

UPSILON UPDATES

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JULIA'S JOTTINGS



·A big thanks to our hostesses. In May Jo Junker and Jeni Wolfe served their refreshments with a beautifully decorated décor. Rogene Boyd and Stephanie Denning provided the attractive rose and scarf center pieces with chocolates at the May joint chapter meeting.

·Thirty years ago I stepped out of my comfort zone to become the charter president of Upsilon Chapter. The 2012-2014 opportunity to be president again has been a truly enjoyable experience and I thank you for your confidence in me and the opportunity to serve the chapter and members. My life has been enhanced.

·It's been a thrill seeing successes of chapter members both in their personal life and leadership roles. The chance to keep in

touch and hear from members, actively teaching and retired, is a real plus.

·It's exciting to see the biennial accomplishments and the 30 years of successes of the chapter. Each member has helped achieve these goals. The info provided at the April meeting indicated that the growth of the book sale providing the opportunities to give scholarships, set up the endowments at UW, LCCC, and The Children's Garden have been the chapter's biggest achievement and well-received venture. See proceeds of the book sale list below.

·Note JoAnn Baumhover's message which follows concerning dues. There are options concerning payment that you may wish to consider.

·The 2014-2016 slate of officers are busy working as an executive board to provide members with interesting and well planned meetings and activities. I hope you continue to attend regularly and say yes when asked to help. Many hands make for light work.

·Over and over during the last years I've been reminded that you get out of something just what you put into it. Have you found this to be true?

·Send an e-mail hello or pick up the phone and call 632-0209 every once in a while just so I hear. I'm already having withdrawal going from several messages or questions a day to one or two a week.

Have a great summer,
Julia Burke, Outgoing 2012-2014 President

Julia Burke

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IMPORTANT DUES INFORMATION

2014-2015 Dues and Fees

At the March meeting Upsilon Chapter voted to pay full dues and fees for the year of:

- \$80.00 for active membership
- \$37.00 for reserve membership
- \$5.00 for active life membership

Possible Payment Options

For your convenience there are several payment options, as follows:

Pre-pay one-half of their dues this summer and the other half next fall, please send a check (made out to Upsilon Chapter) to JoAnn Baumhover, 8604 Yarina Way, WY 8009-9514 now and bring a check for the other half to a meeting next fall (September or October).

Make two installments next fall (first half in September and second half in October).

Paying full dues in one payment is also acceptable.


The chapter Caring Fund can provide partial assistance for those in need—ask Julia and/or JoAnn before June 30th OR Irene and/or JoAnn after July 1st.

Remember dues and fees need to be paid in full by October 31, 2014.

UPSILON IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

JoAnn Baumhover - Treasurer

Through all the hard work and dedication, look at what our chapter has made possible! Proceeds of the book sale have allowed Upsilon Chapter to:

- Provide for member scholarships
 - Provide for non-member scholarships
 - Provide for an endowment at both UW and LCCC
 - Provide for an endowment at Laramie County Library
 - Provide for an educational materials endowment at the Paul Smith Children's Village
 - Provide help to Raising Readers
 - Provide for an annual donation to the WY Academic Challenge
 - Provide for an annual donation to Alpha Xi State Organization's Elderhostel/Road Scholar account
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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Mara MacDonald Funk, outgoing 2nd VP

Upsilon Chapter initiated three new members at the recent Founders' Day Dinner. They are: Jackie Donnelly, nominated by Dr. Michelle Aldrich and the daughter of Upsilon's Orene Jerome. Jackie is a Family and Consumer Science teacher at South High School; Patricia Goertz Hardin, nominated by her former math teacher, JoAnn Baumhover. Patricia is a former teacher and coach who is currently ranching with her husband in northern Laramie County; Jenefer Pasqua, nominated by Joan Schade, is teaching kindergarten at Davis Elementary and is CTEA's President-Elect for the 2014-15 school year. To reach them by email, please send to: donnellyj@laramie1.org; patricia_hardin_21@hotmail.com; pasquaj@laramie1.org.

If you have given only a school district email, please remember to check your mail for DKG news and information. Our group mailings tend to go into Junk Mail, so check that often.

Have a great summer!


IT HAS BEEN AN HONOR

Abi Paytoe Gbayee - Outgoing Editor and Webmaster

I would like to take the time and thank everyone for the wonderful opportunity it has been to serve as the editor and webmaster for the Upsilon Chapter. It is with a heavy heart that I am resigning my posts due to a hectic schedule and hectic kiddos. I appreciate the patience everyone, especially Julia, has provided waiting on my schedule to get the newsletter out. I feel as if I would be doing the Chapter a disservice if I were to continue in my positions, not fully giving the Chapter the attention it deserves. Additionally I believe there are other members who are highly capable and competent with wonderful ideas and concepts who should be given the opportunity to shine. It is my intent to continue my membership in our wonderful chapter and phenomenal organization, however my time needs to be dedicated to my family first. Thank you all again for affording me such a wonderful opportunity.

MEMORIES, SWEET MEMORIES

Please look at our Pictures page on the website to see all sorts of wonderful pictures from various Chapter events from this last year. Thanks so much to Joan Schade and Julia Burke for all their hard work taking and labeling the photographs.



APRIL MEETING MINUTES

Delta Kappa Gamma Upsilon 4/21/2014 @ Triumph High School

Meeting was called to order by Julia Burke at 4:20 PM.

Roll Call was done with a sign-in sheet.

Quorum JoAnn Baumhover determined there was a quorum present.

Minutes of the March meeting were approved as written.

Correspondence – Patricia Urasky

- Jo Zunker – Thank you card.
- Wounded Warrior Project – Request for continued support.
- University of Wyoming - Invitation for a member to attend a luncheon.

Presentation of Grants

- Sheri Geringer - Raising Readers, \$5000
- Aaron Sommers, Tyler Mason – Paul Smith Children’s Village, \$10,000

Kathy Orr led “Presentation Celebration” song.

Reports and Announcements

Courtesy – Gwen Vines. Val Montgomery had an accident on a treadmill and fractured her right foot. She is in need of donated sick days. Stephanie Denning broke her neck last fall.

May Meeting Info – Janice Berry. The Founder’s Day Dinner will be Monday, May 19, 2014 at 6:00 PM in the Yellowstone Room at the Holiday Inn. A steak or salmon dinner can be chosen at a cost of \$18.

Write In for Let Your Light Shine – Irene Story. Irene will host a “Write In” at her home on May 8.

Anyone born before 1950 can share their stories to be written for Let Your Light Shine an Alpha Xi state publication.

2014 – 2015 Executive Board Planning Meeting will be held on April 22 at 6 PM at Linda Carlson’s house.

State Leadership Meeting will be held in Casper on April 25 and 26. Julia Burke , Michelle Aldrich, JoAnn Baumhover and the incoming officers Irene Story, Linda Carlson, and Kathy Orr are going.

Indianapolis International Meeting will be held July 28 – August 1. Julia Burke and Irene Story will be going.

Thank you to our hostesses – Jo Zunker and Jeni Wolfe.

A Special Time Together – Kathy Orr. “Easter Egg Rap”

Treasurer’s Report - JoAnn Baumhover Balance TBA

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

Guest Patricia Goertz Hardin was introduced by JoAnn Baumhover. Patricia is a nominee for membership in our chapter.

Voting was conducted and nominees for membership, Patricia Goertz Hardin, Jenefer Pasque and Jackie Donnelly were approved and will be initiated at the May meeting.

Any retirees from our chapter? None

Crafts for the Casper meeting are needed for display and auction. We can let Julia or JoAnn know so they can take them.

President’s Moment – Julia Burke. This is the last meeting of our chapter for our current president and Julia gave the officers an appreciative note and pen made by her husband. Members present received “A Round Tuit”

Program: Giddy-Up and Grow by Julie Huntington, Master Gardener

Door prize winners were drawn.

Meeting adjourned 6:00 PM

Submitted by Patricia Urasky, Secretary

DATES TO NOTE

July 28 – Aug. 1, 2014
International Convention, Indianapolis, IN

September 15, 2014
Carry In Dinner, Joint Chapter Meeting
Additional info to be provided

October 3-4, 2014
Fall State Meeting
Casper, WY

October 14, 2014
Articles and News Due for Alpha Xi Roundup

April 24, 25, & 26, 2015
Spring Convention
Rawlins, WY

ONE HUNDRED YEARS

A hundred years from now
it will not matter
what my bank account was,
the sort of house I lived in,
or the kind of car I drove.

But
the world may be different,
because I was important
in the life of a boy.

~Forest Whitcraft
Within My Power,
(often misquoted and/or
attributed to “anonymous”)
was first published in the
October 1950 issue of
Scouting magazine (p. 2).

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