## **Annual Chapter Report Outline**

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

**Date of report submission:** 2018-05-14

Name of School/College: St. John Fisher College Wegmans School of Pharmacy

Chapter Name & region: Delta Zeta, Region 1

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#### Introduction

This year, the Delta Zeta chapter of Rho Chi at Wegmans School of Pharmacy had three main objectives. First, we had a new initiative to organize and hold our induction ceremony in collaboration with another prestigious society at our school (Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society). Second, we made it our goal to expand our community service and professional advocacy activities in order to reach a larger and more diverse group of people and also encourage more active participation from the members of our chapter. Our last objective was to organize and hold two Trivia Night events as fundraisers for our chapter. Our chapter had some new initiatives this year and overall, it was a successful academic year.

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

Date	Attendance	Agenda	Action Steps
2017- 09-01	4	Define officer roles and responsibilities	Plan first all member meeting
2017- 09-20	16	Introduction to semester, vote on new chapter Vice President	Plan fundraiser date, plan for volunteer events, vote on new chapter Vice President, vote on new faculty coadvisor
2018- 01-30	16	Discuss spring semester plans, vote on new members to be inducted	Vote on new members to be inducted, plan next fundraising event, discuss volunteer opportunities, plan for poster symposium event, discuss induction ceremony
2018- 03-21	7	Plan induction ceremony in collaboration with Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society	Discuss details of induction ceremony

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

The goals that were set by the officers this year were to:

- 1. Plan induction ceremony (1st Annual Wegmans School of Pharmacy Honors Night)
- 2. Participate in community service and professional advocacy projects in collaboration with our APhA student chapter
- 3. Plan Trivia Night fundraisers (1 event per semester)

### **Activities**

## Fundraising Events:

This year our chapter fundraised during both the fall and spring semester. We held two Trivia Night events at a local restaurant (1 event per semester). Teams of both students and faculty participated and competed against each other to answer trivia questions and win a variety of prizes. There were a total of 40 people in attendance in the fall semester and 100 people in attendance in the spring semester.

## Poster Symposium:

Our chapter of Rho Chi has previously hosted an annual poster symposium at our school of pharmacy. However, for the past 2 years, Wegmans School of Pharmacy has focused on becoming more integrated with the rest of the college campus, so our individual poster symposium has become merged with a larger college-wide event. Rho Chi members volunteered their time to assist the college department head that oversaw the symposium. The college-wide poster symposium was held on April 20th, 2018 at St. John Fisher College. There were 13 posters presented at this year's event from students and faculty from within Wegmans School of Pharmacy. The posters represented both student/faculty research collaborations and health outreach posters. The posters presented this year on behalf of Wegmans School of Pharmacy were as follows:

- 1. Identifying Patterns in Health Care Disparities and Barriers to Health Care in Rural Tanzania
- 2. Evaluation of Medication Belief Profiles Among Standardized Patients Incorporated into a Pharmacy Counseling Skills Course: Providing Pharmacy Students with an Authentic Clinical Experience
- 3. Factors Associated with Pharmacy Student's Beliefs About Medications Among First, Second, and Third Year Students
- 4. Assessing the Use of Non-Pharmacological Methods for Managing Depression in Patients with Myotonic Dystrophy (DM) and Faciscapulohumeral Muscular Dystrophy (FSHD)
- 5. An Assessment of Perceived Depression in Patients in Pune, India
- 6. Community Pharmacies and Population Health
- 7. Examining the Impact of a Penicillin Allergy Skin Testing Brochure on Inpatient Perceptions: A Pre-Post Intervention Study
- 8. The Effectiveness and Student Perceptions of Case-Based Learning in a First-Year Pharmacology Course
- 9. Effects of Fructose Advanced Glycation End Products (AGEs) on Oxidation and Gene Expression in Neuronal Cell Lines
- 10. Comparison of Learning Styles and Study Methods of Pharmacy Students by Class Year
- 11. Fructose Affects Neuronal Gene Expression and Antioxidant Capacity
- 12. Characterizing Severe Hypoglycemic Events at Strong Memorial Hospital
- 13. Implementation of an Algorithm to Improve Adherence to the 2016 CHEST Guidelines for DVT/PE

## Community Service/Professional Advocacy:

This year, our chapter of Rho Chi collaborated with our APhA student chapter to organize various community outreach and professional advocacy events. In addition, these events were

also part of Wegmans School of Pharmacy's participation in the national Script Your Future Challenge. This national campaign is focused on patient education, medication adherence, and advocating for the services that pharmacists offer. In collaboration with our APhA student chapter, we held health fairs at a local refugee outreach center and at the local public market. Between the 2 locations, we held a total of 5 events throughout the spring semester and members of our chapter of Rho Chi volunteered their time at these events. We provided a variety of services such as blood pressure screenings, "brown bag", information about healthy eating and exercise, and patient education on the importance of medication adherence. Through these events, we were able to actively serve our community and also advocate for the pharmacy profession.

## **Financial Budgeting**

Wegmans School of Pharmacy has a standardized budget allotted for each student organization. As the Delta Zeta Chapter of the Rho Chi Honor Society, we receive \$865 each academic year. As of 4/26/2018, our balance is \$2,660.14. Since our induction ceremony was later in the semester than in previous years, we are still awaiting those expenses to be deducted from our chapter's account. I would anticipate that the majority of our expenses this year went towards the induction ceremony. However, to help offset our expenses, we did raise money through our 2 Trivia Night events (a total of almost \$700 raised).

#### **Installation Function**

Our 8th annual Rho Chi Honor Society induction ceremony, for the Wegmans School of Pharmacy Delta Zeta Chapter, took place on April 26, 2018 in the Cleary Auditorium in Kearney Hall. This year, for the first time, we held our induction ceremony at the same event as the induction ceremony for our student chapter of Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society. We would like this first annual "Honors Night" to be a tradition that is carried on by future members of our chapter. Current members, Rho Chi officers and advisors, faculty, honorary faculty inductee, and new inductees for the class of 2020 and their families were in attendance. By incorporating our ceremony with Phi Lambda Sigma's, we had a much larger event with a total of approximately 150 people attending. Guests were welcomed to the ceremony by our the Dean of Wegmans School of Pharmacy, Dr. Christine Birnie, and the Provost of St. John Fisher College, Dr. Kevin Railey. Inductees were encouraged to bring their families and guests to this event, and many faculty members were in attendance as well. All attendees enjoyed a wonderful dinner followed by words from our keynote speaker, Dr. Travis Dick. Dr. Dick is the associate director of pharmacy services and the director of the PGY1 residency program at the University of Rochester Medical Center. He gave an inspiring speech about the profession of pharmacy, the journey he took to get to where he is today, and also shared some wisdom and advice for all of the future pharmacists being inducted into our Rho Chi chapter. After his speech, Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society inducted their new members first. Following their ceremony, we continued with our program. Our chapter's faculty advisors and officers shared the mission, vision and insignia of Rho Chi. The new inductees were invited on stage to receive their certificates, pins, and be officially initiated into the Rho Chi society. The new chapter officers remained on stage and took their oath of office, positions they will hold until the spring of 2019. In addition, we were able to have a professional photographer capture the events of the evening.

Overall, our 1st annual "Honors Night" induction ceremony was a success.

#### **Evaluation/Reflection**

This year, our chapter had three main objectives. One of these objectives was to plan our induction ceremony as the 1st annual "Honors Night" for Wegmans School of Pharmacy; an event that would combine the induction ceremonies of both Rho Chi and Phi Lambda Sigma societies. This ultimately allowed us to create a larger scale event and encourage attendance and participation from not only Wegmans School of Pharmacy, but also the rest of the college campus. Overall, this was a wonderful evening that celebrated the induction of new members into both of these prestigious honor societies. It is our hope that this is an event that will become tradition each year for our chapter of Rho Chi. Our second objective this year was have more active participation in community service and professional advocacy projects. In an effort to do so, we collaborated with our student chapter of APhA to organize and hold several health fairs in our community. Through these events, we also had the opportunity to participate in the national Script Your Future Challenge. We held a total of 5 events throughout the spring semester and were able to reach a large and diverse group of people overall. This was a great way to get our Rho Chi members involved in service and advocacy projects and it is also our hope that this collaboration with APhA will continue in the future for our chapter. Our last objective was to plan our Trivia Night fundraisers. We held 2 of these events (1 per semester) and raised a total of about \$700 for our chapter. This year, we chose a new venue to hold our event, which was a great success. We had the highest attendance at our spring semester Trivia Night of about 100 people, which was more than we have had in recent years. Our chapter of Rho Chi has been hosting Trivia Night for several years now and it is typically the only fundraiser that we hold. One goal for future years would be to find additional ways to raise money for our chapter. Overall, our chapter of Rho Chi had a very successful year. The hard work of our officers, as well as commitment from all our current members has helped to make this an active Rho Chi chapter and we look forward to its continued growth.

#### **Other Information**

N/A