Upsilon Updates

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JULIA'S JOTTINGS

As your president I wish to thank each of you for helping make the Used Book Sale a big success. Attend the March 17 meeting to hear the report and book sale news. Vote on and help decide which grant applications should receive a donation this year.

A special thank you to the hostesses at the January and February meetings.

The executive board meeting covered important planning for the rest of the biennium. A big thanks to the board for

giving their extra time and carrying out the duties of their office.

We are glad Jo Zunker is doing better following her surgery. For all who have had health dealings we wish you a quick recovery.

Again I wish to reiterate how important you are to our chapter. Without great members who share their knowledge and skills we would not be able to accomplish such a task as the book sale.

Alpha Xi State has planned a full day of growth for all new chapter officers and Delta Kappa Gamma members Saturday, April 26, 2014 in Casper. Watch for all the details in the ROUNDUP which will be arriving very soon.

"If you don't go after what you want, you'll never have it. If you don't ask, the answer is always no. If you don't step forward you're always in the same place."

~ Nora Roberts

MARCH 17TH MEETING

Julia Burke

Julia Burke, 2012-2014 President

Warmly.

The March meeting will be held at Triumph High School at 4:15 pm.

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MARCH MEETING - ART WITH ABI

By Abi Paytoe Gbayee

In addition to hearing the Book Sale report and voting on grant recipients, we will also be having a great time "repurposing" old t-shirts into scarves. There will be several styles to choose from. Please bring 1-2 t-shirts in colors you like to wear, and are comfortable cutting up. If you have a favorite pair of fabric scissors or a rotary cutter and matt you would like to use for your own project, please bring those along too.





CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Patricia Urasky! She has been selected as one of the recipients of the DKG Educational Foundation's 50th Anniversary Award of \$1000. The award will be used to buy 10 TI-84 color graphing calculators to be used in East High School's Mathematics classrooms. Patricia says, "Research shows that the use of graphing calculators helps improve the mathematical skills and attitudes of reluctant learners. Calculators help students visualize and better understand concepts in mathematics and make real-world connections in a variety of subjects."

BITS AND PIECES

Keeping You in the Loop

Look for these in the state newspaper ROUNDUP which should reach us soon:

·Becky Tish, First Vice President of Alpha Xi State, lists our "fill a bag project" in her article.

•Information on Nita Scott, Society Representative to Wyoming's spring leadership training in Casper April 6. •Article by our own JoAnn Baumhover.

·Upsilon Chapter Report by Barb Freudenthal including the names of new members.

Alpha Xi State welcome to new and returning members.

•Registration form, description of breakout workshops, and other information for BLOOM WITH DKG April 26th in Casper. If you plan to attend please get your registration form to JoAnn asap. She sends them all in together.

Imagine being in Indianapolis at the International Convention: Keynote speakers include Sarah Sladek, Dr. Ellen Kennedy and Ron Rosenburg. Sladek shares expertise of association membership and how it is changing. Kennedy brings action to life from involvement in striving for a better world and Rosenburg teaches how to double your memory.

Get to know the DKG website: If you have found it perplexing to find just the right thing on the DKG website -dkg.org—headquarters suggests using the search feature in the upper right hand corner as a fast, no-frustrating method for finding an item. One can also scroll to the bottom of the home page for a variety of links and contact information. If you still have problems ask chapter members who find computers friendlier for help.

BOOK SALE 2014 RECAP

By Dr. Michelle Aldrich

Whew! The 31st Annual DKG Used Book Sale is in the books and we have survived yet another successful book sale! Did you know that this is not only a fundraiser for DKG to fund our philanthropic endeavors such as scholarships at U.W. and L.C.C.C. historically but for other groups as well? The Retired Naval Fleet members, Adult Scouters and the Boy Scouts worked right alongside of DKG members to raise money for their respective organizations. Our annual used book sale is a huge community service especially for those who might not be able to purchase new books, aren't able to purchase e-readers, or just like the feel of a book and its pages as they read. Imagine how many more homes have books for their children or how many more books are read because they are available at an affordable price! What would happen to all of the books if they weren't donated and resold? I still believe that our book sale is the biggest recycling project in Cheyenne! Of course, none of this would be possible without our members and all of the work and efforts we take to insure a successful book sale! Thank you, Thank you for making our annual used book sale yet another successful event!



JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

Delta Kappa Gamma Up<mark>silon 1/20</mark>/2014 4:15 PM @Triumph High School

Julia Burke called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM and determined that a quorum was present. Roll call was done with a sign in sheet.

Minutes of the November meeting published in the Upsilon Update Newsletter were approved as written. Correspondence – JoAnn Baumhover

Thank you from the UW scholarship recipients.

Haley A Fox, Criscindy Malash, Kerensa Aris, and Jared Krysl

Treasurer's Report – JoAnn Baumhover

Balance TBA.

Book Sale – Patrice Denisson

People who signed up to clean the building do not need to do this. Cleanup is being done by the owners of the building

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Courtesy – Jacque Busacker

Jo Zunker is in the hospital to have a stent put in. She is doing well.

Birthday cards have been sent.

February Meeting Information – Janice Berry

February 17, 2014 5:30 PM at the Holiday Inn. Bring a wrapped gift for the white elephant gift exchange. Entertainment will be provided by Bob Matthews and the East High School Strolling Strings. You will be contacted for your dinner order.

A Special Time Together – Kathy Orr

"Happy Birthday" to the January birthdays. "Oh, we kinda got a barrel of money"

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

DKG Sign - Sheila Monger informed us that the sign has been ordered and will be done by the end of January at a cost of \$220. We will cover the cost of the sign as a gift to the other chapters. The sign will be installed in March on Lincolnway across from the Hitching Post.

Book Sale

Kathy Orr - Take the advertisement posters and hang them wherever you can.

Dorothy Middleton-Owens will be on TV early in the morning of Wednesday, January 29th to inform the community of the book sale.

Michelle Aldrich – Book sale information has been posted on the school district website by Lori Gardner. Nicole King is going to help with books in the children's section.

Patrice Denisson – Mark Junge has helped us get the former State of Wyoming Liquor Division Warehouse. It has a huge parking lot. We will only be given one key. Enter through the door on the north side. NEW BUSINESS

Executive Board Meeting – JoAnn Baumhover reported on the board meeting that took place before this meeting. The procedure to select groups who are asking for donations was discussed and the rest of this year's programs were reviewed.

Thank you to Irene Story and Linda Carlson for attending.

The Executive Board moves that we purchase six reams of paper, printer ink, and stamps. Motion passed. Initiation of new members – Mara Funk, Joan Schade, Nicole King, and Julia Burke

Nicole Cameron, Valerie Montgomery, Sarah Horen

Valerie Montgomery introduced her guest, Georgia Schmang, a former DKG member from another chapter. Book Sale Donation Information – Julia Burke

Groups asking for donations include:

Children's Village (already have received \$40,000)

Boys and Girls Club (does not qualify as educational material)

MINUTES CONTINUED

SEEK LCCC instructor, Aimee Sommers (\$450 for books for students) Raising Readers (books for students at immunizations) Children's Museum of Cheyenne (not yet built) Laramie County Library Foundation (donations are matched two to one)

We will vote on the donations at the March meeting. The committee to preview the requests will meet before the February meeting. Members include: JoAnn Baumhover, RaeAnn Purdy, Irene Story, Linda Carlson, Julia Burke, Patrice Denisson, and Michelle Aldrich.

Next meeting will be on February 17, 2014 at 5:30 PM at the Holiday Inn.

Door prize winners were selected.

Abi Paytoe Gbayee requested fabric scraps from old clothes for a project at Freedom Elementary. Meeting adjourned 5:25 PM Submitted by Patricia Urasky, Secretary

DATES TO NOTE

March 17, 2014 4:15 P.M. Triumph H.S. Book Sale Report and Voting on Grant Recipients Program: 'Art With Abi' Craft

March 31, 2014 Upsilon Chapter Scholarship Application Due Contact Scholarship Committee 778-7487

April 1, 2014 Alpha Xi Scholarship Application Due Go to alphaxistatedkg.weebly.com State documents

April 26, 2014 Alpha Xi Leadership Training in Casper See ROUNDUP or go to alphaxistatedkg.weebly.com Registration due no later than April 18

May 19, 2014 6:00 p.m. Holiday Inn Joint Chapter Meeting Founders' Day and State Presidents' Visit

July 2<mark>8 – Aug. 1</mark>, 2014 International Convention, Indianapolis, IN

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