

## The Rho Chi Society

## **Annual Chapter Report Outline**

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University of the Incarnate Word - Feik School of Pharmacy

Delta Eta, Gulf Coast Region (Region VI)

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### **Total Number of Rho Chi Members**: 19

#### Meetings:

Date	Attendance	Agenda	Action Steps
29 September 2017	All members	• Discuss goals and	• Informed members
(General Meeting)		expectations of	of upcoming events,
		members for the	fundraising
		upcoming year	opportunities, and
		• Provide tutoring	goals for the Delta
		details for members	Eta Chapter
		<ul> <li>Discuss upcoming</li> </ul>	
		community service,	
		including health fairs	
		<ul> <li>Discuss possible</li> </ul>	
		fundraising ideas for	
		Fall and Spring	
13 October 2017	All members	<ul> <li>Discuss upcoming</li> </ul>	• Informed members
(General Meeting)		community service,	of upcoming events,
		including health fairs	fundraising
		<ul> <li>Discuss possible</li> </ul>	opportunities, and
		fundraising ideas for	goals for the Delta
		Fall and Spring	Eta Chapter
20 November 2017	All members	<ul> <li>Discuss committee</li> </ul>	• Informed members
(General Meeting)		chair updates:	of the upcoming
		induction ceremony	induction ceremony
		planning, tutoring	and established
		goals and feedback,	volunteers
		community service	• Discussed
		events and potential	volunteering
		Spring fundraising	opportunities
		opportunities	• Emphasized renal,

24 January 2018 (General Meeting) 26 February 2018 (Inductee Meeting)	All members All members and Inductees	<ul> <li>Review events for Spring semester</li> <li>Review Fall fundraising success</li> <li>Discuss upcoming community service, including health fairs</li> <li>Discuss possible fundraising ideas for Spring</li> <li>Welcome and congratulate inductees</li> <li>Discuss organization information and details regarding their Induction Ceremony</li> <li>Discuss officer positions</li> </ul>	cardiology, and pulmonary modules for Spring tutoring and feedback from the students • Informed members of upcoming events, fundraising opportunities, and goals for the Delta Eta Chapter • Introduction of the organization to inductees • Delivered information regarding Induction Ceremony • Informed inductees
		positions	of officer elections and upcoming events
19 March 2018	All members and Inductees	<ul> <li>Officer elections</li> <li>Induction ceremony information for inductees</li> </ul>	• Election of officers to be inducted at induction ceremony

### **Strategic Planning**:

The Rho Chi Society at Feik School of Pharmacy established many goals at the beginning of the year to focus on teaching and assisting other students, along with giving back to the community whenever applicable. In order to fulfill these goals, we provided P2 students with tutoring services as they started their first therapeutic modules in school. Furthermore, we provided a scholarship to be given to a non-Rho Chi student who exemplified excellence within the practice of pharmacy and academic successes. Lastly, we reached out to the public to raise awareness about our profession and gave back in the form of community and professional service.

### Activities:

### a. Weekly Tutoring Services

The tutoring program is a continued initiative for the Delta Eta Chapter and an effective way to give back to our fellow classmates. Rho Chi volunteers provided tutoring to all P2 students two to four times weekly. Session goals were to have two members available for individual questions and test reviews for all classes. This program assisted many students at FSOP; it allowed the faculty to have a second outlet to reach the students and provided individualized learning on another level.

## b. Career Day at Martin Elementary School

Career day was an opportunity for our organization to inform and educate students about the thrilling world of pharmacy and the opportunities available to pharmacists. The event took place at Martin Elementary School, a local elementary school located on the westside of San Antonio. Dr. Cota, a FSOP faculty member and Rho Chi chapter advisor, headed the presentation and activity. The volunteers were only Rho Chi members and more than 100 children attended.

A presentation was assembled and delivered by Rho Chi members and activities, including compounding and counting exercises, were implemented with the children.

### c. Elf Louise Christmas Project

Rho Chi partnered with P1, P2, and P3 students from the UIW Feik School of Pharmacy to participate in San Antonio's local "Elf Louise Christmas Project", which has been organized each year since 1969 to help spread Christmas joy throughout San Antonio by providing Christmas gifts to some of the area's less fortunate children.

Once toys for all the little boys and girls were wrapped, about 15 of us students served as Santa's "wrap room checkers" and helped to pack and prep Santa's bags for delivery by ensuring every child within each family had something special to open on Christmas morning.

### d. Dr. Seuss Day/National Read Across America Day

Rho Chi volunteered with Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity members to attend Spicewood Park Elementary School's Dr. Seuss Day on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. National Read Across America Day is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on March 2<sup>nd</sup>—Dr. Seuss's birthday. Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together kids, teens, and books.

Around 10 people attended the event, where we all individually attended different classrooms and read different Dr. Seuss stories, along with other books, to kids throughout the day. We also participated in grading the different grades' Dr. Seuss themes that they had in each wing of their building.

### e. Middle School Immunization Clinics

Rho Chi partnered with other FSOP students, UIW nursing students and faculty, and Dr. Cynthia Nguyen, an FSOP faculty member and fellow Rho Chi member, to help to provide middle school

students immunizations required by the city of San Antonio to begin their next year of schooling in high school. Immunizations included HPV, Tdap, and meningitis vaccines, and were given at various middle schools in the San Antonio area.

### **Financial/ Budgeting**:

Our budget was determined and approved by our advisor Dr. Jason Cota. This was determined based on the chapter's largest expense, the induction ceremony. We also utilized past year's budgets to plan accordingly for other events including our annual Rho Chi Scholarship. There was only one major fundraiser for the organization, which was our Fall fundraiser that included selling Sigler Drug Cards. We sold all Sigler products, including Prescription and Nonprescription Drug Cards. This a continued initiative, and something incoming P1 students look forward to when informed about it via other students in upper classes. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, we were unable to hold a Spring fundraiser. However, we do have many ideas for the upcoming school year that is fast approaching.

#### **Initiation Function**:

The Delta Eta Chapter had their annual induction ceremony on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the newly constructed Student Engagement Center Ballroom on the main campus of the University of the Incarnate Word. In attendance included Dr. Jason Cota, Dr. Sushma Ramsinghani, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Russell Attridge, Dean Dr. David Maize, and Inductee guests.

#### **Evaluation/Reflection**:

The Delta Eta Chapter took large strides to further put into practice the mission of Rho Chi including, but not limited to, stimulating the intellectual mind and spirit of students and members of the society, promoting ethical ideals, and breeding a line of leaders and interprofessional development. We hope to have encouraged the implementation of a solid tutoring schedule and are looking forward to seeing the fruits of our labor for years to come. Our diversity and creativity regarding fundraisers not only provides ideas for upcoming members, but it also provided us with adequate funds to throw a representable and enjoyable induction ceremony. Additionally, we have made efforts to reach out to students at our school and to members of the community in an effort to educate, counsel, and comfort those in need. As the new officers and members of the Delta Eta Chapter assume their positions, we hope to have motivated them to give back to the students and become more involved within the community.



# Appendix

# **Chapter Activities Report**

[Delta Eta, UIW Feik School of Pharmacy] Activity Table								
Category of	Title of	Brief	How Does	Years the	If Activity has	How Many	How Many	Financial
Activity <sup>1</sup>	Activity	Description <sup>2</sup>	This Activity	Activity has	Been Ongoing for	Members	Students (non-	Information for the
			Align with the	Been Ongoing?	>1 Year, What	Participated	members)	Activity [Budget
			Rho Chi		<b>Evaluations Have</b>	in the	and/or Patients	Required,
			Mission		Been Done to	Activity?	were impacted	Fundraising
			Statement?		Assess the Success		by the	Amount]
					of the Activity and		Activity?	
					What			
					Improvements			
					Have Been Done			
					Over the Past			
					Year?			
		Tutoring to all	Encouragement		Extended the			
Intellectual	Weekly	P2 students 2-	in intellectual	5 Years	tutoring sessions to	10	1-100 (each	N/A
Leadership	Tutoring	4 times	achievement		include additional		tutoring session	
Activities	Services	weekly.			classes		varied	
(i.e., tutoring,							depending on	
sponsored							the number of	
lectures,							P2 students)	
poster								
sessions, etc.)								

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College of Pharmacy Events [non- academic, non-patient	Dr. Seuss Day/National Read Across America Day	Read various Dr. Seuss stories to Elementary school students.	Giving back to the community by contributing to the development of future	1 Year	N/A	3	> 100	N/A
outreach]			intellectual leaders					
	Elf Louise	Served as Santa's "wrap	Helping those in need in ways	2 Years	N/A	10	> 250	N/A
	Christmas	room	non-health care					
	Project	checkers" and helped to pack	related					
		and prep						
		Santa's bags						
		for delivery. Inform and	Raise		Added interactive			
	Career Day at	educate	awareness of	5 Years	component to the	2	> 100	N/A
	Martin	students about	the practice of		presentation to get			
	Elementary	professional	pharmacy		the children			
	School	opportunities			involved and leave			
		as a			them with a lasting			
		pharmacist.			memory.			

Patient Outreach Events/ Community Service	Middle School Immunization Clinics	Provided immunizations to middle school students in collaboration with other students, including nursing students.	Helped to provide healthcare to children in need while collaborating with other students	1 Year	N/A	2	> 30	N/A
Fundraising Events	Sigler Drug Cards	First fundraiser of the year at the Feik School of Pharmacy	To help fund the chapter's future activities and scholarship fund.	4 Years	N/A	19	N/A	~\$500