



### Happy October to All!

As we move from summer into fall, I hope this finds all of you settled in your classrooms or in your fall activities! This month's meeting, **Monday, October 20 (4:30 pm at Triumph HS)**, will feature a **Shutterfly Presentation** by our 1<sup>st</sup> VP, **Linda Carlson** and her daughter, **Tiffany Smith**. This presentation will give members ideas about creating unique photo albums that can be distinctive gifts for family and friends, especially for the holidays. You don't want to miss out on this one! Looking forward to seeing you all there!

### President's Goals for the Biennium

-Dr. Irene Story

Here are the goals that I have set for my biennial term as President of Upsilon Chapter: 2014-2016

1. Complete the Upsilon Strategic Plan
2. Establish a DKG International-approved website (so that we can be linked to the International website)
3. Encourage the attendance and participation of all our members
4. Continue to increase our chapter membership during the 2014-2016 biennium

### Have You Visited Our New UPSILON Website?

Kudos go out to **Abi Paytoe Gbayee** for paving the path in getting Upsilon on the internet via our website. She spent countless numbers of hours making this website possible, as well as keeping it up-to-date. With changing commitments, Abi was no longer able to continue as our webmaster. Thank you, Abi, for all you have contributed to this endeavor! You are the pioneer we celebrate!

**Sarah Horen** and **Linda Brain** have stepped in as our new Technology Committee, with Sarah taking the wheel as our new webmaster. Both Sarah and Linda are at Triumph High School, so it is easy for them to collaborate as time allows. Visit our new website at <http://dkgupsilonwy.weebly.com> and give us your feedback on the site. Our goal is to get official certification from DKG International. We are well on our way to that goal! Thank you, Sarah and Linda!

### 2017 Alpha Xi State Convention to be Held in Cheyenne

All three Cheyenne DKG Chapters have agreed that Cheyenne would be the perfect location for DKG Wyoming's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and would work in unison in hosting this event.

According to Becky Tish, our state 1<sup>st</sup> VP, "The reason we want to have the celebration in Cheyenne is because that is where Alpha Xi State (Wyoming) was chartered in 1941, and where the very first meeting was held. Ideally, we would

love to have the convention at the Plains Hotel, where the first meeting was held and where Dr. Annie Webb Blanton started Delta Kappa Gamma in Wyoming. It is such a DKG milestone in Wyoming that we thought it would be very meaningful to return to place where it all began."

More information to follow in the *Alpha Xi Fall Roundup!*

### From the Treasurer: Dues and Fees

-JoAnn Baumhover

At the March 2014 meeting Upsilon Chapter voted to pay full dues and fees of \$80 for active membership, \$38.00 for reserve membership and \$5.00 for active life membership for the year. You can mail your dues to JoAnn at 8604 Yarina Way, 82009.

The chapter Caring Fund can provide partial assistance for those in need—simply email Irene ([irenestory@q.com](mailto:irenestory@q.com)) or JoAnn ([dismath@yahoo.com](mailto:dismath@yahoo.com)) **ASAP**.

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

### UPSILON Name Badges Can Now Be Ordered



Upsilon members now have the opportunity to order this unique and distinctive name badge. **It is magnetic**, so it will not harm any fragile clothing or leave pin marks in your best suit. It includes the attached black ribbon you see in the picture here. The cost is **\$11.61**, and we are requesting that you make a check out to **Wyoming Trophy and Engraving**. Send your check to:

**Irene Story**  
505 Star Valley Drive  
Cheyenne, WY 82009

Make sure you let us know how you would like your name to appear on your name badge. **You are NOT REQUIRED to purchase this name badge**; however, it will come in quite handy during our book sale and at other times when we are involved with the public or other DKG chapters.

### UPSILON Name Badge Order Form

Please **PRINT** your name **IN BLOCK LETTERS** as you would like it to appear on your badge:

**Payment is due at the time of order: \$11.61**



**What Is the Purpose of my Committee?**

Every biennium Upsilon members are assigned committees in which to participate—but do you know what the purpose of your committee is? Perhaps this can help you: *go to our **Chapter Rules**, which can be viewed and/or downloaded from our website at <http://dkgupsilonwy.weebly.com>*. If you still have questions, forward them to me at [irenestory@g.com](mailto:irenestory@g.com).

**Fourth Twenty-one Years Committee**

-Gwen Vines, Chair

We want you! Please let us know if you receive any special awards or recognitions so the Fourth Twenty-one Years Committee can include your celebrations in our biennial report. We also want to know if you have attended any conventions or have obtained any further degrees during this biennium. Thanks for your assistance--we don't want to miss anyone! Submit your information to Gwen Vines at [KVines@bresnan.net](mailto:KVines@bresnan.net).

**LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE: Pioneer Women Educators of Wyoming Vol. V**

LYLS is a collection of biographies and autobiographies of <b>women educators in Wyoming who were born before 1950</b> . These educators need <u>not</u> be members of Delta Kappa Gamma.	
NEEDED:	Biographies and AUTOBIOGRAPHIES of women educators in Wyoming born before 1950.
WHO:	These women educators need <u>not</u> be members of Delta Kappa Gamma.
What can you do if you were born <b>BEFORE 1950</b> ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Submit YOUR autobiography</b> about your personal life and your life as an educator!</li> <li>• Share your memories and your experiences for posterity in this special way!</li> </ul>
What you can do if you were born <b>AFTER 1950</b> ?	Submit a biography about <b>a special educator</b> whom you know that was born before 1950. Give that person the opportunity to share unique and personal experiences as an educator.
<p><b>This book will be PUBLISHED THIS YEAR!!</b>                  We need YOUR story to be celebrated state-wide!                  Deadline for submission: <b>March 1, 2015.</b>                  Email your story to Irene at <a href="mailto:irenestory@g.com">irenestory@g.com</a>.                  See the Upsilon website for the form and more information at <a href="http://dkgupsilonwy.weebly.com">http://dkgupsilonwy.weebly.com</a>.</p>	

Congratulations go out to **Rogene Boyd, Virginia Mullins**, and **Dorothy Middleton** as they are members of Upsilon Chapter who have already submitted their autobiographies to Alpha Xi! **Ardath Junge, Jane Rutz**,

and **Linda Carlson** have theirs almost ready to submit. *Won't YOU be the next one we celebrate?*

**“Sharing Our Vision: Strengthening Our Society” A report on the 2014 DKG International Convention**

--Julia Burke, Upsilon Past President

Indianapolis, Indiana was our designation, July 28 – August 1 were the dates. Opportunities were there for learning about the Society, making personal growth a goal, and enjoying fellowship with friends and new acquaintances. The workshops and sessions were varied and timely.

Ten Wyoming members took part while attending the meetings and sharing their talents, including singing in the international choir, accompanying the musical offerings, giving a workshop or taking part in the breakout sessions. Upsilon’s President, Irene Story, and Past President, Julia Burke, were part of the Wyoming delegation.

The opening session, with the presentation of the flags of the 17 countries with Delta Kappa Gamma members, was very special and many of those carrying their country’s flag dressed in their native attire. Updates via reports from International Committees were presented during the five general meetings.

The International Convention included voting on the proposed amendments to the *Constitution and International Standing Rules*.

Keynote speakers were outstanding and their topics pertinent and interesting. Sarah Sladek, author and CEO of XYZ University, provided the members’ food for thought as she spoke about helping organizations engage Generations X, Y, and Z. Ron Rosenburg, award-winning expert, revealed the “Hidden Secrets That Double Your Memory.” Ellen J. Kennedy provided knowledge on human trafficking and pointed out that human trafficking is one of the world’s fastest-growing criminal activities, second only to trafficking in drugs. She stated that one in seven young people between the ages of 10 and 18 will run away from home at some point and within 48 hours at least a third of them will be sex-trafficked and forced into prostitution by perpetrators who prey on vulnerable young women and young men. She went on to say that educators are on the front lines in the struggle to protect our youth.

Our own Upsilon secretary, **Patricia Urasky**, was recognized for receiving a \$1000 grant for her classroom from the DKG Educational Foundation.

The President’s Banquet was the final event of the Convention. Installation of the new International Officers followed the dinner. All members of the Administrative Board, State presidents, Regional Directors, Area



Representatives and Committee Chairs were introduced, acknowledged, and honored. The newly installed President, Dr. Lyn Schmid from Pennsylvania, shared some of her plans and announced that her theme for the biennium is “85 Years and Beyond: Advancing Key Women Educators for Life.”

More information on the many activities at the convention will be included in the Alpha Xi State *Roundup* and the *International News* which each member will receive, or you can go to [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org) to discover more of what took place.

**Important DKG Dates**

Oct. 17, 2014	Submission deadline for the Alpha Xi Fall <b>Roundup</b> for chapter news and member news; send to Glenda Reynolds at <a href="mailto:grlebhart@aol.com">grlebhart@aol.com</a>
Feb. 1, 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapter President and Necrology Reports due</li> <li>• International Scholarship applications due</li> </ul>
Feb. 17, 2015	Spring <b>Roundup</b> : submission deadline
<b>Mar. 7-8</b>	<b>Upsilon Book Sale</b>
Mar. 15, 2015	Achievement Award Application due
April 1, 2015	Alpha Xi Scholarship Application due
April 15, 2015	<i>Let Your Light Shine</i> submissions due
April 24-26, 2015	State Convention in Rawlins
Jul. 24-28, 2015	Regional Convention in Regina, Saskatchewan

**Questions or concerns?**

Contact any one of your Executive Board Members listed on page 3 of your **2014-2016 DKG Upsilon Yearbook** or email Irene at [irenestory@q.com](mailto:irenestory@q.com).

**New Member Orientation**  
 Home of Linda Carlson  
 3514 Sunrise Rd. 82001  
**Initiation will take place at our Holiday Celebration**  
 on December 15, 2014 at 7pm.  
 Grace Methodist Church  
 2950 Spruce Dr, Cheyenne, WY 82001

**UPSILON BOOK SALE!**  
 MARCH 7 & 8, 2015  
 Location TBD

**ROAD TRIP!!!**  
**ALPHA XI State Convention**  
 will be held in  
**Rawlins**  
**April 24-26, 2015.**  
**Mark your calendars now!**