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PI GAMMA MU 2021 VIRTUAL TRIENNIAL CONVENTION

Social Scientists: Leading the Way

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Plan to attend the 2021 Pi Gamma Mu Triennial International Convention! This event will be a fully online, virtual experience this November 3-6, 2021. Registration is required and only Pi Gamma Mu members may attend. Events will include:

- Student Research Paper Presentations
- Student and Chapter Poster Presentations
- Leadership Development Program
- Keynote Speaker
- Roundtable Discussions
- Student Elections to the Board of Trustees
- Networking Opportunities
- and more!

It's that time again for the Pi Gamma Mu Triennial International Honor Society Convention. This year promises to be exciting, affordable and safe. It is the first virtual convention attempted by the organization, but one that is sure to please everyone during this COVID period. Students in chapters of this organization have waited for this convention to have the opportunity to present papers and posters, hear notable speakers, and meet other honor students from colleges and universities nationwide. With the continuing issues with the COVID pandemic, and decreasing revenue available for student travel, this year’s virtual convention will be a crowd pleaser. Dr. Suzanne Rupp, Executive Director of the organization is enthusiastic about the shift to a virtual convention. "The board of trustees is excited to be offering an up to date format for the convention so that more chapters can participate. Having a virtual convention is very affordable for the students, and we expect that more chapters will be able to attend". The virtual event will be offered from Wednesday, November 3rd through Saturday, November 6th. Webinars and Zoom sessions will highlight speakers in our Leadership Development Program and awards will be given to honor students and chapters who have excelled in academics and service to their communities.

At this year’s convention we will recognize historical and current Pi Gamma Mu members who have demonstrated excellence in their field. We are proud to bring impressive speakers to our conventions for students and faculty. Pi Gamma Mu has an illustrious history of members who include such famous leaders as Admiral Richard E. Byrd and President Lyndon B. Johnson. One such member is Judith Rodin who has been selected to receive our Distinguished Alumni Award at this year’s 2021 Pi Gamma Mu Virtual Convention. Dr. Rodin, a Pi Gamma Mu member since her undergraduate days at the University of Pennsylvania, has been recognized by Forbes Magazine as one of the world’s most powerful and influential women. Over her 22 years at Yale University, she held various professional and academic positions as Associate Professor, Chair of the Department of Psychology, Dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, and Provost of the university. Rodin was appointed president of the University of Pennsylvania in 1994 and became the first female president of an Ivy League institution and the first graduate of the university to take on its highest leadership role.[ From 2005 to 2017 she served as President of the Rockefeller Foundation and in her philanthropic role authored, “The Resilience Dividend,” which has become a strategic guide for leaders around the world.

United States Senator Chuck Grassley (IA) will also join us for a keynote message to the Convention participants. Senator Grassley completed his Political Science undergraduate degree from the University of Northern Iowa and is a lifetime member of Pi Gamma Mu. He has been instrumental in American policymaking as an American politician.

Other speakers include Congresswoman Diane DeGette, a U.S. Representative serving Colorado’s 1st Congressional District who has been a leading proponent and expert on cutting-edge scientific research, including the use of human embryonic stem cells. She has been instrumental in expanding the State Children’s Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), a program of health insurance for low-income children and assisted President Obama in drafting the Affordable Care Act. DeGette is best known for advocating the 21st Century Cures Act, which has modernized research in the nation’s medical system.

United States Senator Chuck Grassley (Iowa) will also join us for a keynote message to the Convention participants. Senator Grassley completed his Political Science undergraduate degree from the University of Northern Iowa and is a lifetime member of Pi Gamma Mu. He has been instrumental in American policymaking as an American politician.

Another feature of the Convention is the popular Leadership Development Program, a series started at the last convention in Kansas City, MO. which focuses on numerous concepts in leadership. Lectures include discussions about leadership in academia, leadership in special circumstances, and leadership in nonprofit organizations. The program also offers a series of workshops helping students to better understand their own leadership skills, the characteristics of strong and weak leadership, and the importance of team collaboration. Students who attend all of the workshops, lectures, and complete all of the leadership program pieces will receive a certificate of completion from Pi Gamma Mu for their resume. Leadership speakers include a program administrator, emergency manager, college dean, journal editor, and experts from the Marine Museum on leadership in military combat. Under the direction of professor and board member, Allison Knox, the 7-hour event will feature segmented sessions on Leadership in Literature, featuring what's been written about leadership as a social science, with discussion about what the United States Marine Corps teaches its officers about leadership. Leadership in Special Circumstances will focus on leadership concepts under pressure and the skills needed by leaders in emergency or dangerous situations, with discussions about leadership in combat, leadership in the back of an ambulance, leading a group of people from the "bottom up" as well as the importance of
internships. In this section we'll be taking a virtual field trip to the National Museum of the Marine Corps to learn about what is taught to Marine Corps officers. Students will then have the opportunity to apply these concepts to different events in history through the museum's special leadership program. Professor Knox, Chancellor of the Southeast Region for Pi Gamma Mu and faculty at the American Military University, Eastern Kentucky University & Western Connecticut State University, currently serves as the At-Large Director for the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians and is an active advocate for EMS and participates annually with legislative issues informing members of congress and their staff about current issues affecting Emergency Medical Services. She will discuss the importance of leadership skills in emergency and crisis situations. Leadership in Academia will address management issues in education as well as how to write effectively as a leader. Dr. Katrina Smith, Director of International Studies and Associate Professor of Psychology, at Reinhardt University in Georgia, will share her experiences leading students and colleagues on travels abroad as well as developing service opportunities in her community. She will discuss her experience and academic training to teach those around her about the importance of developing empathy, good listening skills, and action plans. Dr. Susan Kinsella, Professor of Human Services, and Dean of the College of Education and Social Services at Saint Leo University, will assist students in learning about their own leadership style with interactive activities and a discussion on lessons learned in academic leadership. She has over 25 years of teaching and administrative experience in higher education, having developed and taught in undergraduate and graduate programs in Human Services and Social Work. She has numerous research interests and publications in social service journals which include such topics as child welfare worker competencies, university and community collaborations, building leadership capacity, service learning, and global and social entrepreneurships. Dr. Candice Quinn, editor-in-chief of the International Social Science Review, Pi Gamma Mu's peer-reviewed journal, will finish the segment by providing information on how to successfully publish your work, a topic important for students who are in, or heading to, graduate school. Dr. Quinn has lead Pi Gamma Mu's flagship publication for the last eight years, and has overseen the transition of the journal from a printed magazine to an open access online journal. She has been an active member of several non-profit boards, including serving as president and then honorary president of the American Women's Club of Southern Ontario. Ms. Emma Grace Thompson, student representative from 2018-2021, will give a presentation on the process of election for a student representative on the Pi Gamma Mu Board of Trustees. Students will finish the Leadership Development Program with a presentation and virtual field trip to the National Museum of the Marine Corps. Certificates of completion will be awarded to all students who attend and finish the assignments.

Dr. Susan Kinsella, Pi Gamma Mu board member and convention committee chairperson indicates, “The convention is open to all Pi Gamma Mu members, undergraduate and graduate. It is chock-full of surprises with a social networking event and webinars and interactive sessions through Zoom, allowing students to socially network with other chapters in attendance.” If you have ever wanted to present a paper in your discipline, attend a leadership program, virtually visit the National Museum of the Marine Corps, or listen to an address by a leading authority in the social sciences, then this is the year to advance in your discipline. You can begin to network with other professionals in your area and find out what careers await you with your degree. There are also opportunities to be a part of the student caucus if you want to run for a student seat on the board of trustees for Pi Gamma Mu. We encourage students to come meet other honor students from around the country and for faculty to meet other chapter sponsors and share their ideas about activities conducted on their campuses. The Pi Gamma Mu 2021 Convention promises to be a worthwhile scholarly event, and we will look forward to meeting everyone there. Visit https://whova.com/web/pgmti_202111/ for more information and to register or contact Dr. Suzanne Rupp, Executive Director of Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society, at suzannerupp@pigammamu.org

We will share more information about the 2021 Convention as it becomes available. The health and welfare of Pi Gamma Mu members continue to be our primary concerns.
CALL FOR STUDENT PAPERS - 2021 Pi Gamma Mu Convention

The deadline for student paper submissions is October 8, 2021. Submit your paper now!

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES (Updated March 29, 2021)

Pi Gamma Mu was forced to postpone its 2020 Triennial International Convention for one year by the global viral pandemic. The 2021 Triennial convention will thus take place in early November of this year (November 3-6, 2021), but it will be a virtual convention. The convention will have most of the features of in-person triennial conventions, with some extra features, and will be much more affordable. Student members are encouraged to submit completed social science research papers for presentation consideration at the 2021 Convention.

The final paper submission deadline is Friday, October 8, 2021. Submitters will be advised within two weeks whether or not their paper have been accepted. All accepted papers will then be ranked by the Committee of Readers. The top fifteen papers will receive free conference registration. The top ten rated papers will receive publication consideration in the International Social Science Review (ISSR). Early submissions are strongly encouraged.

All submissions must include a completed cover page (see example below), including the title of the paper, the author’s name, institutional affiliation, email address, telephone number, AND the email address and phone number of their Pi Gamma Mu chapter sponsor AND/OR the professor for whom the paper was originally written. Students are to include their personal information only on the cover page and the email sent with their entry, to ensure a completely blind or unbiased evaluation when the paper is sent to the evaluation committee. The paper itself must include none of the identifying information from the cover page other than the title of the paper. Completed papers should be at least 12 pages but no longer than 30 pages in length, including endnotes and references; double-spaced in Times New Roman 12 font. No review comments will be shared with submitters, either verbally or orally, prior to the submission deadline. Authors are reminded that their paper is being submitted for viewing by an audience of scholars in a number of social science disciplines, and that if their paper was originally written for a specialized class it should now have language and terminology which could be understood by non-specialists in their discipline.

Papers need to be submitted via email to Dr. Charles W. Hartwig, Chair of the Committee of Readers, at hartwigm@suddenlink.net, with a "cc" copy to the Convention Committee Chair, Dr. Susan Kinsella, at Susan.Kinsella@saintleo.edu. The papers should be attached to an email cover letter as a Microsoft Word document. Other word-processing software is unacceptable. The deadline for submitting papers is Friday, October 8, 2021; earlier submissions are highly encouraged.

Submissions will be acknowledged by email when received. Chapter sponsors and/or the relevant faculty member will also receive notification. If a submission is not acknowledged within four days of being sent, the student submitter should follow up by contacting the Convention Committee Chair (Dr. Kinsella) at the email address above.

We are encouraging members of Pi Gamma Mu, undergraduate students, graduate students, and alumni alike, to submit their work. Past conventions have demonstrated that Pi Gamma Mu members have completed truly outstanding research – we look forward to learning about new research.

Now is the time to decide to submit a research paper.

Questions? Contact Dr. Hartwig at hartwigm@suddenlink.net, or 870-935-9454.
CALL FOR STUDENT AND CHAPTER POSTERS

Submit your proposals now! The deadline for poster proposals is October 8, 2021.

The 2021 Student and Chapter Poster Session will be held during the 2021 Virtual Triennial International Convention this November 3-6.

**Purpose:** The Poster Session is designed to feature both student work in the Social Sciences or highlight the history/activities of a chapter. Posters are exhibits of materials that report academic work or chapter activities in visual and summary form. Pi Gamma Mu's bylaws define the social sciences to include those disciplines that emphasize the scientific study of human societies and social relationships including, but not limited to, such disciplines as anthropology, criminal justice, economics, geography - human, gerontology, history, history of education, human services, international relations, political science, psychology, social philosophy, sociology, social work, as well as related interdisciplinary programs anchored in the Social Sciences, particularly those that focus on age, environment, ethnicity, gender, race, and regional studies.

**Student Posters:** Students experience and study the Social Sciences in many ways. This session is designed to feature the variety of these experiences, disciplines, and studies. Posters may present completed original research and data collection, projects and papers which may be “in progress”, theoretical works and applications, studies of public policy and summaries of applied experiences such as service-learning projects or internship experiences. In addition, posters provide a means for students to present group projects as well as those of individuals.

**Chapter Posters:** Pi Gamma Mu is also interested in posters from Pi Gamma Mu Chapters. Chapter posters can exemplify the diverse strengths of our chapters and share ideas regarding a wide range of chapter-related activities including an overview of a year’s activities, a chapter’s history, service projects, initiations, programming, or recruitment strategies.

**Expectations of Poster Presenters:**

**Students must be members of Pi Gamma Mu** and register for the convention in order to be included in the convention program.

**Deadlines:**

**Poster Proposals** - Poster proposals may be submitted any time; however, the deadline is **Friday, October 8, 2021**.

**Virtual Poster:** If a proposal is accepted, the deadline for submitting your poster presentation is **Friday, October 22, 2021**. Submission details will be forthcoming.

**Submission Information:**

Send poster proposal submissions directly to Dr. Brad Tennant ([brad.tennant@presentation.edu](mailto:brad.tennant@presentation.edu)). Contact Dr. Tennant with any questions you may have.

**NOTE:** Once reviewed and accepted, the presenters/chapters will be notified of their acceptance. This process may help the chapter in seeking institutional funding for the presenters. Thus, members are encouraged to develop their poster ideas now and submit poster proposals early.

**Poster Proposal Submissions should include the following information:**

**POSTER TITLE:**

**PRESENTERS:** Please provide names and email addresses for all student and faculty presenters, if possible. At a minimum, each poster submission must have the name and contact information of one individual who will serve as the key contact for the session.

**CHAPTER and FACULTY SPONSOR:** Provide the chapter name, institutional affiliation, address, name, and contact information (email and phone number) of a faculty sponsor.

**ABSTRACT:** A summary of the poster's content in 150 words or less including the social science discipline (e.g., psychology, sociology, criminal justice, history, etc.)

**Format:** Only the proposal needs to be submitted at this time. If a virtual poster proposal is accepted, the poster presentation should include slides to help visually explain the poster topic. The presentation should not exceed five (5) minutes allowing for questions and comments afterward. Posters will be available during the convention.

Send poster submissions directly to Dr. Brad Tennant ([brad.tennant@presentation.edu](mailto:brad.tennant@presentation.edu)).
2021 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Join us for the second Leadership Development Program during the 2021 Virtual Triennial International Convention! Program participants will learn about leadership in a variety of different contexts to include leadership in academia, stressful environments, non-profit organizations, public policy and in the United States Marine Corps. The virtual event will consist of webinars, lectures, and a unique online experience with the National Museum of the Marine Corps in Triangle, Virginia. While the program is tailored for undergraduate students, graduate students are welcome to attend. Students will earn a certificate of completion for their resume upon the conclusion of the program.

Participants must be Convention participants (convention registration is $60.00) and Pi Gamma Mu members. Registration is $40.00 and must be submitted by October 8, 2021.

Questions about the program should be directed to Allison G. S. Knox, Chair of the Leadership Development Program: Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com.

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CONVENTION FUNDS AVAILABLE TO CHAPTERS

Each chapter is building a reserve of convention funds at the international office. It grows every time you send applications for membership and initiation fees. The Chapter Convention Fund was established by action of the International Board of Trustees to encourage more chapters to participate in convention activities.

For each new member the chapter has initiated in the last four years, Pi Gamma Mu has set aside $2 for your chapter to use to attend the 2021 virtual convention. After the conclusion of the convention, we will mail a check to the chapter sponsor in the amount of $60 per registered attendee from that chapter (up to the amount earned by your chapter in your “Chapter Convention Fund” capped at $500 per chapter).

If you do not attend the convention, this amount will be expended for general convention costs. Plan to send a delegation to the convention and receive your reserve fund.

See you ONLINE in November!
ELECTION OF INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

Each active chapter of Pi Gamma Mu is entitled to one vote in the election of international and regional officers of Pi Gamma Mu. These votes must be cast by sending your ballot to headquarters no later than October 15, 2021. To facilitate the procedure, the international office has mailed a ballot marked "official" and a letter of instructions to each chapter sponsor. Please use the self-addressed stamped envelopes marked "OFFICIAL BALLOT" provided with your chapter's ballot. The address to which ballots should be mailed is: Pi Gamma Mu, 1001 Millington, Suite B, Winfield, KS 67156. According to the Pi Gamma Mu Constitution, the chapter president is to consult with the chapter's members and cast that vote.

In this edition of the newsletter, we wish to introduce you to the candidates, whose brief biographies and campaign statements are shown below. The sample ballot in this Newsletter is not official. If, for any reason, your chapter's official ballot is not received in the mail, the chapter president may print out and write on this one "Official" and send it to headquarters.

Your chapter's vote is important! Election results will be announced during the triennial international convention in November, and in the November edition of the Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter.

Introducing...

for President

Susan Kinsella

Dean, School of Education & Social Services
Saint Leo University
Saint Leo, FL.

Pi Gamma Mu Service:

First Vice President 2014-2021
Triennial Convention Committee Co-Chair 2014, Chair 2017 and 2021
Chancellor of the Southeast Region 2011-2014
Chapter Development  2014-2017
Communications Committee Chair 2011-2021
Awards Committee Member 2011-2014
Faculty Advisor of Georgia Chapter, Saint Leo University 2011 -2021
Governor of Georgia 2009-2011
Faculty Sponsor of Georgia Chapter, Brewton-Parker College 2001 - 2011

Other:

Authored textbook, "Human Services: A Student Centered Approach" 2015
Published article, "International Social Entrepreneurship's: Linking Business Principles to Social Problems"
Published article, "University/Community Partnerships: Engaging Business Students in Leadership and Solution Based Approaches"
Published article, "University/Community Partnerships: Educating Human Service and Social Work Students in Service Learning"
Published article, "A Comparative Cross-Discipline Study of Traditional and Nontraditional College Students"
Published article, "Administrative Models in Profit and Non-Profit Child Care Agencies"
Recipient - Social Worker of the Year Award: Clinical Social Work Assn. of Savannah, 2015

BALLOT FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS OF PI GAMMA MU

President
☐ Susan Kinsella
First Vice President
☐ Katherine Im
Second Vice President
☐ Clara Small
Secretary-Treasurer
☐ Mari Plikuhn
Regional Chancellors
(Vote for your region only)

Chancellor of Southeastern Region
If your chapter is in AL, FL, GA, KY, MA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
☐ Allison G. S. Knox

Chancellor of North/Northwestern Region
If your chapter is in IA, IL, IN, MN, NE, OH, OR, SD, WI
☐ Brad Tennant

Chancellor of Northeastern Region
If your chapter is in CT, DC, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, VT
☐ Jeffrey Chin

Chancellor of South/Southwestern Region
If your chapter is in AR, CA, CO, HI, KS, MO, NM, OK, TX
☐ Charles W. Hartwig

Chapter School
Signed

Each chapter should return its official ballot no later than October 15 to:
Pi Gamma Mu
1001 Millington St. Ste. B
Winfield, KS 67156
Recipient - Distinguished Service Award, Pi Gamma Mu Award - 2014
Recipient - Helen's Haven Children's Advocacy Program Community Service Award 2009
Recipient - Southern Organization for Human Services President's Award - 2008
Executive Officer, Southern Organization for Human Services 2006-2008
Recipient of Brewton-Parker College's Outstanding College Professor Award 2003

Statement:

I am honored to be nominated to serve as the President of Pi Gamma Mu. After serving on the board in different capacities, I realize that our organization is moving forward at an unprecedented pace. New executive leadership, new ideas, and new technology are helping us to create an international honor society that can boast of an online social science journal, scholarship opportunities for students, and conventions that will allow students to come together to share chapter news, present their research, and participate in a new Leadership Program. I can think of no better way to encourage our students to reach their potential than to offer them the opportunity to join Pi Gamma Mu and continue demonstrating their excellence in academic activities. As a faculty advisor, sponsor, Chancellor of the Southeast Region for Pi Gamma Mu, and First Vice President, I have seen students work hard to earn better grades so they could become a member of Pi Gamma Mu and be recognized for their achievements. They are eager to carry on Pi Gamma Mu's tradition of scholarship, research, leadership, and service. As President I will advocate for our honor society to become recognized by our region's colleges and universities as the prestigious international organization it is and to encourage the growth of new chapters as well as to strengthen the chapters that currently exist.

for First Vice President

Katherine Im

Collegiate Associate Professor
Program Chair, Gerontology & Social Sciences
University of Maryland Global Campus
Adelphi, MD

Ph.D. Candidate in Gerontology, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
M.A. Clinical/Community Psychology, University of Maryland, College Park
B.A. Psychobiology and English, Wellesley College

Pi Gamma Mu Service:
Faculty Sponsor of Maryland Theta Chapter at University of Maryland University College 2008 – Present
Roll of Distinction Award, Pi Gamma Mu, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019, and 2020
Roll of Merit Award, Pi Gamma Mu, 2012 and 2017
Joseph B. James Chapter Incentive Award, 2011
Triennial Host Chapter, Washington DC, 2011
Faculty Chapter Organizer:
Social Science Essay Contest, 2008-present
Student Travel Grant, 2011- present
Facebook Administrator, 2011- present

Other:
Alpha Kappa Delta – International Honor Society, Sociology (2017)
Student Leadership Award – Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (2015)
Golden Key – International Honor Society, Academics, Leadership and Service (2011)
Omicron Delta Kappa – National Honor Society, Leadership (2011)
Sigma Phi Omega - National Honor and Professional Society, Gerontology (2010)
Board Member, Maryland Consortium for Adjunct Professional Development (MCAPD)
Faculty Sponsor, Sigma Phi Omega honor society (2012 – present)
Chair, Faculty Grievance Committee
UMUC Master Faculty Website Committee
Member, Dean's Faculty Communication Task Force
Member, Stanley J. Drazek Teaching Award Selection Committee
Member, Academic Policies and Procedures Task Force
Member, Faculty Promotions Committee
Member, Student Committee, Association for Gerontology in Higher Education
Executive Board Member, Supporting the Arts in Relay, Ltd. (2005-2012)
Volunteer, Girl Scouts of Central Maryland (2002 – present)

Statement:

I am profoundly honored to have been nominated to serve as First Vice President for this wonderful society. Having served over a decade as a chapter sponsor for the University of Maryland Global Campus (formerly known as the University of Maryland University College), I have seen our chapter grow to over one thousand lifetime members, and in that time I have witnessed firsthand how Pi Gamma Mu and its ideals can touch the lives of individual students. In the case of UMGC, Pi Gamma Mu has been a unifying goal for many of our military and distance ed learners who often feel that they are learning "in a bubble." Membership in Pi Gamma Mu serves as a constant reminder and touchstone of
the overarching importance of the social sciences and interdisciplinary thinking in our lives. If elected, I look forward to building on the example of previous chancellors in spreading the mission of Pi Gamma Mu across the region. I look forward to the opportunity to work with individual academic institutions as well as the international leadership group. Most of all, I hope to be able to be of service to an organization whose ideals have had such a positive impact on me, both personally and professionally.

**for Second Vice President**

Clara Small

Emeritus Professor of History
Salisbury University

Ph.D. – University of Delaware
M.A. – St. John’s College, Santa Fe, NM
M.A., B.A.—North Carolina Central University

**Pi Gamma Mu Service:**

Organizer and co-advisor of MD Gamma chapter- 1983-2014, many times on the Pi Gamma Mu honor rolls
Former Chancellor of the North Eastern Region- 1992-2011
Panelist at many Pi Gamma Mu meetings and Triennials
Pi Gamma Mu Awards Committee member- 1996-2014
Chairperson of the Regional Chancellors

**Other:**

Former Co-advisor for Phi Alpha Theta, History honor society
Former Phi Alpha Theta Paper Prize Committee member, 1993-1999
Former advisor/organizer – Salisbury University branch of NAACP
Former advisor- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Former advisor-Black Student Union (now Union of African American Students)
Former member of Speakers Bureau for the Delaware Humanities Forum
Former member of Scholar-in-Residence for the Delaware Humanities Forum
Former Discussion Scholar for the "Let's Talk About It" Series on Delmarva
Former Corresponding Secretary of the Princess Anne Chapter of The Links, Inc.
Former Historian and Member of the Thomas E. Polk, Sr. chapter of the Buffalo Soldiers; wrote and received a grant from the Community Foundation of Eastern Shore to conduct a week long Buffalo Soldier Youth Workshop for 3 years
Co-Founder of the Fulton School of Liberal Arts Brown Bag Lunch Discussion Series, through which the community is invited to hear SU faculty, staff, students and community members share their research, experiences, their insights and interests on a variety of topics
Former member of the Board of Directors of Pemberton Hall
Former member of the Board of Directors of the Edward Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture
Member of the Consortium of Doctors (COD)

**Honors and Awards:**

Henry Luce Foundation Fellow, St. John's College (1971-1974)
Outstanding Educator of America, 1975
Outstanding Young Woman of America Award, 1977
NEH Fellow, Duke University, 1991
Honoree - Community Service Award from the Wicomico County Commission for Women, 1996
NEH Fellow, Chesapeake Regional Scholars Summer Seminar in African American Studies, University of Virginia, 1997
Commissioner, Commission to Coordinate the Study, Commemoration, and Impact of Slavery’s History and Legacy in Maryland, 2001 to present
Recipient of Pi Gamma Mu's Faithful Service Award, 2005
Recipient of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents Award for Public Service, 2005
Recipient of the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore's Frank H. Morris Humanitarian Award, 2005
Recipient of the Lower Eastern Shore Heritage Tee O'Conner Professional Award for the preservation Of Oral History and African American History and Culture, 2007
Recipient of the Sturgis One Room School Museum’s Merit Award, 2008
Recipient of the Salisbury University Alumni Association’s Service Award, 2010
Recipient of the State of Maryland Harriet Ross Tubman Life Time Achievement Award, 2011
Commissioner, Maryland Commission of African American History and Culture (2011-2015)

**Publications:**

Reality Check: Brief Biographies of African American on the Delmarva Peninsula (1998, and was placed in schools and libraries throughout the
lower Eastern Shore.)

Special Projects:
Research on the history of African Americans on the Delmarva Peninsula, using oral history and official documents (local and state).

Statement:
I was inducted into Pi Gamma Mu in 1968 at North Carolina Central University. That represents nearly 50 years of association with this august society. Pi Gamma Mu has and always will have a special place in my heart. The seven ideals of Pi Gamma Mu are the same ideals I have incorporated into my life and my professional activities. Pi Gamma Mu is a vehicle by which I encourage my students to become better students and citizens and it is still the best means by which to honor excellence in the social sciences.

It has been my absolute pleasure to have served as Chancellor of the North Eastern region from 1992 to 2011. Being a former Chancellor of the North Eastern Region, and presently serving as 2nd Vice-President and Chair of the Scholarship and Award Committees, have all afforded me the opportunity to visit many campuses in order to conduct site visits, to perform induction ceremonies, to meet administrators, faculty, students and some of their spouses, parents/guardians, etc., at inductions and to be of service to their chapters. Being an officer and involvement with Pi Gamma Mu is a labor of love. Therefore, I would like to thank each of you for your support in the past and I hope that level of cooperation continues in the future.

for Secretary-Treasurer

Mari Plikuhn

Associate Professor of Sociology
University of Evansville

PhD, Purdue University
MS, Purdue University
MS, Purdue University Calumet
BA, Purdue University Calumet

Pi Gamma Mu Service:
Member since 2010
Governor of Indiana since 2014
Faculty Advisor of Indiana Alpha 2010-present, with chapter meriting Roll of Distinction placement during chapter sponsorship

Current University Service:
Faculty member since 2010
Grand Marshal of the University
Associate Director, Eykamp Center for Teaching Excellence
Chair, Curriculum Committee
Senator for the Social Science, Faculty Senate
Chair, Ceremonies Committee
Member, Fiscal Affairs Committee
Assessment Coordinator for Sociology, Department of Law, Politics, and Society
Member, Gender and Women's Studies Advisory Committee
Member, Student Success Team

Honors and Awards:
Sadelle and Sydney Berger Annual Award for Service, University of Evansville, 2016
US Professor of the Year Nominee, CASE and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2014, 2015
Outstanding Teacher of the Year, Alumni Association, University of Evansville 2012
Chi Omega Professor of the Year, University of Evansville, 2012

Select Publications:
Published article, "Inquiry into the Independent Reading Development of First-Generation College Graduates with Advanced Degrees" (with Knoester, 2016)
Published article, "A Foot in Two Worlds: First-Generation College Graduates, Academic Success, and Family Relationships" (with Knoester, 2015)
Published article, "Influence of Siblings on Out-of-School Reading Practices" (with Knoester, 2015)
Published article, "Sixty-Five Isn't What It Used to Be': Changes and Trends in Perceptions of Older Adults" (with Niehaus and Reeves, 2014)
Published encyclopedia article, "Arranged Marriages" (with Berry, 2014)
Published encyclopedia article, "Fertility" (with Malik, 2014)
Published encyclopedia article, "Demographic Changes: Zero Population Growth and Birth Rates" (with Plogher, 2014)
Statement:
I am honored to have been nominated for a second term as the Secretary-Treasurer of Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences. For the past 10 years, I have served as the Indiana Alpha Chapter Faculty Advisor, having reactivated the chapter after a nearly 40-year hiatus. In 2014, I was honored to be asked to serve as Governor of Indiana, overseeing chapter development in the state and seeking to make connections between state chapters. Seeing first-hand the commitment and dedication of Pi Gamma Mu leadership in creating opportunities, experiences, and connections for our student members worldwide has inspired me to serve our honor society in a greater capacity. In 2017 I was elected to serve as Secretary-Treasurer for Pi Gamma Mu. In this capacity I have helped to strengthen the financial future of Pi Gamma Mu by overseeing the establishment of a financial plan for the future which promotes both a balanced budget and financial growth for the future of the Society. As Secretary-Treasurer of Pi Gamma Mu, I hope to continue to assist the international Board of Trustees in strengthening the structural and fiscal future of our honor society.

for Chancellor of Southeastern Region

Allison G. S. Knox

Instructor, Fire Science and Emergency Management - American Military University and American Public University (part-time)
Contributing Editor, Emergency and Disaster Digest
Instructor, Political Science - Western Connecticut State University (adjunct)
Online Facilitator, Safety, Security and Emergency Management - Eastern Kentucky University
M.A., International Relations – American Military University
M.A., History – American Military University
M.A., National Security Studies – American Military University
M.A., Emergency Management – American Military University
Graduate Certificate, Homeland Security – Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
B.A., Political Science – Central Connecticut State University
Emergency Medical Technician – Basic, (certified in Virginia and New York)

Additional Education:
D.Sc. Student, 2019-current Jacksonville State University (Emergency Management)
PhD Student 2012-2016, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Public Administration and Policy)

Additional Training:
Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue (TLAER)
Lifeguard Instructor, American Red Cross
Lifeguard, American Red Cross
Water Safety Instructor, American Red Cross

Pi Gamma Mu Service
Chancellor, Southeast Region (2014-current)
Serves on the Chapter and Membership Growth, Communication, Convention and Awards Committees.
Co-Chair, Leadership Development Program, Triennial Convention Kansas City, MS, (2017)
Chair, Leadership Development Program, Triennial Convention, (2020 & 2021)
Governor of West Virginia, (2013-2014)
Chapter Sponsor and Faculty Advisor, West Virginia Iota Chapter (2011-current)

Chapter Awards
2018 & 2019 Top 10 Chapters by Membership
Platinum Standing, Chapter Standards Program, 2020

Personal Awards
Scholarship Medal for Chapter Service: 2013
Award for Work as Chapter Sponsor and Faculty Advisor from the Chapter: 2012
Certificate of Appreciation for Leadership Development Program 2017
Chapter Advisor of the Year, 2020 - American Military University

Nonprofit Organization Experience
At-Large Director, National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (2021-current)
Serves on the EMS Disaster Preparedness and Advocacy Committees
Board Member, Pic-K (2021-current)
Past Work Experience
Legislative Correspondent and Front Office Coordinator, Congressman Christopher Shays, United States House of Representatives, Washington, DC
Patient Care Assistant, Emergency Department, (level one trauma center) Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut
Instructor, Political Science – American Military University and American Public University

Volunteer Experience
Advocacy Coordinator of Virginia, National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, (NAEMT)
Participates in “EMS on the Hill” in Washington, DC meeting with members of congress and their staff about issues affecting Emergency Medical Technicians, NAEMT
Secretary, Board of Directors - International Public Safety Association
Rescue Task Force Committee, member, International Public Safety Association
Chair - Tactical Emergency Medical Services Committee, International Public Safety Association
Peer Review Committee, member, International Public Safety Association
Faculty Advisor, Political Science Scholars (student club) American Military University
Water Safety Instructor, Warrenton Aquatic and Recreation Facility, Warrenton, Virginia
Emergency Medical Technician - Blacksburg Volunteer Rescue Squad, Blacksburg, Virginia
Emergency Medical Technician, Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, Rixeyville, Virginia
Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue Team, Little Fork Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company
Key Volunteer Network, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA (2004-2006)
LINKS Mentor, Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton (2004-2006)

Publication Highlights


Research Interests
Emergency management, homeland security and emergency medical services (ambulance) policy

Statement:
It is an honor to serve on the Board of Trustees with Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences.

for Chancellor of North/Northwestern Region

Brad Tennant

History Professor
Division of Social Science and Humanities
Presentation College
Aberdeen, SD

University of South Dakota (2007) Ed.D: History Education
Northern State University (1987) MAT: Social Science (History emphasis)
Northern State University (1983) BS in Secondary Education
Pi Gamma Mu Service:
Chancellor of North/Northwestern Region and Trustee of the Board: April 2019-Present
Faculty Sponsor of South Dakota Zeta Chapter 2013- Present
Member since 1982

Fellowships and Work Experience:
James Madison Fellowship
Christa McAuliffe Fellowship
William Robertson Coe Fellowship
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship
South Dakota Humanities Council Research Grant
Council for Basic Education Research Grant

In addition to my teaching assignments, I am an active researcher, writer, and presenter on a variety of northern Great Plains topics. I have been fortunate in publishing over forty works including books, book chapters, articles, brochures, and book reviews. In 2011, my article titled "'Excluding Indians Not Taxed' - Dred Scott, Standing Bear, Elk, and the Legal Status of Native Americans in the Latter Half of the Nineteenth Century" appeared in the International Social Science Review, the peer-reviewed journal of Pi Gamma Mu. Recent publications include articles in Great Plains Traverse (Fall 2019) and South Dakota History (Winter 2018), a book titled On This Day in South Dakota History (The History Press, 2017), and a chapter in the Midwest Book Awards winner The Interior Borderlands: Regional Identity in the Midwest and Great Plains (Center for Western Studies, 2019). In addition to being a member of several local, state, and national organizations, I currently serve on the South Dakota State Historical Society's board of trustees.

Statement:
I became a Pi Gamma Mu lifetime member after being inducted as an undergraduate in 1982. In 2013, I realized that a Pi Gamma Mu chapter would be a good fit for Presentation College. Consequently, I became the faculty sponsor for the South Dakota Zeta Chapter.

In April 2019, Pi Gamma Mu had a vacancy on the board of trustees to which I was appointed. As a board member, I also serve as the Chancellor for the North/Northwestern Region as well as serving on the Communications and the Convention committees. The North/Northwestern Region includes Alaska, Iowa, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Nebraska, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. My goal as Chancellor is to promote new chapters and to help inactive chapters reactivate.

Not only is Pi Gamma Mu the oldest and preeminent honor society in the social sciences, but it is also a long-time member of the Association of College Honor Societies, which is the leading certification body for honor societies. I am a proud member of Pi Gamma Mu, and I would appreciate the opportunity to continue serving on the board of trustees as Chancellor for the North/Northwest Region.

for Chancellor of Northeastern Region
Jeffrey Chin

Professor of Sociology, Le Moyne College, Syracuse, NY
Ph.D., The University of Michigan, 1983
M.A., The University of Michigan, 1978
B.A., Trinity College (Hartford, CT), 1976

Pi Gamma Mu Involvement
Chapter Representative of Sigma of NY since 2014
Star Chapter, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2018-19
Faculty sponsor for five student PGM award winners, 2015-2020
PGM Roll of Merit, 2016

Other Academic Achievements: Le Moyne College
Professor of Sociology, Le Moyne College since 1983
Over 10 years as Department Chair or Acting Chair
Beatrice Robinson Advisor of the Year Award, Le Moyne College, 2004-05
Richard M. McKeon, S.J. Scholar of the Year Award, Le Moyne College, 2003-04
Matteo Ricci S.J. Award for Achievement in Diversity, Le Moyne College, 1996-97

Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Honor Society for Sociology
Secretary of Alpha Kappa Delta since 2008
Chapter Representative of Upsilon chapter of NY (AKD) since 1988

Scholarship: Books/Monographs

1. Learning from Each Other: Refining the Practice of Teaching in Higher Education with Michele Kozimor-King (2018, University of California Press)


5. Included in Sociology: Learning Climates that Cultivate Racial and Ethnic Diversity with Catherine Berheide and Dennis Rome (2002, American Association for Higher Education/American Sociological Association)

Scholarship: Abbreviated List of Articles


2014. Chin, Jeffrey. "Who Am I? Sociology Has Answers!" in Why We Do What We Do, pp. 6-9

My favorite piece of writing!


Abbreviated List of Other Service and Awards

American Sociological Association, Committee on the Executive Office and Budget, 2013-2015
American Sociological Association, Editor, Teaching Sociology, 1997-1999
American Sociological Association Hans O. Mauksch Award for Distinguished Contributions to Undergraduate Sociology, 2012
American Sociological Association Program Reviewers and Consultants, 1997-present
Over 50 program reviews completed
American Sociological Association Section on Teaching and Learning, Chair, 2011-12
Association of College Honor Societies, Standards and Definitions, 2016-present (Chair, 2019-present)
Association of College Honor Societies, Eligibility and Admissions, 2011-present (Chair, 2015-2016)
Carnegie Scholar, Pew National Program Fellowship Program for Carnegie Scholars, Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning, 1999
National Academic Advising Association Certificate of Merit, 2006
Statement
I am honored to be nominated to serve as the Northeast Region Chancellor for Pi Gamma Mu. While I am relatively new to the PGM family, I hope to bring over 10 years of experience with the Association of College Honors Society, 30 years of experience with Alpha Kappa Delta (the international honor society for sociology), and over 40 years of experience with the American Sociological Association to help elevate the profile of PGM.

for Chancellor of South/Southwestern Region

Charles Hartwig

Professor Emeritus of Political Science
Arkansas State University
Jonesboro, Arkansas

PhD-University of Kentucky
MA -University of Kentucky
BA -Southern Illinois University-Carbondale
Other: University of Minnesota; exchange student, Universität Hamburg (Germany)

Pi Gamma Mu Service:
Sponsor or Co-Sponsor of Arkansas Beta chapter at Arkansas State University for some 30 years
Governor of Arkansas Province 1975-2008
Chancellor, South/Southwestern Region, (and Board of Trustees member), 2008 -2021
PGM site inspector for new proposed chapters in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah
Chair, Committee of Readers (selection committee for student papers), 2011 Triennial Convention in Washington, DC, the 2014 Triennial Convention in Charleston, SC, the 2020 Call for Papers (despite cancellation of the 2020 Convention due to COVID-19), and the 2021 Virtual Triennial Convention.

Other:
Peace Corps Volunteer in Liberia, 1965-67
Hospital Administrator, rural church-related hospital in Kenya, 1969-70
Assistant Professor, Slippery Rock State College [PA], 1971-73
Political Science Dept. faculty member (Asst. to full Professor), Arkansas State University, 1973-2012
Fulbright Professor, Cuttington University College [Liberia, West Africa], 1985-86
Model UN sponsor/organizer/instructor, 39 years
Political Science Department Chair at Arkansas State University (ASU), 10 years
Numerous articles, book chapters, reviews, etc. published—mostly on African topics
Past President [and other positions], Arkansas Political Science Association
Faculty Professional Service award, ASU, 1997-98
Lion of the Year awards, Jonesboro University Heights Lions Club, 1996-97, 2006-07, and 2011-12.
Melvin Jones Diamond Fellow [2nd award], Lions International, 2012

Statement:
After serving my fourth term as a Chancellor, I am honored to be re-nominated for the Chancellorship of my region, and look forward, if reelected, to working with the other PGM officers at the international, regional, state, and campus levels to promote the goals of our honor society. As discipline-specific honor societies have proliferated, the integrative and interdisciplinary nature of Pi Gamma Mu can be increasingly helpful in reminding us that we (including alumni) are all part of a larger picture. The social sciences will continue to play a key role in helping us meet the challenges—from local to global—of the 21st century.
**2020-21 MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Pi Gamma Mu chapters inducted 2363 new members in 2020-21. See the full report below.

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Total Members  279,828  Chapters  115  Members  2,363
TOP 10 CHAPTERS BY MEMBERSHIP

The Pi Gamma Mu Board of Trustees and staff wish to thank and congratulate the 2020-2021 Top 10 Chapters by Membership. It is the collection of the lifetime membership fees from new members that sustains Pi Gamma Mu and its programs. Increasing your chapter’s membership helps Pi Gamma Mu accomplish its mission to encourage and recognize superior scholarship by extending the benefits of membership to more eligible students. Membership in Pi Gamma Mu provides students with increased opportunities for scholarships, publications, networking, and more. Our fiscal year ends on August 31. The following 10 Chapters sent in the most members compared to all other active chapters during the 2020-2021 academic year:

1. **West Virginia Iota**, American Military University/American Public University – 223 members – Prof. Allison G. S. Knox

2. **Maryland Theta**, University of Maryland Global Campus – 223 members – Prof. Katherine Im

3. **District of Columbia Alpha**, Catholic University of America – 177 members – Dr. Abby Adler Mandel

4. **New York Alpha Gamma**, Siena College – 114 members – Dr. Tim Cooper

5. **Hawaii Alpha**, University of Hawaii - Manoa – 71 members – Dr. Lorey Takahashi and Prof. Ulla Hasager

6. **Virginia Mu**, George Mason University – 70 members – Ms. Kathleen Hoepf

7. **Georgia Iota**, Clark Atlanta University – 58 members – Dr. Harry Elonge


9. **Florida Xi**, Jacksonville University – 52 members – Dr. Laura Atkins

10. **Pennsylvania Alpha Rho**, Immaculata University – 51 members – Dr. Dr. Joshua Weikert

Congratulations and thank you, 2020-2021 Top 10 Chapters by Membership!

THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE REVIEW

Pi Gamma Mu’s commitment to scholarship in the social sciences is manifested most tangibly through the publication of our peer-reviewed journal, the *International Social Science Review*. The latest issue is now live! This dynamic issue includes articles, book reviews, editorials, Pi Gamma Mu news, and the *International Social Science Review* Submission and Publication Guide. Be sure to check it out!

You can find it here: [http://digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr/](http://digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr/)
CONGRATULATIONS, STAR CHAPTERS!

The Pi Gamma Mu Board of Trustees and staff wish to congratulate and thank the 2020-2021 Star Chapters for their dedication and success in increasing their chapter's number of new initiates by 20% or more as compared to the 2019-2020 academic year. This accomplishment is particularly impressive given the unexpected and unprecedented challenges chapters have been facing related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Twenty-seven chapters achieved this goal in 2019-2020! Congratulations on your success, 2020-2021 Star Chapters! Join this elite group by increasing your chapter's membership by 20% or more in 2021-2022!

Increasing your chapter’s membership helps Pi Gamma Mu accomplish its mission to encourage and recognize superior scholarship by extending the benefits of membership to more eligible students. It is the collection of the lifetime membership fees from new members that sustains Pi Gamma Mu and we ask for your continued support in this area. Increasing membership will also benefit more of the high performing students at your school with opportunities for scholarships, publications, networking, and more. Our fiscal year ends on August 31. The Star Chapter program was started in 2014-15.

2020-2021 Star Chapters
(Increase in membership of 20% or more over 2019-2020)

Florida Xi, Jacksonville University – Dr. Laura Atkins
Georgia Gamma, Wesleyan College – Dr. Barbara Donovan
Maryland Beta, McDaniel College – Dr. Julie Routzahn
Massachusetts Epsilon, Springfield College – Dr. David Rudder
Missouri Kappa, Central Methodist University – Dr. John Carter
Nebraska Delta, Wayne State College – Dr. Randy Bertolas & Dr. Jean Karlen
New Hampshire Beta, Saint Anselm College – Dr. Kevin Doran
New Hampshire Gamma, Plymouth State University – Dr. Patrick May
New Mexico Epsilon, University of the Southwest – Dr. Dianna Carmenaty
New York Gamma, Alfred University – Dr. Robert Stein
New York Nu, Saint Joseph’s College – Dr. Basak Horowitz
North Carolina Delta, North Carolina Central University – Dr. Carlton Wilson
North Carolina Mu, Campbell University – Dr. Lloyd Johnson
North Carolina Xi, North Carolina Wesleyan College – Dr. Jay Quinan
North Carolina Alpha Beta, Chowan University – Dr. Danny Moore
Ohio Epsilon, Baldwin Wallace University – Dr. Liya Wang
Oklahoma Iota, Langston University – Dr. Charles Spurlock
Oklahoma Kappa, Northwestern Oklahoma State University – Prof. Jana Brown
Pennsylvania Alpha Epsilon, University of Scranton – Dr. Christie Karpiak
Pennsylvania Alpha Zeta, Widener University – Prof. Sarah Blake
South Carolina Iota, Claflin University – Dr. Caroletta Shuler Ivey
South Carolina Nu, Allen University – Dr. Christopher Rounds
Texas Psi, Huston-Tillotson University – Dr. Michael Hirsch
Texas Omega, East Texas Baptist University – Dr. Laurie Smith
Texas Alpha Beta, Saint Edward’s University – Dr. Mity Myhr
Virginia Zeta, University of Mary Washington – Dr. Bradley Hansen
West Virginia Iota, American Military University/American Public University – Instructor Allison G. S. Knox
WHY JOIN AN ACHS-CERTIFIED HONOR SOCIETY?

Membership in a certified, credible honor society provides prospective employers with instant verification of exemplary performance and achievement, distinguishing members from competing job applicants at a glance. In fact, the US Government's Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers incoming federal employees a two level pay grade increase for "Superior Academic Achievement" which can be obtained through membership in ACHS-certified honor societies.

Membership is also valuable because certified honor societies offer student members opportunities to network with high achieving professionals in their field; to hold leadership positions locally, regionally, and nationally; to win valuable scholarships, fellowships, and grants; to publish their research/work as an undergraduate or graduate student; to attend seminars, workshops, and conferences; to participate in campus and community programming that extends and enhances their academic experience; and more.

Please help us share this with individuals on your campus who can help students make better-informed decisions.

Thank you for making a difference with Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences.

PI GAMMA MU MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE

Wooden Greek Letters - Π Γ Μ
This set of three 8" tall wooden letters is made of 1/2" thick Baltic birch plywood. The set will arrive sanded and ready to paint or display as is. These letters are great to showcase along with a Pi Gamma Mu Banner during induction ceremonies and new initiates love posing for photos holding the letters. They also look great on display in a home or office. Set of three $21

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Here at Pi Gamma Mu, we see social media as another way for us to carry out our mission to encourage scholarship and to foster cooperation and service among our members. Now you can connect with us and other members and supporters of Pi Gamma Mu on the social networking sites you like to use. We welcome your comments, posts, and photos of chapter activities. Be sure to like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, and connect with us on LinkedIn to see announcements, opportunities, and deadlines.

Please note that several Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn accounts will come up when you search for "Pi Gamma Mu" as we encourage our chapters to stay connected via social media. Use the links below to ensure that you have connected with the official pages managed by the Pi Gamma Mu international office.

Like us on Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/PiGammaMuHonorSociety/
Follow us on Twitter - https://twitter.com/PiGammaMu1
Connect with us on LinkedIn - https://www.linkedin.com/in/pi-gamma-mu-international-honor-society-45733695/

**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 70 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.