Rho Chi Alumni Newsletter
Purdue University - Alpha Zeta Chapter

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Dear Rho Chi Alpha Zeta Chapter Alumni,

My name is Elana Chuaprasert, and I am a P3 from Portland, Oregon. Outside of working with our outstanding exec team and alumni, I enjoy taking advantage of all that Purdue has to offer. I have competed on countless intramural teams (sand volleyball being my personal favorite), dedicated my time to Old Masters, one of Purdue’s longest standing organizations, and met many friends and mentors who have shaped my college experience. I had many role models in pharmacy who were active in Rho Chi, so even before being accepted to Purdue’s pharmacy school, I knew that’s what I would be working towards.

It is with great pleasure that I get to welcome each one of you as we embark on another extraordinary year with the Alpha Zeta chapter of the Rho Chi Society. As the newly appointed president, I am honored to lead an organization that stands at the forefront of academic achievement, professional development, and service to the community. Rho Chi has a rich legacy of cultivating leaders who make significant contributions to the pharmacy profession, and I am eager to continue this tradition of excellence with the incredible members who form the backbone of our society.

To our alumni, I’d like to give a heartfelt thank you for being a part of the Rho Chi family. I look forward to building upon the foundation you have laid. **Together, we will continue to uphold the values of Rho Chi and create a positive impact on the pharmacy profession.** Here’s to a year of growth, achievement, and collective success!

Warm regards,
Elana Chuaprasert
President Rho Chi Alpha Zeta Chapter 2023–2024
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Semester Recap

President
This semester, Elana coordinated the Silent Auction, which raised over $2,000 towards pharmacy student scholarships. She also worked with other exec members and students in Rho Chi to invite speakers to share their career path with us! Next semester, Elana hopes to collaborate with other pharmacy organizations to host panels and show recognition to our Rho Chi alumni.

Vice President
Rho Chi this semester had amazing guest speakers for our monthly meetings. All of the guest speakers were alumnus from Alpha Zeta chapter of Rho Chi. The guest speakers we had were Tate Trujillo, director of pharmacy at IU health systems, Steven Scott, associate professor of pharmacy practice at Purdue, and Wenda Zick, medical science liaison from Eli Lilly. They gave us insights on different career paths that we could pursue as future pharmacist and how they got to the role they are at right now.
Semester Recap

**Fundraising Chair**

This semester, Mia successfully organized a fundraiser by designing and selling travel mugs featuring the distinctive Purdue College of Pharmacy mortar and pestle logo. This initiative generated funds so that our Rho Chi chapter can continue to provide valuable experiences for members and all of our pharmacy classmates. Looking ahead, her plan for the next semester involves hosting a fundraiser specifically tailored for P3 students, aiming to support them as they prepare for rotations in their final year of school.

**Student Council Representative**

Jacob’s main role within Rho Chi is to be the liaison between the Pharmacy Student Council and Rho Chi. Whenever Rho Chi has upcoming events or fundraisers, He makes sure that the information gets to the Student Council so that they can update the Pharmacy Calendar. This communication is vital because it prevents organizations from hosting huge events on the same day or selling the exact same item in a fundraiser.

*Pictured from left to right: Mia, Rachel, John, Alicia, and Jeremy*

Rho Chi Executive Board members represented the organization at the Pharmacy First Nighter and advertised the Silent Auction.
Semester Recap

**Treasurer**
John’s role is to try to help where needed and if it’s related to budget. He is hoping to help the induction ceremony and fundraising events next semester.

**ACES Committee**
As the ACES Committee, this semester has been amazing for Rho Chi! They have helped a good group of P2s prepare for their therapeutics exams, and they are excited to continue helping their journey, along with the P1s next semester.

**Social Chair**
This semester Haylie has organized an executive board member social, an event for all members of the organization, and a faculty brunch. The goal for all social events is to build a deeper connection with the members of Rho Chi while learning valuable lessons from distinguished professors. For next semester, Haylie is planning on having another member social event, faculty brunch, and exec board member social to finish out the year.

*The Executive Board enjoyed an ice cream social at Silver Dipper.*
Semester Recap

**Philanthropy Chair**

This semester, Rho Chi held a joint application/CV/resume review event for the PP2s with SNPhA and Peer Mentors. Dr. Arnett was also at the event to give out tips and tricks for anyone wanting help with their applications, CVs, and resumes. Towards the end of the event, older pharmacy students were able to help out the younger pre-pharmacy students with any questions they had. Alexandria hopes for next semester is to hold a mock interview event for the PP2s to help them prepare for their pharmacy school interviews.

**Historian**

This semester Clea helped advertise the Silent Auction. In addition, she worked on creating and implementing event recaps so we can have more accurate reports on the ways that we have engaged members and the college. Lastly, she started implementing NAPLEX review questions. Next semester Clea hopes to keep working on expanding engagement for the NAPLEX review and the promoting the ACES review to the P1 and P2s.

Alexandria (left) with her friends at Dr. Illingworth’s Silent Auction event, Home Cookin'
Silent Auction

The proceeds from the Rho Chi Silent Auction and its donations support the Rho Chi Scholarship, which is awarded to two Purdue University College of Pharmacy students who embody the values of The Rho Chi Society through scholarship, leadership, and service.

Faculty and staff provided 27 items for students to bid on which included events such as Smokehouse Meat Fest with Dean Barker and Dr. Watts, Home Brewin’ with Dr. Zillich, and Beer and Pierogis with Dr. Foster.

The Silent Auction helped our chapter raise $2,147 for scholarships!