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FALL NEWSLETTER 2016

FOUNDATION SUMMER BOARD MEETING 2016

DALLAS TEXAS

The Foundation's Summer Board Meeting took place in Dallas Texas, July 14-16, 2016. The board spent two days in meetings discussing the progress of the various committees, financial investments, approval of the scholarship and grant recipients, and fundraising. One of the main topics of discussion was the upcoming 50th anniversary of the Gamma Mu social organization. The Foundation is planning a challenge grant of \$50,000.00 to raise an additional \$50,000.00 for the 50th anniversary of Gamma Mu. It is being designated 50/50/50. More information on this historic fundraising event will be following soon.



DALLAS QUARTERLY

Jim Jones and **Scott Kahle** hosted the Dallas Quarterly during the Foundation Summer Board

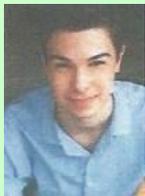


Quarterly during the Foundation Summer Board Meeting. It was an opportunity for local Gamma Mu members to meet the Board and discuss Foundation matters.. There were displays and literature about the Foundation available to the attendees. The event was held at the Sky Club at the Mayfair. It was an outstanding event with 52 in attendance.

MEET YOUR BOARD

Paul J. Gitnik

Paul has extensive experience in the legal profession. He attended Georgetown and Duquesne law schools. Paul also founded and later sold several companies. His resume includes a multitude of civic organization memberships, extensive professional speaking engagements, professional organization memberships, and several teaching positions. Paul lives with his partner, Gene Svrcek, in Pittsburgh, PA. They are very active in Gamma Mu and were Co-Chairmen of this year's Pittsburgh Fly-In.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Noah Pyzik Attending Marymount Manhattan College - Bachelor of Psychology and Musical Theatre. \$2,500, Clark Trust Scholar

"After I came out, my parents didn't speak to me for five months. I lived with friends because I wasn't welcome in their home. My parents are unwilling to help finance my education because of my sexual orientation. I'm currently working 2 jobs while in school full time and will be an RA next year to cover my housing. However, tuition is still a very expensive ordeal. I was extremely lucky to be accepted into the very prestigious Marymount Manhattan College for Musical Theatre and have had the most amazing, life-changing year. I've grown in ways I didn't know were possible. I would hate to not be able to return because of finances. I've been dreaming of studying theatre since I was 3 years old and it's the ultimate dream come true for me. I'm so thankful to Gamma Mu for awarding me a scholarship last year. It was an insanely huge help in making that dream possible. Had I not been awarded the scholarship, I would not have been able to afford this year's tuition. I hope that through this scholarship I will be able to continue my education next year and continue working towards my college degree."

"I currently have a 4.00 GPA and made the Dean's List for fall 2015. I'm in the honors college and over half of my credits this semester are honors courses. I graduated high school with a 4.00 GPA with an International Baccalaureate diploma. This means that junior and senior year I took all college level classes based on international standards. All of my written assignments presentations, and exams are sent overseas to be graded by international moderators. I realized at a young age that if discrimination was going to hold me back than I needed to work my hardest to receive great grades. People can be prejudiced by they can't take away my educational achievements."

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