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Thank you very much for taking a few minutes to keep your information current.

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Andrew Choi

The **Marvel Stockwell Scholarship** of \$2000 was awarded to **Andrew Choi**. He earned two B.S. degrees with majors in psychology and sociology from the University of Utah where he joined the Utah Gamma chapter. Choi graduated magna cum laude with university and departmental honors. He is now enrolled in the graduate school at the University of California, Santa Barbara and is seeking an M.A. and Ph.D. in counseling psychology. Choi's long term goal is to work as a professor in counseling psychology. He seeks to advance research as well as its dissemination via higher education, clinical training, and advice on relevant social policy.

Brian Denny is the recipient of the \$2000 **Carroll Parrish Scholarship**. He is a member of the Florida Zeta Chapter at Florida State University. He is now attending the University of California, Irvine where he is pursuing a doctoral degree in political science. Denny said, "My broadest aim in pursuing a graduate degree in the social sciences is to benefit others in a meaningful way." His goals include guiding future students, informing government policies, and contributing towards a greater understanding of specific issues impacting our world.



Brian Denny



Maximilian Stiefel

The winner of the \$2000 **Effie B. Urquhart Scholarship** is **Maximilian Stiefel**. He became a member at the Utah Gamma chapter at the University of Utah. He is now attending the University of California, Santa Barbara, at which he is working toward an M.A. and a Ph.D. in geography. Stiefel's goals include helping to "educate future generations to promote human and environmental health, robust economies, and resilient communities." He is passionate about sustainable development in emerging or recently industrialized countries from a heterodox perspective.

Dana Ritchey was awarded the \$1000 **Daniel E. Quigley Law Scholarship**. She graduated from Washington and Jefferson College where she joined the Pennsylvania Alpha Omicron chapter. She is now enrolled in the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. Ritchey said, "I have chosen law as my field of study because I believe it is a great way to enhance our community by sharing knowledge with others." In her undergraduate education Ritchey was awarded grant funds to research the environmental efforts of European countries. She shared new methods with her classmates to help make cities more environmentally friendly.



Dana Ritchey



**Coley Jennifer
Bartholomew**

The **Gordon E. Mercer Scholarship** of \$1000 went to **Coley Jennifer Bartholomew**. She joined the North Carolina Lambda chapter at Western Carolina University where she earned dual degrees in political science and public relations. She is now in the graduate program in public affairs at Western Carolina University. She stated, "The public affairs program is designed to take an in depth look at the skills needed for managing cities, countries and even states; which I believe will be the best way to equip me for my future public service career." She also stated, "During my tenure in government, I hope to develop programs that incorporate regions and districts and include partners to maximize programs and projects."

The following, in alphabetical order, were awarded \$1000 Pi Gamma Mu scholarships:



Amy Burns

Amy Burns joined Pi Gamma Mu through the Arkansas Delta chapter at Southern Arkansas University. She is now working on an M.S. degree in Mental Health and Clinical Counseling at the university. Her career goal is to become a Licensed Professional Counselor. She said, "first and foremost, I want to help others who are hurting or just need a listening ear; and second, I want to do what I feel I am called and gifted to do."

Anthony Jablonecki joined the South Carolina Gamma chapter at Winthrop University where he earned a B.A. degree in sociology. He is currently enrolled at the University of South Carolina and is working toward a master's degree in public administration. Jablonecki stated, "Civic engagement is the quintessential form of communication between the people and their government." He also said that he is curious about the discipline of public administration "because the essence of representative democracy resides within the individual, and through hard work and perseverance, such an individual can make a difference."



Anthony Jablonecki



Victoria Linnerson

Victoria Linnerson joined the Nebraska Delta chapter at Wayne State College where she graduated with a B.S. in psychology. She is currently pursuing a M.A. degree in social psychology at the University of Northern Iowa. Her long-term goal is to earn a doctorate in the same field of study and to pursue a research career. Within the field of social psychology she is interested in attitudes, prejudice and stereotypes specifically with gender, race, and self-identity. She stated that she believes that "graduate study is important for a person aspiring for a career as a researcher."

Haley Messerschmidt joined Pi Gamma Mu through the Nebraska Delta Chapter at Wayne State College where she majored in criminal justice and minored in pre-law and emergency management. She is currently seeking a law degree University of Nebraska College of Law. Messerschmidt said, "the knowledge I gained through my undergraduate studies has provided me with a unique perspective and understanding of the justice system, which will prove beneficial as I enter law school and serve in the field of criminal law."



Haley Messerschmidt



William Tyler Moseley

William Tyler Moseley joined the Georgia Kappa Chapter located at the University of North Georgia where he earned a B.S. degree in criminal justice and is currently working toward a Master of Public Administration degree with a concentration in criminal justice administration. Moseley said, "My goal is to become a public servant that can be relied upon by the government agency that I will work for, and to be an administrator that focuses on serving the public first. I want to be able to make a difference in the community that I will serve."

Tanisha Nicole Robinson joined Pi Gamma Mu through the Virginia Epsilon chapter at Radford University. She obtained a B.S. in history with minors in biology and studio art. She is currently working on a Master's degree in social work at Rutgers University in New Jersey. She said, "My dream job is to be a Medical Social Worker and work in a hospital and educating people in underserved areas on basic public health practices." She plans to eventually get a doctorate in public health education.



Tanisha Nicole Robinson

APPLICATIONS FOR 2015 GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS DUE ON FEB. 15

Each year, Pi Gamma Mu awards 11 scholarships to outstanding members. Three scholarships are worth \$2000 each, and the other eight are worth \$1000 each. These scholarships are intended for the first or second year of graduate work in the social sciences. If you are interested in applying, you should start putting your information together right away. Applications must be fully completed and received at the Pi Gamma Mu office in Winfield, Kans., with a postmark on or before February 15. Winners will be notified in March, with the grants awarded in September.

Please check the Pi Gamma Mu website for information and the application form. The URL address is <http://www.pigammamu.org/scholarships.html>



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

2014-2015 is an important year for Pi Gamma Mu (its 90th!) and this year we are focusing on growth. In order to maintain fiscal stability and prepare for a strong future we must continue to grow by inviting more outstanding students who deserve to be honored to become lifetime members.

We have completed another great convention with over 80 students, faculty sponsors, and alumni in attendance in Charleston, SC last month. Outstanding research papers were presented, chapters shared their unique stories, and we got some great ideas directly from chapter sponsors and students who participated in our new strategic planning process.

One message we received is that in this period we need to work closely with chapters to reach more outstanding students in the social sciences who deserve to be honored through membership. Receiving an invitation to join Pi Gamma Mu is an honor both students and parents value a great deal. We want more top students to have this opportunity and we are asking chapter sponsors to help us achieve this mission. We have launched our membership drive this year by providing more membership application forms and by inviting chapters to become more involved in planning our future. We have also expanded our Pi Gamma Mu Star program. Chapters who increase their membership by 20% or more over the previous fiscal year will become a Star Chapter, will be listed on our website, and will receive a wall plaque.

We have already seen a positive response to our request for your help. Long Island University Post in New York recently opened up its invitation process to more eligible students and increased their membership by 233% in one year. Elmhurst College in Illinois also had a stellar year with a 146% increase. Wilmington University in Delaware had an increase of 43% this year. It is the faculty sponsors who make success stories like these possible and we thank them for their hard work, dedication to their students, and their volunteerism to Pi Gamma Mu. Our hope is that more chapters will join these Star Chapters by offering the benefits of membership to more qualified students this year.

Another avenue for growth is the chartering of new chapters and the reactivation of chapters that have become inactive. If you know a faculty member at a college or university without a chapter who might be interested in getting a chapter started, please provide us with their contact information and we will assist them with chartering a new chapter at their school.

PI GAMMA MU CELEBRATES ITS 90TH YEAR IN CHARLESTON, S.C. 2014 Convention a Celebration of the past, present, and future of Pi Gamma Mu



Over 80 lifetime members attended Pi Gamma Mu's 2014 triennial international convention on October 16-18 in N. Charleston, S.C. The three day meeting provided the opportunity for some of the best and the brightest upcoming social scientists to share their ideas, learn from each other, collaborate, and celebrate. We learned about Pi Gamma Mu's past during a chapter showcase session including posters displaying archival materials from Pi Gamma Mu's 90 year history as well as the unique histories of some of our oldest and strongest chapters. We celebrated our present by hearing from students and alumni in poster and oral research presentations. Convention attendees also helped plan the future of Pi Gamma Mu by participating in long-term strategic planning sessions with members of the board of trustees. Student members attended workshops to learn about career options and applying to graduate school. The convention also included a roundtable session focusing on how Pi Gamma Mu can work more closely with and provide more benefits to alumni.



THURSDAY – Welcome, Strategic Planning Session, Sweetgrass Basket Making Demonstration, Student Workshops on Applying to Graduate School and Careers in the Social Sciences, 90th Anniversary Celebration, Service Project Presentation, Roll Call, Presidential Address, and Student Caucuses.



FRIDAY – Student Research Presentations, Awards Luncheon, Keynote Address, and Student Representative Campaign Speeches.



SATURDAY – Strategic Planning Roundtables, Chapter Development Showcase, Alumni Roundtables, Plenary Triennial Business Session, Installation of New Board Members and Student Trustees, and Charleston City Tour.

THE PRESIDENT'S VIEW

The 2014 Triennial Convention at Charleston culminated in an outstanding, productive, and stimulating event, from start to finish. The opening ceremonies incorporated central aspects of Pi Gamma Mu. The roll call of chapters brought to mind our wide reach as delegates of each chapter stood for recognition. Attendees from the U.S., the Philippines, and Canada attested to our international status. The presentation of stuffed animals brought by convention attendees and given to My Sister's House, Inc. reflected the service component expressed in our mission.



The paper presentations provided realization of the scholarship component of our mission; paper-after-paper demonstrated excellence in research and writing skills. The Chapter Development Poster session permitted chapters to showcase the incredible inspiration and energy that yields remarkable accomplishments. Other diverse sessions focused on pertinent topics, such as chapter development, graduate school preparation, and alumni participation.

Participants learned about the Charleston area through the demonstration session of the indigenous art of sweetgrass baskets. The Saturday afternoon tour provided a sort of culminating experience for social scientists, as participants joined together to learn about the political, social, and historical aspects of Charleston.

While all of these events contributed to the convention, the opportunity to interact with like-minded social scientists remained a significant highlight. Members and sponsors shared incredible enthusiasm for Pi Gamma Mu. Truly, their dedicated work makes Pi Gamma Mu a dynamic and thriving honor society.

In conjunction with the convention, the Board of Trustees conducted their annual meeting, resulting in important outcomes. Led by Jean Karlan, the Board committed significant time to strategic planning. The Board also committed to continued support of existing chapters and development of new ones; under Gordon Mercer's leadership.

Further action of the board resulted in a decision to raise the membership fee to \$50. This increase, the first since 2006, permits the society to keep pace with inflation and increasing costs. Plans call for the full implementation of the increase in September 2015.

Thank you to the planners and to all the participants who made the convention so successful and special. In the "life" of Pi Gamma Mu, a convention closes one three-year cycle and starts a new one. The success of the convention suggests the start of a new cycle, full of promise.

C. Laurence "Larry" Heck
International President

2014 CHAPTER HONOR ROLLS ANNOUNCED

During the annual meeting of the international Board of Trustees in October 2014, the board approved the recommendation of the Awards Committee concerning which chapters are recognized on this year's Roll of Distinction and Roll of Merit.

The Rolls are the result the Awards Committee's evaluation of the annual reports filed by responsible 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 MERIT

Georgia Xi, Brewton-Parker College, Vance Rhoades
Virginia Delta, Emory & Henry College, John T. Morgan
North Carolina Omega, Livingstone College, Toni Sims-Muhammad
Pennsylvania Kappa, Mansfield University, Janice Kay Purk
South Dakota Zeta, Presentation College, Brad Tennant
Texas Eta, Texas State University, Jeremy Pena
Pennsylvania Alpha Omicron, Washington & Jefferson College, Yongsheng Wang
North Carolina Lambda, Western Carolina University, Sheilah Moyle

ROLL OF DISTINCTION

Colorado Theta, Adams State University, Ed Crowther
Missouri Omicron, Evangel University, Lew Hall
Texas Psi, Huston-Tillotson University, Michael Hirsch
Ohio Eta, Kent State University, Clare Stacey
New York Tau, Pace University, Linda Quest
Maryland Gamma, Salisbury University, Alexander Pope IV
Nebraska Delta, Wayne State College, Randy Bertolas
Delaware Beta, Wilmington University, Johanna Bishop
Indiana Alpha, University of Evansville, Mari Plikuhn
Maryland Theta, University of Maryland University College, Katherine Humber
Nebraska Epsilon, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Gregory A. Petrow

2014 INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT

Pi Gamma Mu donates stuffed animals to *My Sister's House, Inc.* in North Charleston, S.C.

Delegates in attendance at the 2014 Pi Gamma Mu Triennial International Convention donated dozens of stuffed animals to *My Sister's House, Inc.*, a charitable organization located in North Charleston, SC. This international service project has been a very well-regarded and popular event at several of Pi Gamma Mu's past conventions.



Founded in 1980, *My Sister's House, Inc.* is a nonprofit organization that provides services, programs and resources to empower domestic violence victims and their children to live free from abuse. The organization operates an emergency temporary shelter at an undisclosed location for up to 36 women and children who flee abusive situations in Charleston, Berkeley and Dorchester counties in South Carolina. The organization provides a 24-hour crisis line, food, clothing, transportation, help with purchasing medication, children's programs, counseling and therapeutic assessments, field trips, music, art, and pet therapy, community-based support groups, police in-service training in dealing with abuse victims, court advocacy, volunteer opportunities, and community education.

Contributions from individuals, families, businesses, and civic and religious organizations help fund *My Sister's House, Inc.*'s services to victims of domestic violence. They expressed their thanks to Pi Gamma Mu for its donation and welcome additional support! You can make a donation by visiting MySistersHouse.org.

THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL SCIENCE REVIEW IS NOW ONLINE!

We are thrilled to announce that the *International Social Science Review (ISSR)* is now an online journal. The *ISSR* is the peer-reviewed professional journal of Pi Gamma Mu. This format change is an exciting advancement for Pi Gamma Mu's prestigious academic journal, which saw Vol. 88, Issue 3 going live online in May. Housed on the University of North Georgia's site, the journal is now accessible to everyone - no subscription required. In addition, journal articles are pulled when pertinent key words are typed into search engines such as Google, meaning the journal will reach new audiences. Explore the first online issue at Digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr/vol88/iss3 or type "International Social Science Review Vol 88 Issue 3" into any search engine. You can also submit articles to be consider for publication via the site or by simply emailing the article to quinn.issr@gmail.com. Bookmark your internet browser with the following link for future issues of the journal digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr. Enjoy!



MERCHANDISE UPDATE

We are excited to announce that new Pi Gamma Mu merchandise is now available on our [merchandise webpage](#). Our exclusive merchandise not only gives you the opportunity to proudly display your achievement and affiliation with the society, but merchandise purchases also support the activities of Pi Gamma Mu and help us finance our programs and awards.

New items include gray men's t-shirts and pink women's t-shirts proudly displaying the Pi Gamma Mu logo and name on the front and the mission statement on the back for \$20 and navy and white polo shirts embroidered with the Pi Gamma Mu seal for \$25.

Display your accomplishments by wearing Pi Gamma Mu honor cords at commencement ceremonies. Honor cords are \$17 each (or \$15 each for orders of 10 or more).

[Visit our merchandise page](#)



Thank you for your continued support of Pi Gamma Mu!

CONNECT WITH IIGM ON FACEBOOK, TWITTER, AND LINKEDIN

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 (such as the scholarship application deadline). Keep your eye out for updates about the Triennial International Convention coming up this October!

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.



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NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS ONLINE

Pi Gamma Mu is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation and is able to accept tax-deductible donations. If you would like to make a donation to our organization in honor / memory of a professor, sponsor, loved one or friend, or to support our scholarship program, you are encouraged to do so. Pi Gamma Mu gives 11 scholarships to students going into a graduate program in social science each year.

We are excited to announce that we are now gratefully accepting donations of any size via the internet. Simply complete the Online Donation form at <http://www.pigammamu.org/donate.html>. Online payment is by major credit card or PayPal account. Transactions are handled securely at the payment processor site. Pi Gamma Mu does not receive your sensitive financial data.

If you prefer to mail your donation, please complete the donation coupon below and mail it with a check payable to Pi Gamma Mu, to:

**Pi Gamma Mu
1001 Millington Street, Suite B
Winfield, Kansas 67156**

 [Print donation coupon](#)

MAKE YOUR CHAPTER A "PI GAMMA MU STAR"

- Now there are two ways to become a Star Chapter!

1. Increase your chapter's number of new initiates by 20% or more as compared to the previous academic year.

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 students. Increasing membership will also benefit more of the high performing students at your school with opportunities for scholarships, publications, networking, and more.

2. Add a link to the Pi Gamma Mu "Start a Chapter" webpage to your chapter's website.

We request your help in raising awareness about Pi Gamma Mu by including a link to our "Start a Chapter" page. Has Pi Gamma Mu helped you by giving you the recognition that you have earned by facilitating your institution's process of recognizing honor students? If so, please help us to create new chapters so that faculty members and honor students at other college and universities can benefit too. The URL address is:

<http://www.pigammamu.org/start-chapter.html>



Earn a "Pi Gamma Mu Star" plaque for your chapter!

The following graphic and others are available at <http://pigammamu.org/graphics.html>



Welcome to this Web Site! If you are located at a college or a university that does not have a Pi Gamma Mu chapter, and you would like to start a chapter, Pi Gamma Mu officers would like to talk to you! Click on this banner, or visit us at <http://www.PiGammaMu.org/start-chapter.html>

After you have uploaded the graphic to your chapter's home page, alert the international office by emailing Suzanne Rupp at suzannerupp@pigammamu.org. Be sure to identify the URL address of your home page. We will send you a "Pi Gamma Mu Star" plaque, which will look great on your office wall on display in your department!

Thank you!

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Deadline extended for Capital Semester Spring 2015

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THE INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

We've been creating academic internship experiences for over 40 years and **guarantee all participants an internship placement**. Your options are endless – we work with over 300 different federal agencies, policy groups, international affairs organizations, media outlets, public affairs firms, government relations offices, and nonprofit organizations.

Working in this powerful city will allow you to make professional connections and practice networking skills in a real-world setting. Washington, DC is the perfect place to explore a variety of career paths, and we work with each student's unique goals and aspirations to match them with the most fitting internship site.

APPLY TODAY

Applications are being accepted for the **Spring Semester** until **November 21**. Applicants for the Summer Programs are encouraged to apply for the early deadline of **December 10, 2014** in order to receive preference in admissions and scholarship consideration, as well as a [5% tuition discount](#).

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

We award more scholarship funding than any other DC program and strive to make the programs accessible and affordable to the best and brightest students regardless of financial status. Scholarships are awarded based on need and merit with over 70% of students receiving full or partial funding.

For more information and to begin an online application, please visit www.DCinternships.org. Questions may be directed to admissions@tfas.org or 202.986.0384.

2014-2017 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNOUNCED

Prior to each triennial international convention, each chapter is entitled to one vote in the election of international and regional officers of Pi Gamma Mu. Earlier this year each chapter was mailed an election ballot and chapters choosing to vote returned their ballots to the international office by the September 25th deadline. Election results were announced and the new board was sworn in during the triennial international convention which was held in N. Charleston, SC last month.

2014-2017 Pi Gamma Mu International Board of Trustees:

President

C. Laurence "Larry" Heck (Newman University, KS)

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Gordon E. Mercer (Western Carolina University, NC)

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2013-2014 DONOR RECOGNITION

Pi Gamma Mu gratefully acknowledges those who donated during the 2013-2014 fiscal year, which concluded on August 31, 2014.

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Dr. Linda Quest

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Dr. Barry Friedman

International Office

Dr. Suzanne Rupp

While Pi Gamma Mu is not the largest or wealthiest of the 62 national and international honor societies affiliated with the national Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS), arguably our international officers and trustees and our chapter sponsors are the hardest-working volunteers who can be found in any of the societies. No effort is spared to make our members' experiences as fulfilling as possible. Providing a variety of valuable services and opportunities to the members of Pi Gamma Mu such as scholarships, lectureship grants, conventions, publications, and more reflects the tenacity of the officers, the executive director, and staff, who have become experts at taking modest amounts of resources and extracting the maximum amount of benefit from them.

Please, would you consider being one of our tenacious partners? We gratefully accept donations of any size. All donations are acknowledged both on our Web site and in the *Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter*. If you are willing to help us maintain our array of outstanding programs, projects, and publications, you can [donate now](#) online using a credit card or PayPal account. If you prefer to mail a check print this [donation coupon](#) and mail it to our office.

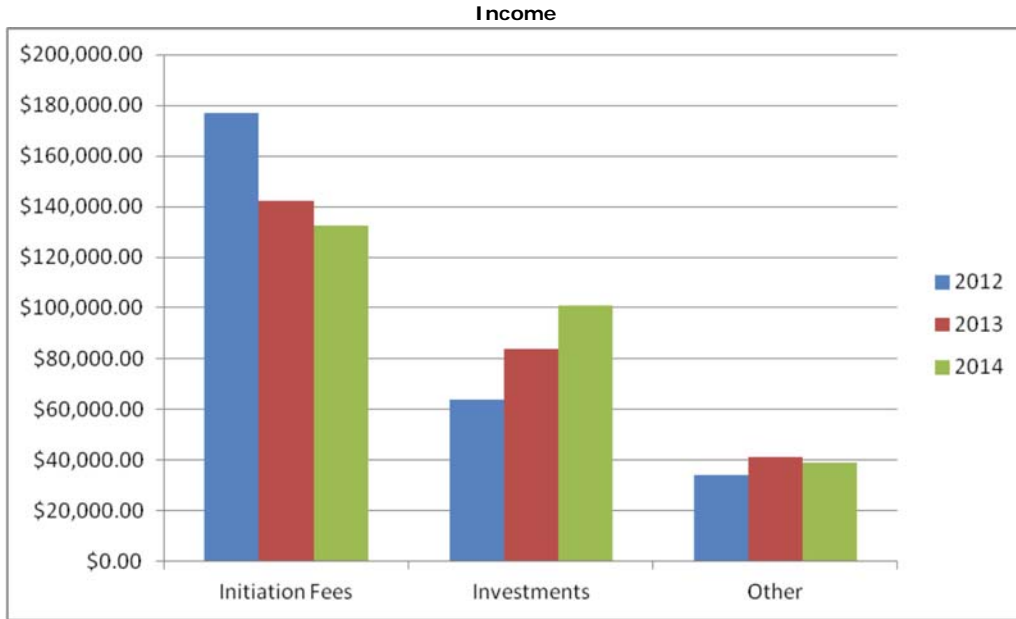
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TRIENNIAL FINANCIAL REPORT

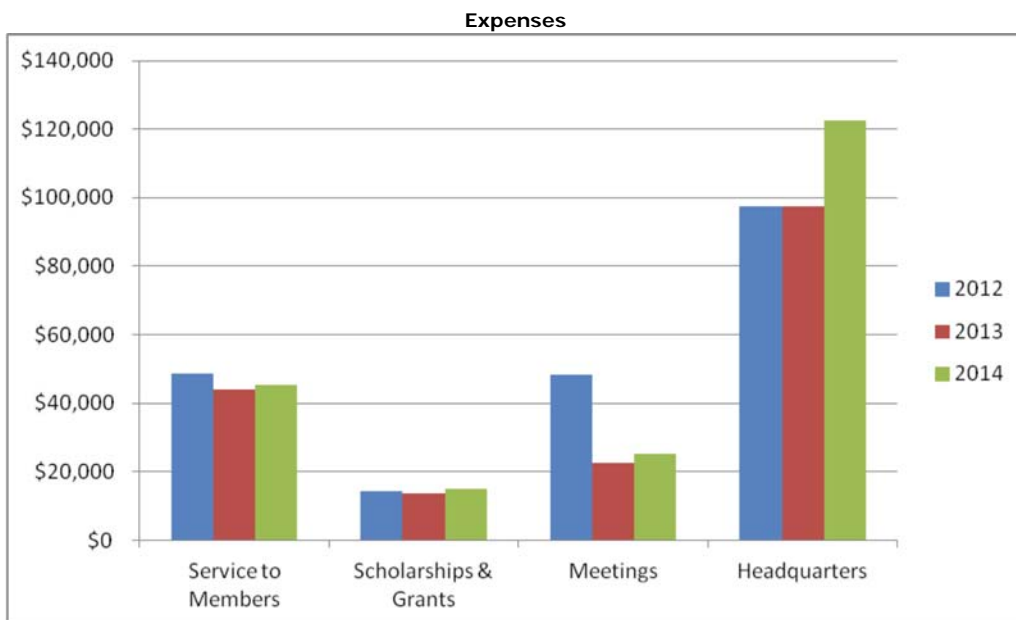
During the last triennium, Pi Gamma Mu increased memberships by 12,038. This brings the total membership in the society's 90 year history to 258,939. A total of 148 chapters initiated members in the past three years.

The following financial reports are submitted to the chapters to fulfill the requirement of the Pi Gamma Mu Constitution. They present three aspects of the fiscal affairs of the Society – the income and expenses for the last triennium, the statement of fiscal activities for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, and the cumulative results of Pi Gamma Mu's 90 years of operation:



Income Detail:

	2012	2013	2014
Initiation Fees	\$176,741	\$142,377	\$132,659
Investments	\$63,798	\$83,806	\$101,081
Other	\$34,261	\$41,162	\$39,079



Expenses Detail:

	2012	2013	2014
Service to Members	\$48,734	\$43,976	\$45,376
Scholarships and Grants	\$14,300	\$13,650	\$14,950
Meetings	\$48,366	\$22,644	\$25,167
Headquarters	\$97,526	\$97,361	\$122,701

Direct services to members include initiates' key pins, membership certificates and cards, access to the *International Social Science Review*, the *Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter*, and postage to mail these items. Headquarters expenses include staff salaries, insurance, printing, and all the costs required for operating an international society. Meetings cover the costs of the Triennial convention, annual board meetings, regional meetings, committee meetings, as well as expenditures incurred by officers when they represent the society. All trustees and governors volunteer their time and expertise, but they are reimbursed for costs when they travel for Pi Gamma Mu. During the triennium the investments increased by \$230,542 due to changes in the stock market.

2013-2014 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Total Revenues:	\$171,738
Expenses:	
Services to Members:	\$45,376
Headquarters:	\$122,701
Meetings, Legal, ACHS:	\$29,367
Scholarships/Grants:	\$14,950
Total Expenses:	\$212,394
Change in Net Assets – Operating:	(\$40,656)
Investment Revenues:	\$141,737
Change in Net Assets – Total:	\$101,083
Net Assets, beginning of year:	\$771,639
Net Assets, end of year:	\$872,722

ACHS MEMBERSHIP PROTECTS THE LEGITIMACY OF HONOR SOCIETIES

Pi Gamma Mu is one of 66 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 Web site (www.achsnatl.org) for the [list of honor societies](#) that are members.



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.

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