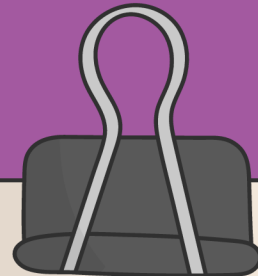


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# Rho Chi Alumni Newsletter

Purdue University - Alpha Zeta Chapter



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# Welcome Letter

**Dear Esteemed Rho Chi Society Alpha Zeta Chapter Alumni,**

My name is Tyler Lengerich, and I am a P3 from Fort Wayne, Indiana. I navigated a non-traditional pathway to pharmacy, as did a few other members of the Rho Chi Society Executive Board. My journey to discovering my purpose began after receiving my Bachelor of Biology degree in May 2020 from the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, Indiana. May 2020 proved to be a challenging time for our communities, our country, and our world, pushing the boundaries of the capacity of the healthcare system. As such, I dove headfirst into the frontlines of healthcare as an Emergency Care Technician at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Through this humbling role in servitude to others, I navigated the challenging emotions of humility, mortality, spirituality, and discovered my purpose in pharmacy. Upon acceptance into Purdue College of Pharmacy, I began my legacy, as you did before me. From there, I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Purdue, from becoming the Regent of Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity to encouraging future Boilermakers to take their first steps to beginning their own legacy through Purdue Pharmacy Ambassadors. I have continued to observe the numerous ways that Purdue pharmacists improve the lives of their patients through job shadowing, my current role as an intern at CVS, and my current inpatient pharmacy technician role at IU Arnett. Through these experiences, I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you, esteemed alumni of the Rho Chi Society Alpha Zeta chapter, and I thank each of you for your contributions to pharmacy and to the development of future Purdue Pharmacy leaders.

I am honored to extend to you a warm welcome to the introductions and achievements of the Alpha Zeta chapter of the Rho Chi Society, presented by the hardworking members of the Executive Board. For many of us, Rho Chi initiation begins through academic achievement, however Rho Chi quickly becomes much greater than academics due to the precedent and traditions set by you, the alumni before us. I have seen the impact of Rho Chi through coordinating the 2024 Rho Chi Silent Auction, which raised \$1,835 for pharmacy student scholarships to start off the semester. The impact of our philanthropic events that developed the professional skills of the pre-professional students. The impact of our ACES committee that promotes academic success within the pharmacy program. Lastly, the impact that the name Rho Chi carries currently within our profession, and for the rest of our lives, as we will soon join each of you in continuing the legacy of this organization as alumni. I am honored to experience the accomplishments of our current members of the Rho Chi Society this fall and look forward to the impact of their efforts this year.

Thank you for taking the time to read this update on the current inner workings of the Rho Chi Society Alpha Zeta chapter. As president, I am honored and proud to continue your legacy. Together, Rho Chi Society will continue to pursue intellectual achievement, high ethical standards, critical inquiry, collaboration, and continue to develop the future leaders of pharmacy.

Sincerely,

**Tyler Lengerich**

**President of Rho Chi Society Alpha Zeta Chapter 2024-2025**

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# Semester Recap

## President

This semester, Tyler organized the Silent Auction which raised \$1,835 for two pharmacy student scholarships. Tyler also scheduled pharmacists from different areas of practice to come and speak to Rho Chi members about their career paths. Next semester, Tyler hopes to embrace professional development for underclassmen through philanthropy events and among Rho Chi members through guest speakers and alumni connections. Another goal is to strengthen academic success for underclassmen through ACES practice sessions.



## Vice President

This semester, Rho Chi hosted incredible guest speakers during our monthly meetings. Our guest speakers included Dr. Sarah Kuntz, a clinical pharmacist at Parkview, and Dr. Amber Ooley, an emergency room pharmacist at Methodist BayTown. They provided our members with advice for future rotations and insights into their daily tasks. Members had the opportunity to learn about different career paths and how to be successful in their future endeavors.

# ACES Committee

This semester, the ACES Committee has been focused on providing comprehensive and relevant review sessions for the P2 class. In addition to supporting our peers via review sessions, we have also begun fostering relationships with the P2 class, creating an invaluable outlet for academic guidance and peer mentorship. Looking ahead to the Spring semester, we are eager to continue our efforts in assisting both the P1 and P2 classes, strengthening our role as a resource for their continued success in pharmacotherapy and beyond.



## Treasurer

As the treasurer, I am in charge of keeping an organization's finances on track. I handle things like budgeting, managing cash flow, and keeping accurate records of all money coming in and going out. I work closely with the leadership team, offering advice on financial decisions and preparing reports to keep everyone in the loop. I provide general financial information to the Executive board, so we all are aware of the organization's financial status.

# Student Council Representative

Karen's role as Student Council Representative consists of facilitating the communication between Rho Chi and the Pharmacy Student Council. Transferring information is vital in keeping the Pharmacy Calendar up to date and ensuring effective collaboration between organizations

# Social Chair

Olivia held a faculty brunch this semester. Typically this brunch only has one faculty member, but this year she wanted to do more with it. We had 5 faculty in attendance and almost all Rho Chi members! The brunch was held at Another Broken Egg Cafe on campus. The students and faculty both enjoyed this opportunity to connect with each other on a more personal level!



# Philanthropy Chair

This semester, Lizzy successfully organized a PharmCAS application workshop where pre-professional students were able to get feedback on their pharmacy school applications and ask questions about pharmacy school. Rho Chi was also able to help out the Pre-Pharmacy club with their mock interview workshop. It was a practice interview session to get the pre-professional students ready for their pharmacy school interview. For next semester, Rho Chi is doing a more formal interview event where the pre-professionals can dress up and practice their interview skills in an interview session one more time before their interviews.



# Historian

This semester as historian I worked to make the Rho Chi t-shirt for all the members, advertise the Silent Auction through social media and the first nighter, and introduce all the officers on our instagram. Next semester I hope to continue posting about our events and accomplishments on the instagram, as well as posting NAPLEX practice questions for pharmacy students of all grades to review their knowledge.



# Silent Auction

The Rho Chi Silent Auction occurred September 5th-6th. The proceeds from the Silent Auction and donations go directly to **two** Purdue University College of Pharmacy students. The selected recipients receive the Rho Chi Scholarship for exemplifying **leadership, service, and scholarship** which are the values of the Rho Chi Society.



Jaren and other students enjoy their Silent Auction event, MeatFest with Deans Barker and Watts.

Faculty donated 31 items for students to bid on. Events included a **Korean Culture Day** with Dr. Yeo and Dr. Park, a **Day of Pampering** with Dr, Erdman, Dr. Sheehan, Dr. Ott, and Dr. Weddle, and a **Geist Reservoir Boat Outing** with Dr. Weber and Dr. Hudmon.

The Silent Auction helped our chapter raise **\$1, 835** for the Rho Chi Scholarships!