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University of Alabama at Birmingham

This year’s initiation ceremony was held on February 20, 2009, where eighteen new members were initiated into the UAB Chi Epsilon chapter. The newly elected officers for the coming year are: Jason Kretzschmar, president; Candace Watson, vice-president; Glenn Hood, treasurer; Sally Palmer, secretary; Jeewon Park, associate editor; and Christopher Lindsey, marshal, with Dr. Talat Salama as the faculty advisor. A photo of the ceremony is attached.

UAB Chi Epsilon chapter members are active in numerous competitions and events such as the ASCE Concrete Canoe competition and the Engineering School open house three day event for high-school students. Plans for the future include tutoring sessions for engineering students in their freshman and sophomore years, and being involved in Habitat for Humanity projects.

University of Arkansas

The Chi Epsilon chapter at the University of Arkansas has had a very productive and successful year. The year 2008 started off with spring officers: Royce Floyd, president; David Clement, vice-president; Steven Beggs, secretary; Clint Wood, treasurer; Adam White, marshal; and Trent Ellis, editor. Dr. Norman Dennis continued to serve as faculty advisor through the spring semester.

Through the months from January to April, many chapter members were heavily involved with the ASCE Mid-continent Concrete Canoe and AISC Steel Bridge competitions. Many

University of Alabama-Birmingham officers conducting initiation
members participated in the design and construction of the canoe and bridge and also competed in the competitions.

In the spring, we designed and sold College of Engineering hats as a fundraiser. The hats were sold modestly throughout the semester in the Bell Engineering building, and sold very well at the Arkansas Academy of Civil Engineering banquet at the end of the semester. As in years past, we sold FE review manuals as a fundraiser and coordinated the spring and fall FE review sessions. This is always a successful fundraiser, raising several hundred dollars every semester. During the spring, the chapter also initiated the creation of a plaque to display the donations of past honor members to the UA Chi Epsilon chapter, which were solicited by sending letters to each of the past Chapter Honor Members. During the spring semester, the chapter also sent three members to the 40th National Conclave, which took place in Hoboken, NJ at the Stevens Institute of Technology on March 13-15.

In the month of April, eleven new student members were initiated; Annette Porter, Cameron Alexander, Daniel George, Daniel Morgan, Ray Ryan, Chris Williams, Jeremy McDonald, Joseph Fifer, Sarah Tamyo, Josh Cunningham, and Shannon Money. Mr. C. Larry Weir, P.E. was elevated as our Chapter Honor Member. Chapter nominees were required to develop a Chi Epsilon board and to participate in a service project. In the spring term, the service project was cleaning up Mud Creek Trail for the City of Fayetteville. Chapter members were also encouraged to participate in this activity, which will spread awareness of Chi Epsilon and motivate participation. On November 20, new officers were elected for the spring 2009 semester. The officers elected were Alan Nguyen, secretary; Mark McCollum, treasurer; Daniel Byram, marshal; and Annette Porter, associate editor.
University of Arkansas fall 2008 reception

University of Arkansas hat sold for fundraising
Bradley University

Over the past year, with the support and guidance of Dr. Al-Khafaji, chair of the Department of Civil Engineering and Construction, and Dr. Seckler, faculty advisor, Chi Epsilon has been able to carry on a tradition of excellence. The chapter continues to initiate the finest undergraduate civil engineering student scholars and encourage leadership and service among its members. Since the last report, nineteen students have been initiated into Chi Epsilon. Initiated on April 24, 2008 were Jazmin Anaya, Michael Brown, Tyler Dickinson, Lauren Downing, Lindsey Ford, Krzysztof Kluza, Kurt Mester, Michael Peplow, Andrew Scott, and Jason Shurtz. Initiated on November 23, 2008 were Anastasia Berwick, Mark Bulicek, Stephen Long, Jessica Lund, Kyle Prusinski, Matthew Rock, Brenna Roether, Matthew Smith, and Mitchell Wedell.

Serving as officers for the spring semester, 2008 were Nicholas Homerding, president, Michael Ott, vice-president; Emily Steimel, and Mitchell Wedell, marshal. These officers welcomed the twenty-one members initiated in the fall and spring semesters. Dr. Robert Barnes continued to serve as faculty advisor.

The chapter continued its organization of review sessions for the FE exam. In 2003, our chapter started these review sessions as a service to Auburn civil engineering students. Since that time, Auburn’s performance on the exam has improved remarkably. These review sessions would not have not been possible without the following faculty members: Dr. Barnes, Dr. Barnett, Dr. Elton, Dr. Melville, Dr. Timm, Dr. Turochy, Dr. Zech, and graduate student Ashley Fuller. We look forward to continuing and improving this service.

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Our chapter organized the first civil-specific graduate school forum. This forum served as a venue for informing students about graduate school and also allowed students to ask any questions they may have about graduate school. Special thanks is given to Dr. Stallings, our department head, for taking time to speak and answer questions at this forum. We look forward to providing and enhancing this forum in the future.

Without a doubt, the chapter’s commitment to sociability was enjoyed by members. The chapter held two dinners to honor our fall and spring initiates. We look forward to another exciting and successful year in 2009!

Auburn University

The Auburn University chapter of Chi Epsilon had an outstanding year in 2008, growing in numbers and accomplishments. The new officers elected in April 2008 were William Minor—president, Paul Coulston—vice-president, Melanie Limerick—secretary, Erica Thomas—treasurer, Michael Rice—associate editor, and Layton Minton—marshal. These officers welcomed the twenty-one members initiated in the fall and spring semesters. Dr. Robert Barnes continued to serve as faculty advisor.

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secretary/treasurer; William Gebhardt, associate editor; and Matthew Mathien, marshal. Serving as officers for the fall semester, 2008 were William Gebhardt, president; Lindsey Ford, vice-president; Lauren Downing, secretary/treasurer; Andrew Scott, associate editor; and Michael Brown, marshal.

During both the spring and fall semesters of 2008, Chi Epsilon members participated in a significant outreach program called “Bridge Pals”, developed by Dr. Al-Khafaji, to foster interest in engineering among middle school and high school students by constructing, analyzing and testing balsa wood bridges. Our members helped the participating students design their balsa wood bridges using AutoCAD and PCA Frame software. The testing of the bridge is held at a local mall in conjunction with “Engineers Week”.

Due to the kindness of Dr. Al-Khafaji, several members attended the ICAT 2008 conference. This was a great opportunity to learn about innovations and technologies involved in asphalt and traffic, and interact with professionals in these areas. The members also provided support for the Department of Civil Engineering and Construction’s fall 2008 Job Fair by helping employers setup their displays. Over 70 regional, national and international employers attended the fair. Chi Epsilon was also privileged to volunteer at Bradley’s fall Major/Minor Fair on behalf of the CEC department. Our members spoke with Bradley students and provided information about the CEC program. Another significant service activity in which Chi Epsilon members participated was the construction of “Pocket Parks” on the south side of Peoria. In cooperation with ASCE, the members participated in the Illinois Department of Transportation “Adopt-a-Highway” program. Other activities in which the membership participated were the ASCE concrete canoe and steel bridge building teams, and a “Habitat for Humanity” project. Dr. Al-Khafaji continues to provide excellent support and guidance for Chi Epsilon activities.

University of California, Berkeley

The University of California, Berkeley chapter is about to close the door on an active and successful 2008 calendar year. A total of forty-six new members were initiated this past year. The dramatic increase in membership allowed our Berkeley chapter to reach out like never before by taking on a more active role in the local community and strengthening the society itself.

The spring of 2008 was led by President Karl David Cruz and his officer team. With the help of Faculty Advisor Michael Riemer, they collaborated with companies around the Bay Area to put together events such as Rebuilding Together and Irish Dance – events that reappear every semester because of their popularity with the pledges and chapter members. However, unique to the spring semester was Cal Day – an open house day for prospective students to gain an in-depth look at various majors. The responsibility of representing the civil engineering department fell largely on Chi Epsilon. The pledges and officer team covered shifts throughout the
day, guiding tours and answering questions of interested high school students and adults alike. The end of the semester marked the initiation of the twenty-four pledges as well as the induction of Sachi Itagaki of Kennedy/Jenks Consultants as our Chapter Honor Member.

Fall 2008 began with a sense of familiarity as many spring pledges were elected to serve as officers. President Scott Payne, the spring 2008 vice-president, returned to oversee the pledging process of twenty-two more students. An important project of the semester was hosting the annual Undergraduate Advising Night, where faculty and alumni made themselves available for questions and advice about civil engineering. The goal was to show students how accessible these resources were and create a comfortable atmosphere for student-teacher interaction. As envisioned, undergraduate students who normally did not talk to faculty took full advantage of this opportunity.

Berkeley XE, represented by member Joshua Ma and pledge Ashkan Arhami, won the award for “Most Spirited Chapter” at the Pacific District Conference in November. Incoming President Swe Swin Maung and his officer team will be in charge of continuing the rapid growth and enthusiasm of the Berkeley chapter in the spring 2009 semester. Special thanks go to Michael Riemer and Undergraduate Advisor Joan Chamberlain for their assistance with our chapter’s past endeavors and ambitions to come.

California Polytechnic University at Pomona

The year started with Cal Poly Pomona’s 6th annual Chi Epsilon Civil Engineering Job Fair held in February. The job fair featured 54 different public and private civil engineering companies which attracted many civil engineering students looking for internships or full-time positions.

In May, the initiation ceremony and banquet took place where our chapter introduced 45 new initiates. The Cal Poly Pomona Chi Epsilon student chapter is massively growing due to student involvement and the vast Civil Engineering Department. The new officers introduced at the ceremony for the 2008-2009 academic year were Deborah Tsan, president; Chad Nelson, vice-president; Celeste Solano, secretary; Jason Joh, treasurer; John Huynh, associate editor; Robert Bateman, marshal; Jocelyn Tan, webmaster; Andrew Tran, job fair chair; and Ricky Ventura, activities chair. The Chi Epsilon advisor remained Dr. Ronald Yeung. The guest speakers were Bill Flores, P.E. and Dr. Hany Farran. Dr. Hany Farran teaches courses in structural engineering and is a respected faculty member at Cal Poly Pomona. The outgoing officers from the 2006-2007 academic year were Julian Barba, president; George Tim Alvarez, vice-president; Khanh Nguyen, secretary; Stephen Ng, treasurer; James Majors, associate editor; Charles Johnson, marshal; Sean Hoss, webmaster; Ravi Shah, job fair chair; and Cesar Tiscareno, activities chair.
At the end of the academic year, the Cal Poly Pomona Chi Epsilon student chapter combined efforts with the ASCE Young Members Forum to host bowling night at Chaparral Lanes- open to all civil engineering students. This parting event for graduating seniors marked the end of a few college careers while bringing together the current body of civil engineering students before a summer hiatus. To celebrate the end of the academic year, Chi Epsilon purchased a showcase for the Civil Engineering Department to proudly display the notable achievements of the department.

Starting the new academic year, we have 50 initiates. To create opportunities to network for members and initiates, we collaborated with ASCE to organize a soccer event against the mechanical engineers. The civil engineering student participants won 6 to 1. This sociability event for Chi Epsilon had over 50 spectators and a total of 20 participants. The event brought members together and helped promote interaction between other clubs and fields of engineering.

The 2008 Chi Epsilon Pacific District Conference was held at the University of Southern California at the end of November. The Cal Poly Pomona chapter was proudly represented with 22 attendees that consisted of officers, members, and initiates. Those in attendance were Robert Bateman, Stephanie Cristales, Jesus Guevara, John Huynh, Jason Joh, Shalia Khovananth, Kevin Kim, Cesar Lopez, Anthony Macklin, Jeffrey Magalong, Chad Nelson, Enrique Orozco, Nelson Pi, Mallory Smith, Celeste Solano, Jocelyn Tan, Andrew Tran, Deborah Tsan, Ricky Ventura, Edric Vierra, and Yanwen Zhang. The faculty advisor in attendance was Dr. Ronald Yeung.

With strong leadership from both Dr. Ronald Yeung and chapter officers, the Cal Poly Pomona Chi Epsilon student chapter will continue to grow and exemplify excellence and leadership.

California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo

The Chi Epsilon chapter at California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo had another great year. The chapter initiated 26 new members at the end of winter quarter on March 9, 2008. These new members are Oscar Alcala, Ian Barnes, Randy Camat, Reed Calkins, Nicholas Capuchino, Jessi Cohen, David Cortese, Alex Ganschon, Rachel Giovanetti, Sam Ho, Bryan Holm, Maggie Herzog, Paul Kvam, Brian Mark-Aurele, Jesse Martinez, Amos Melborn, Shaliz Nakashima, Mark Palmatier, Kim Quesnel, Matt Schafer, Brett Schoppe, Matthew Scott, Jarrod Swett, William Tabajando, Matt Wickens, and Kevin Yavari.

The chapter was represented by Russell Fenton and Kelley Wigton at the 2008 Conclave at Stevens Institute (Hoboken, New Jersey), and was represented by 11 members at the Pacific District Conference at the University of Southern California in November 2008.
Our chapter’s current officers are as follows: **Kelley Wigton**, president; **Kim Quesnel**, vice-president; **Christine Sobrero**, secretary; **J.W. Mattina**, treasurer; **Matt Wickens**, Engineering Student Council representative; **Layla Ali-Ahmad**, pledge marshal; **Kevin Yavari**, pledge marshal; **Maggie Herzog**, community service; **Shaliz Nakashima**, events coordinator; **Reed Calkins**, events coordinator; **Randy Camat**, events coordinator; **Ian Barnes**, associate editor; and **Bryan Holm**, webmaster. **Dr. Charles Chadwell** continues as our faculty advisor.

The current members of the chapter would like to take this opportunity to thank the following outgoing officers, who put in a lot of hard work to make this chapter what it is today: **Russell Fenton**, president; **Emily Doris**, vice-president; **Chris Camp**, secretary; **Nick Britten**, treasurer; **Mike Steele**, pledge marshal; **John Dodds**, community service; **Rachel Carpenter**, events coordinator; **Ali Carter**, events coordinator; **Garett Roffe**, events coordinator; **Charles Andrews**, associate editor; and **Simon Burnworth**, webmaster.

The chapter participated in many events throughout the year. The chapter set up FE review sessions for the spring and fall administrations of the exams, which consisted of sessions taught by professors at night for two weeks prior to the exam. Over 250 students and members of the local engineering community participated in the review sessions. We also formed a team for Relay for Life, participated in the Wiggle Waggle Walk-a-Thon and helped out with beach cleanups to help improve our community.

**California State University at Fresno**

The fall 2008 semester was the first semester for the California State University-Fresno chapter of Chi Epsilon after its establishment ceremony, which was held in late May of 2008. The installation ceremony was also the very first initiation ceremony for the chapter, granting its founding members the title of Member of Chi Epsilon. During that semester the chapter installed in its first cabinet of officers, and they are: **Caleb Kenyon**, president; **Jared Lindo**, vice-president; **Mark Weaver**, secretary; **Katarina Buelna**, treasurer; **Victor Horn**, associate editor; and **Thai Huynh**, marshal. **Dr. Ming Xiao** serves as our faculty advisor.

During the fall 2009 semester CSU-Fresno was privileged to accept new initiates who had completed the chapter’s requirements of eligibility. These initiates participated in one community service event, one general meeting, and one social event. One specific social event allowed these initiates, along with current members, to experience the rare opportunity to tour the Friant Dam, which has been closed to the public for many years. In addition to that, initiates also volunteered by giving their time at a local homeless center, named the Poverello House. These initiates are: **David Tran**, Ian Cline, **Chris McComb**, David Ponce Dick, **Ashley Stoll**, Katie Ambrosini, **Alvina Prakash**, Cassie Leonardo, **Ramon Mendez**, and **Gunawan Wiyono**.

Also during the fall semester, the chapter was honored to witness the
California State University at Fresno spring induction 2008

California State University at Fresno at Friant Dam
changing of the College of Engineering’s name to Lyles College of Engineering, in honor of the generous donation made by the Lyles family.

California State University at Long Beach

The Long Beach State chapter has had quite the productive semester. Following the previous “rebuilding” semesters, we are remaining strongly in contention with the core values of Chi Epsilon. We look forward to yet another productive semester. All current officers will remain in their respective positions until the spring semester, except our graduating associate editor Casey Rasile. We hope to find a suitable replacement in our initiation class this semester.

We are currently in process of completing fall initiation for all eligible Chi Epsilon members. Initiates will have to study and prepare for the right to be welcomed into the Chi Epsilon organization. Spring marks the time for officer transition and we expect this to go smoothly as the precedents have been set. There have been many discussions about ongoing events and the like for our chapter.

Our most memorable volunteer project this semester was the 30 Minute Beach Clean Up. Volunteers from Chi Epsilon along with many others did our part and, as the name implies, cleaned up the beach for a little over 30 minutes. The beach clean up took place in Belmont Shores on a Saturday morning. Cleaning...
up the environment and helping out are all values which Chi Epsilon prides itself on. With initiation right around the corner, a group of candidates polished our chapter transit with good old fashioned elbow grease.

The Long Beach State chapter also prides itself on our EIT review sessions in preparation for the EIT exam and personal tutoring (upon request) of civil engineering classes such as statics.

That’s about it from the beach for now, and we are very proud to have Dr. Antonella Sciortino as our faculty advisor and look forward to having her as part of Chi Epsilon for years to come.

California State University, Los Angeles

The California State University, Los Angeles chapter of Chi Epsilon has had a successful and exciting academic year. During the fall, the chapter held bi-weekly meetings and conducted several activities. This year was eventful as six new members were welcomed into the chapter and five new officers were elected. Fall 2008 initiates: Abner Nerio, Edgar Perez, Diana Patron Gallardo, Max Morning, Erwin Rodriguez, David Bou. Fall 2008 officers: Abner Nerio, president; Edgar Perez, vice-president; Diana Patron Gallardo, secretary; Max Morning, treasurer; Erwin Rodriguez, marshal; and Meisha Chavez, associate editor.

A major highlight of 2008 for the chapter was attending the Chi Epsilon Pacific District Conference held at the University of Southern California. There was an amazing turnout of five members (four officers and an alumni member) that attended the conference, more than we have had in years. Our members displayed great teamwork and character in preparing for the conference. We even had fun winning the “Most Entertaining Scavenger Hunt Photos” award. We would like to thank the USC chapter members for hosting such an excellent conference.

This year the chapter also effectively teamed up with several CE campus organizations. The Chi Epsilon chapter was officially recognized by the CSULA student government. The chapter participated in the engineering Science and Computer Technology annual banquet along with the Society of Hispanic Engineers and Science Students (SHESS) and joined forces with the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) to work with Habitat for Humanity and Boeing Day on campus.

The CSULA chapter holds progressive goals in further expanding the chapter’s membership and activity, as well as planning future events to rally support.

From the CSULA chapter, congratulations to all of our 2009 graduates! We wish them all the best and all of the officers of Chi Epsilon who look forward to a fresh start in the fall.

University of Central Florida

The University of Central Florida chapter has gone through a great deal of setbacks during the past few years in terms of recruiting and support. Almost
Cal State Los Angeles officers and alumni at the 2008 Pacific District Conference held at the University of Southern California.

Cal State Los Angeles 2008 fall initiation
all of the previous members graduated or left the chapter, including the faculty advisor, with only one member left to rebuild the chapter. Thankfully, this sole person was able to recruit 24 new members and a new faculty advisor, with help from Chi Epsilon faculty, to keep the chapter alive. We are grateful to welcome the new initiates: Nadine Bassam Abu-Jubara, Anthony Joseph Allan, Melissa Lynn Balmer, Elaine Elizabeth Bates, Dormois Raphael Bazile Jr., Josue Robinson Botero, Daniel Edward Clark, Johanna Marie Clifford, Paul Sebastian Cordero, Timothy L Gruebel, Andrew Charles Hood, Joseph Ray Jimenez, William Joseph Johnson, Christina Kouimanis, Tricia M Labud, Clifton D Leffler, Nathan Matthew Lewis, Aubrey Nicole Louder, Ezzio Luis Ribotti, Dalita Mootoo Sammy Singh, Robert Arthur Slade, Matthew Steven Spahr, Erik Spilde Torger, and Oskar Torres.

Their service project was to create a 3-D replica of the transit and present it to the Chi Epsilon member and faculty. The best one was selected by the faculty and was put on display in the Civil/Environmental/Construction Engineering Department. We welcome these new officers into UCF’s chapter: Andrew Kozma, president; Robert Slade, vice-president; Andrew Hood, treasurer; Tim Gruebel, secretary; Tricia Labud, associate editor; Christiania Kouimanis, marshal; and faculty advisor: Dr. Kevin Mackie.

The chapter is still in the rebuilding stage at this time but is organizing fundraisers and is working together with ASCE to sponsor certain engineering events at UCF. We are also working to find a community service project to do each semester that can benefit the chapter and the community. With a little time and effort, the chapter will be back on its feet and ready to pursue the goals it intended to accomplish. Our chapter would like to personally thank the UCF Chi Epsilon faculty and Chi Epsilon headquarters for helping to bring this chapter back to active status.

Clemson University

In the 2008 year, the Clemson University chapter of Chi Epsilon made great progress in advancing the organization on the Clemson campus. The hard work of the outgoing officers made for a smooth transition to the new officers and allowed them to hit the ground running.

The spring semester brought 15 new initiates into the organization. The chapter officers included Angelina Gleason, president; Sara Schiff, vice-president; Laura Kline, secretary; Hossein Hayati, treasurer; Whitney Wingard, associate editor; and Jeffery Plumblee, marshal. Congratulations to the new initiates, Daniel Adams, Priyanka Alluri, Timothy Buchanan, Daniel Coith, Katherine Davis, Gabriel Dobbs, Alexander Dunigan, Michael Gantt, Kevin Geoghegan, Ronald Goodson, Brian Haliena, Aaron Ingle, Jacob Meetze, Sanket Modi, Carl Thodesen, and the new organization officers, Laura Kline, president; Angelina Gleason, vice-
president; Aaron Geiger, secretary; Hossein Hayati, treasurer; Aaron Ingle, associate editor; and Jacob Meetze, marshal.

The Chi Epsilon advisor, Dr. Peter Sparks, retired from Clemson in May of 2008. Dr. Brad Putman was welcomed as the new faculty advisor of the organization.

The fall semester introduced 11 new initiates into the organization. Congratulations to the new initiates, Erin Bauknight, David Christopher, Kristin Cox, David Duncan, Thomas Gaines, Joshua Godfrey, John Griffith, Tahereh Heidari, Jesse McClam, Megan Nichols, Jordan Supler, and the new officers, Laura Kline, president; Aaron Ingle, vice-president; Lee Tupper, secretary; Megan Nichols, treasurer; Jesse McClam, associate editor; and Jacob Meetze, marshal.

The achievements of Chi Epsilon include the Adopt-a-Highway litter pick up, which beginning next year will occur twice per semester, recognition as an official organization on campus, organizing a milk and cookie study break during exams, and the initiation of 26 new members. As we all know, new members are the future of our organization, and we would like to welcome the new advisor, officers, and all of the new members.

Colorado State University

Colorado State University initiated one new member, Bradley Vassau, to the 37th chapter of Chi Epsilon. New officers for the following school year (2008-2009) were also inducted in the spring of 2008, which included the selection of Billy Mihelich as chapter president, Nathan Phelps as vice-president, Neal Bohnen as treasurer, Frederick Busch as marshal, Kristle Hawkin as secretary, and Jonathan East as associate editor. In the fall semester, six new members were initiated. These new members were Nathan Alburn, Daniel Bailey, Katelin Crook, Julie Heitland, Scott McCord, and Timothy Vedra.

Activity within the chapter increased significantly during 2008. Chi Epsilon continued tutoring general engineering classes throughout the year, with a focus on engineering statics classes in the fall. To raise money for the program, we had a book drive fundraiser using book donations from the faculty in the spring. The fundraiser turned out to be very successful and we are looking forward to having another book drive this upcoming spring semester. We have also started moving our chapter towards goals of helping the society around us. We participated with the local Habitat for Humanity organization building a house for a single mother in the community. The CSU chapter of Chi Epsilon also helped with Webelos Badge Day this fall on campus. For the spring semester, we have made plans with the park services to help with trail maintenance for hiking trails in the area, as well as continue with the Women’s Build project with Habitat for Humanity.

We would like to congratulate Rebecca Atadero, whom we presented with the Key Award, for
being selected as the top educator in the Civil Engineering Department. We would also like to thank our faculty advisors, Thomas Sanders and Richard Gutkowski, for their guidance as well as their time. Special thanks goes to Dr. Meroney for serving as a guest speaker at this fall’s initiation ceremony.

University of Connecticut

The officers for the University of Connecticut student chapter for the 2007-2008 year were Ethan Cote, president; Daniel Roehrig, vice-president; Matthew Ronando, secretary; Branden Bergeron, treasurer; Craig Thomas, associate editor; and Justin Giorlando, marshal.

On February 20, 2008, new members were initiated and officers were elected. The initiates were undergraduates Lesley Beers, Nathaniel Bergan, Garrett Bolella, Timothy Chan, Christopher Chuck, Daniel Civitillo, Alison Galasso, David Gruttadauria, Stephen Hall, Janice Hwang, Gregory Khirallah, Christopher Kolasa, Christopher Norris, Shelley Plude, Stephen Prusaczyk, Erin Spanos, Jason Zheng, and Amanda Ziegler. The new officers selected for the 2008-2009 year are Shelley Plude, president; Alison Galasso, vice-president; Gregory Khirallah, secretary; Jason Zheng, treasurer; Christopher Kolasa, associate editor; and Janice Hwang, marshal. Our faculty advisor is Professor Nicholas Lownes.

Our chapter continued to provide tutoring in civil engineering two nights a week in our Geib Library. This tutoring is primarily to help underclassmen and fellow upperclassmen with the core classes such as applied mechanics I & II, fluid mechanics, and soil mechanics & foundations among others.

Members of our chapter will also be providing assistance to the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department during the spring open house held in April. We will conduct tours with prospective students and their parents as well as answer any questions they may have.

University of Delaware

The Delaware chapter of Chi Epsilon has had many opportunities to come together to help serve the community and bond as an organization. On May 25th, twenty new members were initiated into the organization. To celebrate, a meet-and-greet was held to welcome new members and say goodbye to those members graduating to become part of our well established alumni base. On September 20th, an International Coastal Cleanup was organized through the Ocean Conservancy organization. Members of the Delaware chapter met in New Castle, Delaware, at Battery Park to help clean up and improve the community.

Within the passing year, there has been a shift of officers. The newest
University of Connecticut back row, from left to right: Janice Hwang, Chris Norris, Erin Spanos, Stephen Prusaczyk, Amanda Ziegler, Nathaniel Bergan, Christopher Chuck, Dave Gruttadauria, Timothy Chan, Stephen Hall, Garrett Boletta, Lesley Beers, and Danielle Civitillo; front row, from left to right: Jason Zheng, Allison Galasso, Shelley Plude, Gregory Khirallah, and Christopher Kolasa.

University of Connecticut back row, 2007-2008 officers from left to right: Justin Giorlando, Brandon Bergeron, Daniel Roehrig, Ethan Cote, Matthew Ronando, and Craig Thomas; front row, 2008-2009 officers from left to right: Janice Hwang, Jason Zheng, Alison Galasso, Shelley Plude, Gregory Khirallah, and Christopher Kolasa.
officers of the Delaware chapter include: Charles Mitchell, president; Kyle Clevenger, vice-president; Kailly Vay, treasurer; Maria Hatgipetros, secretary; Jackee Allmond, associate editor; and Pete Seymour, marshal. The following officers have passed along their position to the incoming officers: David Gyurina, president; Chris Weidner, vice-president; Betsy Hicks, treasurer; Kelly Marshall, secretary; Christina Lindemer, associative editor; and Rick DiCesare, marshal.

Duke University

Elections were held at the end of the spring semester in 2008 for new officers. The new officers are as follows: president, Philip Scott Harvey; vice-president, Samantha Elise Beardsley; secretary, Jessica Leigh Barlow; and marshal, Aaron Lee. Professor Joseph Nadeau was unanimously selected by the group to receive the 2008 Earl Brown Teaching Award. Dr. Nadeau displays a love of learning and teaching and goes out of his way to help and encourage his students. Initiation for the newest class of Chi Epsilon is scheduled for January 26, 2009. From the class of 2010, Nelson Santos De Oliveira, Stephanie Reid Everett, Margaret Ann Hoff, Devon McGeorge Lauer, Joseph William McMurray, Jr., Melissa Kerrick Murphy, and Jordan Scott Woodson will be initiated. From the class of 2009, Laura Anne Hoover, Chloe Maria Mawer, and Jai Singh will be welcomed into the chapter.

The members of Chi Epsilon at Duke University strive and continue to maintain the ideals and principles embodied by Chi Epsilon while also fostering a cohesive environment among civil engineering students. We promote cooperation and support not only among the Civil Engineering Department, but also within the entire Duke community.

University of Florida

The University of Florida chapter accomplished many things in the spring 2008 semester. At the 2008 National Conclave, the chapter received a “Susan C. Brown Outstanding Performance Award”. The chapter also participated in the annual “Keep Alachua County Beautiful” service project. Members from our chapter were sent to various locations around the county to pick up litter. It was a successful event because of the participation of several organizations from the University of Florida and the Gainesville community. Outgoing officers of the spring 2008 semester were the president, Heather Shapiro; vice-president, Katrina Simons; treasurer, Graham Zoeller; secretary, Michael Riebe; marshal, Jared Francis; and associate editor, Katie Jenner.

Incoming officers for the fall 2008 semester are Aubrey Parsley, president; Jared Francis, vice-president; Michael Riebe, treasurer; Graham Zoeller, secretary; VJ De Jesus, marshal; and Sally Deschamps, associate editor. The fall 2008 semester
brought positive changes to the UF chapter. First off, every meeting included a speaker from a civil or environmental engineering firm. This change helped our chapter develop a relationship with the engineering industry. After the meetings, the chapter sponsored socials with the engineering firms so that members may develop professional relationships with these firms and academic relationships with peers. The chapter also teamed with the UF ASCE for the 13th Annual Jaycees Haunted House. Members helped build the haunted house and were able to participate in the scaring.

Florida International University

The Florida International University chapter of Chi Epsilon expanded its membership in 2008 school year with a large number of inductees, new elected officers and new faculty advisor Dr. Girma Bitsuamlak replacing Dr. Fang Zhao who served as a faculty advisor for the last ten years. The new officers elected were Whitney Maxwell, president; Yohanes Kesete, vice-president; Evelyn Rodriguez, secretary/treasurer; Javier Veliz, marshal; and Magdiel Lopez, associate editor. General meetings were held on September 25, October 17, and November 17, where important deadlines, the FIU Chi Epsilon point system which awards and encourages student’s activities such as toy drives, Habitat for Humanity, the lecture series, and engineering tail gates were discussed.

Two lectures were organized by our Chi Epsilon chapter on October 23rd and November 14th. The first one delivered by Dr. Tadeusz Chmielewski, dean of the faculty of civil engineers at the Opole University of Technology in Poland and the second by Mr. Ryan Merrick, a senior wind engineer at RWDI Inc. The engineering tailgate event was another successful event. This occurrence was held on November 8, 2008 through collaborations of five engineering societies: ASCE, Chi Epsilon, FES, Engineers Without Borders, and SHPE.

On November 22, 2008, thirty-six of our best civil engineering students at FIU were inducted to Chi Epsilon, making it our second largest induction class in FIU’s Chi Epsilon history. New officers were elected and inducted into the chapter, and the founder of the FIU chapter and moderator for ten years, Dr Fang Zhao, was given an award of recognition for all of her hard work. After the induction ceremony, all of the inductees, their families, and previous officers all came together for a wonderful reception. Chi Epsilon’s FIU chapter is now ready for a new semester with new officers and a new faculty advisor.

University of Hawaii

In the spring semester of 2008 the new officers that were elected were, President Seth Goodnight, Vice-President Corey Yamashiro, Marshal Isaac Foss, Treasurer Kevin Cheong, Secretary Ashlee Fujimoto, and Associate Editor Daniel Chen. The outgoing officers were President Melanie Li, Vice-President Seth Goodnight, Marshal Mason Suga, Treasurer Celeste Sawinski, Secretary
Bonny Kwan, and Associate Editor Eric Tomishima.

In the fall semester of 2008 June J. Nakamura, was initiated as a Chapter Honor Member. The Pacific District Councillor, Randall Akiona has attended the chapter initiation ceremonies. The new officers are President Corey Yamashiro, Vice-President Reef Ozaki-Train, Marshal Eriell Agbayani, Treasurer Jennifer Abayon, Secretary Amanda Samson, and Associate Editor Melissa Chan.

University of Hawaii

University of Hawaii President Seth Goodnight, newly initiated Chapter Honor Member June J. Nakamura, Vice-President Corey Yamashiro

With one of the largest initiate classes to date, active members are constantly instructing initiates on what it means to be a member of Chi Epsilon. It is quite an honor to be involved with Chi Epsilon at its birthplace and belong to one of the elite civil and environmental engineering programs in the nation. Our officers are planning various social and service events along with the general meetings for Chi Epsilon initiates, members, professors, and any alumni who wish to get involved with some of the best and brightest that the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana has to offer. We are also proud to announce that we have recently elevated two new Chapter Honor Members, Professor Jon Liebman in the spring of 2008 and Dr. William Gene Corley in the fall of 2008. There is always a demand for organizations like Chi Epsilon to give back to the
University of Hawaii spring 2008 initiates from left to right: Michael McCormick, Ashlee Fujimoto, Kevin Cheong, Daniel Chen, Isaac Foss, Corey Yamashiro

University of Hawaii spring 2008 chapter first row (from left to right): Ashlee Fujimoto, Kevin Cheong, Corey Yamashiro, Isaac Foss, Daniel Chen, Michael McCormick. Back row (from left to right): Melanie Li, Bonny Kwan, Yumiko Heltzel, Mason Suga, Seth Goodnight, Trevor Vagay, Celeste Sawinski, Eric Tomishima, Eric Lum, Karen Chongue, Amy Fujihara, Jillian Santo

University of Hawaii spring 2008 chapter graduates
Left to right: Karen Chongue, Amy Fujihara, Yumiko Heltzel, Bonny Kwan, Melanie Li, Eric Lum, Jillian Santo, Celeste Sawinski, Mason Suga, Trevor Vagay
University of Hawaii spring 2008 chapter community service project- storm drain stenciling  In this picture: Celeste Sawinski, Bonny Kwan, and Mason Suga

University of Hawaii spring 2008  Interdisciplinary Honor Society Challenge  (CE vs. ME vs. EE)

New incoming officers President Corey Yamashiro, Treasurer Jennifer Abayon, Associate Editor Melissa Chan, Secretary Amanda Samson, Vice-President Reef Ozaki-Train and Marshal Eriell Agbayani
community. We are proud to be the winners of a campus service award given out by the Engineering Council at the University of Illinois for our efforts in the area. Chi Epsilon continues to be the premier civil engineering society on campus, maintaining close ties with faculty, staff, and alumni. A representative from our chapter attended the National Conclave in March of 2008. Also, at the end of the spring 2008 semester, new officers were elected. Melissa Berena became the new president with Brian Schertz stepping down to the graduate advisor position that Alma Barrata previously held. The vice-president is now Matt Johnson instead of Joe Blecha. Seth Hoffman is the new secretary replacing Michael Fornek. Kevin Foster is the new treasurer instead of Kory Watson. Kurt Lindeman has replaced Adam Tate as the new associate editor. Julia Plews is the new social and service chair instead of Melissa Berena. Jie Zuo is the new marshal replacing Thomas Frankie. Calvin Young is the new director of information instead of Jie Zuo. With the continued efforts of all involved, the alpha chapter of Chi Epsilon will continue to grow and flourish.

On April 24, 2008 Chi Epsilon hosted the 26th annual Civil Engineering Spring Banquet. The banquet assembled students, parents, faculty, and civil engineering firms for a dinner that recognized the achievements of several civil engineering students. Student recipients of awards from the Civil Engineering Department for the fall 2007-spring 2008 academic year were acknowledged as well as new members of the Iowa State University chapter of Chi Epsilon. The featured guest speaker for the banquet was Kevin Mahoney; Highway Division Director, Iowa Department of Transportation.

New officers were elected in April of 2008. The Chi Epsilon chapter extended a thank-you to the officers who served for the 2007-2008 school year: Adam Miller, president; Danielle Abbott, vice-president; Tom Jantscher, secretary; Emily Holden, treasurer and ESC Rep; Beth Sorenson, marshal; Jennifer Merical, assistant marshal; Peter Becker, associate editor; Amanda Marruffo, social chair; Michael Baird, fundraising chair. Current officers for the 2008-2009 school year are Tom Jantscher, president; Peter Becker, vice-president; Aaron Graber, secretary; Steven Lavrenz, treasurer; Margaret Melcher, marshal; Mark Kresser, assistant marshal; Mitchell Pohlkamp, associate editor; Megan Van Horn, social chair; Michael Baird, ESC Rep; Nicole Oneyear, webmaster; and Samuel Cotter.

Iowa State University

The past year has been a busy one for the Iowa State University chapter of Chi Epsilon. Events that we participated in include the Civil Engineering Spring Banquet, our annual golf outing, and numerous service projects for the community. This past year we welcomed a total of 18 new initiates.
fundraising chair. The position of webmaster was added for the 2008-2009 school year.

In March, three of our members attended the 40th National Conclave of Chi Epsilon at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, NJ. At the conclave, they met with the North Central District Councillor to discuss successful practices from chapters within the district, and attended committee meetings to review organization policies and procedures and update them if necessary. A tour of New York City and numerous notable speakers highlighted the trip, and our members left with new ideas for the success of our chapter and increased commitment to the study of civil engineering.

Chi Epsilon hosted the 5th annual golf outing on October 19, 2008. This fundraiser was designed to allow students to network with faculty and local engineers and gain some insight into the profession. Local and regional civil engineering firms sponsored the event and donated prizes as well. The money raised will be put into the chapter’s scholarship fund.

Chi Epsilon has also continued to provide academic help for Iowa State University civil engineering students by hosting the Chi Epsilon Study Session every Monday night. The study sessions allow for civil engineering students to study and ask for help from members of Chi Epsilon. Chi Epsilon has also served the Ames, Iowa community this past year. The chapter participated in the Iowa Department of Transportation’s Adopt-A-Highway program and cleaned up a two-mile stretch of Highway 30 twice during the course of the year. Chi Epsilon and its members also volunteered with Stuff the Bus, a program made to collect food, personal hygiene items, household supplies, infant needs, and money for Mid-Iowa Community Action.

University of Kansas

The University of Kansas chapter of Chi Epsilon initiated twelve new members on December 8, 2008. Those initiated include Daniel Goodroad, Kyle Haake, James Heaney, Jr., Kate Johnson, Brian Kemp, Corey Mims, Carl Schwarzer, Amanda Wages, Michael Younger, Erin Bellassai, Vinur Kaul, and Orestes Marangos. The initiation was held on Monday, December 8th, in the Parlor Room at the Kansas Union on the KU campus. Carl Schwarzer won the award for the most prepared transit, and Orestes Marangos won the award for the transit with most signatures. Dr. David Darwin, our faculty advisor, attended the ceremony. After the ceremony, the new members were invited to dinner at Bigg’s BBQ in Lawrence, KS. One information meeting was held for the new initiates. This meeting is to provide potential candidates with information about Chi Epsilon and also functions as a social event. Pizza and drinks were provided during the meeting. The student officers for the academic year 2008-2009 are Kim Jackson, president; Jamila Saadi, vice-president; Emilie Humbarger, secretary; Matt Hinshaw, treasurer; Garrett Hages, associate editor and Matt Becker, marshal. We are excited
New initiatees for the University of Kansas’ pictured from left to right: (back row): Brian Kemp, Daniel Goodroad, Carl Schwarzer, Corey Mims, Kyle Haake, (front row) Vinur Kaul, Michael Younger, Amanda Wages, and James Heaney, (not pictured: Kate Johnson, Erin Bellassai, and Orestes Marangos).

to see the chapter growing and look forward to the district conclave in the spring.

Kansas State University

The Kansas State University chapter of Chi Epsilon continued another successful year of honoring outstanding civil engineering students and providing service to the community. This fall we initiated three new members. The new initiatees were: Joe Norris, Kyle Kinkhorst, and Charles Loughman. The new officers elected for the spring 2009 semester include: Andy Allen, president; Steven Frank, vice-president; Jordan Dettmer, treasurer; Allyson Slupianek, secretary; Joe Norris, marshal; and Stephen Austin, associate editor. Our chapter advisor is Sunanda Dissanayake. Dr. Najjar, interim head for the Department of Civil Engineering, was elected as our Chapter Honor Member.

This semester our chapter did a service project at Tuttle Creek Dam in Manhattan, Kansas. Tuttle Creek Park had recently finished constructing a playground at one of the park sites near the beautiful Tuttle Creek Lake. They had a massive woodchip pile delivered about 60 yards from the playground and needed assistance having the woodchips transported to the playground and spread about. Our chapter brought many volunteers with trucks and tools and completed the task in a few hours. It was satisfying to do volunteer work at a park near such a major achievement in civil engineering as the Tuttle Creek Dam.

Besides our service project, Chi Epsilon helped host the civil engineering awards banquet at Kansas State University. Our Chapter Honor Member led the banquet and many Chi Epsilon members received scholarships and recognition.
Lawrence Technological University

The spring semester at Lawrence Technological University (LTU) Chi Epsilon chapter 117 has been particularly rewarding. The current officers consist of president, Mark Herder; vice-president, Richard Graham, treasurer; Cody Telgheder, secretary, Alena Weiss, marshal, Timothy Stoian; and Clarice Westman as associate editor. During the fall initiation banquet held on December 5, 2008 at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren, six new initiates were inducted into Chi Epsilon. The new initiates included: Aaron Bonin, Mark Kasabasic, Andrew Lobbestael, Timothy Stoian, Nancy Todd, and Ian Wagner.

In addition, we honored James J. Cole, Jr. as a Chi Epsilon Chapter Honor Member of LTU. Unfortunately two of our officers retired their positions as they were graduating LTU. We would like to wish past Vice-President Michael Mitchell and Marshal James Rowley the best in their professional endeavors.

Lehigh University

The Lehigh University chapter of Chi Epsilon is proud to announce the initiation of fourteen new members, including Vincent Antes, Samantha Hnidj, Shelley Hull, Trent Muraoka, Kevin Meyers, Jennifer Modugno, Kelsey Preston, Eric Putnam, Andrew Schweitzer, Sue Nee Tan, Allison Mayer as the new secretary, Gary Sorkin as the new treasurer, Patrick Kenny as the new vice-president, and Sara Sadek as the new president. We would like to thank the hard work of former President Jeremy McKeon, Vice-President Scott Darwin, Secretary Melinda Drinkuth, Treasurer Nancy Larson, as well as our faculty advisor, Dr. Stephen Pessiki.

During the spring of 2008, members of Chi Epsilon at Lehigh acted as judges for the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science competition at the local middle school. This event differs from a typical science fair in that it focuses on the employment of the scientific method. School children form a hypothesis, which is then proved or
disproven through an experiment and its subsequent analysis. Chi Epsilon members acted as the judges for the students’ oral presentations. Also during the spring, Lehigh’s Chi Epsilon chapter teamed up with the university ASCE group to sponsor a barbeque for welcoming the newly declared CEE majors of the sophomore class of 2008.

The fall semester’s activities focused mainly on planning events for this coming spring, including the co-organization of a university-wide Engineering Day. This event is intended not only to unite the diverse engineering departments found on campus in a day of friendly engineering-based competitions, but it is also aimed at celebrating Lehigh’s history as an engineering school. A barbeque and awards ceremony will be held following the events. Other possible activities on the horizon include a site tour of the new Science, Technology, Environment, Policy & Society (STEPS) building under construction on campus, as well as volunteering opportunities at the local Boys and Girls Club.

**Louisiana State University**

The Louisiana State University chapter of Chi Epsilon has had a very productive year in 2008. On November 1st, the chapter participated in a Habitat for Humanity building project in Baton Rouge, LA. Members took part in various construction activities including painting, caulking, and interior trim work. The service project was a fun and rewarding experience for everyone involved.

Officer elections were held for the 2009 school year. The new officers are **Sarah Laakso**, president; **Elise Trappey**, vice-president; **Rachael Young**, secretary; **Chris Rome**, treasurer; and **Scott Villar**, associate editor and marshal. Our chapter is excited about the new leadership and looks forward to making next year just as productive as this year.

**Louisiana Tech University**

The Louisiana Tech University chapter of Chi Epsilon had a great start to a busy year. The elected officers for the 2008-2009 year are: **Brandon Keck**, president; **Christopher Lohman**, vice-president; **Callie Hernandez**, secretary; **Eric Slusser**, treasurer; **Spencer Burkert**, marshal; and **Christopher Myers**, associate editor.

This year’s officers plan to reach out to the community and encourage their members to be active participants in Louisiana Tech’s ASCE student chapter. So far this year, Chi Epsilon has teamed up with ASCE to host a meeting with Halff Engineering. This meeting was held to provide students information about civil engineering careers. During the spring quarter, Chi Epsilon plans to provide a review class for the civil engineering students who will be taking the F.E. exam in April. Chi Epsilon will also be sponsoring their members who plan to attend the ASCE Deep South Conference to participate in the concrete
canoe and steel bridge competitions. Finally, Louisiana Tech’s chapter of Chi Epsilon will be inducting new members and electing officers for the 2009-2010 school year.

University of Maine

The University of Maine chapter of Chi Epsilon has had yet another successful year. This past spring our chapter said farewell to our past officers: Michael Swett as president; Richard McLain as vice-president; Ashley Tower as secretary; Jennifer Stevens as treasurer; Julie Faloon as marshal; and Brock Bessey as associate editor. Replacing these individuals are our new officers: Paul Curtis as president; Mackenzie Demkowicz as vice-president; Kimberly Stephenson as secretary; Mathew Kinney as treasurer; Jon Bell as marshal; and Adam Jandreau as associate editor.

I am pleased to announce that over the past year our chapter members have continued to be very involved with many groups and activities within our department and community. Many of our members have been an integral part of our ASCE student chapter and concrete canoe team, which has gone to the national competition three years running. In addition, various members have volunteered their time to different service projects, the biggest being the rebuild of a performing arts stage on-campus.

This fall we proudly inducted the following seven new members into our chapter of Chi Epsilon: Daniel Pitman, Sarah Lingley, Jacqueline Cobb, Nicholas Langlais, Leah Savage, Ian Degutis, and Brandon Havu.

Looking to the future, this spring we hope to continue the tradition of
University of Maine president working on a stage project

organizing our annual Senior Breakfast. This event is for our graduating seniors and their families and is held on the morning of graduation. We are confident that this tradition will be successful once again, as it has been each and every year.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

This spring, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) chapter of Chi Epsilon initiated 7 new members (seniors Katherine Jarrell, Tamara Sheldon, Alia Whitney-Johnson, and juniors Lauren Biscombe, Alexandra Konings, Allison St. Vincent, and Patricia Tcaciuc). For the first time in the 81-year history of MIT Chi Epsilon, all new initiates were women. Fittingly, Professor Dee Ann Sanders, the first woman to be elected National Council vice-president of Chi Epsilon, spoke at the initiation about women in civil engineering. This fall, the chapter continued its popular tutoring sessions (both class-wide and one-on-one) for the introductory solid mechanics class required of all civil and environmental engineering majors at MIT. In addition, it organized several lunches for students and faculty members. These lunches were an excellent way for students to get to know faculty better and sparked many informal and mutually beneficial discussions about the way each group sees the department. Several members also started to prepare for a new MATLAB tutorial session to be held in the spring.

University of Michigan

The year of 2008 was full of accomplishments for the University of Michigan chapter of Chi Epsilon. Guiding the chapter was long term faculty advisor Dr. Steven Wright who agreed to continue this position for yet another term.
District Councillor Dr. Eugene Glysson, P.E., also aided the chapter in its efforts. In addition to the traditional speaker meetings, Chi Epsilon members participated in a bowling social with the pledges, intramural sports, and community service projects. One of the chapter’s main community service projects includes hosting a review for the FE exam. Each semester, the special projects officer coordinates eight professors from various departments in the college of engineering to assist students in reviewing specific material for the exam. Every semester the officers and pledges also participate in a event called “Invasive Species Removal” which helps protect the wildlife on the University of Michigan campus.

The spring term began with a new board of officers. Todd Dmystryshyn replaced Terrance McGovern as president. Clinton Carlson chose to take on the role of special projects coordinator. Claire Carpenter, Andrew Gabris, and Andrew Moncznik continued their positions as secretary, social chair, and University of Michigan Engineering Council representative. New initiates from the fall 2007 semester also took over positions, Nicholas Corbin as vice-president, Derek Roberts as treasurer, Anita Saha as marshal, and Tabetha Martel as associate editor. Along with the new officers came a record 19 new initiates including Joseph Abramson, Eric Brunning, Jared Buzo, Benjamin Caleca, Ryan Capin, Heather Dean, Stephanie Guisbert, Colin Hepker, Genevieve Ho, Spencer Jacobs, Cory Kurtz, Kimberly Lamote, Mo Li, Christopher Neely, Sean O’Connor, Christopher Palladino, Shahar Shlomi, Jeffery Terenzi, Eva Ward, and Robert Warren.

Also, in the spring term, a group of both members and officers attended the National Conclave. Participants learned more about Chi Epsilon as an organization and each other. The University of Michigan chapter was also presented with a “Susan C. Brown Outstanding Performance Award”. The national organization additionally recognized one of the chapter’s members, Claire Carpenter, with a scholarship. She was an essential member of the student organization’s success.

The fall of 2008 started a whole new academic year with another new board of officers. Officers included president, Nicholas Corbin; vice-president, Jeff Terenzi; marshal, Spencer Jacobs; treasurer, Derek Roberts; associate editor, Tabetha Martel; social chair, Colin Hepker; and special projects coordinator Clinton Carlson. Also, replacing long term secretary Claire Carpenter, Kimberly Lamote was added to the board. The fall 2008 initiates consisted of Evan Blum, Brian Easton, Emily Herbert, Thomas Rizor, Charles Smith, Chelsea Snodgrass, and Marc Wagner. New initiates participated in several community service projects including Tech Day and the ASCE civil and environmental career fair, in addition to the traditional “Invasive Species Removal.”

Michigan Technological University

This has been a year of transition for the Michigan Technological University
chapter of Chi Epsilon, which started during the spring semester of 2007 with a large initiate class. The chapter, under past-advisor **Dr. Kurt Paterson**, welcomed 22 new members to the chapter: **Timothy Barrette, Matthew Bordson, Jacob Canniff, Brad Diener, Justin Foley, Matthew Haapala, Gary Johanik, Rhen Hoehn, Breandan Karas, Kari Klaboe, Kimberly Landick, Jeffrey Long, John Lyrenmann, Heather Norton, Scott Nowack, Allison Olds, Nora Peterson, Megan Place, Curtis Schroeder, Ryan St. Germain, Travis Velasco, and Aaron Wohlfeil**, who were initiated on March 30, 2008.

Transition continued as new faculty advisor **Dr. Jacob Hiller**, an assistant professor of transportation engineering in the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department, started duties at the beginning of the fall semester of 2008. Under **Dr. Hiller**’s direction, updating the chapter website and streamlining the organization’s direction have become top priorities.

The chapter would like to commend our outgoing 2007-2008 officers for their efforts over the past year: **Matthew Lamb**, president; **Dany Peavy**, vice-president; **Matthew Tronnes**, secretary; **Russell Lutch**, treasurer; **Kevin Hachey**, marshal; and **Joseph Dammel**, associate editor. We extend our congratulations to the new officers for the 2008-2009 academic year: **Bradley Diener**, president; **Megan Place**, vice-president; **Jeffrey Long**, secretary; **Heather Norton**, treasurer; **Ryan St. Germain**, marshal; and **Nora Peterson**, associate editor.

At the end of October, a field trip to Payne and Dolan’s Lake Anne Hot Mix Asphalt plant was planned for both Chi Epsilon members and the Pavement Design, Construction, and Material (PDCM) Enterprise. The tour was directed by **Eric Olson** of Applied Pavement Technology, Inc.

This November, the chapter hosted the annual “Graduate School Information Night” for those interested in civil or environmental engineering graduate school. CEE faculty members **Drs. Bill Sproule** and **David Watkins**, CEE Department Chair **Bill Bulleit**, and several current Michigan Tech CEE graduate students were part of a roundtable discussion with about twenty students to share grad school experiences and answer questions. The chapter would like to thank these individuals for their participation.

Also in November, the chapter, in conjunction with the Michigan Tech chapter of American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), coordinated a trip to the eastern upper peninsula of Michigan for guided tours of the Mackinaw Bridge, the International Bridge, and the Soo Locks. History of the bridges, locks, and structural information was shared as well as a behind-the-scene tour of these facilities. Two members of the chapter were able to stand at the top of the Mackinaw Bridge while others explored the abutment below. Due to inclement weather, the rope climb on the International Bridge was canceled, but the offer stands for a return trip at a later date. At the Soo Locks, the group was able to see the hydraulics used to alter river levels for transportation and the power held in flowing water and stored due to a hydroelectric power plant, as well as travel sixty feet underground below the locks. The chapter would like to especially thank our Michigan Tech alumni hosts:
Kimberly Novak (Mackinaw Bridge), Karl Hansen, and Phillip Becker (International Bridge), as well as Alvin Klein and Jim Peach (Soo Locks) for the personal tours requiring both time and planning. Thanks also to Michigan Tech’s CEE department for funding.

A similar project is in the planning stages for next semester, and Chicago is a possible destination of choice. Green building design, environmental solutions, and civil structures are all hopeful tour options for this trip, but plans have yet to be finalized.

Our chapter members also head the committee for MAXIMUS, the annual banquet for the CEE department, at the end of the year, which showcases achievements of the faculty and honor students, especially those of graduating seniors. This year, the new department chair, Dr. William Bulleit, will be welcomed into the department as well. The events is being hosted by Chapter, with participation and collaboration from the Michigan Tech chapters of ASCE, Society of Environmental Engineering (SEEn), and the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). All students in the CEE department are welcome to attend by purchasing tickets.

Last, but certainly not least, the chapter would like to congratulate our graduating seniors of fall 2008: Joseph Dammel, Gary Johanik, and Breandan Karas; and spring 2009: Timothy Barrette, Matthew Bordson, Kari Klaboe, Jeffrey Long, John Lyrenmann, Allison Olds, Ryan St. Germain, and Cassandra Thiel. The chapter looks for the continued success of this transitional year with hopes for another large, active initiation class to build camaraderie, support, and an eager mindset for continued knowledge.
Chapter members Heather Norton (L) and Megan Place (R) on the Mackinaw Bridge.

Members of Michigan Tech Chi Epsilon and ASCE chapters at the Mackinaw Bridge.
Soo Locks with the International Bridge behind.

Michigan Tech students crossing the gates at the Soo Locks.
Michigan Tech tour group sixty feet below the Soo Locks.

University of Minnesota

Our chapter initiated sixteen new members in the past year. These people are Matthew Bechle, Jacob Folkeringa, Rachel Gaulke, Andrew Gaynor, Michael Groh, Benjamin Hobert, Matthew John, Shannon Koenig, Rita Lederle, Elizabeth Manning, Sarah Noe, Laura Ohman, Leah Olson, Paul Smude, Jacob Turgeon, and Andrea Viteri. Our president for the 2008-2009 academic year is Joanna Campbell; our outgoing president was Danielle Kranz.

Spring of 2009 will mark our third annual Red Cross blood drive. Last year there were 34 units of blood donated. We hope to expand the drive this year to other engineering disciplines.

Missouri University of Science and Technology Chapter

The Missouri University of Science and Technology (previously University of Missouri at Rolla) chapter of Chi Epsilon experienced another busy and successful year as we celebrated our fifty-eighth anniversary. Again we were honored to have Dean Jerry Bayless as our faculty advisor and Dr. Joel Burken as our assistant faculty advisor. We were also privileged to have Dr. Thomas Petry as National Secretary/Treasurer.

Besides our continual work in the Rolla community, Chi Epsilon at Missouri S&T, along with our ASCE chapter, helped organize the FE exam review sessions for the year. Chi Epsilon also
sponsored the Most Outstanding Senior award for the S&T Civil Engineering Department.

The Missouri S&T Chi Epsilon chapter was pleased to initiate 47 new members in the spring and fall semesters. Initiated in the spring were Brett Agee, Derek Aholt, Adam Bensabeh, Scott Brendler, Hannah Bruce, Amy Cervantes, John Conroy, Gary Davis, Jeremy Hoefer, David Langefeld, Becky Noll, Jenna McGreggor, Daniel Miller, Bridget Murphy, Jessica Owens, Katie Rose, Erin Sage, Mark Smedvig, Kandi Wieberg, and Michael Wolfe. Fall initiates included Karl Beckemeier, Sihem Belarbi, Amanda Creech, Christopher Davis, Drew Davis, Aaron Folken, Paul Hamilton, Bradley Hartman, Kyle Holman, Aaron Huey, Tyler Lindsay, Carlos Ortega, Steve Puzach, Laura Rathe, Michelle Scheibel, Eric Sells, Cem Selman, William Shields, Shi Shu, Frank Smith, Levi Smith, David Steele, Ryan Stringer, Lukas Sudkamp, Drew Thomas, Jordan Tripp, and Julie Willey.

Each undergraduate and graduate initiate passed two pledge quizzes, gave a ten-minute presentation on a technical topic of his or her choice, and provided service to Missouri S&T and the Rolla Community. Some of the service events that members and pledges participated in included a canned food drive and S&T Open House for potential future S&T students.

The S&T chapter officers for fall 2008 were Paige Van Maanen as president, Kathleen Chiles as vice-president, Kyle Shour as secretary, Becky Noll as treasurer, Josh Boeckmann as associate editor, Travis Bruemmer as pledge marshal, Katie Rose as service chair, and Mark Smedvig as social chair. We’d like to thank all of our officers for a good semester. We also send congratulations to our new officers for the upcoming semester. For spring 2009 our officers will be Kyle Shour as president, Kyle Holman as vice-president, Becky Noll as secretary, David Steele as treasurer, Jordan Tripp as pledge marshal, Jordan Varble as service chair, and Frank Smith as associate editor and social chair.

In the spring semester, we were pleased to elevate Roddy Rodgers as a Chapter Honor Member. Rodgers addressed the chapter at our initiation banquet on his career as a civil engineer and his volunteer work abroad. In the fall semester we were pleased to elevate David Lewis as a Chapter Honor Member. Lewis addressed the chapter at our initiation banquet on his work as a civil engineer and advice on how to be successful in the profession.

We feel that 2008 was a great year for the Missouri S&T chapter of Chi Epsilon. We hope that we can continue to have even better years to come, and we look forward to the future of our chapter.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln chapter of Chi Epsilon had another active year. In the spring of 2008, Dr. Terry Wipt was elevated to Chapter Honor Member and Brad Huyck,
Kevin Schrum, Derek Nieveen, Michael Kohn, Jacob Schmitz, and Aaron Beauclair were all initiated into Chi Epsilon. During the spring officer elections, five of the six new initiates stepped into leadership roles with Chi Epsilon to continue the various activities put on by the chapter. Some of these activities included a straw bridge competition during the College of Engineering’s annual E-Week. The competition was for Lincoln High School students interested in pursuing a career in engineering. The chapter also had its biennial social event at Old Chicago in the Haymarket of Lincoln. This is a great way for Chi Epsilon members to meet one another and strengthen the chapter’s social network. Last, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln chapter of Chi Epsilon held weekly review sessions for students preparing to take the FE exam. Chi Epsilon always invites professors to come and lecture for a couple of hours on engineering topics ranging from thermodynamics to mechanics of elastic bodies and engineering economy in hopes that students will glean a few tips to improve their testing performance.

The fall semester of 2008 included very similar activities such as sponsoring the FE review sessions and the social event at Old Chicago. The chapter also saw Mr. Randall Peters elevated as the fall 2008 Chapter Honor Member and the initiation of thirteen new undergraduate members. These new members were Alexander Evans, Corbin Mundt, Eric Jowza, Thomas Dowse, Chris Hennings, Jonathan Markt, John Coburn, Andrew Koster, Matthew Pelton, Cassandra Vogel, Jordan Wagner, Zach Overstreet, and Timothy Adams. With so many new, lively members, the future of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln chapter of Chi Epsilon looks very promising.

University of Nebraska at Omaha

The Chi Epsilon chapter at the University of Nebraska at Omaha has had another exciting year during 2008. The chapter inducted new members during an initiation and dinner held on April 15, 2008. We are pleased to introduce Ryan Dickneite, Alex Flanigan, Kpandji Lakmon, Katherine Sokol, and Ross Cullin to our chapter. Additionally, during this dinner, the chapter initiated a new faculty member, Dr. Shannon Bartelt-Hunt and a Chapter Honor Member, Mr. Dan Owens, P.E.

Dr. Shannon Bartelt-Hunt, is an assistant professor in the Department of Civil Engineering at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL). Dr. Bartelt-Hunt joined the faculty at UNL in January 2006. She received her Ph.D. in civil engineering from the University of Virginia in August 2004 and completed her post-doctoral training at North Carolina State University. Her teaching interests are environmental engineering courses focused on environmental chemistry, contaminant fate and transport in natural and engineered systems, and solid waste management.

Dan Owens obtained a B.S. in civil engineering from the US Coast Guard Academy and an M.S. in Civil Engineering at the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign. Dan is currently a project principal at Lamp, Rynearson and
Dan is a licensed PE in the states of Nebraska, Florida and Minnesota. Dan has been involved in civil and transportation engineering since 1988. He has experience in all phases of both design and construction management of civil and transportation capital projects. He is a member of numerous engineering professional organizations, including the Society of American Military Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the Nebraska Concrete Pavement Association. In 2005, Dan served as the president of the Nebraska Society of Professional Engineerings (NeSPE) eastern chapter.

The chapter also continued offering review sessions to all undergraduate engineering students as preparation for the FE exam during spring and fall semesters. Students of any major could attend the sessions. The average attendance for each session was 10 people.

Another important event for our chapter was the participation of Derek Gardels and Eric Henry in the 40th National Conclave hosted by the Stevens Institute of Technology March 14th and 15th. During the conclave, participants were divided into different committees that discussed several topics including the expansion of Chi Epsilon to foreign universities, discussion about the budget for the following years, and determining the guidelines and rules to apply for the scholarships offered by Chi Epsilon.

University of New Mexico

On November 7, 2008, fifteen new members were initiated (four juniors, eight seniors, and three graduate students). The ceremony was presided over by President Patricia Jones. Friends, family, members, and other faculty of the Civil Engineering Department attended the ceremony. The entire group was treated to a catered dinner coordinated by Vice-President Aaron Reinhart and funded by the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico (ASUNM).

Mohammad Azarbayejani, marshal, was responsible for coordinating a series of tutorial sessions for the FE examination. Numerous faculty members volunteered to teach 2-hour review sessions on ten core subjects.

New office bearers for 2008 are Andrew P. Garner, president; Joan Schoepfer, vice-president; Amanda Green, secretary/treasurer; Stephen O. Neidigk, marshal.

North Carolina State University

The Alfred P. Norwood chapter of Chi Epsilon at North Carolina State University initiated twenty-eight new members in 2008 under the direction of Dr. John W. Baugh, Jr. In the spring semester of 2008, ten members were initiated and new officers installed. The ceremony was presided over by the current 2007-2008 officers: Hartley Grimes, president; Kent Dickens, vice-president; Blake Bush, secretary; Beth Visintine, treasurer; Catherine Hoffman, pledge marshal;
Nicholas Schultz, associate editor. The following students were welcomed as new members during this ceremony: Taylor Craig Auten, Joseph James Bagwell, Christopher Scott Gray, Cameron Charles Guice, Lina Kira Lawrence, Katelyn Blackmon Purnell, Courtney Jellinger Shepard, Danielle Elie Touma, Dustin Shane Tuttle, and Margaret Katherine Williams.

In the same ceremony, the following members were installed as new officers for the 2008-2009 academic year: Margaret Williams, president; Christopher Gray, vice-president; Adolfo Obregon-Salinas, treasurer; Taylor Auten, pledge marshal; Dustin Tuttle, associate editor. Blake Blush stayed on as secretary.

In the fall semester of 2008, eighteen students were initiated as new members, including: Paul Ryan Barrett, Matthew Steven Boatwright, Brittany Angele Boudreaux, Frazier Mack Brame, III, Neema Faryar, Randy Scott Freeman, Philip Daniel Gaston, Matthew Duane Hart, Daniel Jay Jacobson, Amanda Virginia Kerr, Brooks Person Moore, Tyler Ross Pendry, Jeremy Michael Potter, Taylor Andrew Rawlinson, Caroline Jennings Saul, Jason Scot Simon, Jason Edward Spain, and Joshua Lee Vaughan.

The UNC-Charlotte student chapter of Chi Epsilon has had another outstanding year. The UNC-Charlotte Chi Epsilon chapter elected officers for the 2008-2009 school year. Those elected include Amanda Lawing, president; Damian Mendez vice-president; Benjamin Bowers, treasurer; Theara Ban, secretary; Mitchell Taylor, associate editor; and Thomas Baucom, marshal. The student chapter’s faculty advisor is Dr. Brian Anderson. The chapter also initiated a new class. The students include: Danielle Anderson, Marc Bachman, Chad Brenny, Allison Briggs, Darrin Cardwell, Wesley Carroll, Holly Christenbury, Carl Christy, Sherman Colvard, Brian Couture, Jared Deridder, Christopher Dorton, Brittany Dowdy, Travis Drake, Kori Earnhardt, Jamie Eberl, Arezou Eslaminejad, Lukus Everhart, Christopher Guido, Ben Harding, Seth Harrelson, James Homulak, Benjamin Jones, Seven Lee, David LeGrand, Daniel Lemley, Wesley McGhee, Keri Palma, Christopher Palmer, Brain Philbrick, Michael Player, Travis Preslar, Brent Price, Arturo Ramos, Javier Solis, Kenneth Thornewell, Daniel VanBriesen, Tom Vaughn, Maegan Waldrop, and Melvin Walker.

The UNC-Charlotte Chi Epsilon student chapter’s service projects for 2008-2009 year have been serving as representatives for the Civil Engineering Department at “Explore UNCC”. The representatives answered questions of parents and prospective students about the Civil Engineering Department at UNC Charlotte, and about the transitioning adjustments to college. The chapter has also hosted FE review sessions for students who have signed up for the upcoming semester. Chapter members work hand in hand with faculty
members who have volunteered their time to refresh students on FE related subjects. In addition, the chapter’s promise to sociability was enjoyed by current members and new inductees. The chapter held meetings during the semester to get members involved in service projects and brainstorm new ideas for the following semester. The chapter also awarded the first annual UNCC chapter of Chi Epsilon Teacher of the Year award, which was given to Mr. David Naylor for his outstanding motivation and passion for teaching students. We would like to extend a special thanks to Dr. Helene Hilger for serving as the guest speaker at the fall 2008 initiation ceremony. Our chapter is rapidly growing and we are looking forward to another successful and productive year.

**Norwich University**

During the spring of 2008, the Norwich University Chi Epsilon chapter initiated six new members: Caleb Heller, Brian Lane-Karnas, Alicia Morgan, Desislava Slavova, Tracey Breault, and Surasak Maneesri, all from the Class of 2009. The chapter is improving the décor of the Civil Engineering Student Project room and promoting Chi Epsilon with a roster of all Norwich University past and present Chi Epsilon members. Another spring initiation is planned and two new members will be initiated, Christopher Seifert and Christopher Rivet.

During the past year Chi Epsilon members have been active in supporting the new Engineers Without Borders chapter and Christopher Seifert was on a planning trip to Bolivia with Civil Engineering professors, Gregory Wight and Adam Sevi. Funds are currently being raised to send a team to Bolivia this summer to build a water system for a remote village where water must be carried over 1 kilometer.

Plans for next year include providing surveying assistance to the local community recreation park.
Ohio University

The Ohio University chapter of Chi Epsilon inducted 9 new members on June 7, 2008. The newly inducted were officers: Bradley Hoffman, president; Zachary Waite, vice-president; Ryan Kent, secretary; Benjamin Jewell, marshal; and members Gregory Blatnik, Dustin Fisher, Drew Hatton, Scott Stritz and Chase Wells. Jourdan Siemer, and Patrick Miner continued to serve the organization as treasurer and associate editor, respectively. Since installing the Chi Epsilon chapter at Ohio University in 2005, Dr. Ben Stuart has passed along the faculty advisor role to Dr. Deb McAvoy.

Ohio State University

The Ohio State University chapter of Chi Epsilon would like to congratulate the following on their May 17, 2008 initiation: Justin Ahmann, Luke Bolzenius, Steven DeArmon, Tom Gardner, Matt Krall, Nick Mandic, Ashley Matheny, Erin Meyer, Michell Miller, Adam Smith, Alex Stern, Brandon Strohl, Joel Thompson, Lee Tourek, and Kelly Young. Furthermore, the following officers were installed during the initiation ceremony: Adam Smith, president; Ashley Matheny, vice-president; Matt Krall, treasurer; Joel Thompson, secretary; Kelly Young, associate editor; Luke Bolzenius, marshal.

The initiation ceremony was held at the Buckeye Hall of Fame Café, where supportive civil engineering professors, proud friends and family members of the new initiates, and existing Chi Epsilon members, as well as the initiates, were in attendance. The initiation ceremony was followed by a reception for attendees.

This past spring, Chi Epsilon volunteered for a few afternoons to help organize a collectible sale to support the Columbus Children’s Hospital. This annual fundraiser is sponsored by a group of women called TWIG. As most of the women in the group are older than 70, they very much appreciated the help of getting the tables, signs, and antiques that are to be sold to and from their storage locations. Gathering plenty of cars and strong-bodied young men and women, Chi Epsilon went to the surrounding neighborhood homes to collect items to be sold. Those who donated to the collectible sale were very kind and courteous. Chi Epsilon was greeted with smiling faces as they pulled up into driveways to retrieve the donated gifts. Having so many volunteers made the work load quite light. This project also gave the new inductees the opportunity to meet other members of the organization.

In the upcoming year, Chi Epsilon will continue to help the Civil Engineering Department conduct teacher evaluations at the end of the quarters. Chi Epsilon also plans to conduct tours for prospective civil engineering students.

The Ohio State University chapter would like to wish our fellow chapters much success in the upcoming year!
The University of Oklahoma Chi Epsilon chapter initiated 11 new members at their spring 2008 meeting. The initiates were Seth Boydstun, David Frank, James McLane, Amy Hufnagel, Michaela Campbell, Christopher Hill, Amanda Demar, Mallory Moore, Lacee Stanley, Brett Moran, and Ulises Martinez. Outgoing officers led the initiation and the selection of new officers. These officers were: Ted Huynh, president; James Farris, vice-presidents; Charlie Bright, treasurer; Brandon Birch, secretary; Trevor Cornelsen, associate editor; and Russell Buhler, marshal. The new officers selected for 2008-2009 include: Seth Boydstun, president; David Frank, vice-president; James McLane, treasurer; Amy Hufnagel, secretary; Michaela Campbell, associate editor; and Christopher Hill, marshal.

This fall, our chapter members volunteered at the Feed the Children warehouse in Oklahoma City. Feed the Children provides food and other essential items to families and communities throughout the world. We sorted toiletries and non-perishable food items into boxes in their warehouse. Our contribution helped the organization get a head start on the holiday season, which is their busiest time of the year.

Oklahoma State University

The Oklahoma State University chapter of Chi Epsilon completed another year under Dr. Dee Ann Sanders, faculty advisor. During 2008, 13 members of our chapter attended the National Conclave at Stevens Institute of Technology in Hoboken, New Jersey. For that impressive feat, our chapter was given the conclave spirit award.

We held a pizza party for prospective pledges in the spring and a cook-out at the home of Chelsea Harden, the 2008 pledge marshal, in the fall. At our spring initiation, Mr. C. C. (“Casey”) Shell was elevated to Chapter Honor Member. Mr. Shell is a division engineer with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. He is very highly regarded by those who have worked with him and for him and is well-liked by the chapter members.

This year, 30 active chapter members participated in service projects to benefit the engineering college and the community. These service projects included the continuation of weekly tutoring for undergraduate statics and strength of materials classes. The chapter also held numerous review sessions to aid civil engineering students in their preparation for the FE exam. We also volunteered at the Humane Society and on service projects through the university.

The chapter continued to excel with many new members. Students initiated in the spring semester of 2008 included: Matt Warren, Justin Willis, Cameron Gaddy, Michael Holloway, Gayan Herath, and Joe LaValley. Students initiated in the fall semester of 2008 included: Kirby Hefley, Robert Felice, Joseph
Kalka, Jared Starks, Trenton January, John Hawkins, Guillermo Taylor, Kyle Goodwin, Jeff Rundle, Kristopher Kilhoff, John Michael Freeman, Andrew Mock, Cameron Twyford, Kyle Millemon, Oluwatosin Oyelakin, Sara Senyondo, Hanbai Park, Neha Bhadbhade, Francis Akanisi, and Ross Stover. The 2008 officers were: Robert Rose, president; Tim Scarborough, vice-president; Janet Tse, secretary; Lesa Heintzman, treasurer; Chelsea Harden, marshal; and Kim McMillan, associate editor of the Transit.

Old Dominion University

The Old Dominion University chapter of Chi Epsilon will initiate six new members in January 2009, as soon as classes recommence.

Old Dominion University’s chapter of ASCE, American Society of Civil Engineers, will host the annual ASCE conference during April, 2009. XE and A S C E chapters will collaborate to organize and recruit for the event.

Finally, a group of Chi Epsilon members will run in the 2009 Shamrock Marathon. The marathon runs along Virginia Beach’s famous boardwalk and takes place on the usually blustery Sunday before St. Patrick’s Day. Several Chi Epsilon chapter members, both runners and non-runners, are exploring ways to find sponsorships for the runners. Proceeds would be donated to establish some kind of scholarship prize for a meritorious prospective engineering student from the Hampton Roads area. We hope to include one semester of weekly tutoring by Chi Epsilon members with the prize.
Oklahoma State 2008 officers: Kim McMillan, associate editor; Eric Kim, student council representative; Chelsea Harden, pledge marshal; Robert Rose, president; Lesa Heintzman, treasurer; Janet Tse, secretary; and Tim Scarborough, vice-president.

Oklahoma State 2009 officers: John Hawkins, pledge marshal; Eric Kim, vice-president; Trenton January, student council representative; Chelsea Harden, president; Sara Senyondo, secretary; Justin Willis, treasurer, and Guillermo Taylor, associate editor.
Oregon State University

Oregon State University became the 132nd Chi Epsilon chapter in the spring of 2008. As a new chapter, it inducted eleven new members in the spring of 2008 and six new members in the fall of 2008. New inductees in the spring include: Josh Goodall, Evon Silvia, Derek Manwill, Allison Tanaka, Vance Kotal, Paul Strauser, and Avery Roemen. Inductees in the fall include: Kristina Currians, Anthony Davies, Natalie Grenz, Richard Hollon, and Nicholas Mortier. The newly elected officers are Kevin Severson, president; Jennifer Coe, vice-president; Jill Folkestad, treasurer; Erika McQuillen, membership chair; and Robert Bochsler, associate editor.

Chapter activities during the fall 2008 term included holding its annual graduate school forum. Four practicing civil engineers and two current graduate students occupied the forum which answered questions from current students. Twenty-five students attended, ranging from freshmen to seniors, who were interested in learning more about the benefits of graduate school. The chapter anticipates an even larger turn-out next year for the event.

Currently the chapter is preparing for its annual FE exam review sessions, which will be held during the spring 2009 term.

We would like to extend special thanks to Mike Lindell of Hoffman Construction Co., Paul Davis of CH2M Hill, Joshan Rohani of David Evans and Associates, and Tom Baughman and Jerome Madden, both of Madden & Baughman for serving as members of the graduate school forum. We would also like to thank Dr. Scott Ashford, civil and construction engineering head of school, for serving as a guest speaker at the event.

Oregon State University

University of Pittsburgh

In the fall of 2008, the University of Pittsburgh chapter of Chi Epsilon started off the year with a social to welcome new members and encourage more members to join. The event was held on campus, providing food for students who decided to participate as well as a chance to meet the Chi Epsilon officers and other members. As a way to raise money for our chapter, we sell pizza and drinks at our departmental seminars which are held every two weeks. This money goes toward funding for socials and toward initiation at the end of each semester. On December 5, 2008, we welcomed three new members to the Chi Epsilon chapter here at the University of Pittsburgh. Board member positions have been changed to the following: Dustin Stewart, president; Colin Tudor, vice-president; LeighAnne Shubert, secretary; Michelle Olszewski, marshal; Bill Batzel, treasurer; and Kyra Davis, associate editor.

University of Pittsburgh

Purdue University

The Purdue University chapter of Chi Epsilon has had a very eventful semester. Purdue XE held a graduate school information session for prospective
graduate students to explain their admissions process and responsibilities. Purdue X E also started conducting tutoring sessions for students who need help with their course work. Members of the chapter are expected to perform 3 hours of community service per semester to retain their active status, and tutoring provides a good opportunity. The chapter also organized review sessions for the FE exam to help students within and outside civil engineering. During the fall semester, the chapter was under the leadership of Steve Lauer, president; Rachael Bisnett, vice-president; Abby Massey, secretary; Brent Lamb, treasurer; Cal Bearman, co-associate editor; Mike Broyles, co-associate editor; Emily Chavez, co-marshal; Matt Fillmore, co-marshal; Tom Paladino, co-pledge coordinator; and David Dallman, co-pledge coordinator.

Professor R.S. Govindaraju, the Christopher B. and Susan S. Burke professor of civil engineering who specializes in hydraulic and hydrologic engineering, has been the faculty advisor since fall 2006. This fall semester, 24 new members were added to the Purdue University chapter of Chi Epsilon. During the semester, the pledges took part in various activities, such as the pledge retreat, faculty breakfast, community service, and board signing. The fall 2008 initiates were: Michael Gene Blough, Erica Christine Bourdage, Jennifer Marie Brown, Phillip Warren Cherry, Jonathan Y Chin, Rebecca Rose Essig, Patrick Brien Funk, Craig Henry Francis Holtz, Rosemary Jamieson, Rachel Marie Katchmar, Karl Richard Krukenberg, Daniel Glen McPheron, Reid Morgan, Douglas James Murray, Richard Louis Raffin, Helen Hadiwinata Santoso, Mallory Leigh Schaus, Bryan Allen Sheward, Timothy Paul Stroshine, Michael Charles Tilleman, and George Christopher Watson. We concluded the semester with an initiation ceremony and banquet on December 7. The following people were honored at the banquet: Mr. James M. Barker (Chapter Honor Member), Steve Lauer (Leonard and Margaret Wood Academic and Leadership Scholarship), and Taijiro Oki (Rosemary K. Burke Outstanding Student). Finally, it is with sadness that we report the passing away of emeritus Professor William J. Kay (1912-2008) who was a Chapter Honor Member and served as the faculty advisor for XE.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute initiated twenty-eight new members in the spring of 2008. New inductees: Michael Bell, Ricardo Camacho, Tara Claney, Ashley Corker, Benjamin Deede, Matthew Drislane, Sean Eosefow, Evgueni Filipov, Leo Fiorvanti, Sabrina Foster, Christopher Gonyo, Jared Gross, Melissa Jackman, Christopher Jankum, Alison Kennicutt, Jason Kaufman, Russell Macalintal, Lisa Muscanell, Ed Pomfred, Reenu Raju, Nick Renna, Bailey Richert, Diane Sheppard, Sophia Stehr, Eric Taub,
Brian Tobin, Eric Twomey, and Robert Vayda. The newly elected officers are Ed Pomfred, president; Eric Twomey, vice-president; Alison Kennicutt, treasurer; Sabrina Foster, secretary; and Sophia Stehr, associate editor. Outgoing officers are Andrew Vargo, president; Kevin Brown, vice-president; Patrick Fallon, treasurer/secretary; and Diane Rossini, associate editor.

Chapter activities during the spring 2008 semester included organization of FE exam review sessions which included developing a schedule for the sessions, identifying and soliciting faculty to serve as volunteer instructors, and advertising the sessions. In total, nine review sessions were held with attendance in each session ranging from about twenty to sixty students. During the fall 2008 semester, the chapter organized an FE exam registration day where students were provided with FE exam registration forms and access to a notary and photographer. This event was successful in that it increased on-campus awareness of the early deadline for the exam and resulted in seventy-one students registering for the exam.
University of Rhode Island

A large turnover occurred for Chi Epsilon’s 2008-09 term at the University of Rhode Island. All of the 2007-08 officers and most members have moved on with their professional careers or graduate studies. We wish them well and continued success moving forward. New members, James Davis, Cory DiPietro, Patrick Hartnett, Samuel Hawkes, Temiloluwa Kusemiju, Kristin Malakorn, Justin McCoy, Colin O’Brien, Matthew Ouellette, Alexander Reeb, Shane Robat, David Roman, Benjamin Skrabak, Alison Steere, and Timothy Thomson, were initiated on April 25, 2008. Chapter officers elected for the 2008-09 term are: Matt Ouellette, president; Justin McCoy, vice-president; Kristin Malakorn, treasurer; and Tim Thomson, secretary.

The 2008-2009 administration continues to expand on goals and objectives set forth by past chapters to foster the growth of Chi Epsilon at URI. We currently provide tutoring and mentoring services to our fellow classmates and underclass engineering students on campus. Effective ways to reach out to local secondary schools and URI students are being brainstormed to help expand interest and awareness in the civil and environmental engineering professions. Chi Epsilon will be attending campus events to introduce the chapter to prospective students and the rest of the URI community. Furthermore, the chapter continues to develop an outreach program with regional engineering and construction firms to connect fellow civil engineering students with the profession upon graduating.

Dr. Vinka Craver and Dr. George Tsiatas are advisors for Chi Epsilon’s 2008-2009 term. With their efforts, the future is bright for Chi Epsilon at the University of Rhode Island, and we appreciate their dedication to the chapter.

San Jose State University

In fall 2008, San Jose State University initiated twelve new members into Chi Epsilon. The following include; Sean Brookman, Kai Sum Cheung, Raymond Chow, Berkeley Holt, Charles Luk, Dong Nguyen, Maggie Ortiz, Purnama Prasetyo, Katrina Rante, Hank Silva, Hugh Wright, and Ian Whiteley. The newly elected officers for the spring of 2009 are Alvin Flores, president; Christian Anzelde, vice-president; Charles Luk, treasurer; Katrina Rante, secretary; Raymond Liao, associate editor; and Sean Brookman, marshal.

Every fall semester, our chapter participates in the annual Chi Epsilon Pacific District Conference. This year, the University of Southern California hosted the event in Los Angeles, so much planning and coordination had to be done to prepare for the trip down south. We held multiple fundraising events and activities to make this trip possible. All officers, initiates, and a handful of members and alumni participated in the conference making SJSU the biggest attendant. The conference was an overall success as we received very
positive feedback from our new members who attended a Chi Epsilon conference for their first time!

South Dakota State University

The South Dakota State University chapter of Chi Epsilon is proud to announce the initiation of 8 new student members in 2008. The following new members were added to the chapter in the spring of 2008: Scott Finnesand, Tanner Fitzke, Stephanie Peters, and Brooke Postma.

In the fall semester of 2008, we also elected the new officers for the 2009 academic year. The new officers for 2009 include: Brooke Postma, president; Stephanie Peters, vice-president; Brittni Stephens, secretary/treasurer; Jessica Heine, marshal/associate editor; and Tanner Fitzke, webmaster.

The outgoing officers of 2008 include: Jason Stripling, president; Bryant Polzin, vice-president; Brittni Stephens, secretary/treasurer; Michael Shilhanek, marshal/associate editor; and Eric Lynne, webmaster.

We would like to thank the outgoing officers for a job well done, and we would like to wish the graduating members the best of luck with their futures. Dr. Chris Schmit will continue acting as the faculty advisor for the 2009 spring and fall semesters.

The SDSU Chapter organized and provided tutoring sessions for underclassmen in the following disciplines: surveying, statics, and mechanics of materials. The Chi Epsilon chapter also assists the ASCE student chapter with the steel bridge, concrete canoe, community service, and many other projects. The chapter is currently recruiting the new initiates for the spring of 2009 and planning social activities to get to know them. The South Dakota State University chapter looks forward to another exciting and productive year.
Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

The Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville chapter of Chi Epsilon is proud to recognize its new members initiated in spring of 2008: Sara Andert, Kyle Arentsen, Clint Dougherty, Rachel Ernst, Kyle Hannel, Patrick Lewis, Corey Mason, John Matzke, David Richter, Brian Schuh, Adam Steury, Joshua Verdught, James Wallace, Joseph Watson, Jeffrey Wells, Jessica Wiegmann, and Trisha Youngquist. The newly elected officers for the 2008-2009 academic year include: Joshua Verdught, president; Brian Schuh, vice-president; John Matzke, treasurer; Kyle Arentsen, secretary; Rachel Ernst, associate editor; and David Richter, marshal. The chapter is currently in the process of selecting new members to initiate in spring of 2009. The chapter would also like to thank the 2007-2008 officers for their devotion and smooth transition. The 2007-2008 officers are as follows: Aaron Schafer, president; Jason Dreyer, vice-president; Douglas Reilly, treasurer; Jennifer Titchenal, secretary; Benjamin Keith, associate editor; and Benedict Whelan, marshal.

During the fall semester of 2008 the SIUE chapter has been planning FE review sessions. These sessions were open to current SIUE students and outside professionals. The sale of review manuals and other review material served as the primary fundraiser for the chapter. The organization will use the profits from the fundraiser to send delegates to the biennial conclave. The chapter would like to extend its gratitude to the faculty advisor, Dr. Nader Panahshahi for all of his assistance and support.
Stevens Institute of Technology

The past year has been a very exciting year for the Stevens Institute of Technology chapter. As hosts of the 40th National Conclave in March, 2008, representatives from across the nation met at the small campus located on the shore of the Hudson River, directly across from Manhattan. The undergraduates in attendance made improvements to the ritual, the PAROP, and the budget to name a few. The chapter also had the honor of elevating Leslie E. Robertson, who gave an incredibly motivating speech at the conclave, as the Society’s 60th National Honor Member.

The Stevens Institute of Technology chapter has had continued success during the fall of 2008. Andrea Giorgi-Bocker, chief engineer of the George Washington Bridge, and one of our Chapter Honor Members for 2007, invited our chapter to take a tour of the bridge. It was an opportunity to see some behind the scenes engineering as well as a vast amount of history.

Syracuse University

It has been another exciting year for Syracuse University. On November 21, 2008, the SU chapter was to proud to have initiated 16 juniors and seniors into the Chi Epsilon family and congratulated Professor Samuel P.
Clemence on his elevation to a Chapter Honor Member, in recognition for his outstanding professional accomplishments and services. The chapter has also recently elected new officers for the upcoming year, and they are as follows: Michael McCollan, president; Lauren Seelbach, vice-president; Jessica Ebert, secretary; Erik Nelson, treasurer; Lydia Wong, marshal; and Kaitlin Hannon, associate editor.

Many SU Chi Epsilons members are active officers of ASCE and EWB. They have exemplified strong dedication and involvement in engineering by participating in the ASCE concrete canoe competition, Build ‘Em and Bust ‘Em bridge building contest, Adopt-a-Mile, and have even traveled to Kenya to renovate an orphanage facility. The SU chapter plans to offer numerous tutoring sessions throughout the semester open to any undergraduate who may have concerns with math, science, or engineering-related courses.

The chapter also wishes nothing but the best for outgoing officers Brett Maurer, president; RJ Walker, vice-president; Jillian Cole, secretary; Kyle Kwiatkowski, treasurer; and Kevin Sze, associate editor. With the advent of new, promising members, we look forward to the continued success of the Syracuse University chapter’s endeavors.

University of Tennessee Chapter

The 2008 academic year was very productive for Chi Epsilon’s University of Tennessee chapter. This year we initiated several new members: Craig Bowers, John Coulter, Kevin Fix, Alan Grissom, Zara Zaneta Hoch, Brent Moyers, and Ross Ogle during the spring. The spring semester was also a time to say farewell to the graduating officers: Nathan Mills, president; Daniel Unger, vice-president; McKenzie Boling, secretary/treasurer; Lee Mauney, marshal; Ryan Overton, associate editor. We wish them luck in their futures as engineers. Our newly elected officers are: Amanda Bowen, president; Zara Hoch, vice-president; Kevin Fix, secretary/treasurer; Alan Grissom, marshal; and Craig Bowers, associate editor. With our change in officers also came another change as Dr. Chris Cox became our new faculty advisor.

Last year our chapter was active in the community. During the spring semester our members helped some of the faculty conduct the Tennessee state finals of the Science Olympiad, and this fall we participated in Knoxville, Tennessee’s annual American Diabetes Association “Step Out Against Diabetes Walk” where we raised and donated money for diabetes awareness.

Most recently we initiated nine new members and one Chapter Honor Member, Dr. George Hyfantis who has been an adjunct professor the University of Tennessee for thirty years. Our newest members are: Richard Beck, Nichole Belanger, Sean Coffelt, Richard Colbert, Jessica Davis, Jody Dykes, Caleb Layne, Melissa McKenzie, and Travis Ricker. We are hoping for and looking forward to a new year that will be just as productive as the last.
The Chi Epsilon chapter at the University of Texas at Arlington is always striving to enhance the civil engineering department. This year, one major activity included the installation of the new chapter key. The unveiling of the key was performed on November 21, 2008. We would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to Mike Shiflett, Dr. Jim Williams, Mr. John Wier, the major donors from Facilities Management UTA, Texas Masonry- the Contractors, and to all the 2007 Key Construction committee members.

Dr. Jim Williams was elevated as a Chapter Honor Member in the spring 2008 initiation ceremony. Other chapter activities included the National Conclave in Hoboken, NJ, the pizza party, and the park clean up. Speakers from Halff Associates were invited to the pizza party. All these activities and events led to the successful end of 2008.

The newly elected officers for spring 2008 were: Kyle Hockersmith - president; Taileah Hunter, vice-president; Daniel Prendergast, marshal; Sadikshya Poudel, treasurer; Okechukwu Abajue, secretary; and Manjeeta Sitaula, associate editor. For spring 2009, the newly elected officers are: Okechukwu Abajue, marshal; Michael Hutcheson, secretary; Lynn Lambert, treasurer; and Jyoti Ojha, associate editor. Nine new members were inducted in the fall 2008 initiation. The new inductees include: Melanie Arrington, Bo Chapman, Lynn Lambert, Michael Hutcheson, Jyoti Ojha, Francis Mbogning, Natasha Tabataba, Tamara Gart and Enrique Baes.

2008 was a strong year for the University of Texas chapter of Chi Epsilon. Eighteen new members were recruited in the spring and fall semesters; eight in the spring and ten in the fall. The new officers elected in November 2008 are Alix Broadfoot, president; Andrew Hart, vice-president; Saamiya Seraj, secretary; Eliud Buenrostro, marshal; Bryan Staffel, treasurer; Eliot Meyer, historian; Tyler Grote, associate editor; and Arthur Leung, ASCE representative. Dr. Lynn Katz will continue to be the faculty advisor.

We are extremely proud of our outgoing officers: Sarah Mayhall, president; Ryan Rush, vice-president; and Brian Hoyt, marshal. Sarah will continue her academic career as a University of Texas graduate student in fall of 2009, after taking a semester off to get married! Ryan is moving to Chicago in April 2009 to work for DRW Trading after enjoying a much deserved break with his family. Brian will begin his career with APEX Geo-Science as a geotechnical project engineer while attending graduate school at the University of Texas - Arlington.

The UT chapter of Chi Epsilon volunteers at many events throughout the year. In the spring of 2008, we volunteered at Texas Society of Professional Engineers’ Math Counts competition, serving as graders for the exams. We also participated in
“Introduce a Girl to Engineering” Day, and Explore UT, a campus wide open house for prospective longhorns.

In the fall of 2008, we volunteered as peer advisors for fellow engineers during registration, and did Longhorn Halloween, a fall festival for the children of UT faculty and staff. We ran a booth called “What’s Inside the Monster,” which consisted of the kids reaching their hands into bags forming a monster’s body and guess what body part it was. For example, peeled grapes were eye balls and carrots, toes. Hand wipes were definitely provided and costumes required! We also volunteered at the Capital Area Food Bank, working with local high school volunteers to sort and package almost 4.5 tons of donated food.

Our chapter is very sociable as well. On top of having a great time together when we volunteer, we also hold coffee hours and have periodic camping trips. We also got together to update our display case in the engineering building and to decorate the traditional t-square that graduating seniors sign to hang in the halls of the Ernest Cockrell Jr. building.

Texas Tech University

On behalf of the Texas Tech chapter, Damon Hertel, treasurer, reports that several new officers have been elected, so this is a training semester for our chapter. We plan to hold an initiation each semester in hopes of boosting our membership. Last year we only had a spring initiation. The current members are serving the college as tutors for a variety of classes. The CE Department pays us for our tutoring and this is our main source of income. We will continue to strive to uphold the prestige and honor of this society.
Officers of UT Chi Epsilon meet to discuss plans for the fall semester. (From left: Bryan Staffel (treasurer), Tyler Grote (associate editor), Alix Broadfoot (president))

Chi Epsilon treasurer Bryan Staffel gets some food before a visiting company gives a presentation at a meeting.
A Chi Epsilon member gives candy to children of University of Texas faculty and staff at the annual Longhorn Halloween.

Vanderbilt University

The 2008 calendar year proved to be another productive year for the Vanderbilt University chapter of Chi Epsilon. The officer transition occurred seamlessly at the spring 2008 initiation ceremony, which inducted the then recently eligible candidate Lauren Ramsey, as well as Warren Scott Goodrich as a Chapter Honor Member. The new officers are as follows: Albert Engel, president; Stacey Shull, vice-president; Will Lisska, marshal; Nick Reynolds, historian; Russell Nour, treasurer; Karen Swetland, secretary; and Samantha Sabatino. This officer team led the Vanderbilt chapter to perform community service at the Nashville Rake-A-Thon event on November 15th (organized by the Vanderbilt Wishmakers) which raised a total of $2695 in donations for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Nashville.

Vanderbilt University was proud to have Albert Engel represent its Chi Epsilon chapter at the March 2008 conclave. Our chapter thanks him for his service to the Vanderbilt chapter, and wishes him well as he steps down to study abroad. He will be replaced as president by Vice-President Stacey Shull. She will preside over the induction of the eleven invited candidates, to occur
in January 2009. These candidates are Amelia Shaw, Bryan Kirk, Catherine Newman, Donald Williams, Erin Kersh, Ghazali Mohd, Joshua Mullins, Malcolm White, Micah O’Hare, Michael Banasiak, and Lauren Vidnovic. Our chapter further thanks its faculty advisor Dr. Eugene Leboeuf for his continued support for and guidance of the chapter.

University of Washington

The University of Washington chapter of Chi Epsilon is proud to announce that twenty-seven new members were initiated on May 9, 2008. These new members are: Jonathan Corey, Anatalia Countiss, Kasey Faust, Matthew Godsey, Celeste Hoffman, Golnaz Jankhah, Kevin Kunish, Steven Lampert, Jingjuan Li, Mark Maurer, Aaron Olson, Adam Price, Rebecca Rule, Stuart Stringer, Jie Sheng, Armin Stuedlein, Karl Typolt, and Kirsten Wood.

The newly elected officers for the 2008-2009 academic year are: Jie Sheng, vice-president; Mark Maurer, treasurer; Jingjuan Li, marshal; and Kasey Faust, associate editor. We also had two officers that served in 2007-2008 continue their service in new positions for 2008-2009: Chris Masek, president; (previously served as secretary) and Ed Rockwell, secretary (previously served as treasurer).

The outgoing officers that served during the 2007-2008 academic year were: Anthony Rodriguez, president; Genevieve Farrar, vice-president; Chris Kinzig, marshal; and Adam Parast, associate editor.

The chapter also initiated Dr. Alexander Horner-Devine as honored Faculty Member and Mr. Jon Magnusson, P.E. as the Chapter Honor Member. Dr. Alexander Horner-Devine was also installed as the new chapter faculty advisor.

Many chapter members volunteered to help with the University of Washington’s Engineering Open House which introduces and encourages kids to become involved in engineering. Four members of the chapter also helped with campus tours for the graduate student orientation in September. Our chapter looks forward to contributing to the local Habitat-for-Humanity effort and volunteering to help with stream restoration projects. We will continue to reach out to undergraduate and graduate students to encourage more involvement in the chapter.

We are optimistic about the direction and future of our chapter. Our goal is to make a difference on campus, in our community, and in the civil engineering profession.

University of Wisconsin at Platteville

This year has seen much change at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville Chi Epsilon chapter. New officers were installed at the spring initiation. These included: Michael DeAmico, president;
Amanda Stubbe, vice-president; T.J. Thering, secretary; Drew Rockafellow, treasurer; Steve Prouty, marshal; and Thomas Stock, associate editor. Below is a picture of the new officers. Many new members were also inducted into our group. Although there were no spring initiates, we had an abundant fall initiation that included Joshua Fetting, Michael Foster, Derek Friske, Karl Krueger, Christine Pitzen, Gregory Rajek, and Laurie Trifone.

As part of our community involvement, our chapter continued to work with the Institute of Transportation Engineers on highway cleanup for a nearby state road. Also, our traditional graduation brunch which treats graduating seniors and their families to a delicious buffet prepared by the members of Chi Epsilon is still going strong. For the first time, we participated in the homecoming parade as we marched alongside the float for Badger Camp. Our chapter strongly supports Badger Camp’s effort to enhance disabled children’s lives.

In a continuing effort for our chapter to encourage sociability, a pizza party was planned where new members could get to know upperclassmen outside of school.

University of Wisconsin officers: Tom Stock, editor; Amanda Stubbe, vice-president; TJ Thering, secretary; Steve Prouty, marshal; Michael Deamico, president; Drew Rockafellow, treasurer