



THE RHO CHI SOCIETY NATIONAL OFFICE

2019-2020 FIRST YEAR REPORT

The Rho Chi Society National Office Report
Ann Arbor, Michigan
August 2019 to June 2020

Operations of The Rho Chi Society National Office began August 1, 2019 at the University of Michigan. The transition of National Office responsibilities and documents from the University of North Carolina to the University of Michigan was complete by December 31, 2019. 2020 has been a unique year. Our office persevered through the UM shutdown with you, and we appreciated your guidance! Here is a list of our accomplishments:

- **Rhochi.org** (new and improved website)
 - Annual Chapter Report form online and data captured, new rubric implemented
 - Outreach to alumni to update individual profiles and capture preferences as speaker or mentor
 - New Rho Chi merchandise
 - New online store vendor contract with Award Concepts, Inc.
- Four new social media profiles including: LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter
- Updated Rho Chi Seal
- Updated Rho Chi Key pin Logo
- Larger key pin designed with pushpin back for January 2021 release
- Two newsletters and special announcements to advisory and chapter presidents
- Advisor checklist for September release
- Guidance on procedure for member eligibility for 2020 pandemic
- Virtual initiations encouraged for new members throughout the nation
- Increase in number of online Executive Council meetings
- First online National Convention with online ballot
- Kept day-to-day operations generally seamless to support chapters
 - New ordering procedures for jewelry, certificates, medallions, and cords to reduce inventory
 - Inventory management initiated *and* ongoing
- Michigan Articles of Incorporation filed June 2019
- Financial accounts maintained at Bank of Ann Arbor
- New EIN established for organization
- Hired lawyer and CPA
- 501c3 application filed June 2020 (awaiting result)

What we are working on

- Special Ballot in September for by-law eligibility changes, with voice-over slides, PDF, webinar, and online ballot
- Possible by-law changes for March 2021
- Nation-wide webinar for all Rho Chi members (maybe Fall 2020)
- Online National Convention annual business meeting in March 2021
- Online member payment system
- Centennial plans are underway!
 - Centennial logo competition
 - Centennial events, products and historical videos
 - Planning for March 2021 in-person reception (?)
 - Request sent to UM for Michelle Obama “Becoming an Intellectual Leader” nation-wide webinar hosted by Alpha Chapter during Pharmacy Week October 2021 to celebrate Rho Chi Centennial
 - MOU drafted with AACP for celebratory events in July 2022