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A Message from the Dean

Dr. Charles Peterson, Pharm.D

As many of you know, on July 1, 2015 the College officially implemented a reorganization including name changes to reflect the interprofessional nature of the College today. So we are now the NDSU College of Health Professions consisting of the School of Pharmacy, School of Nursing (two locations Fargo and Bismarck), Department of Allied Sciences, and Department of Public Health. We will need to continue to educate people regarding these changes so that all disciplines within our College get adequately recognized. We have a new fact sheet about our College and these changes in the Deans Office if you would like to share it with your family and friends.

Due to lack of sufficient space in Sudro Hall, we have recently had to relocate several units from Sudro Hall to off campus locations including moving the School of Nursing to the SGC Building on 19th Ave N, moving the Department of Public Health to the NDSU Research and Technology Park, and moving the

Sudro Hall Library to the Annex off-campus. These moves have helped free up space in Sudro Hall and have helped address recent accreditation concerns regarding space. We are still working on a long-term space plan for a new Building Addition that will bring everyone back together under one roof to help us maintain our interprofessional education and research focus. If you'd like more information about our building project visit our CHP website and click on "Space Needs – Building Addition".

The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences in partnership with Biochemistry recently received a \$9.6M award from NIH to establish a Center for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Strategies for Pancreatic Cancer. This is the first disease-specific NIH Center establish at NDSU. Our entire research portfolio within the College (all disciplines) now exceeds \$20M.

Hope you all finish strong this school year!

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Dr. Charles Peterson

Phi Lambda Sigma

by Sarah Hillestad, President

The NDSU Alpha Lambda Chapter of Phi Lambda Sigma has been busy during the spring of 2016. We are proud to announce that we initiated 12 new members into the society. We offer a variety of leadership positions. Elections will take place in April. The Society will be electing President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary, and new positions will be offered, including Awards Committee Chair, Advocacy Committee Chair, Alumni Liaison, Bylaw Committee Chair, and CV/ Career Professional Committee Chair. We are looking forward to meet new members and leaders!

The Leadership Society is hard at work putting together the annual Etiquette Dinner. We invite all who are involved with the College of Health Professions to attend. The Dinner will be held and the NDSU Harry D. McGovern Alumni



PLS 2015 Etiquette Dinner

Center at 5:30 on April 7th. The deadline to register is March 25th. This year the dinner will be featuring an awards ceremony, raffle prizes, dining etiquette education and thank you note writing education. There will also be a fashion show to distinguish what is and what is not appropriate to wear in professional settings. Last but not least, there will be many great opportunities for networking, as there will be a distinguished guest as the head at each table. Please contact

sarah.hillestad@ndsu.edu with any questions. We look forward to dining with you! This year's members have laid solid ground work for future members to continue and succeed in the Phi Lambda Sigma mission, to foster and recognize leaders and support leadership commitment.

PHI LAMBDA SIGMA

Our mission is to recognize leaders and foster leadership development.



National Community Pharmacists Association

by Britta Skjefte, President, President

National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA) is an organization comprised of both pre-pharmacy and professional pharmacy students. NCPA consists of members who have an interest in independent community pharmacy, owning a pharmacy, and providing service to the community.

NCPA takes pride in service events such as volunteering at a local food pantry, an event that allows for professional students to provide tips for pre-pharmacy students on the admissions process, and providing blood pressure screenings to the community. Another event NCPA participates in annually is the ND IPAT stationary bike race, which raises money for those in need of technology across the state.

NCPA also sends members to attend the NCPA Annual Convention, which is held in New Orleans, LA this year. The national convention provides students with an incredible opportunity to learn about pharmacy ownership and the importance of independent pharmacies across the nation. NCPA's members then bring back ideas to share with the rest of the NDSU chapter on how to implement these lessons within the community.

Being a part of NCPA is a great way to serve the community and learn about the importance of community pharmacies. If these things sound appealing to you, we'd love to have you join us at our monthly meetings!

Kappa Psi Co-ed Fraternity

By Hannah Schroden, President

Kappa Psi is the oldest and largest professional pharmacy fraternity. It was founded on the four pillars of industry, sobriety, fellowship, and high ideals. The NDSU Chapter, Beta Sigma, is composed of 95 men and women that are either pre-pharmacy or professional pharmacy students. After the P4 year, our members graduate not only with a Pharm.D, but become an alumni of Kappa Psi. Our Kappa Psi Alumni Group (KPAG) is strong in membership and they support us by owning the house that 18 of our members live in, located right on University Drive across from campus. We are thankful for the support of our alumni and work to build strong membership during our active years here at NDSU.

Together, our brotherhood makes an impact on the profession of pharmacy, the lives of each other, campus, and Fargo-Moorhead community. In the past year, one of our biggest accomplishments was our inaugural feed, "Fries with the Kappa Psi's". By selling fries and various toppings, we raised money to donate to the Pinky Swear Foundation. This foundation helps out families that have kids with childhood cancer. This fundraiser was an opportunity for all members of Kappa Psi to come together for the betterment of ourselves and the community around us. Other

than the feed, we continue to volunteer at Bottles for Hope, Relay for Life, The Big Event, Fargo High Rise Meals, and various other events throughout the semester.

To keep up with all of our events, be sure to check us out on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter! We are already gearing up for fall recruitment and hope to see many new pharmacy students interested in joining our brotherhood.



Kappa Psi throwing up their horns at the house for the annual Christmas Card picture after Fall Initiation

College Christian Pharmacists

Fellowship International

by Sam Dwyer, Vice President of Membership

Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International (CPFI) is an organization devoted to the integration of faith into our classrooms, workplaces and community. As followers of Christ, we strive to emulate the love we were first shown through acts of service, positive attitudes, and uplifting relationships.

Members of CPFI have been provided the wonderful opportunity to make an impact in our local community during the past year. The Ronald McDonald house hosted us while we cleaned the house and cooked a meal for the families currently residing in the home. Peace Lutheran Church provided their lobby, and our members provided a blood pressure screening to all willing church members. Our service was also able to reach multiple communities around the

globe. Sole Hope sent us supplies to create shoes for children in Africa with chiggers in their feet. We also assisted in the labeling and packaging of medications to be dispensed in Guatemala, a rotation destination for P4 students.

We encourage you to join us! All pre-professional and professional pharmacy students are welcome to attend meetings and events. It would be our honor to journey through pharmacy school with you, building priceless experience and relationships along the way. I invite you to email me at samuel.dwyer@ndsu.edu with any questions. God bless!



CPFI members sharing their Bison pride after creating shoes for children in Africa.

NDSU Public Health Association

by Danni Pinnick, President

The NDSU Public Health Association is the student organization comprised largely of Master of Public Health graduate students, but participation from other disciplines, both graduate and undergraduate, is welcomed. Last fall, several from our group attended the American Public Health Association meeting in Chicago, where we watched addresses from many speakers in public health leadership, including the Surgeon General of the United States. This was a wonderful opportunity for professional development, for students to see public health in action around the country and world, and to meet and discuss public health research, policy, and practice. Our group's biggest project is Public Health Week, which will occur April 4th to 8th. Events throughout the week include American Indian Public Health Day, College of Health Professions Poster Session, Public Health Career Panel and so on. Please join us at any and all of these events!



Members and Advisors at the American Public Health Association

College of Health Professions Ambassadors

by Hannah Rocholl, President

The College of Health Professions Ambassadors is a selective organization consisting of around 30 members. Recently, we have accepted 15 new members with a variety of majors. These majors include pre-pharmacy, pharmacy, nursing, medical laboratory science, radiologic sciences, respiratory care, and pharmaceutical sciences. We work as ambassadors for the college and are involved in many events to promote the college to future, current and past students. Our involvement in the college includes Sudro building tours to alumni and prospective students, the white coat ceremony, graduation ceremonies, the Battle of the Cent-es, the Great Healthcare Adventure, scholarship ceremonies and many other events that will assist the college. Our organization appreciates being involved in all aspects of the College of Health Professions and we will continue to build relationships with each other as well as past, present and future students of our college. We look forward to the rest of the year and are excited to see what the future holds for our organization!



College of Health Professions Ambassadors

The Rho Chi Society

by Kayla Porter, Historian



The Rho Chi Society is an academic honor society in pharmacy that encourages and recognizes intellectual achievement, stimulates critical inquiry to advance pharmacy, contributes to the development of intellectual leaders, promotes highest ethical standards, and fosters collaboration.

Rho Chi is a selective group compiled of the top 20% of each professional pharmacy class who distinguish themselves by their academic and professional achievements. Members are selected during the spring semester of their second year in the professional program. We are looking forward to our first new member meeting!

We encourage learning and interest in the field of pharmacy through participation in Expanding Your Horizons, an annual event full of workshops that inspire middle school girls to recognize their potential and pursue opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. At the event, girls meet and interact with student pharmacists to participate in high quality, hands-on activities such as making lotion and lip balm. We also foster relationships between professional classes through The Mentorship Program that provides incoming student pharmacists with a third year student mentor to offer advice and answer questions regarding pharmacy school and the profession of pharmacy. Rho Chi members also host a Be the Match drive each semester where we connect patients with potential life-saving bone marrow donors. Every new donor we are able to add to the registry increases the chances of patients finding a donor and receiving the life-saving transplant they need! Concept Pharmacy tours are also guided by Rho Chi members during the pharmacy interview day and tend to be the popular, stress free portion of that day.

We demonstrate volunteerism through serving underserved populations at Churches United for the Homeless where we prepare and serve meals. New this year is the development of the Intellectual Auction. Items and experiences in this auction have been carefully selected, creatively planned, and generously donated by faculty and staff of the NDSU College of Health Professions. Proceeds raised by this auction were donated to the Make-A-Wish North Dakota, a program that grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions.

We are excited to welcome the new members into our organization and are looking forward to seeing what the rest of this year brings! Please email with any questions to kayla.m.porter@ndsu.edu.



Be the Match

APhA Academy of Student Pharmacists

by Rachel Johnson, APhA-ASP Communications VP

APhA Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) is an organization that seeks to be the collective voice of student pharmacists, to provide opportunities for professional growth, to improve patient care, and to envision and advance the future of pharmacy. We work to fulfill these goals each year through patient care projects, community outreach, guest speakers, promotional video production, and participation in events both on campus and in the community.

With both professional and pre-professional students involved in our organization, we strive to provide opportunities for growth and involvement within the field of pharmacy. This past fall we partnered with the Dakota Medical Foundation to provide cholesterol, glucose, and blood pressure screenings at the Fargo-Moorhead StreetsAlive! Event. We were able to serve over 50 members of the community. In addition to that, we also walked in the NDSU homecoming parade to bring awareness to American Pharmacists Month and to encourage people to know their pharmacists!

Currently, we are preparing for the annual Woodlands and High Plains Powwow, at which we will provide cholesterol, glucose, and blood pressure screenings. We are excited to help with this event and hope for a great turnout!

Our APhA-ASP chapter has had an amazing year so far with growing numbers of new members and successful community outreach events. As the year continues, we would very much enjoy making your acquaintance and encourage you to join our team!



APhA-ASP members

North Dakota Society of Health-System Pharmacists

by Elle Kvam, Vice President

What an exciting year it has been for the NDSU North Dakota Society of Health-System Pharmacists! Our goal as an organization is to welcome students who are interested in the health-system disciplines and provide them with opportunities to learn more about pharmacy residencies. We are committed to ensuring that our members have access to the resources necessary to become well-rounded, competitive candidates for the Residency Match.

This year we had twenty-one NDSU students attend the record-breaking 50th Midyear convention in New Orleans, LA. We also were pleased to

host a diverse group of speakers at our meetings to discuss their day-to-day activities and responsibilities on the job, as well as their individual journeys into residency. We welcomed a Critical Care Pharmacist, Internal Medicine Clinical Pharmacist/Sanford PGY₁ Residency Director, and Ambulatory Care Pharmacist/Emergency Room Pharmacist. Speakers offered tips for students on "what to do" and "what not to do" in the application/interviewing process and answered questions about their residency experiences; One speaker dedicated their time to a CV Informational Session.

We are looking forward to upcoming events, including our next speaker, a Pediatric/NICU Pharmacist, in addition to the NDSHP Summit and Expo (open for all students to register and free for existing members). To date we have volunteered with Churches United, preparing and serving a meal to the homeless population, as well dedicated our time to people and families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder and other disabilities by working with the North Dakota Autism Center. We have been able to give back to our professional community by holding a review session for the pharmacy technicians enrolled at the North Dakota State College of Science to better prepare them for their certification boards.

Please join us at our upcoming meetings if you have interest in the diverse career opportunities available in the health-system. Do not miss out, officer elections are just around the corner!