

The Mnesicles Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi
Yearly Report
2018-2019

RECRUITMENT:

Our academic year got off to a great start thanks to our recruitment chair. She planned five events, three being informational meetings with food and games, one a backyard grill out, and the last being a craft night and snacks. Each event was either held in Rapson or in a member's house. Each event included a presentation about APX and snacks. After that, our recruitment chair served as the direct contact for the new pledges while they were going through the process of becoming a member if they had any questions.

PROFESSIONAL:

This year, one of the main goals of the professional committee was to engage a variety of design majors in creative design exercises that would both help build our interdisciplinary design within the fraternity, and also help each other build relevant professional skills. Drawing on the talent of our own members, the committee hosted a variety of internal events; they hosted 2 peer portfolio review sessions, a business card making event, informational presentation by professional committee members, various design challenges, as well as informational interviews conducted individually by each member of the chapter. This semester, the committee is hoping to get members immersed in the professional world. For the rest of the semester, the committee has 2 firm tours scheduled, as well as a design challenge with our faculty advisor and practicing designer.

PHILANTHROPY:

Last semester, the philanthropy committee organized a blanket making event with a service fraternity on campus called Alpha Chi Omega. The blankets we made with them were donated to the Children's Hospital. The committee again paired with Alpha Chi Omega to lead boy scouts badge sessions. During this session, members of APX taught boy scouts subjects such as Architecture and Graphic Design over the span of 4 hours. Additionally, the committee collected arts supplies and donated them to local school children. So far this semester, the committee has been planning another blanket making event. They are also researching opportunities to pair with Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

BROTHERHOOD:

Last semester, the brotherhood committee hosted casual, fun events, such as a bonfire, a trip to an apple orchard, a movie night, pumpkin painting, and a white elephant event before everybody went home for the holidays. This semester, they've planned a bowling event and are in the midst of planning our White Rose formal. Later in the semester, they plan to organize a sledding and kickboxing event.

FUNDRAISING:

Last semester, the fundraising committee set-up multiple restaurant fundraisers at local restaurants such as Chipotle and Blaze Pizza. They also organized a Valleyfair fundraiser, which has raised the most funds so far. This semester, the committee is trying to think of new ways to fundraise. They are planning a coffee/snack fundraiser in McNeal Hall. They are also thinking of raising funds through teaching graphic design classes to marketing students. More restaurant fundraisers at Blaze and Panera are occurring this semester as well.