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## 2018 CHAPTER HONOR ROLLS ANNOUNCED

Each year, the Pi Gamma Mu International Board of Trustees recognizes Pi Gamma Mu's most active chapters by placing them on the annual Roll of Distinction (the highest award for chapters) and Roll of Merit.

The Rolls are the result of the Awards Committee's evaluation of the annual reports filed by chapter officers. Among the criteria reported are facts indicative of the activity and effectiveness of the chapter on its campus, as well as its efficiency of operation according to procedures suggested or required by the international board. This includes chapter organization and participation by faculty members and students, election and initiation of members, and financial responsibility. Local initiatives in developing new activities or methods of operation are considered.

### ROLL OF DISTINCTION

**Delaware Beta**, Wilmington University, Johanna Bishop

**Kansas Theta**, Newman University, Larry Heck & Jill Fort

**Louisiana Eta**, Grambling State University, Frances Staten

**Nebraska Delta**, Wayne State College, Randy Bertolas & Jean Karlen

**New York Tau**, Pace University, Linda Quest

**Maryland Theta**, University of Maryland University College, Katherine Im

**West Virginia Iota**, American Military University/American Public University, Allison G. S. Knox

**Philippines Alpha**, University of the Philippines, Ma. Luisa T. Camagay & Elisio A. De Guzman

## ROLL OF MERIT

**Oklahoma Iota**, Langston University, Charles Spurlock  
**Georgia Sigma**, South University, Laura May  
**Georgia Rho**, Reinhardt University, M. Katrina Smith  
**California Upsilon**, American Jewish University, Sue Kapitanoff  
**Hawaii Alpha**, University of Hawaii at Manoa, Lorey Takahashi  
**Georgia Xi**, Brewton Parker College, Vance Rhoades  
**Nebraska Epsilon**, University of Nebraska- Omaha, Gregory Petrow

## MEET QUINLAN STEIN, PI GAMMA MU CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Pi Gamma Mu's Chapter Development Officer, Quinlan Stein, has served Pi Gamma Mu since June 1st, 2017 and in her time at Pi Gamma Mu has implemented new and effective strategies for chapter development growth. As Chapter Development Officer, Stein has developed effective strategies related to society growth, streamlined and organized the process of development, researched colleges and universities worldwide that may be suitable to host or reactivate a chapter, and contacted college and university faculty to solicit interest in housing or reactivating a Pi Gamma Mu chapter. Stein also aided in the planning and production of Pi Gamma Mu's 2017 Triennial International Convention in addition to designing electronic and printed promotional materials for the honor society. In the almost two years that Stein served at the Chapter Development Officer, Pi Gamma Mu has received thirty-five new charter applications and has had five chapters reactivate. As the Chapter Development Officer, Stein has contacted approximately 8,000 faculty members in all fifty states and abroad.

In December of 2018, Quinlan Stein completed her Bachelor's degree at Southwestern College, located in Winfield, Kansas, in just three and a half years. She graduated *Cum Laude* with a B.A. in History and minors in Religion/Philosophy and Leadership Studies. While at Southwestern College, Stein was also a part of the Honors Program through the Division of Social Sciences, a member of the Dean's list (Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, and Fall 2018), and received academic scholarships all three and a half years. Along with Dr. Jacob L. Goodson, Stein co-authored "William James on the Doctrine of Transubstantiation: American Transcendentalism vs. Roman Catholicism" in *Signs and Wonders*. She has also presented research projects at seven different conferences and occasions. For instance, Stein presented research titled, "Hope and Endless History: Utilizing the Past and Present to Create a Hopeful Future," at the University of Kansas Undergraduate Philosophy Conference on April 7, 2018, and "Intellectual Engagement: Designing Higher Education Study Environments," at Taking Leadership to the Legislature on March 26, 2018. Most notably perhaps was Stein's senior history thesis, "The Mothers of the Believers: Feminist Foundations in Early Islam," which was presented at The Conference on Faith and History on October 4, 2018, as well as at the Southwestern College Academic Showcase, on December 7, 2018.

As an undergraduate student at Southwestern College, Stein worked as an indexer and pre-publication editorial proof-reader for Dr. Jacob L. Goodson's recent 277 page manuscript, *Strength of Mind*. She also served as an undergraduate teaching assistant at Southwestern College for PHIL: 120: Ethics, Society, and Choices, and before coming to Pi Gamma Mu was employed as a Financial Aid Student Peer Advisor for the Southwestern College Financial Aid Office. Over the past three and a half years Stein has been a part of many extracurricular activities at Southwestern, some of which include, Leadership Southwestern (a service learning organization), President of the Southwestern College Philanthropy Board, Student Ambassador for Southwestern College Admissions, an At-Large Senator for the Student Government Association, Vice-President for InterAct (an international student organization), co-Director of the Rotary Youth Leadership Camp, Student Foundation, and Secretary of the Student Law Association.

Stein's effectiveness at soliciting new sponsors and chapters has led to societal growth and she has been an integral part of the International Headquarter Office of Pi Gamma Mu for nearly two years. Dr. Suzanne Rupp, Executive Director of Pi Gamma Mu, said about Stein:

In her almost two years as Chapter Development Officer, Quinlan Stein has demonstrated innovation, faithful commitment to the goals of her position, and attention to detail which has led to unprecedented growth for the organization. Her hard work and dedication have helped the Society grow during a very challenging time for all academic honor societies. During her time at Pi Gamma Mu Stein has worked tirelessly to help the Society accomplish its mission to encourage and promote excellence in the Social Sciences and to uphold and nurture scholarship, leadership, and service. We congratulate her on her success and wish the best in all of her future endeavors.

Due to her recent college graduation and new job acceptance, Quinlan Stein will be stepping down from the Chapter Development Officer position effective March 29th. She has accepted a job offer as the Digital Development Officer at Kansas State University Foundation in Manhattan, Kansas. Quinlan Stein has been a member of the Kansas Alpha Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu at Southwestern College since April 2017, sponsored by Dr. Cheryl Rude.



## CHAPTERS IN ACTION



The Tennessee Lambda Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu at Cumberland University held its spring induction ceremony in conjunction with the induction for new members of Phi Alpha Theta, the history honor society. The five new members of inducted into Phi Alpha Theta were also inducted into Pi Gamma Mu. Dr. Tara Mitchell Mielnik, Assistant Professor of History and Public History and the Program Director of the Associate of Arts in History program at Cumberland, is the faculty sponsor of the chapter.



Dr. Tara Mitchell Mielnik, the faculty sponsor of the chapter, is pictured at the left in the blue regalia.



The Nebraska Delta Chapter at Wayne State College participated in Pi Gamma Mu's National Service Project and donated \$100 to Haven House, the local domestic violence shelter in Wayne, Nebraska. Dr. Randy Bertolas, Professor of Geography and Chair, and Dr. Jean Karlen, Professor Emeritus of Sociology, are the faculty sponsors of the chapter.



Photo from the first chapter meeting for the spring semester at the Nebraska Delta Chapter at Wayne State College. Staff from the Haven House are pictured with members of the chapter.



Members of the Nebraska Delta Chapter hold a \$100 check to donate to the Haven House domestic violence shelter in Wayne, Nebraska.

## CHAPTER ANNUAL REPORTS ARE IMPORTANT



Chapter annual-report forms will be mailed to Chapter Sponsors in April. It is very important that all sponsors fill out and return this form to the international office by August 15. The [form is available on our Website](#) for those who would prefer to send it back electronically. We appreciate each Chapter Faculty Sponsor taking the few minutes to complete and return this report.

The annual report form helps your chapter to 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.

## 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 society-wide service project to serve their respective communities. This spring participating chapters will collect donations for a charity in their community in support of the homeless. Please contact a shelter of your choice and ask them what they need and put together a donation box. Donations may include, but are not limited to: toilet paper, baby wipes, toiletries, 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 issue of the Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact Allison G. S. Knox, Chancellor of the Southeast Region: [Allison\\_G.S.\\_Knox@hotmail.com](mailto:Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com).



# PARTNER SCHOLARSHIPS

Members of honor societies certified by the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS), including Pi Gamma Mu, are eligible to receive scholarships for programs and internships provided by ACHS partners. These valuable opportunities include:

- **Washington Internship Institute** — all inducted student members of the ACHS societies will be awarded a \$500 merit-based scholarship for the ACHS/WII Washington Internship Program.
- **The Fund for American Studies** — one inducted student member of each of the ACHS societies will be awarded a merit-based \$1000 scholarship for a TFAS Summer Institute or Capital Semester.
- **The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars** — awards a \$1,000 housing scholarships to selected students who are members of ACHS honor societies.
- **The Osgood Center** — offers a \$500 scholarship to be applied to the cost of its internship program in Washington, D.C. This scholarship is automatically awarded to any student who is a member of an ACHS member society.
- **The PhD Project** — encourages ACHS member society students to participate in an expansive network of support that helps African-Americans, Hispanic-Americans and Native Americans attain their business Ph.D., become business school professors and serve as role models to attract the next generation of minority business leaders.
- **United Planet** — offers one merit-based scholarship for an inducted student member of each chapter within every ACHS member society per calendar year in the amount of \$500 scholarship for any United Planet international program in one of over 35 countries. United Planet also awards five merit-based scholarships for alumni in every ACHS society per calendar year in the amount of \$500 for any United Planet international program in one of over 35 countries, and offers preferred program fees and support for chapter, society-wide, and alumni groups.

# SPRING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

At Pi Gamma Mu headquarters we are happily fulfilling orders for new membership credentials as the spring membership drive season continues. If you haven't started your chapter's spring membership drive, it's not too late! If you conducted a fall drive, would you consider conducting another drive this spring?

It is the lifetime membership fees that allow us to serve our members and chapters through member-exclusive scholarships, lectureship grants, conventions, our peer-reviewed professional journal, and more and it is the Chapter Faculty Sponsors who make it all possible by recognizing well-deserving students with an invitation to join. Thank you for your hard work and continued support!

Here are a few tips that you might find helpful as you conduct your membership drive:

- Invite all eligible students to join (see our constitution/bylaws posted on our website for membership requirements) <http://pigammamu.org/bylaws.html>,
- Ask the Registrar's Office to provide you with a list of students (undergraduate and graduate) that meet the requirements to join,
- Invite eligible online students,
- Invite eligible students who attend satellite campuses,
- Invite faculty members,
- Make use of Pi Gamma Mu's interdisciplinary nature and invite students from other departments,
- Include modest chapter dues in order to keep costs as low as possible for students,
- Promote the benefits of membership in your invitation

If there is anything we can do to assist you with your chapter's membership drive or any other matter, please contact us. We look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you!

# THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE REVIEW

Access the *International Social Science Review* by using this link:

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

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 journal publishes three times a year in the spring, fall, and winter. Each edition contains about four peer-reviewed articles. Each edition also contains about 15 book reviews, which are written by scholars and carefully polished for publication by the book-review editor and the editor-in-chief.

The journal frequently includes extended commentaries, point-counterpoint pieces, and Pi Gamma Mu News.

Pi Gamma Mu has two compelling reasons to publish an outstanding journal.

- The flagship honor society of the social sciences ought to encourage outstanding scholarship, and showcase it as an example for others.
- Our honor society can encourage the production of excellent scholarship by our members, professors, and students alike--by providing an outlet for their research products.

We encourage our members to expose their research to public view by presenting papers at our triennial international conventions and by submitting them to the *ISSR* for peer review. We hope that this activity might encourage our student members to write not just papers that will placate their professors but to write *inspired* papers that will enlighten others. We hope that this activity might encourage our members, professors, and students alike--to undertake research that will result in manuscripts that the peer-review process will find to be acceptable for publication.

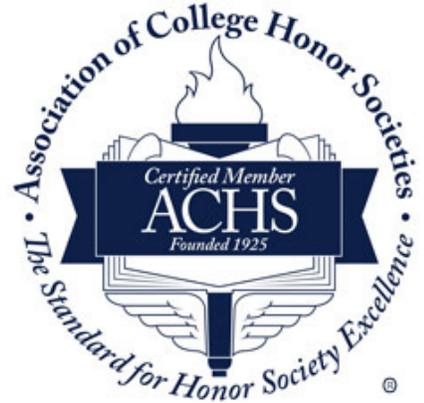


## CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS

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](mailto:executivedirector@pigammamu.org) or go to our Web site ([www.pigammamu.org](http://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](http://www.achsnatl.org)) for the [list of honor societies](#) that are members.



## 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.