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JULIA'S JOTTINGS

- Another great experience is successfully completed. The book sale took lots of time and energy and went well. We appreciated what each of you did as the month progressed. JoAnn will have the report for us at the March 18 meeting.
- Are you knowledgeable about Cheyenne information? They have added the sharing information for this area to our travel and tour table at the regional. It's fun to meet the members from the northwest region as they request info.

· Do take time to look at both the Wyoming Roundup and the International NEWS when they arrive during the next few days. I request that you hang on to them this time as they contain a lot of info concerning Upsilon Chapter and could be needed as a reference.

· JoAnn, Michelle Aldrich, Michelle Powers, Abi, and Dorothy have their names in the Roundup. Why?

· As the Lucky Irish Leprechaun says, "As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point the wrong way."

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Warmly,
Julia Burke, 2012-2014 President

Julia Burke

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MARCH 18TH MEETING

March's meeting will be held at Triumph High School on March 18, 2013. Remember refreshments start at 4:15 and the meeting is called to order at 4:30.

MARCH MEETING WILL BE INTERESTING!

Dorothy Middleton-Owens will present a warm, touching but powerful story which all of us will enjoy. Dorothy describes her power point presentation as the story of the North Platte Canteen out of World War II. It demonstrates volunteerism and dedication to match any civilian story in the entire country. Ordinary housewives from a relatively small town did more for the war effort than all the Hollywood celebrities combined. It is a bit of history that may become lost and should be saved to inspire today's youth.

MEMBERSHIP

Mara Funk

Please take time to consider who among your educator friends and acquaintances would be interested in joining Upsilon chapter. Below is a link to the Upsilon website Membership page where you will find "Recommendation for Invitation to Membership" and "Reinstatement Form and Instructions."
<https://sites.google.com/site/upsilonwy/forms-1>

I would like to receive nomination and renewal forms by the end of March so that the committee can schedule an orientation for mid-April. These can be sent to me at Johnson JHS or at home: 6515 Foxglove Drive, Cheyenne, 82009.

The topic for the March meeting is one of general interest, so it would be a great time to invite a guest to check us out.

WE MADE IT, THANKS TO YOU!

Dr. Michelle Aldrich

Whew! We made it---the book sale is always much anticipated by all of us---some who anticipate its' arrival and some who anticipate its' completion! Repeatedly through the month of February Patrice and I marveled at how it really requires Boy Scouts, Naval Reserve, and DKG members all working together to pull off such a huge event. Even with an estimated 20,000 less volumes this year we did very well and had great weather and a steady pace both days! Thank you to everyone who did anything on behalf of the book sale---every little piece helps whether you picked up books at the stores, told a friend or volunteered to sort books! Thank you, thank you, thank you!



NORTHWEST REGIONAL 2013 CONFERENCE

I know you have all heard about the Northwest Regional Conference and many of you may have already made up your mind about whether you plan to attend or not. I have been attending Northwest Regional Conferences and International Conferences each year since joining Upsilon until last year when I missed the International Conference in New York City. If I had to choose I would always choose our Northwest Regional Conference. Due to the smaller number of ladies who attend the Regional Conference it is always very intimate and we really get a chance to know one and another. I have made friends from each of the states in our Northwest Region. The workshops are small enough that you get a chance to interact with presenters and really get to know our Northwest Regional Conference representatives and staff from International.

Please consider completing the application for attending the Northwest Regional Conference which will be held right here in our community. It doesn't get any closer than this! It should be great fun and a great opportunity to see the Society in a whole new light---I think you will be hooked! Our region's emphasis is on physical fitness which should be a great topic for all of our members whether retired or still in the classroom!

HELP WANTED

As the Northwest Regional 2013 Conference approaches we appreciate all the Upsilon chapter members who are serving on the steering committee; however, there is so much more to be done! Please save the dates and plan on helping make this conference a huge success. Members are needed as hostesses during the days and at the celebration luncheon and president's banquet. Other opportunities include singing in the choir. Keep watching for more information.

Current Upsilon Chapter Steering Committee Members: Tours & Night on the Town- Julia Burke, Patrice Denisson and Upsilon Chapter Members, Properties- Marca Fox Grigsby, Door Prizes – Kathy Orr, Emergency Fund- JoAnn Baumhover, Printing/Signage – Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Logo Design – Abi Paytoe Gbayee

WYOMING WELCOMES DR. LACE MARIE BROGDEN

Dr. Brogden will be the designated Society representative at the Alpha Xi State Convention April 19 – 21 in Newcastle. She resides in Canada and is the present NW Regional Director. She has a very interesting history which you can read about in the Spring Roundup which will have just arrived or will arrive soon. Lace Marie says "I am honoured to be attending the WY state convention. This is an exciting time for WY as we prepare for the upcoming Regional Conference in Cheyenne this summer."

STATE CONVENTION SCHEDULE IN ROUNDUP

Check out the State Roundup for the "Convention at a Glance" schedule in preparation for the convention in April. Newcastle welcomes Wyoming's DKG members to the Alpha Xi State convention. They invite members to "come and enjoy the short grass prairie of the High Plains and the Black Hills." Upsilon helps their members with expenses to attend. Jump in the car with other members and have a great weekend. Let Julia or JoAnn know you'd like to go.

SHOW OFF YOUR TALENTS

Whether you are able to go to State Convention at Newcastle or not your crafts can be exhibited and judged. Showcase your talents, send or take your items to display, and let others enjoy seeing what you have accomplished. Judging will take place Saturday morning and winners will be announced at the Saturday evening banquet. See the Roundup for further information and a list of categories.

FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

Delta Kappa Gamma Upsilon 2/18/2013 @The Plains Hotel

After a wonderful meal and entertainment by the Sounds of Joy, the meeting was called to order by Julia Burke at 6:40 PM.

Minutes of the January meeting published in the Upsilon Update Newsletter were approved by a motion from Michelle Aldrich, seconded by Jo Zunker.

Correspondence – Patricia Urasky

- Judy Kallal – Update on both Judy's and her husband's health.
- Beverly Helms, DKG International President – Thank you for your support of the Golden Gift, the Educators Award, the International Speakers, and the World Fellowship Funds.

Courtesy Committee – Julie Borgaard's aunt died.

Treasurer's Report - JoAnn Baumhover
Balance TBA

Reports and Announcements

- March Meeting Information – The meeting will be held at Triumph High School at 4:30 PM on March 18, 2013. There will be a report on the Book Sale. Dorothy Middleton-Owens will present the program "North Platte Canteen"
- Kathy Orr, on behalf of the Lions Sunrise Club Literacy Program, asked if the Chapter could donate 20 children books from the books collected for the sale. Michelle Aldrich motioned that Kathy should get first pick at the end of the book sale. Jo Zunker seconded. Motion passed.
- Book Sale – Michelle Aldrich. We need more books so the boxes will be left in the stores an extra day. If you have not already done so, sign up to work the Book Sale on March 2nd or 3rd. Park on the south side of the building.

We all enjoyed a white elephant gift exchange.
Thank you to the hostesses
Door prize winners were drawn.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM

Submitted by Patricia Urasky, Secretary



DATES TO NOTE

Upsilon Chapter Meeting
Triumph High School 4:30 p.m.
March 18, 2013
Program: "North Platte Canteen"
and Book Sale Report

Achievement Award Deadline
March 15, 2013

State Scholarship Deadline
April 1, 2013

State Convention, Newcastle
April 19 - 21, 2013

Pre-tours and Trips
July 28 - 30, 2013

Northwest Regional Conference, Cheyenne
July 31 - August 3, 2013

NAME TAGS

One of the goals for Upsilon this year is for all of us to get to know each other better. So please wear your name tag each meeting.

CHECK ONE OUT!

Want to know more about DKG? There are copies available for check out. The 2012 handbook Go-to-Guide for Chapter Members gives a lot of information to go to when in need of information about the Society. The topics are alphabetized to assist the reader in finding a subject of interest. It includes information on structure, officers, communication, leadership, membership, protocol, forms, explanations, and much more. Ask Julia or Patricia to check one out and gain more understanding about the Society.

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