

# *Pi Mu Epsilon Initiation Ceremony*

Welcome to the 2015 annual induction ceremony of the California Tau Chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon, the National Mathematics Honor Society.

## **--Information about Pi Mu Epsilon**

We are assembled here for the purpose of initiating new members into Pi Mu Epsilon.

Pi Mu Epsilon is a national mathematics honor society. It was founded at Syracuse University and incorporated at Albany, New York on May 25, 1914. The purpose of Pi Mu Epsilon is the promotion and recognition of mathematical scholarship among students in postsecondary institutions. It aims to do this by electing members on an honorary basis according to their proficiency in mathematics and by engaging in activities designed to promote the mathematical and scholarly development of its members.

Pi Mu Epsilon is an academic society consisting of chapters located throughout the United States. Chapters of Pi Mu Epsilon may be chartered only at academic institutions whose standards are excellent in all the liberal arts and particularly so in mathematics. A careful probing investigation is made before a charter is granted to an institution.

Today's candidates represent the classes of 2015 through 2018, Their selection was based upon their outstanding scholastic records and their exceptional performance in mathematics. To be chosen a member of Pi Mu Epsilon is a very high honor.

It is necessary, before you are accepted into membership, that you take the Pi Mu Epsilon Scholarship Pledge which is printed in the program.

Will the candidates please stand, and repeat the pledge in unison with me.

**"I solemnly promise / that I will exert my best efforts / to promote true scholarship, / particularly in mathematics; / and that I will support the objectives / of the Pi Mu Epsilon Honor Society."**

Congratulations on your election to Pi Mu Epsilon, and welcome to this community of scholars.

**--Induction of the Initiates:**

Please be seated. I will now ask Nicole Yamasaki, the President of our local chapter, to read the names of the new members who are present. As your name is read, please come forward to sign the Roll Book and to receive your Certificate of membership. Those members who were inducted absentia may now come forward to sign the Roll Book (Zach Ouderkerken)

**--Closing Remarks:**

In closing, on behalf of the members of the California Tau Chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon, I welcome you to membership in the society. You have been given this honor because of your interest, ability and accomplishments in the field of mathematics. It is a true honor and we are confident that you will regard it as such.

After our invited talk, we will have a photo with the current members, the new members, and the speaker.