

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

The Ohio State University chapter of Chi Epsilon would like to congratulate the following members on their spring 2010 initiation: **Rachel Bassil, Cody Beucler, Anthony Ewers, Christopher Fager, Haley Hutchins, Nicholas Karlin, Melissa Kudla, Adrian Lee, Ashley Maggi, Angela Nappi, Matthew Rosebrock, Christopher Stanuch, Anthony Tombo, Amanda Verhoff**. Additionally, the following officers were elected by the members and installed during the ceremony: **Angela Nappi**, president; **Anthony Ewers**, vice-president; **Nicholas Karlin**, treasurer; **Cody Beucler**, secretary; **Matthew Rosebrock**, associate editor; and **Chris Stanuch**, marshal. They replace the leadership and achievements of the departing officers: **Seth Salisbury**, president; **Ashley Matheny**, vice-president; **Sarah Herd**, treasurer; **Greg Hertler**, secretary; **Michael Behrends**, associate editor; and **Daniel Murphy**, marshal.

The initiation ceremony was held in the Stander Community Room, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Geodetic Science, on the campus of The Ohio State University. Supportive civil engineering professors, proud friends and family members of the new initiates, and Chi Epsilon members, as well as the initiates, were in attendance. The initiation ceremony was followed by a short reception for the attendees.

In the past Chi Epsilon had handled the responsibility of distributing and collecting the student evaluation of instructors (SEIs) for the Civil Engineering Department at the end of each academic quarter. The SEIs have been converted to an online survey, and there is no longer a need for student assistance in this task. The Ohio State University has made the decision to switch to a semester system beginning in the fall of 2012. The members of Chi Epsilon have been asked to help with this transition. Chi Epsilon members reviewed a quarter to semester curriculum proposal within the Civil Engineering Department. Chi Epsilon members gave their recommendations on the proposal with the idea of making it an easy transition for current and future students.

Chi Epsilon continues to have students available to conduct tours for prospective civil engineering students whenever the Civil Engineering Department has a need. It is a great opportunity for Chi Epsilon students to inform prospective engineering students about the benefits of Ohio State and the civil engineering profession in general.

Chi Epsilon is currently researching other ways to continue to provide assistance to the civil engineering department and local community in the future.

The Ohio State University chapter would like to wish our fellow chapters much success in the upcoming year!

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

The University of Oklahoma Chi Epsilon chapter initiated 4 new members at their spring 2010 meeting. The initiates were **Zackary Bright, Jeremy Christiansen, John McCarter**, and **Hassan Essaili**. Existing officers led the initiation and the selection of new officers. These officers were: **Amy Hufnagel**, president; **Chris Hill**, vice-president; **Wassim Tabet**, treasurer and secretary; and **Jacob Grasmick**, marshal. The new officers

selected for 2010-2011 include: **Hassan Essaili**, president; **Zackary Bright**, vice-president; **Chris Hill**, secretary; **Amy Hufnagel**, treasure; and **Jeremy Christiansen**, marshal.

This past spring, our chapter members assisted in the hosting of the Mid-Continent ASCE Student Regional. Chi Epsilon members were responsible for the introduction and welcoming meetings. This provided the chapter with a great opportunity to meet with future civil engineers from around the Midwest and connect with other Chi Epsilon members.

Also in the spring, the University of Oklahoma chapter sent the acting vice-president, **Chris Hill**, as a delegate to the 2010 Chi Epsilon National Conclave hosted by the University of Alabama. At the conclave, Chris was able to interact with future and current civil engineers from around the country and make many new friends and contacts. While at the conclave, Chris was able to vote on many important issues and will help guide the course of Chi Epsilon for the next two years.

This fall, the chapter participated in the Toys for Tots program put on by the United States Marine Corps. (*see photo at right*) In the spirit of the holidays, the chapter bought Christmas presents for a child in need. This year we encouraged the participation of the entire Civil Engineering Department and were able to provide many new toys for young boys and girls that would otherwise not have a Christmas present. We had a great time celebrating the holiday season by helping out others in need.



OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

The Oklahoma State University chapter of Chi Epsilon completed another year under **Dr. Dee Ann Sanders**, faculty advisor. During spring 2010, twelve members of the Oklahoma State University chapter of Chi Epsilon attended the 41st National Conclave at the University of Alabama-Tuscaloosa. Our chapter was runner-up for the conclave "Spirit Award." It was a very productive conclave: the membership voted for Chi Epsilon to go international. We will someday be Chi Epsilon International Civil Engineering Honor Society! Our faculty advisor, **Dr. Dee Ann Sanders**, was elected national Chi Epsilon president at the Conclave. She will serve for two years until the 42nd National Conclave is held in Los Angeles in 2012. We held a pizza party for prospective initiates in January 2010 and a cook-out on campus in the fall. At our spring initiation, **Dr. John Veenstra** was elevated to Chapter Honor Member. We managed to keep the elevation a surprise until the beginning of the initiation ceremony in April. All the membership of Chi Epsilon at OSU is immensely grateful to **Dr. Veenstra** for his support of our chapter when he was a regular faculty member and now that he is School Head. He is a real asset to our program.

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 chap-