

Annual Chapter Report Outline

Please complete your Annual Chapter Report and submit to the National Office by May 15.

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Name of School/College: University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy

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Introduction

This report reflects the plans, actions, meetings, and accomplishments of the Rho Chi Alpha Xi Chapter members for the 2017-2018 year.

Meetings Please provide information on meetings held in the following tabular format

Date	Attendance	Agenda	Action Steps
2017-08-25	5	Rho Chi Executive Meeting – Strategic Planning for 2017-2018 School Year	Closing the Gaps Chapter Project Organization/Volunteering Schedule, Dean's List Lunch, Fundraising, Fall Pharmacy Plus Lectures,
2017-09-01	22	Review & Mission, Review upcoming events, review chapter project status, naloxone mobile clinic updates	Volunteers for Chapter Project, Volunteers to help fundraise Pharmacy Plus lecture
2017-09-22	13	Chapter Project, PREP, Pharmacy plus lectures, Initiation speaker, Fundraising	Updates about Spring and Fall events
2017-10-06	5	Initiation, Dues, Naloxone education, Chapter Project, PREP	Select initiation speaker, solidify new chapter project ideas, fall events

Strategic Planning: What goals were set that relate to the Rho Chi mission?

For the 2017-2018 year, the Alpha Xi chapter continued to work to reduce the harms caused by substance abuse in the Lexington community and offered enriching service opportunities for the University Of Kentucky College Of Pharmacy Community Rho Chi Alpha Xi members. Our first goal was to submit a chapter project proposal to the National office and successfully implement the project. This year's chapter project proposal allowed our chapter to continue working within the Lexington community to offer educational services targeting the African American and Hispanic community which may have been underserved by existing services. The second goal we set for our chapter was to continue our historically successful chapter projects that serve Rho

Chi members and the University of Kentucky College Of Pharmacy Community. This included the Dean's List Luncheon, Pharmacy Plus Lecture Series, Residency week lectures, PREP (modified to a CV workshop in partnership with PLS), and Research Day. These events have been developed by previous officers and successfully implemented by our chapter. We wanted to continue these projects to continue to provide recognition for all student pharmacists.

Our third goal was to continue to encourage member involvement. This goal was accomplished in part through the chapter project. We formed an Outreach Subcommittee, co-chaired by a non-officer Rho Chi member, and composed of 14 chapter members. Further, the chapter project, 'Closing the Gaps' saw participation of the majority of the chapter.

Activities

Pharmacy Plus Lectures: The Pharmacy Plus Lecture was held in the fall semester. The goal of the lectures is to invite a speaker to come and educate our students on different pharmacy opportunities available to them during and after pharmacy school. The topic for this year was the pharmacist role in emergency medicine. Past lecture topics have included research in the pharmacy, pharmacist involvement in ambulatory care, and pharmacists leading the way in transitions of care. Approximately 100 college of pharmacy students were reached at the lecture. Cost was around \$20 that included a gift card for the speaker and program printing. This is an ongoing initiative.

Rho Chi Residency Week Lecture: The residency panel focused on educating the students on pursuing a residency upon graduation. We worked in collaboration with Pharmacy Practice Week. This year we invited a panel of five residents to educate our students on residency opportunities at a community hospital, academic hospital, community pharmacy, and at the Veterans Administration Hospital. Each resident educated the students on their responsibilities, how their responsibilities may differ from the other residents, and what made them choose to pursue this residency over others available. Approximately 40 college of pharmacy students were in attendance. Cost was around \$35, speakers were provided with gift cards and programs were printed. This is an ongoing initiative.

'Closing the Gaps' Chapter Project: Rho Chi members were given the opportunity to participate in organizing, designing, advertising, and producing the first ever health fair held at the Salvation Army in Lexington by a College group. The Outreach Subcommittee worked to develop this event which sought to offer a holistic educational experience for substance abuse. The event included information about sign and symptoms of overdose, overdose response, naloxone training and education, basic first aid, safe sex practices, and clean needle use. Two local rehabilitation centers were also present to provide information about their services: The Hope Center, who's missions is to care for homeless and at-risk persons by providing life-sustaining and life-rebuilding services, and the New Life Day Center, a daytime, Christ-centered, shelter and connecting point for Lexington, KY homeless. The Lexington Health Department also participated, providing HIV and hepatitis screenings on site. This event was overseen by two registered pharmacists and impacted more than 30 members of the community, including one member of the community being referred for viral load testing following a positive HIV screening. Following the event, we received overwhelmingly positive feedback from community partners/participants with strong support for future events. Alpha Xi members worked together

as a chapter to create much of the educational material used, translated all materials in to Spanish to reduce educational barriers, and develop a promotional flier which was distributed in the community for two weeks prior to the event.

Pharmacy Residency Evaluation Preparation (PREP): The Pharmacy Residency Evaluation Preparation (PREP) program was traditionally an annual event that provided fourth-year students a CV evaluation and residency mock interview. This year's event was modified to only include CV evaluation in collaboration with the College PLS chapter. CVs were submitted via email by October 25th and were then distributed to residents, faculty, and clinical staff for review. CVs were critiqued and then returned to students on November 4th. Thirteen fourth-year students participated and five pharmacists served as evaluators. Several students noted that PREP provided them with helpful feedback toward making improvements for residency applications. This is an ongoing initiative and will likely be modified, going forward, in an attempt to increase participation and make it more useful to fourth-year students. There were no expenses for PREP this year.

Research Day: Research Day was hosted by Rho Chi and the College of Pharmacy on April 10th. The day's activities included the Guttman Memorial Lecture, which was given by Dr. Trish Freeman, PhD, RPh from the University of Kentucky, and a poster competition featuring the research of PharmD students, pharmacy residents, graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers at the College of Pharmacy. Dr. Freeman's lecture discussed policy responses to the opioid crisis in Kentucky and was attended by Rho Chi members, other students, and faculty from throughout the college. Rho Chi officers also coordinated the poster showing in the College atrium, which included 42 participants and 14 faculty members serving as judges. Prizes for first and second place were awarded in each of the four divisions. This is an ongoing initiative. Costs were minimal because Alpha Xi worked with the UK College of Pharmacy to host this event. Winners of the poster session were given gift cards and poster judges were given thank you cards.

Dean's List Lunch: This is a luncheon hosted by the Rho Chi Alpha Xi Chapter for those students that have obtained a GPA of 3.5 or higher to celebrate their accomplishments. A luncheon is held each semester to recognize students achieving Dean's List the previous semester. The Dean of the College gives a short recognition talk before the lunch and students are provided free lunch on behalf of Rho Chi. This is an ongoing event that has occurred for the past several years, and is held each semester. This year we invited 162 students to the luncheon in the fall semester and 217 students in the spring semester. Due to the significant number of students that had obtained a GPA of 3.5 in the fall of 2017, a lunch was unable to be held in the spring of 2018 as a result of size constraints of available spaces for the event. In place of the lunch, cards with a congratulatory note from the Dean along with cookies were distributed to the students on the Dean's List. After the event, thank you notes were sent to the deans who attended the luncheon. This is an ongoing initiative. Cost was around \$300 to buy a main dish for students who were recognized at the Dean's List lunch in the fall and \$50 for the supplies for the cookies given with the cards in the spring.

Financial Budgeting

The budget for the 2017-2018 years activities and events was determined based on prior years. During the officer transition meeting with the previous treasurer, finances, budgeting, and fundraising from previous years were discussed with emphasis on any improvements or suggestions that could be made going forward. The main events and activities the chapter had to budget for were the Dean's List luncheons, PREP, Pharmacy Plus Lectures, Research Day, and the Initiation banquet. We received funds from University of Kentucky Student Government Association to help pay for the Salvation Army health fair, first-aid kits and our initiation speaker's travel expenses.

Several Fundraising events took place throughout the year and are detailed below.

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A balance sheet detailing the chapter's expenses and revenue for the year is below.

Rho Chi Alpha Xi Balance Sheet 2017-2018

Expenses

Merchandise	2588.18
Dean's List Lunch	367.78
Initiation Invitations/Supplies	29.07
National Dues + Shipping	1885.00
Initiation Gifts + Awards Plaques	76.28
Graduation Cords	350.00
Initiation	4215.80
Health Fair Supplies	953.31
Other	31.02

Total Expenses: 10,496.44

Revenue

Sales (Merchandise)	3385.93
Chapter Project Funding (Rho Chi)	500
Health Fair Funding (SGA)	487.15
Initiation Dues and Meals	3879.00

Total Revenue: 8,286.08

Starting Balance: \$2,497.74

Current Balance: \$253.38

Total Potential Profit in Current T-Shirt Inventory: \$1,558.00

Installation Function

The initiation ceremony for the Alpha Xi chapter was held at The Club at Spindletop Hall on March 28, 2018. We invited 27 new initiates and their guests, current chapter members, faculty members, our alumni award winner, and our honored guest speaker. This year we invited Dr. Traci Green, Associate Professor, Emergency Medicine Associate Director & Senior Scientist, Injury Prevention Research Center at Brown University, Rhode Island, to speak at the initiation banquet. Dr. Green also addressed the College's faculty and students on March 29th, 2018. New initiates participated in a pinning ceremony where each initiate was pinned by a Rho Chi faculty member. Dr. Kenneth Record, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice & Science, and Infectious Disease Clinical Pharmacist at UK Healthcare was presented with the Alumni Award. Dr. Bjoern Bauer, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences was initiated as an honorary Rho Chi faculty member.

Evaluation/Reflection

The Alpha Xi chapter of Rho Chi has initiated many projects and programs throughout the recent years of our chapter. These projects are designed to meet the needs of our chapter members and student body looking for opportunities in residency preparation, research presentation experience, shadowing opportunities, and interesting lecture topics. The overall effectiveness of these projects is shown by attendance and participation this year. Our CV workshop put on for PREP had thirteen fourth year students participate. Pharmacy Plus Lecture series continues to bring in new and exciting speakers for students to attend and learn about different areas of pharmacy. Dean's List Luncheon continues to be a successful event rewarding students on their academic accomplishments. This year we had a record 42 participants and 14 judges at our Annual Research Day, which was held in conjunction with the College's Guttman Memorial Lecture Series.

Our chapter was very fortunate to be able to present a health fair in Lexington for underserved community members. This allowed for almost the entire chapter to be able to participate and earn valuable community service experience. The service project gave us the opportunity to positively impact the community and encourage members of Lexington who have been impacted personally, or have friends or family impacted by the substance abuse epidemic to make choices that will reduce the harms caused by those substances on themselves and their loved ones. For the 2018-2019 school year, it would be a great asset way to improve and broaden the impact of our newly initiated health fair. Also, finding a way to incorporate research into the project would serve the chapter members who are seeking to expand their knowledge and experience.

Other Information

The Alpha Xi Chapter has both a website and a Facebook page that are updated regularly with pictures and chapter reminder: <http://rhochiuk.wixsite.com/rhochialphaxichapter>,
<https://www.facebook.com/rhochiuk/>.