Idaho State University’s Phi Delta Chi – Alpha Zeta Chapter is a professional fraternity implemented at the College of Pharmacy. Our chapter participates in many community events throughout the year. Read further to see all the different events that Phi Delta Chi Alpha Zeta Chapter participates in.

Alpha Zeta Chapter has been quite involved with the College of Pharmacy here at Idaho State University. Homecoming, evenings with the professors, and Spaghetti Feed were great brotherhood events not just benefiting our chapter but also the Pharmacy School. This year the Spaghetti Feed, in accordance with Make-A-Wish, raised $18,000 and provided the funds for a local child with brain cancer to go on the trip of her dreams to Disney Land and help fund the College of Pharmacy student organizations throughout the year. Another philanthropy that we hope to make an annual event is The First Annual Potato Bake Sale which also helped raise funds for our charity St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital. Although the funds raised were only a couple hundred dollars every little bit helps.
Highway Clean-Up was a great time. Although, we only have 2 miles of highway to keep clean, it’s a bit chilly here in Idaho. So, to combat our weathered bodies, we all dressed up like marshmallows and had hot cocoa waiting for us when we got back. Hey, we toughed it out and made our highways look great!

Around Christmas it seems like there are many people in need of a little help, so Alpha Zeta Chapter helped by making it a brotherhood event to take on the Giving Tree.

The Giving Tree is what it sounds like, giving. We pick families off the local community Giving Tree charity here in Pocatello, Idaho and we provide a Christmas for their family. It’s a neat experience that we have made an annual event for the past 5 years, and for many more to come.

Wednesday Night’s with the Professors was an event thought up years ago to promote brotherhood and invite the professors out for a drink to help mature our relationships, and just let off built up steam. It’s never a bad thing to be in good grace with those controlling your grades, Am I right!? 😊
This year our annual Bear Lake Retreat in January was an amazing event. Not only did we initiate our newest members, but I think it was the best retreat to date. The brotherhood events were so relaxing and inviting and I truly feel like everyone left knowing each other so much better.

The cabin over looked the beautiful Idaho and Utah wilderness. I know I’m not the only one to say that we made great strides to reunite with one another and better our chapter.
One of the best events Alpha Zeta Chapter does is an event called **Bannock House**. Bannock House is a group home for children and teens that are essentially orphans, abandoned by their families. Alpha Zeta Chapter, bi-annually, fosters these children by coming into their home, cooking them a nice home cooked meal, playing board games, and outdoor activities, and making them feel like they are a part of something bigger. It’s a wonderful brotherhood that helps us with our character. Our chapter benefits immensely by this event and ultimately the Bannock House Kids get to see people who want to make a difference in the lives of others.
And as usual, our end of the year **Cording Ceremony** of our P4 members was quite a riot….Thank you to all who came and shared in the festivities! Congrats to all the newly graduated Pharmacists and members of Phi Delta Chi!!!

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**Señior Rita Pharmacia**...yes, this is spelled correctly! Although some may think this is crass, it’s a great way to get the whole school involved and lighten the mood at the College of Pharmacy. So, what is this event? To raise money for St. Judd’s Children’s Hospital, the members of Phi Delta Chi team up with volunteering professors. Votes are placed and money is brought in for each vote and the lucky winner gets to cross dress! Dr. Bhushan, Dr. Bigelow, Dr. Pettinger, Dr. Culberston, Dr. Downing, and Dr. Cashmore were the contenders…..this year our lucky winner was Dr. Tracy Pettinger….She made one killer Biker Dude!!
Last but not least, to help the Spaghetti Feed fundraiser, the Alpha Zeta chapter auctioned off 20 man hours. Dr. Cleveland, a professor for our College of Pharmacy, was the proud winner of these hours. His yard is immense, but the real treat is that it seems like it’s lined with every type of deciduous tree known to man. With lots and lots of raking, digging, and scooping, we manage to clean up the yard completing the 20 man hours in a few hours, and afterwards we all celebrated with pizza and beverages around the camp fire. What a fun event to end the year and start the amazing Idaho summer!

Phi Delta Chi Alpha Zeta chapter is in the process of re-building our chapter. With newly elected chapter delegates we have a positive outlook on this New Year to expand our chapter and bring it back to the basis of how and why Phi Delta Chi was founded. We are a philanthropic Fraternity that believes in helping our community and our Pharmacy School by raising money, volunteering, and by helping brothers with their studies.
Here are some pictures of many of the improvements that have been made on our prized fraternity house.

A big shout out goes to Brandon Griffith and his mom for all the work they've put in, as well as the other supporting brothers of PDX!
New brothers from Rush:
Dr. Alok Bhushan  (honorary)
Dr. James Lai     (honorary)
Jackie Livingston (class pres.)
Lynn Nielson
Diana Reynolds
Ashley Laurence
Pratik Sheth

This year's retreat/formal initiation at Bear Lake was a great success. Thanks to the brothers who came out to make it such a good time, including Alumni Josh Gehrke.

A very special thanks goes to Dr. Bhushan and Dr. Lai for their exquisite, hand cooked meals. Delish!

Cleveland Cleanup.

This year's Spaghetti Feed's PDX man-hours were again purchased by Cleveland.
Future events to look out for:

- Highway Clean-up
  - April 20th, 3-5pm
- Drinks with the Professors @ Goody's
  - Mondays at 5pm
- Potato-Dessert bake sale
- Yard sale/Hat sale (Proceeds for Grand Council)
- New Officer Elections
  - March 29th
- Cording ceremony/Graduation party
  - May 5th, 8pm. (340 S 5th Ave.)