



Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society Chapter Annual Report Starting Fiscal Year 2014

Chapter Name: Charleston

Region: SE **Constituency:** Area/Indus/State&Fed Labs (MI)

Chapter ID Number: 261

Date Report Closed: 6/10/2013

Statistics on 4/1/2013

Number of active members: 116

Number of inactive members: 350

Number of initiates elected from July 1, 2012 June 30, 2013: 20

Statistics on 4/2/2012

Number of active members: 119

Number of inactive members: 331

Number of initiates elected from July 1, 2011 June 30, 2012: 22

Good Standing status

Officers on file: Yes

Delegate to one of the last three annual meetings: Yes

Last year's chapter annual report on file: Yes

One initiate over last two years: Yes

Local Support Payments from Sigma Xi this year:

6/28/2013 = \$27.24

1/31/2013 = \$417.73

9/28/2012 = \$966.34

Chapter Web site: <http://www.charlestonsigmaxi.org>

Chapter Listserv: chs-sci-net@listserver.sigmaxi.org

Chapter Officer Requested New or Updated listserv:

Chapter Officer Revitalization Contact with Staff:

Grants and Funding Received from Sigma Xi:

Program	Amount Awarded	Date Awarded
Lectureships	\$500.00	4/12/2003
Lectureships	\$800.00	3/19/2004
Lectureships	\$450.00	4/23/2005
Lectureships	\$650.00	5/1/2006

Lectureships	\$1,100.00	4/21/2007
Lectureships	\$765.00	4/24/2008
Lectureships	\$500.00	9/22/2009
Lectureships	\$700.00	5/1/2010
Lectureships	\$800.00	6/2/2011
Lectureships	\$1,000.00	5/17/2012
Lectureships	\$1,100.00	5/1/2013

Sigma Xi Awards Received:

Year	Event	Event Type	Comment
2005	Excellence	Award	Chapter of Excellence
2005	Program Award	Award	Darwin Week
2007	Program Award	Award	Chs-Sci-Net
2009	Excellence	Award	Chapter of Excellence

Chapter Address:

Charleston SC

Chapter Officers reported for FY2014 July 1, 2013 June 30, 2014

President: Term: FY2014

President ID: 20072610012

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Vice President: Term: FY2014

Vice President ID: 876350027

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Secretary: Term: FY2014

Secretary ID: 972610011

Name: Mr. Tod Leighfield

Home Number:

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Treasurer: Term: FY2014

Treasurer ID: 992610007

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No Annual Meeting Delegate For Fiscal Year 2014 was identified.

Chapter Operations:

Identified new chapter leaders: Yes

Increased the number of members involved in/or attending chapter activities? Yes

Sent a student to the Sigma Xi Student Research Conference? No

Developed or maintained a chapter web site? Yes

Sent a newsletter or regular communication to members?

Sent Electronic newsletter? Yes

Communicated with inactive members? Yes

Nominated new faculty or institutional leaders for Sigma Xi membership?

Paid initiate fees for new members? Yes

Promoted Associate Members?

Created new chapter program? Yes

Worked on revitalizing the chapter?

Worked with another Sigma Xi Chapter? Yes

Past Fiscal Year Chapter Activities:

ActivityName: Darwin Week

Participation: 1000

Participants: Mostly non-members

Cost: 1000

ChapterFunds: Yes

InstitutionFunds: Yes

OtherInstitutionFund: Yes

SXLectureShipMoney: Yes

YearDone: > 10 years

Description: Darwin week in Charleston (February 7-13, 2013) included panel discussions, lectures, and other activities celebrating the birth of Charles Darwin. Our Chapter has been an annual sponsor of Darwin week since its local inception in 2000. Website:

<http://dillonr.people.cofc.edu/DarwinWeek.html>

ScienceEducPubUnderS: Yes

LecturesWorkshopProf: Yes

SXDisLect: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Distinguished Lecturer

Participation: 300

Participants: Mostly non-members

Cost: 900

SXLectureShipMoney: Yes

YearDone: > 10 years

Description: Distinguished lecturer Dr. John Shea visited Charleston on February 26, 2013. He gave one talk at the College of Charleston and another at The Citadel discussing the origins of modern humans, each included student interactions.

ScienceEducPubUnderS: Yes

LecturesWorkshopProf: Yes

SXDisLect: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Marine Biology Grad Student Colloquium

Participation: 150

Participants: Some Sigma Xi members

Cost: 200

ChapterFunds: Yes

IndividualDonors: Yes

YearDone: 6-10 years

Description: Our chapter sponsored two awards for the best oral and poster presentations at the Marine Biology Graduate Student Colloquium (September 28-29, 2012). This colloquium is an opportunity for marine biology Master's students to share research results with the Fort Johnson campus community. We have hosted this award annually since 2004. Website:

<http://spinner.cofc.edu/~marine/colloquium.htm>

PromotingResearch: Yes

GradResSymp: Yes

Recognition: Yes

AwardGradRes: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: MUSC Student Research Day

Participation: 500

Participants: Some Sigma Xi members

Cost: 150

IndividualDonors: Yes

YearDone: 6-10 years

Description: Our chapter sponsored a graduate research award at the Medical University of South Carolina's Fall Student Research Day held on November 2, 2012. Additionally, we promoted Sigma Xi during the associated vendor show. Our Chapter has sponsored this activity since 2006. Website:

<http://www.musc.edu/grad/srd/>

PromotingResearch: Yes

GradResSymp: Yes

Recognition: Yes
AwardGradRes: Yes
actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: SCAS Undergraduate Research Awards

Participation: 500

Participants: Some Sigma Xi members

Cost: 250

ChapterFunds: Yes

YearDone: > 10 years

Description: The Charleston chapter annual sponsors awards for undergraduate research presentations at the South Carolina Academy of Sciences annual meeting

<www.scacadscience.org>. The meeting was held this year on April 13, 2013 at Benedict College. All winners are additionally recognized at our annual membership banquet.

Recognition: Yes

AwardUndergradRes: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Citadel Undergraduate Research Conference

Participation: 100

Participants: Mostly non-members

Cost: 200

ChapterFunds: Yes

InstitutionFunds: Yes

YearDone: 6-10 years

Description: Two chapter awards were provided to undergraduates for excellence in scientific research at The Citadel's Undergraduate Research Conference held on March 8, 2013.

PromotingResearch: Yes

UndergradResSymp: Yes

Recognition: Yes

AwardUndergradRes: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Awards Banquet

Participation: 75

Participants: Mostly Sigma Xi members

Cost: 700

ChapterFunds: Yes

InstitutionFunds: Yes

IndividualDonors: Yes

OtherInstitutionFund: Yes

RegFees: Yes

YearDone: > 10 years

Description: The annual awards banquet held at The Citadel has been a long tradition for our chapter to honor award winners, induct new nominees, and have a speaker of wide interest to all Chapter members. The speaker this year was Dr. Joseph Carson.

Recognition: Yes

LecturesWorkshopProf: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Multi-institutional seminars

Participation: 100

Participants: Some Sigma Xi members

YearDone: > 10 years

Description: In October our Chapter participated in a BBQ and lecture event with the Charleston chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. The Chapter also co-sponsored various lectures at the local colleges and universities. These were announced through our Chapter membership and community list-servs.

LecturesWorkshopProf: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Field Trips

Participation: 20

Participants: All Sigma Xi members

YearDone: 6-10 years

Description: Our chapter sponsored one local trip of interest to Chapter members this year. This tour of the new Boeing Dreamliner assembly facility was well received by all attendees.

LecturesWorkshopProf: Yes

actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Outreach

Participation: 200

Participants: Mostly non-members

InstitutionFunds: Yes

OtherInstitutionFund: Yes

GrantMoney: Yes

YearDone: > 10 years

Description: Our chapter cosponsors outreach and workshops events with an emphasis on K-12 science teachers and their students. These events are intended to foster dissemination of scientific knowledge to the general public. This year's events were covered by the local media (newspaper and television).

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20130104/PC16/130109759/hands-on-lessons-make-college-of-charleston-trip-memorable-for-mitchell-kids>

<http://www.abcnews4.com/story/16466106/students-get-crash-course-in-science>

ScienceEducPubUnderS: Yes
ResLocalSchools: Yes
ScienceUnderrepresen: Yes
actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: Charter Display
Participation: 10
Participants: Mostly Sigma Xi members
Cost: 100
ChapterFunds: Yes
IndividualDonors: Yes
YearDone: 1st year

Description: Our chapter prepared and presented facsimiles of our original 1981 Chapter charter to MUSC and The Citadel. Each framed charter was prominently displayed in prominent public areas in recognition of our commitment and impact to these organizations. The original charter continues to hang in Randolph Hall at the College of Charleston.

Recognition: Yes
actstatus: Complete



ActivityName: by-laws revision
Participation: 15
Participants: All Sigma Xi members
YearDone: 1st year

Description: We revised the Chapter by-laws to be in compliance with Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) regulations to maintain our non-profit status. This activity required a significant effort that included input from both past and present officers.

actstatus: Complete

