HE ARIZONA DELTA CHAPTER of Tau Beta Pi was installed at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott on April 11, 2015. Councillor George J. Morales, Ph.D., was the official installing deputy of the Society’s 251st collegiate chapter, assisted by Executive Director Curtis D. Gomulinski and District 13 Directors Jeffrey G. Dabling and Matthew T. Pittard.

The 2014 Convention granted a chapter to Tau Beta Delta, represented in Spokane, WA, by Scott S. Thoesen, vice president, and John E. Post, Ph.D., TX ’81, chief advisor.

The Davis Learning Center was the site of the formal ceremonies of initiation and chapter installation, witnessed by Douglas S. Bishop, CA N ’73; Richard F. Felton, Ph.D., WV A ’60; Robert O. Fuller, CA Γ ’51; Ronald A. Madler, Ph.D., CO B ’86; Ralph A. Rockow, OH Γ ’58; Malcolm B. Romeiser Jr., NY Γ ’57; Joel D. Schipper, Ph.D., CA O ’92; and Mark D. Sensmeier, Ph.D., IN A ’85.

The initiation team included: Melody G. Burkhart, KY A ’72; Joshua P. Dickman, AZ B ’14; John E. Post; Jessica M. Piper, AZ B ’14; Samuel B. Siewert, CO B ’09; C. Christopher Stemple, AZ A ’10; Gary E. Yale, CO Z ’81; and the four Association Officials listed above. Forty-two undergraduate students (identified on the facing page) comprise Arizona Delta’s charter members.

Immediately after the formal initiation, the new members were constituted a new chapter in the ceremony of installation conducted by Morales. The ceremony included the formal election and installation of the chapter’s charter officers and advisors (identified in a photograph caption on the facing page).

At a banquet following the installation, Chapter President Parr served as master of ceremonies and welcomed the initiates, visitors, faculty, and friends. Post shared the five-year history of the process to bring a chapter of TBP to Prescott. Madler, dean of the college of engineering, expressed his appreciation to the students and faculty who worked diligently during the years leading up to the installation of the chapter.

Morales welcomed the new members and shared with the attendees the focus of the Executive Council on keeping members engaged with the Association. Gomulinski congratulated the group on making it through the lengthy petitioning process, challenged them to find their passion in life, and shared with them some of the achievements of our members. Pittard welcomed them on behalf of the other eight schools in District 13 and encouraged them to keep the positive momentum going on campus.
Student Initiates

First Officers and Advisors
Front row (L-R): Advisor Gary E. Yale, Advisor Samuel B. Siewert, Dean Ronald A. Madler, Advisor Mark D. Sensmeier, and Chief Advisor John E. Post. Back Row: Corresponding Secretary Juan S. Ma, Recording Secretary Morgan D. Cherry, President Joshua T. Parr, Treasurer Christopher M.F. Sutphen, and Vice President Melissa C. Collins.

Initiation Team