

Chapter Names & Universities

Alpha Gamma - University of Nebraska Lincoln
 Alpha Delta - Oklahoma State University
 Alpha Epsilon - University of California- Davis
 Alpha Zeta - University of Wisconsin- River Falls
 Alpha Eta - Delaware Valley College of Science & Agriculture
 Alpha Theta - Iowa State University
 Alpha Iota - Texas Tech University
 Alpha Kappa - Mississippi State University
 Alpha Lambda - Florida A&M University
 Alpha Mu - Temple University
 Alpha Nu - Utah State University
 Alpha Xi - Texas State University- San Marcos
 Alpha Omicron - University of Arkansas
 Alpha Pi - University of Wisconsin- Platteville
 Alpha Rho - Oregon State
 Alpha Sigma - University of Wyoming
 Alpha Tau - University of Maine

Chapter Names & Universities

Alpha - Cornell University
 Beta - University of Illinois
 Gamma - Penn State University
 Delta - Michigan State University
 Epsilon - Ohio State University
 Zeta - Rutgers University
 Eta - Washington State University
 Theta - University of Maryland
 Iota - North Carolina State University
 Kappa - Virginia Polytechnic & State University
 Lambda - University of Minnesota
 Mu - University of Florida
 Nu - Auburn University
 Xi - New Mexico State University
 Omicron - Purdue University
 Pi - Clemson University
 Rho - University of Wisconsin- Madison
 Sigma - Southern Illinois University
 Tau - University of Georgia
 Upsilon - California Polytechnic State University
 Phi - South Dakota State University
 Chi - Colorado State University
 Psi - Texas A&M University
 Omega - Kansas State University
 Alpha Beta - University of Tennessee - Knoxville

Pi Alpha Xi

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*The National
Academic Honor
Society for
Horticulture*

Do You Have
A Chapter?



Is Your Chapter
Active?



Are Your Top
Students Being
Recognized?



The History of Pi Alpha Xi

The idea of an honor society came from an impromptu after-dinner discussion among representatives of several universities attending the International Flower Show held in New York City in 1923. A group of individuals from Cornell University, led by the late Arno Nehrling, developed the organization, wrote the first constitution and ritual and designed the insignia or key. The installation of the Alpha Chapter was at Cornell University on June 1, 1923. Originally, Pi Alpha Xi was for floriculture and ornamental horticulture; however, today it embraces all horticultural disciplines and has grown to 40 chapters with approximately 14,000 members. Chapters are located in the United States at four-year institutions with programs in horticulture.

Pi Alpha Xi Mission

The organization was established to foster good fellowship among students, educators and professional horticulturists. The society mission is to promote high scholarship, fellowship, professional leadership and the enrichment of human life through plants.

Eligibility

Pi Alpha Xi, the Honor Society for Horticulture, recognizes junior and senior students with high scholastic achievement who demonstrate a strong interest in horticulture. Graduate students and faculty with an emphasis in horticulture are also eligible. Students must have a minimum overall academic average of B (3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale). Individual chapters may require a higher GPA. Candidates should also show promise for continued activity and commitment to the field of horticulture.



Benefits of Membership

Your one-time membership fee provides lifetime national membership. You will also receive a Pi Alpha Xi certificate, recognition pin and access to the Lotus Leaflet, the society's official newsletter, at the Pi Alpha Xi website. Individual chapters may also offer new members honor cords or sashes that are worn with commencement regalia and/or may assess a local chapter fee to cover costs. See your local chapter president or advisor for specific details.

Organization & Structure

Pi Alpha Xi contracts management services from the American Society for Horticultural Science (Alexandria, VA). ASHS hosts the Pi Alpha Xi website www.pialphaxi.org. Information about initiation and membership, including honorary members and fellows, and the Lotus Leaflet may be found there. The Pi Alpha Xi annual business meeting is held in conjunction with the American Society for Horticultural Science Annual Conference. During the year, all local chapters are kept informed of national business through the national secretary-treasurer, the Lotus Leaflet and the local chapter advisor and/or officers.



Annual Photography Contest

As a member of Pi Alpha Xi, you are encouraged to submit digital photographs representing horticulture to the Annual Pi Alpha Xi Photography Contest. Competition categories and rules are available at the Pi Alpha Xi website (<http://www.pialphaxi.org/>). Winners are announced during the annual business meeting held in conjunction with ASHS. Funds from the contest support the Pi Alpha Xi scholarship program.

Pi Alpha Xi established an open photography contest in 1996 to be held in conjunction with the Annual Conference of the American Society for Horticultural Science. The purpose of the contest is to promote Pi Alpha Xi (PAX) to ASHS membership, to support Pi Alpha Xi's scholarship program and to encourage horticulture-related photography. Contestants need not be members of Pi Alpha Xi to participate.