering Building. The initiates are introduced to all of Pi Tau Sigma's traditions during the initiation ceremony including the core values and the handshake.
4. Celebration – After each initiation ceremony, dinner is provided for initiates and their guests at the Cheddar's restaurant near campus. Along with the new initiates and their guests, officers as well as current members attend the dinner.
5. Initiations Held During the 2015-2016 School Year –

November 22, 2015	*April 16, 2016*
Wimberly Dick	Nathaniel Blackman
Wolfgang Draving	Grant Drewelow
Nate Freeman	Brian Hafferkamp
Jonathan Gray	Emily Klotzbach
Mikaela Hensen	Gregory Pope

Olivia Hirst	Caleb Riehl
Josh Malzahn	
Tyler Pharris	
Jordan Rogers	
Caleb Starcher	
Taylor Stephens	
Collin Stipe	
Robert Stucky	

B. Chapter Activities

The Beta Beta chapter held a representative position within the ECS student organization council for the entire academic year. Pi Tau Sigma also created and initiated the first year of the ECS textbook exchange, which is an online resource that Baylor ECS students can use to buy and sell textbooks that are necessary for our technical education. Soon after the fall initiation, the chapter hosted a key polishing event as well as a bowling Take-a Date on campus. In the Spring Semester, the chapter assisted in the Baylor ECS "Rogers Goes Outside" event by helping to tear down and clean up after the event. These programs allow the Beta Beta chapter of Pi Tau Sigma to contribute to the Baylor community as well as encourage younger students who will soon become the next generation of engineers.

C. Chapter Roster

Entering 2015-2016 Active Members

Wimberly Dick
Wolfgang Draving
Nate Freeman
Jonathan Gray
Mikaela Hensen
Olivia Hirst
Josh Malzahn
Tyler Pharris
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Caleb Starcher
Taylor Stephens
Collin Stipe
Robert Stucky
Gregory Pope
Caleb Riehl
Grant Drewelow
Brian Hafferkamp
Emily Klotzbach
Nathan Blackman

Graduates in December 2015

Courtney Kimutis

Graduates in May 2016

Holly Livesay
Rowland Henshaw
Caleb Heimsoth
Shelby Booth
Pamela Ruffner
Dani Gutwein
Tane Tatum
Richard Hansen
Marie Smith

Officers Elected for 2016-2017

President: Jordan Rogers
Vice-Pres: Robert Stucky
Secretary: Wimberly Dick
Treasurer: Jonathan Gray
Faculty Advisor: Jonathan Rylander