The 2011 school year was eventful for Chi Epsilon. The chapter held graduate school information sessions each semester to inform prospective graduate students about graduate student life and the various steps involved in the application process.

Purdue XE also hosted tutoring sessions for students who needed help with their course work. This program is an important part of the Purdue University Chapter because members are required to perform three hours of community service per semester to maintain active status.

In addition, the Purdue chapter organized review sessions for Fundamentals of Engineering examinations. The review sessions were advertised to all engineering students, and sessions were conducted by faculty members from various disciplines in the weeks prior to the test covering all of the subject areas. These sessions were very popular and many students benefitted from these reviews.

The chapter also sponsored several tours of new construction sites on campus so that members could get a chance to see some real world applications of the material they have learned in classes. In the spring, members toured the new addition of Purdue's Mechanical Engineering building and the recently finished Marriot Hall. In the fall, they toured the renovations of Purdue's Recreational Sports Facility as well as the addition to Mackey Arena.

In the fall, Purdue XE also helped sponsor a bowling event between its members and the members of Purdue's chapter of Beta Tau to provide an opportunity for students in the two organizations to socialize and get to know one another.

The faculty breakfasts were held in February and October and, as always, they were a great success. It was a wonderful opportunity for students and faculty to get to know each other better and for pledges and officers to interact. The pledge retreats were held in April and November at Happy Hollow Park in West Lafayette. The weather for the retreats was perfect. The pledges enjoyed sunny skies to play frisbee, grill out and got to socialize.

Both the spring and fall semesters concluded with the initiation of pledges and the semi-annual banquets at the Purdue Memorial Union. We were pleased to have a great turnout to honor our newest members and award recipients.
Congratulations!

Spring 2011 Initiates:
Nathaniel Sedra
Roberty Gabbard
Andrew Ferdon
Wei Phang Gan
Andrew Loehr
Maninder Singh
Alexander Davis
Lisa Spence
Christopher Coppock
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Chapter Honor Member
Mr. Harold Force

The Burke Awards

Each spring, the Purdue University Chapter of Chi Epsilon honors a member of the faculty with the Edmund M. Burke Outstanding Civil Engineering Professor Award. Professors are nominated by students based on the following criteria: willingness to counsel, freely giving of their time, participating in undergraduate activities and showing concern for students. We are proud to announce that Dr. Judy Liu was the recipient of this award for the 2010-2011 academic year.

Each semester, our chapter recognizes the graduating senior with the highest GPA with the Rosemary K. Burke Outstanding Student Award. The recipient of the Rosemary Burke Award for Spring 2011 was Joe Alexander, and the recipient for Fall 2011 was Basel Awwad.

We thank the Burke family for their generosity, and congratulations award recipients!
Leonard and Margaret Wood Award

The Leonard and Margaret Wood Award is an honor given to a student(s) in Chi Epsilon that best exemplifies excellence in both academics and leadership activities. This award is made possible through the generosity of the Wood family. Candidates are nominated by both students and faculty members, and the recipient is selected by a panel consisting of the trustees, the faculty advisor, and a Chi Epsilon student. The winner is honored at the banquet and receives a monetary award. The recipient of the Leonard and Margaret Wood Award for Spring 2011 was David Sawyer. The Fall 2011 recipient was Wes Jones. Congratulations to these students for their hard work, dedication, and leadership!

Fall 2011 Initiates:
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Daniel Bercot
Collin Carter
Spencer Deig
Taylor Driller
Kevin Dywan
Jeremy Ehrlich
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Andrew Kovarik
Matthew Kowalsky
Jared Kugelman
Joshua Lavanchy
Yan Linwood
Daniel Marklin
Ron Moore
Henry Odum
Teng Fui Ong
William Pacheco
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Matthew Stocker
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Chapter Honor Member
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Fall 2011 Pledge Class
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