



## **The Rho Chi Society Report of the National President March 2022**

It is my pleasure to provide you with a summary of the Society's activities and accomplishments since the virtual 2021 National Convention.

Of note, some of the accomplishments of the Society include the following:

- We welcomed 8 new council members to our executive council
- In addition to the Society's standing committees, whose charges are outlined in our bylaws, four task forces were appointed and charged with efforts directly tied to the strategic plan:
  - o The awards task force, chaired by Lucio Volino, has been hard at work refining the criteria for the various chapter awards. Some of the changes include the following:
    - The evaluation rubrics for awards were further updated to ensure the selection process is reflective of chapter activities.
    - There will be three phases to the chapter of the year award selection. Round 1 will review all reports and select 2 finalists from each region. The top 20 will advance to the next round. Round 2 will select out the top 10 from round 1 finalists, and Round 3 will select a winner from the top 10 reports.
    - In preparation for the review process, councilors review and complete a mock grading report to standardize and ensure consistency in report grading.
    - The award committee developed a training presentation for councilors on award grading/review and expectations.
  - o The Centennial Task Force, chaired by Karen Farris has been finalizing the details for our centennial events. These include:
    - Centennial giveaway items are available for order from our website; many chapters have requested items for their chapter to commemorate the centennial celebration.
    - Centennial donation packages are available for members who would like to give back to the society. We encourage all members- past and present, to consider donating to the society. Your donation will help the next generation of rho chi members through annual awards and the ability to expand our award profile for students and chapters.
    - There will be updated announcements coming soon with details about our centennial celebration to be held at APhA Annual Meeting this upcoming March and for virtual events.
    - The centennial task force is working with the founding chapters to help gather historical information about the society and to commemorate our 100 years.
  - o Our Communication Task Force Chaired by Amanda Stahnke is working on updating and maintaining our website. This includes increasing our social media presence. We encourage all members to visit Rhochi.org to find out how you can be linked in through our various social media platforms. Finally, the task force is working on proposing language for a bylaw change to covert the task force into a standing committee.



- The Town Hall Task Force Chaired by me, has had an opportunity to reflect on the success of our first Town Hall event this past April, and is busy planning for new events. This past April, Rho Chi held its first Inaugural Virtual Town Hall, with roughly 130 participants registered for the event. The event focused on professional development topics, with a special session for advisors led by Karen Farris. We had a number of Rho Chi Advisors and other Rho Chi Alumni provide their expertise as topic moderators. The event received positive feedback from attendees.
- There is another town hall planned for April 2022 with a focused session for chapter executive board members and their advisors. This session will feature previous chapter award winners.
- Updates from the national office include the following:
  - From the National Treasurer, Brad Boucher:
    - Brad Boucher, our National Treasurer, has secured an external financial advisor to help the Rho Chi Society diversify investments and make long-term financial plans for growth.
    - An investment policy was unanimously approved by the executive council this past summer and our national bylaws were updated in May 2021.
  - Updates from our Executive Vice President, Karen Farris includes:
    - 501c(3) chapter conversion update
      - 32 chapters are covered under their university
      - Other chapters in process/working with Cindy
    - Website continues to be updated. In addition, The National office has reached out to Alumni through our chapters and social media to increase connectivity with Rho Chi Alumni. Members can update their profiles online and mark, if interested, in becoming speakers and mentors. (<https://rhochi.org/resources/memberlookup.php>)
    - Developing training for new Regional Councilors on Rho Chi Executive Council to familiarize them with expected responsibilities
    - The Audit Committee, chaired by Paul Jungnickel, submitted their annual report and it was accepted by the Executive Committee at our last meeting.
    - The Lecture Award Committee, chaired by Cynthia Phillips, selected Dr. Jean Nappi as the 2022 recipient of this prestigious award. Dr. Nappi's presentation can be found on our website.

For records of all the work of the Executive Council, I refer you to the archived approved minutes, accessible on the Society's website, rhochi.org.

In addition, I am pleased to announce Rho Chi will be showcasing our 100-year history and past leadership! More details can be found on the Society's webpage.

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the chapters, rho chi members- new and seasoned, Faculty Advisors, Regional Councilors, Executive Council Members including Immediate Past President Susan Meyer, President-Elect Lucio Volino, Treasurer Brad Boucher, Program Manager Cindy Diakow, and Executive Vice President Karen Farris for all their hard work especially during these unique and trying times. Without everyone working towards the mission and vision of this amazing organization we would not be here at 100 years since its inception and thriving.



As I come to the end of my presidency, I am able to reflect on all we as an organization and as a profession have gone through these past 2 years. It is inspiring to see how much growth, adaptability and innovation there have been by our members and chapters. I am deeply honored to be a member of this society and to witness it herald in its 100 year anniversary this year. I imagine our forefathers would be awed and proud at the growth our society has made over the last 100 years with a presence in over 130 schools and more chapters being added. As Warren Buffet once said- "someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago". Our founding fathers and chapters planted the tree we have rested under for 100 years; let us plant a new tree for the next generation of members who will herald in our next successful 100 years. Our Society is primed to continue its one hundred year legacy of identifying the brightest in our profession to lead us into an exciting future. I now pass the baton on to our next generation of members to continue on the success and growth of our society.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our centennial events both virtually and in-person, so spread the word to all members because we are Rho Chi For Life!

Respectfully Submitted,

**Emmanuelle Schwartzman, PharmD, APh, CDE, BCACP**  
National President 2020 - 2022  
The Rho Chi Society



AUBURN UNIVERSITY  
HARRISON SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

February 15, 2022

Emmanuelle Schwartzman  
National President  
Rho Chi Society

RE: Report of Audit of 2021 Rho Chi Financial Records

Dear Dr. Schwartzman:

The Rho Chi Audit Committee consisting of Susan Skledar, John Bentley, and Paul Jungnickel (Chair) was charged to review the Society's 2021 Financial Records. Cindy Diakow, Program Manager, provided the Society's Financial Records to the Committee's members.

The Committee finds all financial records to be in good order and noted only the following discrepancies on the Treasurer's Report.

- From the statements provided, the end of year market value of the Midwest Trust Short Term Investment Account is \$49,901.72 instead of \$49,825.80 as indicated on the Treasurer's Report.
- From the statements provided, the end of year market value of the Midwest Trust Long Term Investment Account is \$511,090.61 instead of \$510,880.53 as indicated on the Treasurer's Report.

The Committee recommends for subsequent years that the Treasurer's Report include the account values at the beginning and end of each year so that the gains/losses on investments are reported.

The Committee notes that revenue in the amount of \$6,788.86 was received in late December 2021 but not deposited in the checking account until January 2022. The breakdown of this revenue is:

- Chapter dues: \$3,542.00
- Contributions to the Centennial Fund \$2,076.64
- Miscellaneous other revenue: \$1,170.22

While not directly related to the Committee's auditing function, the Committee does note the Society's improved financial status. Operating revenue in 2021 revenue exceeded expenses by \$129,790.52. Of particular significance were \$36,143 in revenue from royalties for Rho Chi Merchandise sold by external vendors and \$10,105.25 in contributions to the Centennial Campaign (with \$2,076.24 donated in 2021 but deposited in the checking account in January 2022). These contributions offset approximately one-third of the 2021 expenditures (\$30,738.02) for the Centennial Celebration. For the second consecutive year the Society had a major

reduction in expenses due to the National Convention being held virtually instead of at the American Pharmacists Association's Annual Meeting & Exposition.

The Society's finances support a solid financial foundation for the future. The Committee views the following items to be important for future budgeting and financial projections.

- The new membership dues of \$100 will provide the Society with a reliable increase in operating revenue, though this may be tempered by a decline in new memberships due to decline in pharmacy school enrollments.
- The establishment of Rho Chi as a 501(3)(c) corporation has the potential to significantly increase the Society's revenue from contributions.
- The Society has created a process where the national office no longer handles most Rho Chi Merchandise while also creating a stream of income through royalties.
- As the Society returns to in person events, the projected costs for such events will need to be planned and budgeted.
- The Society has invested its reserve funds in two accounts with Midwest Trust Company, which creates the opportunity for increased income and growth in assets. The Committee commends this decision but is interested in knowing how investment decisions are made. While the National Bylaws assign responsibility for monitoring and reporting of investment funds to the Treasurer and Executive Vice President, they do not specifically state the party(ies) responsible for making investment decisions. We think that the creation of a Finance and/or Investment Committee may be wise.

On behalf of the Committee's members, thank you for the opportunity to serve Rho Chi in this capacity.

Sincerely,



Paul W. Jungnickel, Ph.D., R.Ph.  
Chair, Rho Chi Audit Committee

C: Karen Farris, Executive Vice President  
Cindy Diakow, Program Manager  
Brad Boucher, Treasurer  
Susan Skledar  
John Bentley



Report of the National Office  
2022 98<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention  
March 12, 2022

The National Office of the Rho Chi Society has had a productive year, and we have focused many of our activities on our upcoming Centennial celebration. Please note that our founding date was May 19, 1922. The following report details some of our activities for the past year.

### 1. The Rho Chi Society 100<sup>th</sup> Celebration has begun!

Highlights from the National Office

- In January and February 2022, every chapter received Centennial celebratory gifts for student and alumni members that they requested to use in their 2022 activities. Gifts included 100<sup>th</sup> pins, pens, lanyards, stickers and one set of PX letters.
- Our 3 founding chapters (Alpha, Beta, Gamma) worked with the National Office to create a video about the importance of the Rho Chi Society. See [rhochi.org](http://rhochi.org)!
- We are hosting a **COAST TO COAST CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ON MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>**
  - In-person at the APhA annual meeting on March 20, 2022 at 4:30pm CST in the Grand Hyatt Lonestar Ballroom D/E.
  - Virtually - register to experience our Centennial Celebration Video on March 20, 2022 at 6pm EST. The video will highlight the history of Rho Chi, messages from our pharmacy leaders of the Society, and the timeline of our 132 chapters chartered throughout the past 100 years!.
- We will host an in-person reception at the AACP annual meeting in July 2022.
- We developed Centennial Donation Packages, ranging from \$25 to \$2500. See <https://rhochi.org/donate/> and launched a donation campaign in November 2021.
- We hired an individual to help us write a historical update from 1994 to present, The Rho Chi Society booklet was last published in 1994.

### 2. Virtual Meetings

The past year remained an online interactive environment due to the COVID pandemic. We conducted virtual, quarterly executive council meetings. We successfully hosted our first virtual Rho Chi annual meeting for our National Convention on March 6, 2021. [Thank you Cindy Diakow!]

The annual business meeting for the Society will remain virtual so that all chapters are able to attend, and it will be held prior to the APhA annual meeting. Currently, we intend to use in-person time for a reception at the APhA annual meeting for networking of Rho Chi members and celebration of awards winners. We likely need to reconsider how and where to host in-person events.

We supported the first national Rho Chi Town Hall in April 2021. Upcoming Chapter Development Town Hall is April 19, 2022.

### 3. Rho Chi Society and chapter 501c3 status

The National Office supported the transition of chapters to 501c3 status, and we have 64 chapters with their status reported, and we know many are awaiting IRS responses. Chapters with revenue exceeding \$5000 incurred financial costs, and the National

Office will reimburse chapters for the cost of filing a 1023EZ form for \$275. If your chapter has not managed this issue yet, we will work with you over the next few months to finalize your 501c3 status.

#### 4. Financial status of the Society

The financial viability of The Rho Chi Society is positive, and our new National Treasurer will report on our account balances.

The change in our tax status to 501c3 in August 2020 provided an opportunity for us to grow our financial investments to support our Centennial celebrations as well as grow our scholarship and award programs through donations. Our email campaign to friends of the Society and to LinkedIn resulted in over \$8000 in contributions. We intend to grow this aspect of our work in the future, after Centennial and with new strategic planning.

#### 5. Social Media

Our Rho Chi Society social media groups are growing. We encourage sharing your chapter content on your pages, tagging Rho Chi, sharing on our Rho Chi group pages, and following other chapters.

#### 6. Growth

We have 132 active chapters and 140 chartered chapters historically, with 6 new chapters pending election results.

#### 7. Announcements

- Join us for our [Coast to Coast Centennial Celebration](#) on Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>!
  - If you are in the San Antonio, Texas area on March 20<sup>th</sup> or attending APhA, join us IN-PERSON at our Centennial reception for networking and a toast to Rho Chi! It is being held at the Grand Hyatt in the Lonestar Ballroom. Doors open at 4:30pm CST.
  - Our virtual Centennial celebration will premiere at 6pm EST. You may register online by visiting our Meetings page on rhochi.org. The video will be available to view afterward.
- We have posted our Centennial logo and powerpoint template online for you to use for your initiation ceremonies and Centennial celebrations! Click on Toolkit under the Resources tab at rhochi.org.
- **Centennial webpage** is now available. Check out our history and videos from past leaders.
- Purchase **Rho Chi merchandise** from rhochi.org/merchandise.
- You can donate online and receive our Limited Edition Centennial Pin! Make a donation at rhochi.org/donate.
- **Chapter Development Rho Chi Town Hall** is April 19, 4pm Pacific/7pm Eastern.
- The National Office is requesting a copy of your **Chapter bylaws** for our records. Please submit if you have not.
- **Annual chapter reports** are required from each chapter through the form on our website. Submit by May 15<sup>th</sup> for award consideration and by June 15<sup>th</sup> deadline otherwise.
- **REPEATING... Rho Chi chapter record keeping.** It is vital for chapters to retain all documents and pass them down year to year. When advisors leave, these records should stay with the chapter. These are all important records to track your alumni and guide your future chapter leaders. Items to keep on file include:
  - Chapter bylaws and procedures,
  - 501c3 status documentation from university and/or chapter,
  - Chapter meeting minutes,
  - Annual chapter membership election reports submitted to National Office,
  - Annual chapter reports submitted to National Office which contains a list of your chapter officers
  - Annual list of members; we now recommend that you ask members to provide a personal email for future alumni contact as one's university/school email may be deactivated, and
  - Records of payments from members and dues payments to the Rho Chi Society.

## Update on National Office Priorities as of February 17, 2022

2021-2022 Priorities	Status
1. Support Centennial events	APhA reception AACP reception
2. Launch marketing materials for Centennial and chapters	Historical video – completed 3 founding chapter activity – completed; cookies at these chapters for spring Donor packages – completed Centennial logos created with pin – chapter design – completed Centennial logos created with pin – national design – completed Chapter Centennial products – designed and all mailed Hired individual for historical write-up - ongoing
3. Support chapter transitions to 501c3	Ongoing, majority completed
4. Support national Committees and Task Forces	Completed No by-law changes for 2022
5. Support National Treasurer to implement investment strategy	Completed
6. Increase presence in social media	LinkedIn <a href="https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8845603/">https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8845603/</a> (all former individuals in rho chi page transitioned to National Office page) Instagram <a href="https://www.instagram.com/rhochisociety/">https://www.instagram.com/rhochisociety/</a> Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/RhoChiSociety">https://twitter.com/RhoChiSociety</a> Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/593436424548019/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/593436424548019/</a> Tag us using <a href="#">#rhochiforlife</a> <a href="#">#rhochi100</a>
7. Support Town Hall events	Planning underway: April focus is on Chapter Development and Fall will focus on residency applications/interviews
8. Website design and support	Ongoing
9. Soft launch of donor support	Completed
2020-2021 Priorities	Status
1. Support Centennial activities	Ongoing
2. Develop marketing materials for Centennial and chapters	Historical video - planning Donor packages – required 501c3 status, planning Centennial logos created – chapter design Centennial logos created - national design
3. Support the work of the standing committees as well as Task Forces	Completed No by-law changes for 2022
4. Initiate alumni outreach	Update profile <a href="https://rhochi.org/resources/memberlookup.php">https://rhochi.org/resources/memberlookup.php</a>
5. Increase communications with chapters and support their reporting	Newsletters sent each semester; respond to emails; support advisors LinkedIn <a href="https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8845603/">https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8845603/</a> Instagram <a href="https://www.instagram.com/rhochisociety/">https://www.instagram.com/rhochisociety/</a> Twitter <a href="https://twitter.com/RhoChiSociety">https://twitter.com/RhoChiSociety</a> Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/593436424548019/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/593436424548019/</a> Tag us using <a href="#">#rhochiforlife</a>
6. Support chapters in using new bylaw eligibility criteria	Completed
7. Evaluate support for member database content and functionality requires additional attention	Ongoing
8. Conduct Society's annual business meeting virtually, including 2021 ballots	Completed
9. Host nation-wide virtual Rho Chi Town Hall	Completed

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen B. Farris, PhD  
Executive Vice President  
February 17, 2022

*Thank you all for your commitment to The Rho Chi Society!*  
*#rhochiforlife #rhochi100*





## Rho Chi Scholarship/Fellowship Committee

Report 2021-2022

January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### **Committee membership:**

Andrew J. Smith (University of Missouri - Kansas City) - Term 2017-2023 (chair, 2019-2023)

Nathan Cherrington (University of Arizona) – Term 2019-2025

Dana Strachan (Palm Beach Atlantic University) – Term 2022-2028

Ellen Woods (AFPE President) - ex officio

### **Committee charge:**

*It shall be the responsibility of the Committee to promote the availability of all Rho Chi Scholarships and Fellowships, review applications and determine recipients for scholarships, the number and amount of which, if any, is determined by the Executive Council.*

### **Awards:**

Clinical Research Scholarship 2022-2023 – one application received (Madison Irwin, PharmD, PGY-2 Pain Management and Palliative Care Pharmacy Resident)

- The committee reviewed the application and awarded the scholarship on 1/3/22

American Foundation of Pharmaceutical Education (AFPE) First Year Graduate Scholarship 2021-2022

- No applications received

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## 2022 Lecture Award Committee Executive Council Report May 19, 2021

Dr. Amy Haddad (2017 Lecture Award recipient), Dr. James Dalton (2018 Lecture Award recipient) and Dr. Mary Ensom (2019 Lecture Award recipient), and Dr. Cynthia Phillips (National Historian) were appointed to the 2022 Rho Chi Lecture Award Committee by President Emmanuelle Schwartzman. Dr. James Dalton declined the appointment to the committee. An offer was extended to Dr. Harold Godwin (2016 Lecture Award recipient). He was unable to accept the offer. Subsequently, the offer was extended to Dr. James Cloyd (2015 Lecture Award recipient) which he accepted. In her role as National Historian, Dr. Cynthia Phillips served as Committee Chair.

With a due date of January 15, 2021, the initial call for nominations of the 2022 Rho Chi Lecture Award was sent by email to all chapters on October 12, 2020 with reminder emails on October 26, November 9, November 23, and December 9, 2020. The final call for the Lecture Award nomination was sent January 5, 2021.

The following candidates' dossiers were received by the deadline of January 15, 2021 and were evaluated by the Committee.

Name	Affiliation	Original Year of Nomination (Year of Lecture Award)	Status of 2022 Lecture Award Review
Leslie Hamilton	University of Tennessee	2020 (2021)	REPEAT
Michael Hegener	University of Cincinnati	2021 (2022)	NEW
Lucinda Maine	American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy	2021 (2022)	NEW
Jean Nappi	Medical University of South Carolina	2019 (2020) 2021 (2022)	UPDATED
Rajul Patel	University of the Pacific	2021 (2022)	NEW
Rowena Schwartz	University of Cincinnati	2019 (2020)	REPEAT
Patricia Wigle	University of Cincinnati	2020 (2021)	REPEAT

The following individuals were submitted as new nominees: Michael Hegener, Lucinda Maine and Rajul Patel. As per Rho Chi Lecture Award policy, nominees not selected as recipients during the original year of nomination are automatically considered for the following year's award. The following individuals were identified as repeat nominees: Leslie Hamilton and Patricia Wigle. Because of the cancelation of the 2020 Rho Chi Annual meeting secondary to

the COVID pandemic, a 2020 Rho Chi Lecture Award was not presented. Dr. Henry Mann (the original 2020 Rho Chi Lecture Award recipient) was awarded the Rho Chi Lecture Award for 2021. With the impact of the pandemic on the 2020 Rho Chi Lecture Award and its presentation, the Committee recommended that the dossiers of Jean Nappi and Rowena Schwartz, originally submitted in 2019 for the 2020 Rho Chi Lecture Award be included as 2022 Rho Chi Lecture Award nominees. An updated dossier for Jean Nappi was submitted prior to the January deadline.

Because of the cancelation of the 2020 Rho Chi Annual meeting secondary to the COVID pandemic, Dr. Henry Mann (the original 2020 Rho Chi Lecture Award recipient) was awarded the Rho Chi Lecture Award for 2021 and virtually delivered his presentation on Saturday March 27, 2021.

Dr. Jean Nappi received the highest average score and was the top candidate for the 2022 Rho Chi Lecture Award. The Committee is pleased to recommend Dr. Jean Nappi to the Executive Council as the recipient of the 2022 Rho Chi Lecture Award. Once the Executive Council votes to approve the Rho Chi Lecture Award Committee's recommendation, all nominating parties will be notified.

Jean Nappi, PharmD,

Professor

College of Pharmacy

Medical University of South Carolina

Jean Nappi is a nationally recognized leader, clinician, mentor, and educator in pharmacy practice. Throughout her 40 plus year history in academia, Dr. Nappi has been at the forefront of pharmacy and post-graduate residency training.

Dr. Nappi received her BS in pharmacy at the State University of New York at Buffalo, her Doctor of Pharmacy at the University of Texas at Austin and the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. She completed an Internal Medicine Specialty Practice Residency in Clinical Pharmacy at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. She began her career in academia at the University of Wisconsin, and taught at the University of Utah and the University of Houston. She is presently a Professor in the College of Pharmacy as well as College of Medicine at the Medical University of South Carolina.

As a nationally recognized leader in pharmacy, Dr. Nappi has served as President of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy where she was the first female President, was elected to the Council of Faculties as the Representative at Large to the Board of Directors of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, and has been a residency surveyor for the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists Commission on Credentialing.

Dr. Nappi is dedicated to her clinical practice in cardiology with expertise in heart failure at the Medical University of South Carolina where she collaborates interprofessionally to care for inpatients and those in the Congestive Heart Failure Clinic. She is a multiple recipient of the MUSC Clinical Services Recognition Award and has received the ACCP Clinical Practice Award.

As a passionate educator, Dr. Nappi has an extraordinary devotion to teaching. She has received the ACCP Education Award and the ACCP Robert K. Chalmers Distinguished Pharmacy Educator Award. She served as Director of the Pharmacy Residency Program for 5 years and as the Director of MUSC's Pharmacotherapy Residency Program for 10 years. She pioneered the Academic Preparation Program which prepares pharmacy residents to work as educators throughout the residency programs in South Carolina. Her mentorship of pharmacy students and residents who have become educators and scholars leaves a lasting legacy in pharmacy practice.

Dr. Nappi is a devoted scholar with substantial contributions to the pharmacy literature. She has published 122 peer-reviewed articles and written 31 book chapters.

As one of her nominators stated, "Jean is a force. She is brilliant, speaks directly on matters of importance, is not shy about taking the lead on major initiatives, and always sets high expectations for her students, fellows and colleagues. I greatly admire these traits, and am confident these are among the many reasons she is so highly regarded by her students, colleagues across academia writ at large."

# The Rho Chi Society

## Nominating Committee Report

### November 8, 2021

#### Committee Members

Susan Meyer (University of Pittsburgh; Immediate Past-President); *Chair*  
Sara Grossman (Long Island University; Region I Councilor)  
Cathy Worrall (Medical University of South Carolina; Region III-E Councilor)  
Kristy Wahaib (Belmont University; Region III-W Councilor)  
Lori Duke (University of Georgia; Region III-S Councilor)  
Jeanne Frenzel (North Dakota State University; Region V Councilor)  
Jenny Wong (University of Washington; Region VII Councilor)

#### Charge (as stated in the Bylaws)

The Nominating Committee shall consist of the Immediate Past-President, who serves as Chair, and the Regional Councilors. Councilors from the even-numbered regions shall be appointed to the committee in even-numbered years and **those from the odd-numbered regions shall be appointed to the committee in odd-numbered years. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to provide nominees for the office of President-elect, Treasurer\*, and Councilors for the even-numbered regions in odd-numbered years** and for Secretary, Historian, and Councilors for the odd-numbered regions in even-numbered years. The Committee shall develop a slate of new officers and councilors by October when the Committee will present the slate for review by the full Executive Council.

\*The position of Treasurer was approved in 2021. The Executive Council agreed that the first elected treasurer would serve an initial three-year term (2021/22 through 2023/24). Candidates for the position will be slated per the schedule outlined in the bylaws beginning in the next odd-numbered year.

#### Slate of Candidates - November 2021 for Spring 2022 Elections

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## Faculty Advisor Award Committee 2022 Report

**To: The Rho Chi Society, Executive Council**  
**From: Faculty Advisor Award Committee**  
**Date: 2/17/22**

This report is submitted on behalf of the Faculty Advisor Award Committee members:

Brad Hein, Chair (University of Cincinnati – 2019 Recipient)

Brad Boucher (University of Tennessee – 2020 Recipient)

Alexa Carlson (Northeastern University – 2021 Recipient)

We were delighted to have 3 outstanding candidates for the Rho Chi Faculty Advisor Award for 2022. After careful review of nomination materials, we selected Dr. Cathy Worrall, faculty advisor to the Alpha Iota chapter of the Medical University of South Carolina, to receive the Rho Chi Faculty Advisor Award for 2022.

Respectfully submitted,



Brad Hein, BS, PharmD, BCPS  
Faculty Advisor, Rho Chi Beta Nu Chapter  
Associate Dean for Professional Education and Assessment  
The University of Cincinnati Winkle College of Pharmacy

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## Chapter Awards Committee Report

### February 22, 2022

#### Task Force Members

<i>Chair:</i>	Lucio Volino (President-Elect, Rutgers University)
<i>EC Members:</i>	Lori Duke (Region III-S, University of Georgia)
	Thomas Franko (Region II Councilor, Wilkes University)
	Amy Franks (Region VI, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences)
	Jeanne Frenzel (Region V, North Dakota State University)
	Sara Grossman (Region I, Long Island University)
	Scott Hanes (Region IV-W, Rosalind Franklin University)
	Lynette Moser (Region IV-E, Wayne State University)
	Jennifer Trujillo (Regional VIII, University of Colorado)
	Kristy Wahaib (Region III-W, Belmont University)
	Jenny Wong (Region VII, University of Washington Medical Center)
	Cathy Worrall (Region III-E, Medical University of South Carolina)

#### Review of Charges

According to the National Bylaws of The Rho Chi Society, the Awards Committee is charged with “selecting recipients for the Rho Chi Chapter Achievement and Rho Chi Chapter Project Proposal Awards”.

#### Activities

The Awards Committee reviewed Chapter Reports and Project Proposal Award submissions throughout the year. Councilors conducted most of their work remotely and submitted evaluations electronically.

A virtual orientation was held in July 2021 with a presentation reviewing committee responsibilities, timelines, and evaluation materials. An interactive mock report and evaluation form review session was held after the presentation. Scoring rubric feedback was collected and discussed.

#### Chapter Achievement Award Review Process Overview\*

##### *Round 1 (Top 20 Selection)*

- Councilors review and score reports from other regions.
- Top two chapters from each region (total of 22) are used to select the top 20.

##### *Round 2 (Top 10 Selection)*

- Each Councilor reviews and scores 10 of the top 20 reports.
- Top 10 ranking reports based on average scores move to Round 3.

##### *Round 3 (Winner Selection)*

- Councilors review and score all reports not previously scored by that Councilor in Round 2.
- Top scoring report is selected as the Chapter Achievement Award Winner.

*\*Note: Report scores are averaged in each round to determine rank, progression to the next round, and winner.*

The Most Improved Chapter Award material distribution, review, and winner selection occurs in conjunction with the Chapter Achievement Award.

#### Most Improved Chapter Award Review Process Overview\*\*

##### *Round 1 (Top Chapter Per Region Selection)*

- Councilors review and rank reports from other regions having at least one eligible chapter.
- Top chapter in each region is selected for progression to Round 2.

##### *Round 2 (Top Chapters Ranking and Selection)*

- Councilors review and rank top region reports.
- Top 3 chapters reports are selected for final review.

##### *Round 3 (Winner Selection)*

- Councilors review and rank top 3 reports.
- Top ranked report selected as the Most Improved Chapter Award Winner.

*\*\*Note: Report scores are averaged in each round to determine rank and progression to the next round. The award winner is based on the number of top rankings.*

## **Chapter Report and Project Proposal Award Review Summary 2021-2022**

### **Chapter Report Submission**

- 2021: 130 Chapters submitted a report for their work conducted in 2020-2021.
- 63 Chapters did not submit a report by May 15 for award consideration.
- Two Chapters did not submit a report.

### **Chapter Achievement Award**

- 62 Chapters met eligibility for the Chapter Achievement Award.
- 5 Chapters submitted on time but did not meet all required eligibility criteria.
- Reports were distributed to the Committee for review on August 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Councilors reviewed and scored chapter reports for the Chapter Achievement Award Round 1 review by September 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Top 20 chapters were selected as Round 1 Finalists and sent to the Committee for Round 2 review and scoring on October 7<sup>th</sup> with evaluations due by December 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Top 10 chapters were selected as Round 2 Finalists and sent to the Committee for Round 3 review and scoring on January 12<sup>th</sup> with evaluations due by February 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Top scoring chapter was selected for the Chapter Achievement Award in February 2022 and will be announced at the Rho Chi Virtual Annual Meeting on March 12, 2022.

### **Most Improved Chapter Award**

- 19 Chapters indicated an interest in being considered for the Most Improved Chapter Award, but one chapter was not eligible.
- Similar to the Chapter Achievement Award, Councilors were provided the first round of chapters to review in August and the second round in October.
- Top chapters from each region were selected for Round 2 review.
- One Region (III-W) did not have a Chapter eligible and interested.
- A total of 10 Chapters were reviewed in the second round and ranked by early December.
- After averaging the rankings, the top 3 Chapters were shared with and evaluated by the Committee in January.
- Top ranked chapter was selected for the Most Improved Chapter Award in February 2022 and will be announced at the Rho Chi Virtual Annual Meeting on March 12, 2022.

### **Chapter Project Proposal Award**

- Submissions Summary
  - Summer 2021: 1
  - Spring 2022: 4
- Committee members reviewed and approved or ranked proposals they deemed worthy of being evaluated and accepted in June 2021 (Summer Cycle) and January 2022 (Spring Cycle).
- One proposal was accepted for the Summer Cycle and two proposals were selected for Spring Cycle Chapter Project Proposal Awards.



## Rho Chi Chapter Award Finalists and Recipients Summary

### Chapter Achievement Award

#### *Top 10 Finalists – Alphabetical by Chapter*

Chapter	Region	School
Alpha Eta	II	Rutgers University
Alpha Iota	III-E	Medical University of South Carolina
Alpha Omicron	II	University of Pittsburgh
Alpha Theta	VIII	University of Colorado
Beta Alpha	III-E	University of South Carolina
Beta Nu	IV-E	University of Cincinnati
Delta Eta	VI	University of the Incarnate Word
Gamma	VI	University of Oklahoma
Gamma Sigma	VIII	Western University
Rho	VII	University of Washington

### Most Improved Chapter Award

#### *Finalists – Alphabetical by Chapter*

Chapter	Region	School
Alpha Alpha	V	Creighton University
Alpha Eta	II	Rutgers University
Alpha Iota	III-E	Medical University of South Carolina
Alpha Upsilon	VII	Idaho State University
Delta Eta	VI	University Incarnate Word
Epsilon Lambda	IV West	Rosalind Franklin University
Epsilon Mu	IV East	Cedarville University
Gamma Pi	I	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
Gamma Theta	III-S	Nova Southeastern

### Chapter Project Proposal Award Recipients

- *Summer 2021*
  - Beta Tau Chapter (Northeastern University – Bouve College of Health Sciences School of Pharmacy): “Braille Drug Leaflet for Patients with Visual Impairment”
- *Spring 2022*
  - Alpha Xi Chapter (University of Kentucky): “This Podcast Could Cure You”: Promoting Health Literacy and Lifestyle Modifications for Common Medical Conditions in Kentucky]
  - Gamma Sigma Chapter (Western University): “Student Pharmacist Knowledge, Opinion, and Perception to Educate Patients about CBD After Implementation of CBD Education Program”



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2021 National Treasurer's Report  
February 21, 2022

Calendar year 2021 had multiple landmark events of the Rho Chi Society. A summary of these events is outlined below.

**National Officers**

**Emmanuelle Schwartzman**  
President

**Susan M. Meyer**  
Immediate Past President

**Lucio Volino**  
President-elect

**Amanda M. Stahnke**  
Secretary

**Cynthia M. Phillips**  
Historian

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**National Office**

**Karen B. Farris**  
Executive Vice President

**Cindy Diakow**  
Program Manager

- Modification of The Rho Chi Society bylaws to create an elected Rho Chi Society National Treasurer position.
- Election of Bradley Boucher (UTHSC College of Pharmacy) to a two-year term as Rho Chi Society's National Treasurer.
- The establishment of the Rho Chi Society as a 501(c)(3) corporation has the potential to significantly increase the Society's revenue from contributions.
- Creation of a Rho Chi Society Investment Policy for Short and Long-Term investments.
- Creation of a process where the national office no longer handles most Rho Chi Merchandise while also creating a stream of income through royalties.
- Operating revenue exceeding expenses by \$129,790.52. Of particular significance from the revenue and expense report were \$36,143 in revenue from royalties for Rho Chi Merchandise sold by external vendors and \$10,105.25 in contributions to the Centennial Campaign (note: \$2,076.24 donated in 2021 but deposited in the checking account in January 2022). These contributions offset approximately one-third of the 2021 expenditures (\$30,738.02) for the Centennial Celebration. For the second consecutive year the Society had a major reduction in expenses due to the National Convention being held virtually instead of at the American Pharmacists Association's Annual Meeting & Exposition.
- A proposed budget for 2022 that has revenues exceeding expenses by \$14,703. This includes budgeted expenses of \$85,500 for the Rho Chi Centennial Celebration.
- Established a formal relationship with Midwest Trust Company for managing the Rho Chi Society investments in compliance with the Rho Chi Investment Policy. As of December 31, 2021, the Short-Term Investment Fund assets value was \$49,825.80 and the Long-Term Investments Fund assets value was \$510,880.53.
- Successful audit of the 2021 Rho Chi Society financial records by the Rho Chi Audit Committee in their letter dated February 15, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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## 2021 Financial Summary The Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society

