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CALL FOR FACULTY SPEAKERS

Beginning this fall, Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences will be offering a new Speaker Series to spotlight the research interests and expertise of Pi Gamma Mu's chapter sponsors! The program will offer lectures from our chapter sponsors on topics of their choice to all Pi Gamma Mu members. The speaker series lectures will be offered via the zoom online platform.

Lecture topics could include (but are not limited to) leadership, social equity, history, public policy, gerontology, economics, anthropology - or any other social science topic. We are particularly interested in topics related to social equity during this inaugural year of the Pi Gamma Mu Speaker Series.

If you are interested in speaking, please send a brief proposal to Allison G. S. Knox, Chancellor of the Southeast Region: Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com. We are currently accepting proposals for the 2022-2023 academic year. The deadline for proposal submissions for the 2022-2023 academic year has been extended to September 1, 2022.

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.

CHAPTER NEWS







This issue contains updates from The Catholic University of America (DC Alpha), Dominican College (NY Mu), and Wayne State College (NE Delta).

The DC Alpha Chapter at **The Catholic University of America** held an induction ceremony on April 26, 2022. The event went was a big success. The chapter inducted 87 members in their spring membership drive. Dr. Abby Adler Mandel is the Chapter Faculty Sponsor.



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Getting ready for induction into the DC Alpha Chapter!



New Chapter Officers at the DC Alpha Chapter



Current and New Chapter Officers at the DC Alpha Chapter

The New York Mu Chatper at **Dominican College** had a successful induction ceremony this spring. Dr. Christopher Libertini is the chapter faculty sponsor. Enjoy the photos below:





Danae Angel Roldan and Elena Vilanova





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Elena Vilanova Dr. Tara Parrello



Paige Nevins

The Nebraska Delta Chapter at **Wayne State College** held another great service project this year. In the spring semester, the chapter helped the *Partners for Patriots* service project on campus. The chapter collected donations to assist the program which takes in shelter dogs and trains them as service dogs for veterans.

"Each year, your Pi Gamma Mu Nebraska Delta chapter tries to do a service project that involves supporting veterans, the homeless, or animal shelters", Dr. Randy Bertolas, the adviser for the chapter, said. "In recent years we've arranged donations to both Haven House and the Norfolk Rescue Mission."

Bertolas credits Wayne State College online student, Celeste Durant, for this idea, which benefits both veterans and shelter animals. Because of the chapter's good work, \$250 was donated to the program.



PARTNERS FOR PATRIOTS

BOOK SERIERS PUBLISHED BY PGM MEMBER Katalena Honeycutt

Katalena Honeycutt is a New Yorker, U.S. Navy veteran, Wife, and Mom. She was inducted into Pi Gamma Mu at the Maryland Theta Chapter at the University of Maryland Global Campus (UMGC). She graduated in May of 2020, right after separating from active duty in the US military. During her last few months as a student at UMGC, she was invited to join Pi Gamma Mu due to her superior academic achievement in the social sciences. Without hesitation, she accepted the invitation and became a lifetime member. Katherine (Kathy) Im is the faculty adviser of the chapter at UMGC, one of Pi Gamma Mu's largest and most active chapters.

Passionate about food and family, Katalena created *The Seasoned Series* to connect children to diverse cuisines in a fun, educational way. The goal of *The Seasoned Series* is to educate children on the beauty of cultural foods and traditional culinary practices. The books provide children and their families with the opportunity to learn about different cuisines, expanding their imagination *and* their palate!

Katalena was inspired by her three daughters to create *The Seasoned Series*. With her husband being on active duty, moving from city to city made her feel disconnected from her roots and family. Wanting to make sure her daughters were familiar with their Puerto Rican culture, Katalena created something that feels like the Puerto Rican sun she grew up in.







This ABC book encapsulates the flavors and colors of a Puerto Rican kitchen and is sure to transport anyone of any age to la Ilsa.

For more information visit: TheSeasonedSeries.com

THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE REVIEW

A new issue of Pi Gamma Mu's keystone journal, the *International Social Science Review (ISSR)*, is now live! The *ISSR* is presented in an open-access digital format and does not require a subscription, so feel free to share it with your classmates and colleagues. You can find the *ISSR* here:

http://digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr/

This dynamic issue includes several articles, book reviews, Pi Gamma Mu news, and more. Be sure to check it out!



ALUMNI CORNER

The Pi Gamma Mu Alumni Corner was created by the Pi Gamma Mu Alumni Council so that Alumni could stay in touch with their updates, career activities, and key events in their lives. The Alumni Council would love to include your update in next year's July issue of the Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter.

Please email your update to: executivedirector@pigammamu.org. Please limit your summary to a few sentences and list "Alumni Corner" in the subject line of your e-mail. Please be sure to list the name of your Pi Gamma Mu chapter. The Alumni Council is co-chaired by Gordon Mercer, past Pi Gamma Mu President, and Nilda Pyronneau, a past Pi Gamma Mu Student Board member.

Orlando Campbell is proud to be a member of the North Carolina Upsilon Chapter at Fayetteville State University. He was inducted into the chapter on May 5th, 2020 during his junior year at FSU. He graduated on May 8, 2021, and is planning on going back to FSU to pursue a Master of Arts degree in Psychology.

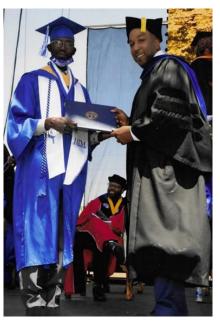
Donald Crenshaw was inducted into Pi Gamma Mu at the Colorado Iota Chapter at Colorado State University in 1964. His first job after graduating was teaching World History for over two years at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. He has also been employed by the US Civil Service Commission, Investigations from 1967 until Clinton privatization created US Investigative Services, where Crenshaw served as a Supervisory Investigator until retiring. He currently resides in Madison, Ohio.

Dr. Henry Elonge is the Chapter Faculty Sponsor of the Georgia Iota Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu at Clark Atlanta University. He is currently the Chair of the Master's Degree Program (Master of Public Administration) and is also the Interim-Chair of the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice.

Terri A. Goodman was inducted to Pi Gamma Mu at the Maryland Theta Chapter at the University of Maryland Global Campus. She graduated from UMGC in 2019 and began working as a Federal employee in 2020. Goodman obtained a Master's in Public Health in 2021 and will begin working on a Ph.D. in Public Health in August 2022.

Nilda Pyronneau, a member of the Florida Eta Chapter at the University of South Florida now serves as co-chair with Gordon Mercer of Pi Gamma Mu's Alumni Council, which helps select the recipient of the Pi Gamma Mu Distinguished Alumni Award that is awarded at conventions. The Alumni Council also nominates new chapters that receive invitations to establish a chapter of Pi Gamma Mu. Over 300 potential new chapters have been nominated by the Alumni Council over the past six years.

Nilda was elected to serve on the Board of Trustees as Student Representative while attending the University of South Florida and helped establish more emphasis on diversity projects and programs for challenged youth. As an alumni member, she attends all Pi Gamma Mu Conventions and helps with programs as needed. Nilda just completed her first year of teaching 7th-grade special education in a middle school in Covington, Georgia.



Orlando Campbell



Dr. Henry Elonge

SUMMER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – ONLINE MEMBERSHIPS NOW AVAILABLE

Here, at Pi Gamma Mu, we understand that this has been a challenging time for students and faculty alike who have had to continue to cope with the many impacts of the coronavirus pandemic. We hope that you are safe and well during this difficult time.

We want to count you among our active chapters in 2021-2022, and it's not too late to induct members this fiscal year. In fact, it is easier than ever and now is a great time to complete a membership drive. Many students are at home with their families who are typically very supportive of accredited honor society invitations... and sometimes pay the membership fee on their behalf. Our fiscal year ends on August 31, so your chapter still has time to be counted on this year's rolls by inducting new members. And, now, with online memberships available, Pi Gamma Mu has made it easier than ever for you to induct new members whether you and your students are at home or on campus.

Our **online member registration system** allows invited students to register and pay Pi Gamma Mu headquarters directly online. Chapter sponsors no longer need to collect those fees and membership forms and mail them to us. Please note that we will mail the certificates to the chapter sponsor once you send us a request unless other arrangements are made with our office in advance.

To use the new online membership system, visit http://pigammamu.org/adviser-portal.html. Contact suzannerupp@pigammamu.org with questions.

If you prefer to collect and mail in the payments and forms, we will continue to accept memberships through the mail.

We hope to hear from you soon. Please contact us if there is anything we can do to assist you with your membership drive or any other matter.

CHAPTER ANNUAL REPORTS DUE AUGUST 15



Chapter annual report forms are due on August 15. Many chapters have already sent in their forms and we thank you. If you have not sent in your chapter's form, it is not too late. The form is available on our Website. We appreciate each Chapter Faculty Sponsor taking a few minutes to complete and return this report.

The annual report form helps your chapter remain in compliance with Internal Revenue Service regulations pertaining to your chapter's obligation to submit information to headquarters. The international office will file your chapter's Form 990-N tax return on your chapter's behalf based on your answers to the two financial questions on the annual report form. Please help us to keep your chapter in compliance with the IRS regulations so that our Society and your chapter will maintain our tax-exempt status.

If you would like to see your chapter's activities mentioned in the *Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter*, send in your annual report and tell us what your chapter has been doing this year. Even better, send us photographs to put in the newsletter to accompany the description of the activities that you sponsored. You can send the pictures attached to an e-mail message to headquarters. We encourage you to brag about your students and what they are doing. We don't know what happens on your campus unless you inform us, so please take a few minutes to fill out the annual report. The deadline to submit your chapter's report to our international office is August 15.

PI GAMMA MU MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE



Wooden Greek Letters - ΠΓΜ

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



Pi Gamma Mu stole and honor cords bundle.

Buy a stole and honor cords and save \$5! \$36.

Only members of Pi Gamma Mu may wear this graduation regalia.

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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/

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE HONOR SOCIETIES

Honor Societies have existed as a part of the higher education tradition since 1885. In 1925 the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS) was established to help colleges and universities assess the value and credibility of these organizations. Pi Gamma Mu has been an accredited member of the ACHS since 1953. This link lists all member honor societies that are certified and meet the standards of the ACHS: https://www.achshonor.org/certified-societies-member-directory-#/

Over the past few years there have been several groups that have emerged that are calling themselves honor societies but do not meet the standards to be certified by the Association of College Honor Societies. Based on the calls and questions that come to the ACHS office, these organizations are marketing themselves as honor societies and possibly creating confusion for students.

In order to help students and administrators make more informed decisions, the ACHS has asked us to share with you basic questions to ask or assess before determining any organization to be an honor society:

- Does the organization require minimum scholastic criteria?
- Does the organization provide transparent governance?
- · Does the organization have campus chapters?
- Are they a recognized 501c3 non-profit organization?
- Does the organization have a website that includes: membership criteria; fees and benefits; Bylaws; headquarters staff with contact information; national elected officers?
- Are members of the organization involved in governing the organization?

You can find more information about how to judge the credibility of honor societies at https://www.achshonor.org/judging-credibility 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.



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.

MISSION OF PI GAMMA MU

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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.

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