PI TAU SIGMA ANNUAL CHAPTER REPORT

2010 – 2011

IUPUI Alpha Upsilon

A. Initiations

Every semester students are invited to join the Alpha Upsilon Chapter of Pi Tau Sigma according to the Membership Criteria on the Pi Tau Sigma Manual. The students are chosen based on their current academic performance and their class standing. Once the students accept the invitations, they undergo the Rituals of Pi Tau Sigma, where the President and Vice-President read the initiation rituals. After the rituals are read aloud, the initiates agree to sign a Release of Academic Information which will be used to verify their eligibility. Once all initiations are complete the students are invited to a complimentary pizza party as a welcome ceremony.

The new initiates for this academic year were:

Fall 2010	*Spring 2011*
Joshua Keith	Nicholas R. Nastase
Andrew Dole	
Jeremy Wuestefeld	
Christopher Harvey	
Michael Torzewski	

B. Chapter Activities

There were many activities that occurred during the 2010-2011 academic year. This year our Alpha Upsilon chapter was trying to create a partnership with a local company in hopes to attract more students into our chapter. Our hopes were to have a contact company to hold presentations and tours throughout the semester and inform students about the company. Eventually we would want this company to consider our students after graduation for possible employment opportunities.

During the fall semester a recent graduate and previous Pi Tau Sigma member from Cummins Inc. came to campus and gave a presentation about the company as well as gave the students some tips to help improve their resumes and make themselves more attractive to recruiters from Cummins at the IUPUI Career Fair held every fall semester. The presentation was strictly for current Pi Tau Sigma members as well as eligible candidates for future recruitment.

As members of the Alpha Upsilon chapter of Pi Tau Sigma, we strive to improve our community as well as IUPUI. One of the ways that we tried to help the students at IUPUI was by offering free tutoring in all classes in the Mechanical Engineering Curriculum. A few students from our chapter joined alongside the IUPUI chapter of ASME for free tutoring for

fellow mechanical engineering students. At IUPUI, the ASME chapter has a designated room for tutoring purposes which was shared with members of Pi Tau Sigma.

Another activity in which our members participated in was on a community service project sponsored by Rebuilding the Wall. The members engaged in demolition of a condemned foundation as the site was cleared to make room for reconstruction. Rebuilding the Wall is non-profit organization which reaches out to the community in order to improve housing opportunities for financially challenged citizens of the Indianapolis community.

The Alpha Upsilon chapter has also been trying to establish close relationships with other student organizations at IUPUI. The community service project was performed alongside the Society of Women Engineers as a joint event. IUPUI also holds an annual student organization recognition luncheon where all of the organizations are recognized for their work throughout the year. Pi Tau Sigma had a few honored members as well as recognized the graduating seniors for their contribution to the organizations.

C. Officers for 2010-2011

President – Juan Solano
Vice-President – Daric Fitzwater
Treasurer – Samantha Stone
Secretary – Matthew McClain
Web-Master – Matthew Schieler