



FALL 2015 WRAP-UP

Events Galore!

The Fall 2016 semester was FULL of professional development opportunities. These events not only provided great information, they also helped train graduate students for a life in academia. The GSO hosted **nine** brown bags/workshops in four months, including How to Work with Faculty and Secrets of IRB. We would like to give special thanks to all of our presenters, many of whom took on the task the week of the event.

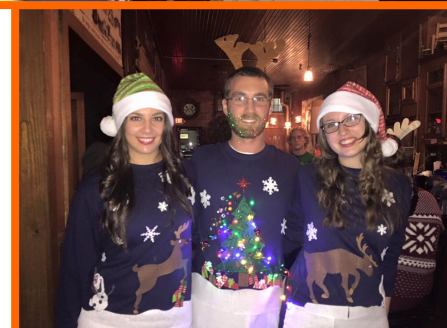
With all of the professional development, we also made time for social activities. We started the year with our annual Back-to-School BBQ, graciously hosted by the Longmire's at their home. This event was a great success with the night ending in an informal jam session with Dr. Longmire and students.

The Halloween and Holiday parties were also successes. Jae Sung Lee was awarded a gift certificate for his impressive bowling score at the Halloween party and due to some....complications...with our team of professors, Christmas trivia winners were Sara Simmons and Jessica Wells. Way to go everyone!

GSO Members Make the Best Volunteers

As part of the leadership scholarship, GSO officers are required to end semi-annual leadership training and complete at least 30 hours of volunteer work, collectively. This year, the officers exceeded that goal by reaching approximately **40 service hours!** Eric, Ashley, and Matthias volunteered at the Heroes Ride, a bicycle marathon commemorating fallen law enforcement officers and officers volunteered to assist with the Clothesline project during Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Alicia Jurek, Amanda Goodson, Nicole Niebuhr, Carlijn van Baak, and Lindsay Ashworth also represented CJ grad students by volunteering at the Heroes Ride, the Clothesline Project, and SAAFE house.

The annual holiday party once again collected donation of hats and gloves for less fortunate children in more northern states. We ended up donating over 50 sets of hats and gloves to Crestview Elementary School in the North Kansas School District. They were extremely grateful that we could help their students stay warm this winter. We can't wait to do it again next year!



Fall 2015 Financials:

Halloween Bake Sale: +\$483

Back to School BBQ: -\$100

Halloween Party: -\$80

Holiday Party: -\$35

Ending Balance: \$443

Spring 2015 Events:

- **Service:** Walk-A-Mile, SAAFE House, school supplies drive
- **Fundraising:** V-Day Bake Sale, CJ Night Out
- **Professional Development:** Grant writing workshop, publishing workshop, statistics workshop, action research workshop
- **Social:** End-of-year bash



Reminders

- Main campus graduate research exchange cancelled
- Woodlands Research Exchange: April 9th, 2016
- First general meeting of the semester: February 9th