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INVITATION TO ATTEND THE 2017 TRIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN KANSAS CITY, MO

November 2-4, 2017
"Leadership, Scholarship, and Service"

Mark your calendars! Plans are coming together for our next Triennial International Convention. Join us in Kansas City, Missouri on November 2-4, 2017! This year's convention is sure to be one of the best yet with a spectacular program including student paper presentations (oral presentations and poster sessions), a new Student Leadership Program including special workshops and a decision-making simulation at the Truman Presidential Library, a Chapter Development Showcase including poster presentations by some of Pi Gamma Mu's most active chapters, a keynote address, a welcome reception, an awards ceremony, roundtables and panel discussions, student elections, and much more!



Venue - Our hotel, the Marriott Kansas City – Country Club Plaza puts you in the heart of Kansas City's world famous Country Club Plaza, the Midwest's premier shopping, dining, and entertainment district. Situated between two distinguished art museums, The Nelson Art Gallery and the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, the Marriott is an ideal location to get together to celebrate Pi Gamma Mu's rich history. Let the hotel's complimentary shuttle pick you up after a great meal or a shopping trip at the Plaza or travel just a little further to visit Kansas City's Crown Center entertainment district, Union Station and Science City, the historic City Market, the National World War I Museum and Memorial, Westport, the Power and Light district, and much more.

The room rate is \$139 per night (plus applicable taxes) for up to four people per room. The Marriott Kansas City – Country Club Plaza is located at 4445 Main Street; phone 816-531-3000; [link to hotel website](#). Attendees can fly into Kansas City International Airport and take the SuperShuttle or UBER. Reservations are required – call SuperShuttle at 800-258-3826 or get the UBER app for your smartphone.

Funding - Selected student presenters and Student Leadership Program participants will receive funding from Pi Gamma Mu to help cover the costs of attending the convention. Many colleges and universities also provide funding for students and faculty members to attend professional conferences. Pi Gamma Mu Chapters also earn funds to attend the convention by initiating new members. Why not take advantage of this great opportunity to participate in the 2017 Triennial Convention? Now is the time to start planning your trip to Kansas City!

Events (see articles in this *Newsletter* or our website for details):

- Student Presentations:
 1. Student Paper Presentations (for oral presentation)
 2. Student Academic Poster Session
- Student Leadership Program
- Chapter Development Showcase
- Roundtables and Panel Presentations
- Convention Launch Party/Convention Opening
- Awards Ceremony
- Keynote Speaker
- Service Project
- Student Elections
- and more!

Invitation to Alumni – Pi Gamma Mu continues to encourage alumni to attend and participate in the triennial international convention. If you are able to attend, we would love to see you at the convention!

Registration – The early registration deadline is October 1 with a reduced registration fee of \$75. The standard convention registration fee is \$100. The registration deadline is October 15. On-site registration will be available for \$125.

The registration deadline for the Student Leadership Program is also October 15 and the fee is \$75. Student Leadership Program participants must register for the Convention to be eligible for this additional program. Seating is limited and this program includes the Truman Library simulation and tour.

Convention attendees who are not participating in the Student Leadership Program may purchase a ticket to attend the Truman Library simulation and tour on Saturday. Seating is limited. Tickets are \$45 and will be available on the convention registration form available on our website. Convention registration will open at a later date.

CALL FOR STUDENT PAPERS

2017 Pi Gamma Mu Convention

Think about it! Presenting at an international academic convention looks great on a resume. Submit your papers now!

Pi Gamma Mu student members are encouraged to submit completed social science research papers for presentation consideration at the 2017 Triennial International Convention of Pi Gamma Mu. To encourage more student paper presentations at the Kansas City convention submitters (and their chapters) will be quickly notified whether their papers have been accepted for presentation. This will allow students and their chapters to begin making plans to attend the convention and, if possible, to use the acceptance of their papers to seek institutional and chapter funding. Early submissions are encouraged; the final submission deadline is September 15th. At that time, all accepted papers will be rated by a Committee of Readers. The authors of the top ten rated papers will receive a one-night free hotel room at the convention hotel, with the winners notified by September 25th. All students who have their papers accepted for presentation will present their research in a formal 10-15 minute oral presentation at the international convention.

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. 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 25 pages in length, including references, and in a standard format. No review comments will be shared with submitters, either verbally or orally.

Papers need to be submitted via email to Dr. Charles W. Hartwig, Chair of the Committee of Readers, at hartwig@suddenlink.net, with a "cc" copy to the Convention Committee Chair, Dr. Jean C. Karlen, at jeankarlen@gmail.com. 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, September 15, 2017; earlier submissions are strongly 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 three days of being sent, the student submitter should follow up by contacting the Convention Committee Chair (Dr. Karlen) at the email address above.

Outstanding papers may also be considered for a special convention issue of the *International Social Science Review*.

We are encouraging student members of Pi Gamma Mu, undergraduate, graduate, and alumni, to submit their work. Past conventions have demonstrated that Pi Gamma Mu members have completed outstanding research – we look forward to learning about new research at the 2017 Kansas City triennial convention in early November.

Now is the time to plan your trip; now is the time to decide to submit a research paper; *now* is the time to request support from your local institution for travel funds.

Questions? Contact Dr. Hartwig at hartwig@suddenlink.net, or 870-935-9454. See you in Kansas City!

PI GAMMA MU STUDENT ACADEMIC POSTER SESSION

November 3, 2017

Purpose: The Poster Session is designed to feature student work in the Social Sciences and promote interaction among all Pi Gamma Mu members attending the 2017 Triennial Convention. A poster consists of an exhibit of materials that reports academic work or information in visual and summary form. During a poster session, the presenter(s) stand by the display while others come and view the poster and interact with the presenter(s).

Content: Undergraduate 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.

Format: Detailed guidelines and information on poster displays and size specifications, session logistics (date, time, place), and presenter expectations will be sent to all participants accepted into the session at a later date.

Submission Information:

Poster proposals are welcome anytime but are due no later than Sep. 15, 2017.

Once reviewed and accepted, the presenters will be notified of their acceptance. This process may help the presenters in seeking institutional funding so early submissions are encouraged.

Send poster submissions directly to Jean Karlen (jeankarlen@gmail.com). Contact Dr. Karlen with any questions you may have.

Poster Proposals Requirements:

Poster Title

Presenters: At a minimum, each poster submission needs to include the name and contact information of one individual who will serve as the key contact for the poster session.

Institutional and Faculty Information: The chapter name, institutional affiliation, address, name and contact information (email and phone number) of chapter's faculty sponsor must be provided. Submitters are also encouraged to include the department, course name and faculty member for whom the paper/project may have been initially assigned.

Abstract: (a summary of the poster's content in 150 words or less)

Expectations of Poster Presenters:

Students must be members of Pi Gamma Mu and register for the convention by the October 15 deadline (\$100) in order to be mentioned in the convention program. Please note that the early deadline for registration is October 1 (\$75).

Posters may be on display in an open area for some of the convention time; however, during the scheduled student poster session, participants are to be present by their posters to offer summaries of their posters and answer questions.

Format/Set up Information: Posters will be placed on easels so will need a backing or clips to be securely attached to the easel. Foam boards or tri-fold cardboard boards work well. No additional materials including tape, pins, glue, or cardboard will be provided. Additional information will be provided to presenters at a later date.

Poster Submission Deadline: September 15, 2017.

Please contact Jean Karlen with any questions you may have.

jeankarlen@gmail.com

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Triennial Convention, Kansas City, Missouri November 2-4, 2017

A good leader inspires others—and makes difficult decisions when faced with adversity. Many of us have a vision of what a good leader is, and many of us have known someone that inspired us. Leadership is a difficult skill to attain but is so important in a variety of different disciplines, jobs, and decisions that need to be made.

The Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society proudly presents the Leadership Development Program launching for the first time at the Triennial Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Program participants will learn about leading in difficult situations, leading volunteers, and making decisions when faced with difficult circumstances. The program will consist of a series of lectures and workshops. The program ends with a decision making simulation at the Truman Library's White House Decision Center. Program participants will receive a certificate upon program completion.



The Program Schedule:

Registration Deadline: October 15, 2017

Webinar (online): Saturday, October 21, 2017

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Workshops and Lectures (Kansas City, MO): Thursday, November 2, 2017

Truman Library Simulation, (Independence, MO): Saturday, November 4, 2017

Registration for the program is \$75.00.

Limited funding is available for students. The application to apply for funding is due on June 1, 2017 and will be posted to the Pi Gamma Mu website on April 1, 2017.

If interested, please let us know by filling out this preliminary survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TLG6RQQ>

For more information, please contact Allison G. S. Knox, co-chair of the Leadership Development Program: Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com.

CHAPTER POSTER SUBMISSIONS WANTED

Share Your Ideas and Success Stories!

2017 Pi Gamma Mu Chapter Showcase Poster Session

Purpose: This session is designed to feature posters from Pi Gamma Mu chapters that exemplify the diverse strengths of our chapters, to create a forum for exchanging ideas regarding a wide range of chapter activities, and to promote interaction among participants and attendees. It is a chance for convention attendees to come together and use poster displays to share the good work they do.

Poster: A poster consists of an exhibit of materials that reports activities or information in visual and summary form. During a poster session, the presenter(s) stand by the display while others come and view the poster and interact with the presenter(s). In this way, chapter poster presentations provide a unique platform that facilitates discussion of chapter activities, generates ideas and exchanges, and allows meeting attendees to browse through highlights of chapter practices and ideas.

Content: PGM chapters are diverse and promote scholarship, leadership, and service in a variety of ways. This session offers a venue for chapters to feature their various experiences, activities, and strengths. Posters may provide a general overview of a chapter's activities for a previous year or focus on a particular type of activity a chapter wants to share with others. This may include programming, initiation ceremonies, recruitment strategies, fund raising, a chapter's history, and/or service projects.

Submission Information:

Poster proposals are welcome anytime but are due no later than September 15, 2017.

Send poster submissions directly to Jean Karlen (jeankarlen@gmail.com). Contact Dr. Karlen 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, chapters are encouraged to develop their poster ideas now and submit poster proposals this spring or early in the summer.

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 participating chapter needs to submit the name and contact information of one individual who will serve as the chapter's 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)

Expectations of Poster Presenters:

Students must be members of Pi Gamma Mu and register for the convention by the October 15 deadline in order to be mentioned in the convention program.

Posters may be on display in an open area for some of the convention time; however, on Saturday morning chapter representatives are to be present by their posters during the poster session to offer summaries of their posters and answer questions.

Format/Set up Information: Posters will be placed on easels so will need a backing or clips to be securely attached to the easel. Foam boards or tri-fold cardboard boards work well. No additional materials including tape, pins, glue, or cardboard will be provided. Additional information will be provided to presenters at a later date.

Poster Submission Deadline: September 15, 2017.

Please contact Jean Karlen with any questions you may have.

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONVENTION TRAVEL

It can be difficult to travel in college, especially when money is limited. Here are a few ideas that might help you as you contemplate traveling to the Convention in Kansas City.

1. **Ask your professors.** Sometimes departments have some funds built into their budgets to help students attend conferences.
2. **Contact the Student Affairs Department at your university.** Sometimes the Student Affairs Department (or a similar department) at your college has funds available for student conference attendance.
3. **Paper Submissions/Leadership Program.** Read up on the opportunities available for Pi Gamma Mu students. A few students will have their papers selected for presentation, and there are some funding opportunities through the Student Leadership Program. For more information, please contact the international office.
4. **Ask your Pi Gamma Mu chapter sponsor.** Chapters that will be in attendance at the Convention sometimes have funds available for students.



Each chapter is building a reserve of convention funding at Pi Gamma Mu headquarters. It grows every time a chapter sends applications for membership and initiation fees. The Convention Reserve Fund was established by action of the international Board of Trustees to encourage more chapters to participate in convention activities. Each chapter who sends a delegation to the convention will receive funding.

We hope to see you in Kansas City in 2017!

JOIN US AT THE CONVENTION OPENING RECEPTION

Please join us on Thursday, November 2nd at 7:30pm for the Convention's Opening Reception! After settling in and perhaps taking a walk through the Country Club Plaza, which is considered to be the nation's first suburban shopping center, and was influenced by the classical architecture of Seville, join us at the hotel on the Plaza Terrace, to start the convention.

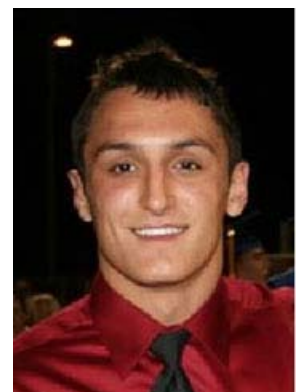
Pi Gamma Mu's first national convention was in 1928 in Chicago, and much like at that convention, the focus will be sharing academic knowledge. However, opening night is also about fun! We will hold the traditional Roll Call of Chapters, collect paperback books for the Kansas City Veteran's Affairs Medical Center, and have an action-packed trivia game (hint- a few answers may be found in this very blurb). While you will not get a chance to challenge yourself against Pi Gamma Mu members such as Jane Addams (first female winner of the Nobel Peace Prize), Lyndon B. Johnson (U.S. President), or Richard E. Byrd (first person to fly over the North and South Poles, and a PGM honorary national president), the competition will be steep! So hone up on your pop culture, Pi Gamma Mu history, and general social science knowledge. Oh, and as Kansas City is an amazing place, with sites such as Swope Park (which is almost double the size of New York's Central Park) there might be a few K.C. questions as well!



STUDENT MEMBERS, CONSIDER RUNNING FOR A POSITION ON THE PGM BOARD OF TRUSTEES – A message from Student Representative, Mark Mabry, Jr.

Greetings Fellow Pi Gamma Mu Members,

If you have not yet considered attending the 2017 PGM Triennial Convention in Kansas City, MO this November I highly encourage you to do so. Furthermore, if you are the kind of individual who is interested in attending (and perchance presenting your academic work or attending our leadership program) an international convention, then you might be interested in becoming a student trustee on the PGM governing board.



Every three years, two students are elected by their peers at the organization's Triennial Convention. These students become voting members of the PGM Board of Trustees and possess all the rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities as their fellow board members. As an undergraduate you will find few opportunities of this kind, so don't miss your chance to be a part of something fulfilling and exceptional.

I have found working on the Board of Trustees to be an enriching and rewarding experience. You will have the responsibility to speak on

behalf of your fellow students during board meetings and conference calls, helping to keep PGM oriented towards assisting its student members to strive for academic, professional, and social success. As an added bonus you will be working with the other board members who hold a variety of positions in a variety of disciplines at academic institutions across the country. For those of you interested in pursuing your academic career past the undergraduate level they are an amazing trove of information and advice. Why not take advantage of this great opportunity while you participate in the 2017 Triennial Convention?

Sincerely,

Mark Mabry, Jr.

Student Representative, Pi Gamma Mu Board of Trustees

If you are interested in running, send a statement regarding your interest and a brief biographical description to executivedirector@pigammamu.org. To be listed in the Convention Program, submit your information by September 15. Students may also be nominated or self-nominate on site at the Convention. Given that the student caucus occurs at the Convention, students must be present to be elected.

CLARA SMALL TO PROVIDE KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT THE PI GAMMA MU CONVENTION THIS NOVEMBER



We are pleased to announce that Dr. Clara Small will be providing the keynote address at the 2017 Triennial Convention this November. Small is Professor Emeritus of History at Salisbury University in Maryland and is currently the Interim Chair of the Department of Social Sciences at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore. Small also serves as the 2nd Vice President on the Pi Gamma Mu International Board of Trustees. She is also a noted public speaker and author. Among her areas of expertise is African-American life on the Eastern Shore. She has written and talked about notable individuals from the Eastern Shore, such as the first African-American woman to serve in a state legislature who lived on the Delmarva Peninsula. Also from the Delmarva Peninsula are two Tuskegee Airmen, a Buffalo Soldier, and the second president of Liberia. Small hopes that her 2014 book, *Compass Points: Profiles and Biographies of African Americans from the Delmarva Peninsula*, will get into the heads of her readers. "Most people who live here have no idea about [the book's subjects'] contributions to Delmarva," she said. "Most of them are national figures." The book features 56 African-Americans from the region.

Over the course of her nearly 40-year career as a professor at Salisbury University, Dr. Small became known as one of the leading scholars and historians on African American history on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Years after her retirement from SU, Dr. Small is as busy as ever. She is working on a soon-to-be released follow-up volume to her acclaimed book, *Compass Points*, and gives presentations at a variety of events including Pi Gamma Mu induction ceremonies in her area, in addition to serving as the Interim Chair of the Social Sciences Department at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

Dr. Small was the co-sponsor of the Maryland Gamma Chapter of Pi Gamma Mu at Salisbury University from 1983-2014. Under her leadership, the chapter made the Pi Gamma Mu chapter honor rolls many times. Small is also a former Chancellor of the Northeast Region and is the current Second Vice President of the International Board of Trustees of Pi Gamma Mu. She serves as Chair of the Society's Awards Committee which has responsibilities related to Pi Gamma Mu scholarships and other awards.

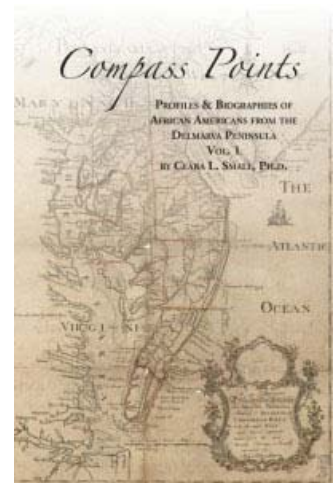
Other publications by Dr. Small include:

Did You Know? African Americans on Delmarva, Vol. 1 (2014).

"Men of Color, To Arms!" Manumitted Slaves and Free Blacks from the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland Who Served in the Civil War, co-authored with Rev. David Briddell. (2010)

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

"Abolitionists, Free Blacks, and Runaway Slaves Surviving Slavery on Maryland's Eastern Shore," in *A History of African Americans in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore*, 1997.



TOO MUCH KNOWLEDGE TO FIT INTO TWO ISSUES

The *International Social Science Review* will be published not twice—but thrice!—in 2017! We have been receiving such a high volume of quality research papers that Pi Gamma Mu authorized an extra issue of the journal this year. So please keep an eye out for a Spring, Fall, and Winter issue!

Our talented book review editor, Dr. Linda Ullman-Petrash will remain at the helm of the book review section for the Spring and Fall issues. We are pleased to announce a guest book review editor, Pi Gamma Mu member, law student, and Masters candidate, Nichole Timmreck for the Winter issue. If you would like to be added to Nichole's potential book reviewer list, contact her at timmreck.issr@gmail.com. The journal is also looking to build its cadre of blind peer-reviewers. If you would like to be added to our list, please email Candice at quinn.issr@gmail.com with your cv and mention in the body of your email what fields you are qualified to review articles.

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE PGM HALL OF FAME



Pi Gamma Mu solicits your nominations for new inductees to the Pi Gamma Mu Hall of Fame. Nominees should have at least 10 years of services to the organization as chapter advisor, officer, or Board of Trustees member or in some other meritorious capacity and should have an exemplary record of achievement and contribution in the social sciences and dedication toward Pi Gamma Mu.

In 2004 the international Board of Trustees established the Pi Gamma Mu Hall of Fame. The first inductees were announced during the triennial international convention in 2005. They were the late Dean Leroy Allen, Pi Gamma Mu's founder and first national president; Effie Urquhart, late executive secretary; retired executive director Ina Turner Gray; and Dr. C. Howard Patterson, late national president. At a 2006 board meeting, Dr. Scott Johnston, past international president, was inducted into the Hall of Fame. During the 2008 triennial convention, Dr. Orville D. Menard, late international president; Dan Quigley, late legal counsel to the board; the late Dr. Patricia A. Mulvey, founding sponsor of our chapter at Bluefield State College; and Dr. Stephen L. Fisher, long-time Pi Gamma Mu volunteer at Emory & Henry College were inducted into the hall. In 2011, P. Kay Anderson, past international president, Hugh C. Bailey, past international president, A. Wayne Burton, Pi Gamma Mu governor for Pennsylvania, Susan Stouinger Northcutt, Pi Gamma Mu governor for Florida, Linda G. Quest, past chapter sponsor, and Daniel M. Schores, past chancellor of the south central region were inducted. In 2013, Dean J. Fafoutis, editor of the *International Social Science Review* from 2002 to 2013, was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The nomination process is relatively simple. Individuals can be nominated by chapters that submit a detailed narrative of the activities and accomplishments of the nominees. Chapters nominate, but the Selection Committee decides who best meet the criteria. Once nominated, the individual remains under permanent consideration; chapters may--and are encouraged to--submit at any time additional information about the nominee to strengthen the case for selection.

The Selection Committee will receive applications at any time, although selection of inductees will take place no more frequently than once each year. Nominations and supporting materials should be sent to Hall of Fame, Pi Gamma Mu, 1001 Millington, Suite B, Winfield, KS 67156.

Visit our [website](#) for more information on how to nominate individuals for the Hall of Fame.

PIGM CONVENTION COMMITTEE PLANS ROUNDTABLES AND PANEL PRESENTATIONS AND SEEKS YOUR INPUT

The Pi Gamma Mu Convention Committee is continuing to make plans for its 2017 Triennial International Convention (November 2-4, 2017 in Kansas City, MO). Attendees will have the opportunity to participate in roundtable discussions and panel presentations covering a range of possible topics including preparing for graduate school, resume writing, how to get published, chapter leadership, and more.

The committee wants to plan a convention with sessions that appeal to students. If you have a topic you want covered or a question you want addressed, submit your idea, suggestion, or question to Suzanne Rupp at suzannerupp@piggammamu.org. The convention committee welcomes your input. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you in Kansas City!

PI GAMMA MU INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY U.S. SHADOW PRESIDENT POSITION

At the 2017 Triennial International Convention in Kansas City, Missouri student delegates will have the opportunity to run for and be elected to the position of our honor society's U. S. Shadow President. This will be for a three year term ending at our next convention. This position was created prior to the 2010 Atlanta Convention to give someone a chance to evaluate the U. S. Presidents activities, policies and to give the president advice through writing a column in our Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society Newsletter. The elected student should have an interest in politics, policy and leadership effectiveness. The Shadow President's column in our newsletter should give readers a better understanding of presidential policies.

Our first shadow president was Eric Knutson from Wayne State College, who later went to Law school and is now a practicing attorney in Nebraska. He was followed by Matthew Anderson of Lincoln University, who finished his doctorate degree in management at University of Phoenix. Both previous shadow presidents believed this position helped develop their writing skills, professional development and we enjoyed reading their columns. Gordon Mercer, then international president, interviewed Eric Knutson in a press release on President Obama. The Pi Gamma Mu interview was covered by "U. S. Politics Today," "U. S. News Report: EIN," "Google News," and "Nebraska Political News." While the nature and expectations of the position will be covered in Kansas City at our convention, more information can be gained by calling Gordon Mercer, board member and past president, at 828-369-2693.

VETERANS SERVICE PROJECT



This year at Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society's Triennial Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, we will be conducting a service project in support of our nation's veterans. Convention participants are asked to bring a toothbrush and/or a paperback book on any subject that they would like to donate. The toothbrushes and books will be delivered to the Kansas City VA Medical Center in Kansas, Missouri.

Please direct questions to Allison G. S. Knox, Chancellor of the Southeast Region: Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com.

CHAPTERS IN ACTION

The South Dakota Zeta Chapter at Presentation College has had some wonderful activities in the past year for its students! The chapter gave to Safe Harbor last year, a home for women and children victims of domestic violence and the United Way. Last year the chapter also hosted Shirley Christian, a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist. While the chapter is still young, two members have been awarded the Pi Gamma Mu Scholarship over the last few years.

Dr. Brad Tennant is the chapter sponsor and has research interests in northern plains history, the American west and Native American studies. He was originally inducted into Pi Gamma Mu years ago as an undergraduate student.

To learn more about the South Dakota Zeta Chapter at Presentation College, please contact Dr. Brad Tennant at brad.tennant@presentation.edu.



Philippines Beta chapter



Meet the 2016 Initiates of the Philippines Beta chapter at De La Salle University!

Pictured left to right are Kenneth Gregory C. Dillena, student member; Professor Romeo B. Lee, faculty chapter sponsor; Meara Carys Pedregosa Toleran, student member; and John Ryan Asuncion Buenaventura, student member. Channell Jan Carcallas-Concepcion, student member, is not pictured.

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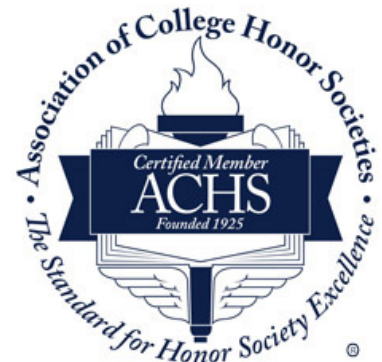
Connect with us on LinkedIn

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.

ACHS MEMBERSHIP PROTECTS THE LEGITIMACY OF HONOR SOCIETIES

Pi Gamma Mu is one of 68 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.achsnaatl.org) for the [list of honor societies](#) that are members.



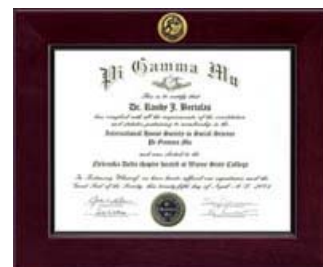
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The international office is selling Pi Gamma Mu honor cords, t-shirts, polo shirts, coffee mugs, tote bags, bumper stickers and more. Members can order honor cords any time during the year. They can be worn at graduation, they can be draped around your Pi Gamma Mu membership certificate on the wall, or you can be creative--but be sure to order yours. There is an order form on the merchandise page at www.pigammamu.org/store.html.

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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. We will put the [form on our Web site](#) soon for those of you who would prefer to send it back that way. We appreciate each 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 gladly file a 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*, you must 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 activities that you sponsored. You can send the pictures attached to an E-mail message to headquarters. Please send the original digital image if possible.

You need 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 is August 15 to submit your chapter's report to our international office.

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.

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