Pi Tau Sigma Annual Chapter Report
George Washington Phi Gamma Chapter
2011-2012

A. Initiation

Candidates in the top 15% of the junior and senior mechanical engineering classes were invited to join the George Washington Phi Gamma chapter in the fall and spring semesters. Our fall initiation ceremony took place on December 6, 2011 and our spring initiation ceremony took place on April 27, 2012. A total of nine undergraduate students were inducted into the chapter.

B. Chapter Activities

Both initiation ceremonies were catered by Whole Foods and allowed students to interact with each other as well as mechanical engineering faculty. Over fifteen initiates, student members, and faculty members were present at the spring initiation ceremony. In March, both the president and treasurer of the chapter attended the Pi Tau Sigma national convention in San Jose, California. During Engineering Week, we held a successful event called "Guess The Weight of That Pi!" in the lobby of Tompkins Hall, our university's engineering school. Our chapter had several meetings throughout the year to learn about Pi Tau Sigma, socialize, and plan events. Unfortunately our highly anticipated Nationals baseball game social event was rained out in April, but we got to enjoy nicer weather in May during an end-of-year picnic. All graduating seniors received free cords and stoles that were purchased using our organization's funds from the university.

C. About Us

The members of the Phi Gamma chapter serve as leaders of the engineering school and the George Washington University. This past year, three members were mentors for incoming freshmen engineering students and several members participated in research within the mechanical engineering department. Three members were recognized for their academic achievement at a dinner with the president of the university. Recent graduates are entering the aerospace, energy, and petroleum industries or attending graduate school.

<u>Chapter Officers for 2011-2012</u>
Danielle Barsky, Presdient
Kyle Chan, Vice President
Kristen Metropoulos, Treasurer
Jonathan Guidoboni, Secretary

<u>Graduates</u>
Danielle Barsky
Kyle Chan
Jonathan Guidoboni
Kristen Metropoulos
Ross Patterson
Assres Woldemaryam

<u>New Members</u>
Eric Alvarez (Fall)
Nicholas Batista (Fall)
John Anthony Dougherty (Fall)
Timothy Murphy (Fall)
Mariel Rico (Fall)
Kiren Caldwell (Spring)
Brandon Fix (Spring)
Christopher Popma (Spring)
Alisa Tulio (Spring)

<u>Chapter Advisor</u>
Professor Yin-Lin Shen