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2018 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

After much deliberation on the part of the Pi Gamma Mu Awards Committee, the committee's chairperson, Dr. Clara Small, recommended 12 students and 4 alternates to receive Pi Gamma Mu Scholarships to the Board of Trustees. Two of the top twelve applicants declined their awards so the first two alternates were provided scholarships in their place. The Board of Trustees awarded the scholarships to the following lifetime members of Pi Gamma Mu:



Steven J. Casement was awarded the \$2,000 Carroll Parish Scholarship. The International Board of Trustees funded the Carroll Parish Scholarship to memorialize Carroll Parish, the late chancellor of Pi Gamma Mu's Western Region. Casement earned a B.A. degree in History from Le Moyne College, where he joined the New York Sigma Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu in 2016. Casement is currently attending graduate school at Pennsylvania State University, studying in the Department of History with a focus in Early Modern History. Casement has interned for the Le Moyne College Archives, published his research paper "Southern Slavery and Antebellum Law: Modifications Suited to the State and Master Class" and has traveled abroad to Germany, among many other achievements during his time as an undergraduate student. Upon completion of his graduate education, Casement plans to become a University Professor. Dr. Jeffrey Chin is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the New York Sigma Chapter.

Michelle Critchfield was selected to receive the Effie B. Urquhart Scholarship of \$2,000. The Effie B. Urquhart Scholarship is funded by the Board of Trustees to memorialize Effie B. Urquhart, Pi Gamma Mu's late national executive secretary. Critchfield was a double major in Psychology and History and graduated with a B.A. from Baker University. In the fall of 2015, Critchfield traveled abroad to Grantham, England, where she took the opportunity to advance her research on identity structures between the British Isles and France. Critchfield joined the Kansas Eta Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu at Baker University in 2016. She is currently a traveling chapter consultant for Alpha Chi Omega Fraternity, Inc. Her future career goals include serving as an educator in the field of history. Dr. Tim Buzzell is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Kansas Eta Chapter. Critchfield was selected by the Board of Trustees to receive the Effie B. Urquhart Scholarship but regretfully declined the scholarship. Another applicant was selected to receive a scholarship.





Jelena Jevtic was selected to receive the Gordon Mercer Scholarship of \$1,000. The International Board of Trustees established this scholarship to honor Dr. Gordon E. Mercer, Pi Gamma Mu's 13th International President. Jevtic is an international student from Serbia, a fact which has prompted her to seek a career in International Affairs. Jevtic graduated from Bluefield State College with a B.A. in Social Sciences and a concentration in Political Science. Jevtic was initiated into the West Virginia Theta Chapter at Bluefield State College in 2016, where she served as chapter president from 2016-2017. Dr. Amanda Matoushek is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the West Virginia Theta Chapter. Jevtic was selected by the Board of Trustees to receive the Gordon Mercer Scholarship but regretfully declined the scholarship. Another applicant was selected to receive a scholarship.



The recipient of the Marvel Stockwell Scholarship of \$2,000 is Paola Montalvo Ayala. The International Board of Trustees funded this scholarship to memorialize Marvel Stockwell, late Pi Gamma Mu international first vice president. Ayala joined Pi Gamma Mu in 2016 through the Georgia Lambda Chapter at Georgia State University, where she served as chapter president. Ayala also represented the Georgia Lambda Chapter when she presented her social science research at Pi Gamma Mu's International Triennial Convention in 2017. Ayala graduated in 2018 with a Bachelor's in Social Work and a minor in Planning and Economics Development. Ayala is currently working toward a Master's in Social Work at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in Saint Louis. Her graduate work, along with the help of Pi Gamma Mu, will help further Ayala's career goal of engaging in direct practice and advocacy to alleviate the plight of individuals experiencing homelessness in the United States. Dr. Glenwood Ross is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Georgia Lambda Chapter.

Jessia J. Rundell received the Dan Quigley Scholarship of \$1,000. The International Board of Trustees funded this scholarship to memorialize Atty. Dan Quigley, Pi Gamma Mu's late legal counsel. This scholarship is awarded specifically to students in their first year of law school. Rundell is currently pursuing a Juris Doctorate at Northeastern University, preparing for a career in Public Health Law. Rundell graduated from Le Moyne College with a B.A. in political science. Graduating as a member of the Integral Honors Program, Rundell received the highest degree offered at Le Moyne College. The New York Sigma Chapter at Le Moyne College is where Rundell joined Pi Gamma Mu in 2015. In the summer of 2017, Rundell served as a Tutor-Counselor for the HEOP-AHANA Program at Le Moyne College, working with thirty young minority students, an experience which allowed her to face many of the problems associated with gender inequality. With her continuing education, Rundell hopes to address these issues in an active way. Dr. Jeffrey Chin is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the New York Sigma Chapter.



The following were awarded \$1,000 Pi Gamma Mu Scholarships:



Diane Doodnauth was inducted into Pi Gamma Mu in 2014 through the Connecticut Beta chapter at the University of Bridgeport. Doodnauth received a B.A. from the University of Bridgeport with a double major in International Political Economy & Diplomacy and Religion & Politics with a minor in Modern Language. During her undergraduate education at the University of Bridgeport, Doodnauth spent four weeks in Hanyang University pursuing her Study Abroad in Korea. Doodnauth also served as a national service volunteer working at the MYo AmeriCorps RYASAP, in Bridgeport CT. Doodnauth is currently pursuing a Master of Arts in Global Development at Bridgeport University, an effort which she hopes will aid her in joining international organizations such as Human Rights Watch, or Amnesty, in order to aid in stopping human rights violations and the unfair treatment of women in developing countries. Dr. Beth Skott is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Connecticut Beta Chapter.

Troy Fort is a member of the Kansas Alpha Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu at Southwestern College. Fort graduated from Southwestern College with a B.A. in Psychology and minors in Biology and Criminal Justice. Joining Pi Gamma Mu in 2016, Fort served as both the President and Treasurer of the Kansas Alpha Chapter while at Southwestern College. With a strong focus on psychological research in his undergraduate career, Fort interned in a Laboratory of Emotion and Psychophysiology at Oklahoma State University, and also conducted research for his senior thesis titled "Drinks Like a Fish: A New Perspective of the Effects of Ethanol on Associative Learning in Zebrafish." Fort's senior thesis sought to investigate how and to what extent ethanol disrupts the learning ability of zebrafish. Fort is currently enrolled in the Psychology Ph.D. program at Kansas State University, with an emphasis in behavioral neuroscience. Dr. Cheryl Rude is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Kansas Alpha Chapter.





Megan Gilliam was initiated into Pi Gamma Mu in 2017 at the Indiana Epsilon Chapter at Valparaiso University. Gilliam graduated from Valparaiso University with a B.A. and a double major in Sociology/Criminal Justice and English. During the spring semester of 2017, Gilliam served as a Pretrial and Probation Intern, an experience that led to a career goal of becoming a federal probation officer. In addition to interning with U.S. Probation, Gilliam also was a United States Marshals Intern and was a fellow for Valparaiso University's highly competitive Calling and Purpose in Society (CAPS) Program. Currently Gilliam is a Masters student in the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University. Gilliam's graduate work, along with the help of Pi Gamma Mu, will help further her drive to maintain public safety, provide resources to disenfranchised individuals, and ultimately reduce recidivism rates. Professor Niru Devaraj is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Indiana Epsilon Chapter.

Joining in 2017, **Rebecca Kopper** is a member of the Kansas Theta Chapter at Newman University. Kopper graduated from Newman University with a B.S. in Psychology. In the spring of 2017 Kopper began work in mental health at Prairie View Inc. It was this experience that allowed her the opportunity to work with those struggling with depression, bipolar disorder, and other mental health diagnoses and has reassured her desire to become a clinical psychologist. As a practicing clinical psychologist, Kopper hopes to incorporate her passion for the justice system by providing services to members of law enforcement, first responders, and crime victims. Kopper also has career goals of developing proactive measures for police agencies to utilize in preventing PTSD and other effects. Kopper is currently pursuing the Doctor of Psychology in Clinical Psychology at Adler University. Dr. Larry Heck is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Kansas Theta Chapter.





Stuart Marshall joined Pi Gamma Mu in 2015 through the North Carolina Nu Chapter at St. Andrews University. Marshall graduated from St. Andrews University with a B.A. in Social Science with a concentration in History. As an undergraduate, Marshall conducted research on topics such as antebellum Southern history, Southeastern American Indian history, US military history, antebellum slavery, and various aspects of American culture and politics, however it was through work on his honors thesis, "The Legacy of Junaluska: Reexamining the North Carolina Cherokee in the Civil War" that compelled Marshall to continue his research with graduate studies. Marshall has also had experience in archival work, collections management, exhibit design and construction, historic site interpretation, and archaeology. Marshall is currently in his second year of graduate school at the University of North Carolina- Greensboro. After his graduate education, Marshall has career goals of conducting research, writing, and teaching in the field of History. Dr. David Herr is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the North Carolina Nu Chapter.

Christopher Rogers was inducted in 2017 into the Texas Zeta Chapter at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. Rogers graduated from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor with a B.A. in Psychology. In his undergraduate career, Rogers volunteered for the Belton Juvenile Services Program. This is where he found a passion for mentoring high-risk high school students and helping them reach academic goals. After graduate school in counseling psychology, Rogers has a career goal of owning his own private practice and counseling adults, teenagers, and youth of all ethnicities. He hopes to impact the lives of those around him and aid with any problems an individual may be going through personally, whether that is family-related, physically, spiritually, mentally, or in the work environment. Rogers currently attends graduate school at Western Michigan University. Dr. Janet Adamski is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Texas Zeta Chapter.





Initiated to Pi Gamma Mu in 2016, **Nicole Tanana** is a member of the Pennsylvania Alpha Eta Chapter at Marywood University. Tanana graduated from Marywood University with a B.A. and double major in History & Political Science (Pre-Law) and Applied Philosophy, with a minor in Business. Some of Tanana's undergraduate experiences include interning for the Honorable Margaret Bisignani Moyle of Lackawanna County Court of Common Pleas, interning for Munley Law, and interning for Congressman Matt Cartwright. At an early age, Tanana wanted to attend law school and it was through a personal experience that Tanana found her passion for estate law. As a current third-semester law student at Drexel University Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Tanana is beginning pro bono work at an estate planning clinic. In this clinic, Tanana interviews clients from underserved communities and draft wills, powers of attorney, and living wills. Dr. Adam Shprintzen is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Pennsylvania Alpha Eta Chapter.

Jerlecia Thompson was initiated into Pi Gamma Mu at the Kansas Alpha Chapter at Southwestern College in 2016, where she served as Vice-President of the chapter. Thompson graduated from Southwestern College with a B.A. in Psychology and a minor in Business Administration. Serving an internship at Camp Ramapo in 2017, Thompson gained valuable experience in working with children who face obstacles to learning including children with special needs. At Camp Ramapo Thompson helped young people learn to align their behaviors with their aspirations. This experience at Camp Ramapo fostered Thompson's passion for working with children, mental health, and human psychology. Currently Thompson is pursuing an Education Specialist degree in School Psychology at Oklahoma State University. With her graduate education Thompson hopes to one day have the ability to make a positive impact on children who have diverse social, emotional, and behavioral characteristics and backgrounds. Dr. Cheryl Rude is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the Kansas Alpha Chapter.





Veronica Ung-Kono joined Pi Gamma Mu in 2016 through the New York Sigma Chapter at Le Moyne College. Ung-Kono graduated from Le Moyne College with a B.A. and double major in Communications and Political Science (International Relations). While an undergraduate, Ung-Kono founded the *Odyssey* at Le Moyne College, a journal focused on political engagement and social justice. She also worked as a lobbyist for Capitol Hill Days and served as a communication and political affairs intern for The Borgen Project. Ung-Kono is currently pursuing a joint degree program for a Juris Doctorate and Masters in Environmental Law and Policy at Vermont Law School. Ung-Kono is preparing for a career in environmental law and policy. She seeks to create change in the numerous areas that have affected her in her personal life including women's reproductive rights, immigration, climate change, and

international poverty. Dr. Jeffrey Chin is the Faculty Chapter Sponsor of the New York Sigma Chapter.

HONOR STOLES NOW AVAILABLE

For the first time in Pi Gamma Mu history, the Society is offering Pi Gamma Mu stoles for sale via our website! https://pigammamu.org/store.html



Pi Gamma Mu stole. Show off your affiliation with Pi Gamma Mu during commencement by wearing this custom stole. This white satin graduation stole is 76 inches in total length and has royal blue embroidery. On the left side are the Greek Letters and Society name and on the right is the Society's key. *Only members of Pi Gamma Mu may wear this graduation regalia*. **\$24**.

Buy a Pi Gamma Mu stole and honor cords and save \$5!

10 or more: \$21 each (chapter sponsors only)

NEBRASKA DELTA CHAPTER VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE A BIG SUCCESS

The Nebraska Delta chapter of Pi Gamma Mu based at Wayne State College in northeast Nebraska held a campus voter registration drive on October 3-4. In concert with the Political Science Club and Gamma Theta Upsilon (the international honor society in geography), teams of students assisted other students to register for the November elections. Wayne County Clerk Deb Finn was on hand to help students with voter registration forms and absentee ballots. Approximately 150 students were assisted during the two-day drive held on campus outside the Student Center cafeteria during lunchtime. This was the third consecutive biennial voter registration drive coordinated on the Wayne State campus by Pi Gamma Mu. The chapter faculty sponsors are Dr. Randy Bertolas and Dr. Jean Karlen.



Photo (left-right) Pi Gamma Mu chapter president Grant Mathis, Wayne County Clerk Deb Finn, Gamma Theta Upsilon member Mason Vrbka, and a Wayne State student registering to vote.

MICHAEL K. SHAFFER, LIFETIME MEMBER OF THE WEST VIRGINIA IOTA CHAPTER, AUTHORS NEW BOOK ON THE U.S. CIVIL WAR

Michael K. Shaffer, an honors graduate of the American Military University, with BA and MA degrees in Military History, remains a member of the Pi Gamma Mu National Honor Society, and the Golden Key National Honour Society. In early 2011, he moved to Kennesaw, Georgia, from Virginia, to take a job at Kennesaw State University as a lecturer and assistant director of the Civil War Center. After three years, he decided to semi-retire, creating more time for projects such as his newest book, just released from the University of Tennessee Press, as part of their 'Voices of the Civil War Series.'

In Memory of Self and Comrades: Thomas Wallace Colley's Recollections of Civil War Service in the 1st Virginia Cavalry, offers a fascinating account of a soldier who served in one of the most active and famous units in the American Civil War, the 1st Virginia Cavalry. In May 1861, along with the other members of the Washington Mounted Rifles, Colley left his home in Washington County, Virginia, and reported to camp in Richmond. During the war, he received wounds on three different occasions: first at Waterloo Bridge in 1862, again at Kelly's Ford in 1863, and finally at Haw's Shop in 1864. The wound received at Haw's Shop resulted in the amputation of his left foot, thereby ending his wartime service.

His reminiscences cover not only his military experiences but postwar life as well. Living

through reconstruction, while trying to provide for a family quickly increasing in size, presented various problems for a veteran missing a foot. The vivid accounts of his work as deputy-sheriff, as superintendent of the Poor House, and the financial need to move his entire family to South Carolina to gain employment, offer a rare insight into this period of our history. Colley's struggled with what we today refer to as PTSD, which provided continual challenges. Only through his joining the church, a deepening faith, and supportive family did he overcome all obstacles encountered.

Shaffer continues to teach American Civil War courses at KSU's College of Continuing and Professional Education and speaks to groups across the country on various topics from the war. On one such occasion, while speaking at a church in Virginia, one celebrating their 150th anniversary in July 2016, he met a Colley descendant, who provided him with the soldier's journals, and asked Shaffer if he might have an interest in getting the work published. According to Shaffer, "after almost falling over in the church parking lot upon seeing multiple journals emerge from the descendant's car," he responded in the affirmative, and a journey lasting over two years began.

One can order the book from any online bookseller, get a copy from the University of Tennessee Press, or purchase one direct from Shaffer during one of several book signing events. Learn more about these local events on his website: http://www.civilwarhistorian.net/upcoming-events.html



GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY AFFILIATES PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS CONFERENCE

Several participants affiliated with Grambling State University and their supporting organization (Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society), along with the Faith Community, attended the 8th National Civil Rights Conference which was held in Meridian, Mississippi, June 17-19, 2018. Founded in 2011 by Dr. Keith Parker, professor of sociology and criminal justice at Florida A&M, the conference theme was "Rise, Advocate, Educate and Cooperate: Making a Way Out of No Way".

The conference activities included worships, artistic productions, and sessions and tours for adults and youths focusing on civil rights, social justice, and human dignity. One of the highlights of the conference was the presentation of the annual Civil Rights and Social Justice Awards, presented to Dr. Frances Staten, sociology professor at Grambling State University, along with recipients Pamela D.C. Junior, Mississippi Civil Rights Museum director, Mississippi Department of Archives and History; Dr. Willie J. Greer Kimmons of Daytona Beach, Florida; Grand Master Maurice F. Lucas of Cleveland, Mississippi; Henry 'Hank' Sanders of Selma Alabama; and Faya Rose Toure'of Selma, Alabama. The presentation was held in connection with the commemorative service honoring three slain Civil Rights workers (James Earl Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner) at the-historic Mt Zion United Methodist Church in Philadelphia, Mississippi. For two and one-half days the participants engaged in a broad range of learning experiences which generated considerable intellectual dialogue and debate as well as opportunities to strengthen networks and forge new ones. The conference ended with an enriching and educational tour of the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum in Jackson, Mississippi.

Participants from the Grambling academic community/Alumni included: Dr. Frances Staten, Dr. Lemmy Akoma, Professor Evelyn Jenkins, and Ms. Linda Logan (Staff); Janice Tucker, Kristy Stringfellow, and Tymeeka Carter (Graduate/Undergraduate Student) Presenters); and Raymon Matthew, Alice Leonce Stevens, and Dr. Lamar Shields (Social Research Club Alunni). Representing the faith community and community empowerment organizations were: Valena Lane (New Rocky Valley Baptist Church/ and the Community Coordinating Council, Inc.); the The BEAPers of Orange Hill Baptist Church of (Rayville); Madison Kennedy, Jakobe Holland, Aaliyah Holland, Wil'Lashia Cherry, Jer'Myana Staten, and Henrietta Williams (Holly Grove Baptist Church- Mangham); Synya Travis (Mt Pleasant Baptist Church - Baton Rouge); and Joshalyn Harrison (Colfax). Accompanied the BEAPers were their Mentors, Ella Rayford, Helen Travis, Lottie S. Richards, Viola Horne, and Alfred Rayford, II. The BEAPers are affiliated with the Community Service Program of Louisiana Eta Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society, known as the Black Empowerment Apprenticeship Program (BEAP).

REFLECTIONS FROM THE 2018 NATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS CONFERENCE



L-R Standing in front of a Memorial Monument paying tribute to the three slain civil rights workers, Chaney, Goodman, and Schwerner at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Philadelphia, MS.



L-R Recipients (4) of the Social Justice Award

Dr. Frances Staten, Dr. Willie J. Greer Kimmons, Pamela D.C. Junior, not shown; Maurice F. Lucas, Henry Sanders, Faya Rose Toure' and Elder Ada

L. Clay – Program Moderator



L-R Keith Parker, x, Dr. Frances Staten, Recipient of Social Justice Award.



Photo shot from the Historical Mt. Zion United Methodist Church – 54th Anniversary Commemorative Service for James Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner.



Pictured at the Civil Rights Museum in Mississippi. Sitting, L-R. Dr. Frances Staten, Dr. Idleburg, Mrs. Ella Rayford. Standing, L-R. Mrs. Valena Lane, Mrs. Evelyn Jenkins and Mrs. Helen Travis.



L-R Mrs. Ella Rayford, xx, Hadiya Shields, Dr. Lamar Shields, Mrs. Valena Lane, Dr. Frances Staten, Mrs. Lottie S. Richard and Mrs. Henrietta Williams.

PI GAMMA MU ALUMNI COUNCIL UPDATE

The Pi Gamma Mu Alumni Council would like to welcome all Pi Gamma Mu alumni and new lifetime members to the 2018-2019 academic year. The Council has been active for many years. Its purpose is to help Pi Gamma Mu alumni to be represented Pi Gamma Mu activities and the triennial convention. The Council organizes forums and discussions for alumni at PGM conventions so that we can learn how we can better serve alumni. More alumni are attending each convention and many are presenting research papers.

The Council also plays a role in selecting an alumni member for our Outstanding Alumni Award which is awarded at the triennial convention. We encourage chapters to submit nominations for the award which will be presenting during the upcoming triennial convention in Washington D. C. in November 2020. When selecting the recipient for the award, career success and contributions are considered in addition to service to Pi Gamma Mu.

Pi Gamma Mu continues to strengthen its ability to communicate with alumni members. Its current email Listserv includes life-long members from the "Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society Members Today" published in 2011 with new alumni being added each year. Increasingly we are getting more career updates from alumni for our newsletter. Please send your updates to our Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter Editor and Executive Director, Dr. Suzanne Rupp.

Co-Chairs of the Pi Gamma Mu Alumni Council are Nilda Pyronneau, a past student representative on our Governing Board and Gordon Mercer, past Pi Gamma Mu President. We welcome your ideas as we try to strengthen alumni participation in our activities.

NATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT

The 2018-2019 academic year marks the third consecutive year that chapters throughout Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in the Social Sciences have come together to participate in a Pi Gamma Mu-wide service project to serve their respective communities. Starting November 1 and running through January 31, participating chapters will collect donations for a local charity in support of the homeless. Please contact a shelter of your choice, ask them what they need and put together a donation box to help them through the winter months. Donations may include, but are not limited to: toilet paper, baby wipes, coats, gloves, hats, scarves, pillows, blankets, and non-perishable canned foods. Once you have participated, please fill out the following form: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XW7YDYV Participating chapters will be featured in an upcoming article. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our point of contact for this service project: Allison G. S. Knox, Chancellor of the Southeast Region: Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com.



VOLUME 94, ISSUE 2 (2018) OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE REVIEW IS NOW LIVE!

We are thrilled to announce that another issue of the *International Social Science Review (ISSR)* is now live. The *ISSR* is the peer-reviewed professional journal of Pi Gamma Mu. The journal is now accessible to everyone - no subscription required. Explore the journal online at https://digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr/ or type "International Social Science Review into any search engine.

You can submit articles to be considered for publication via the site or by emailing the article to the journal's editor, Dr. Candice Quinn at quinn.issr@gmail.com.

Enjoy!



CHAPTER NEWS

Chapters News in this issue comes from the Louisiana Eta Chapter at Grambling State University and the Nebraska Delta Chapter at Wayne State College.





The Louisiana Eta Chapter at Grambling State University participated in an Adopt-A-Tree event and held a wonderful induction ceremony for fall 2017 and spring 2018 members. Dr. Frances Staten is the faculty sponsor of the chapter.







The Louisiana Eta Chapter at Grambling State University participated in the Association for Social and Behavioral Scientists (ASBS) Conference in the Spring of 2018. Annually, scholars from Historically Black Colleges and Universities host the conference as a forum to continue the work of the ASBS. The theme of the 83rd Conference was Promoting Social Change through Building Resilience. The conference was held in Nashville, TN on March 7-10, 2018. Dr. Frances Staten is the faculty sponsor of the chapter.













The Nebraska Delta Chapter at Wayne State College held its annual service event to recycle books back into the reading community. Chapter members' donated baked goods were scrumptious, the dedicated Sales Table workers were super helpful, and the assistance provided during set-up and clean-up was deeply appreciated by chapter leadership. Special recognition goes to Anna Steinman who worked three shifts at the Sales Table and then moved furniture back into the Connell lobby! In total, the net profit from this year's sale was \$394, up slightly from last year. All monies from this event go toward supporting Pi Gamma Mu campus activities at Wayne State College and civic engagement throughout the year. The chapter faculty sponsors are Dr. Randy Bertolas and Dr. Jean Karlen.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

2018-19 is off to a great start at Pi Gamma Mu and we wish to thank our Chapter Faculty Sponsors for their volunteerism and support.

In 2017-18 chapters inducted 3,121 new lifetime members bringing the total membership of Pi Gamma Mu to 271,986 as of August 31, 2018. We saw many chapters celebrating more top social science students than ever before by inducting them to membership. Thirty-nine chapters became 2017-18 Star Chapters by increasing their memberships by 20% or more over the previous academic year. Congratulations, Star Chapters! It is the lifetime membership fees collected by Chapter Faculty Sponsors that allows Pi Gamma Mu to provide services to its members such as scholarships, a professional journal, conventions, and more. The fees also allow the Society to maintain fiscal stability and prepare for a strong future. We thank the Chapter Faculty Sponsors for this important work!

We hope that you will strive to make both your chapter and Pi Gamma Mu as a whole stronger by inviting all eligible students to join. Remember that students may now qualify as second-semester sophomores and that Pi Gamma Mu is interdisciplinary in nature. We encourage your chapter to include all eligible disciplines: history, political science, sociology, anthropology, economics, international relations, criminal justice, social work, psychology, social philosophy, history of education, human geography, and human services, as well as related interdisciplinary programs anchored in the Social Sciences, particularly those that focus on race, ethnicity, gender, the environment, human services, and regional studies. In addition to undergraduate members, don't forget to invite eligible graduate students, faculty, and professional staff.

Please contact our office if you any assistance with your chapter's membership drive or any other matter.

Thank you!

UPDATED CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE

Following a lengthy development and review process that spanned several years, Pi Gamma Mu adopted an updated Constitution and Bylaws at its 2017 Triennial International Convention in Kansas City, Missouri in November, 2017. Several face-to-face meetings of the Board of Trustees and dozens of telephone meetings resulted in the new documents that will help guide the Society into the future. Chapters voted to approve the changes by returning ballots they received in the mail.

Review the Constitution and Bylaws on our website.

http://pigammamu.org/constitution.html http://pigammamu.org/bylaws.html

SUPPORT THE SOCIAL SCIENCES BY DONATING TO PI GAMMA MU

Pi Gamma Mu is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation and is able to accept tax-deductible donations. If you would like to make a donation to our organization in honor / memory of a professor, sponsor, loved one or friend, or to support our scholarship program, you are encouraged to do so. Pi Gamma Mu gives scholarships to students going into a graduate program in social science each year, and much more.

To make a donation, simply go to our website and click on the Donate Now! button from any page. This will take you to the Online Donation Form. Online payment is by major credit card or PayPal account. Transactions are handled securely at the payment processor site. Pi Gamma Mu does not receive your sensitive financial data.

If you prefer to mail your donation, please complete the donation coupon below and mail it with a check payable to Pi Gamma Mu, at the following address: Pi Gamma Mu, 1001 Millington St., Suite B, Winfield, KS 67156.

CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS

Pi Gamma Mu communicates with its lifetime members via email. Anytime your email address changes, such as after graduation or when you change jobs, please notify the Pi Gamma Mu office immediately. This will prevent your emails from being interrupted or discontinued. Simply email your new email address to executivedirector@pigammamu.org or go to our Web site (www.pigammamu.org) to change your address information. We will need both your old email address and your new email address to update our records. Thank you very much for taking a few minutes to keep your information current.

ACHS MEMBERSHIP PROTECTS THE LEGITIMACY OF HONOR SOCIETIES

Pi Gamma Mu is one of 69 members of the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS), which is the authority on standards and definitions for the honor society movement. ACHS has stepped up efforts to alert the higher education community to the standards of traditional honor societies. In contrast, some new so-called honor societies exist online and allow self-nomination, accepting fees with no questions asked. If in doubt about an organization, you can check out the ACHS website (www.achsnatl.org) for the list of honor societies that are members.



MISSION OF PI GAMMA MU

The Mission of Pi Gamma Mu is to encourage and promote excellence in the social sciences and to uphold the ideals of scholarship and service.

IDEALS OF PI GAMMA MU

There are seven ideals of Pi Gamma Mu. Do you know them?

- 1. **Scholarship** it is basic to all the rest. With knowledge, we can build society and better understand humanity and what has been thought and said and tried in all generations.
- 2. **Science** we need and admire the spirit of science the firm belief that the problems that confront humanity can be solved if we will search out the facts and think clearly on the basis of those facts.
- 3. **Social Science** we shall never understand or solve the problems of human association until we examine the souls of people, the passions, prejudices, hopes and fears.
- 4. **Social Idealism** we believe in a human society fit for human life that humans themselves can build. "Where there is no vision the people perish." We will not give up our vision.
- 5. **Sociability** specialization makes us narrow. Our social problems are complex. They will never be solved without the cooperation of all the social sciences and of those who study them.
- 6. **Social Service** the primary purpose of science is to know and to enable us to do. What we know we want to put to work for the benefit of humanity.
- 7. Sacrifice we are engaged in the greatest and finest of all the arts, the building of human society. Without giving freely, fully, and sacrificially of means, time, talent, energy and passion, all our other ideals will fall short and the contributions we hope to bring will never come.

SYMBOLS OF PI GAMMA MU

The motto of the Society is the epigram of the Master Teacher, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

The society's **key** has a wreath at the bottom to suggest that social science is the outgrowth and fulfillment of natural science. The running figure is reminiscent of the ancient Greek torch race and symbolizes humanity bringing knowledge to the solution of its own problems and passing on the light from generation to generation.

The colors are blue and white - for truth and light.

The official **flower** is the blue and white cineraria.