Pi Tau Sigma Annual Chapter Report

2012-2013

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 a 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 2012-2013 School Year –

December 2, 2012	*April 28, 2013*
Christopher Joe	Christopher Boise
Christopher Walker	Elizabeth Wesley
Dana Reed	Jonathon Dillon
Douglas Ashby	Jordan Stolle

Emily Glavan	Patrick Chester
Erica Kundrot	Taylor Torres
Ian Rosnau	
Michael Hughes	
Morgan Goodwin	
Peter Fager	
Rachel Patterson	
Ricardo Betancourt	
Robert Wehrmann	
Scott Uhlrich	
Sophia Cooper	
Tannah Deloach	
Tara Davis	
Timothy Shannon	

B. Chapter Activities

During the fall semester, the Beta Beta chapter participated in the BEST robotics program, hosted by Waco's University High School. BEST Robotics is a national competition designed to interest middle school and high school students in possible engineering careers. Pi Tau Sigma members served as judges during the competition. During 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 community at Baylor, and in addition, to encourage younger students who will grow up to be the next generation of engineers.

C. Chapter Roster

Entering 2012-2013 Active Members

Alex Warren
Ashley Johnson
Charlie Brown
Sarah Stair
Stephen Warner
Tim Lash
Troy Pickens

Graduates in December 2012

Jake Christoph

Graduates in May 2012

Alex Warren
Aly Robicheaux
Andrew Wagner
Ashley Johnson
Ashley Walters
Charlie Brown
Haden Duke
Jessica Jardon
Kevin Simms
Maggie Benge
Rachel Townsend
Sarah Hnatek
Sarah Stair
Taylor Reeves
Zach Stover

Officers Elected for 2013-2014

President: Rachel Patterson
Vice-Pres: Erica Kundrot
Secretary: Michael Hughes
Treasurer: Ian Rosnau
Faculty Advisors: Stephen T. McClain and William Jordan