Tau Chi

South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD
Chartered March 6, 1961. Number 71.

Goals for 2007-2008

The chapter goal this year was to increase volunteer and campus related activities. By increasing chapter activity member involvement would also increase.

Activities

The chapter's primary activity was tutoring underclassman. About 10 hrs/week a PTS member was available to answer questions.

In the Fall of 2007 PTS adopted a four mile stretch of road along I-29. The community service will allow PTS to gain recognition and help the community simultaneously for years to come.

In December 2007 Mike Fellows from TSP, Inc. spoke about consulting engineering. The presentation focused on responsibilities of EITs and the organization involved with collaborating with other disciplines.

Chapter Secretary, Aaron Boomsma, created a PTS website. The website lists current members, chapter officers, chapter activities, and meeting minutes.

Chapter President, Travis Kubal, attended the National Convention at Georgia Tech. The convention gave the local chapter many ideas about chapter improvement and activities that could be performed.

Other activities included member participation in the Mechanical Engineering Advisory Council, Joint Engineering Council, and the Mechanical Engineering Banquet Planning Committee.

Graduates

Aaron Boomsma – University of Minnesota
Nick Fanning – Missouri River Energy, Sioux Falls, SD
Matthew Fodness – Poet, Sioux Falls, SD
Annicka Gunderson – Unknown
Timothy Hanigan – Unknown
Michael Hanson – Trail Eze Trailers, Mitchell, SD
Matthew Hein – South Dakota State
Christopher Jerred – Unknown
Thomas King – RFA, Minneapolis, MN
Kristen Klinkner – US Air Force, Del Rio, TX
Travis Kubal – Purdue University
Nate Lahrs – Masaba, Vermillion, SD
Micky Oldenkamp – Cessna, Wichita, KS
Kyle Sueltz – 3M, Aberdeen, SD
Michael Temme - Unknown

Awards & Recognition

Alex Moutsoglou – PTS National Treasurer/Secretary

Names of New Members

Fall 2007 Pledges

Matt Hein	Garrett Hansen
Mike Hanson	Thomas King
Jon Schmit	

Spring 2008 Pledges

Dustin Belden	Jeff Kreul
Trevor Layh	

Transfer of Responsibilities

The current chapter officers have a formal meeting scheduled with the 2008-2009 officers during which time we will transfer all materials, both electronic and paper, to the new officers. During this meeting we will also share our experiences with the incoming officers and answer any questions they may have. The incoming officers will also be given a check sheet of important tasks and activities that they must complete each semester to keep the Tau Chi Chapter of PTS thriving at SDSU.

Plans for 2008-2009

In addition to the activities started in 2007-2008 PTS would like to increase community involvement. Plans are to become active in Habitat for Humanity. Additional volunteer events are currently being sought.

Next year the organization will increase involvement with local industries. This will be accomplished by inviting more industry speakers in to recruit/inform students.

Chapter Officers

President	Travis Kubal
Vice President	Kyle Sueltz
Treasurer	Mike Temme
Secretary	Aaron Boomsma
Activities Coordinator	Micky Oldenkamp

2008-2009 Chapter Officers

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Webmaster	Trevor Layh

Chapter Advisor

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