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Happy fall to all!!!!!
We have a great
program planned
for our October 19
meeting—"Golden
Age of the Rodeo

Cowgirl, 1900-1940," presented by Ben Hilsen from the Cowgirls of the West Museum. This meeting is at Triumph High School and starts at 4:30 pm. We will start with the program and then go into our Upsilon meeting. I am looking forward to seeing you there!

> Dr. Irene Story Upsilon President 2014-2016

Alpha Xi State Fall Meeting

Becky Tish, Alpha Xi State President

The Alpha Xi Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 9 with the fall Executive Board meeting on Saturday, October 10 in Casper. We will be getting to know our new state officers and state committee chairs,

discussing upcoming opportunities and activities, and learning about DKG International's new and very successful membership plan. Here are the details.

Registration cost is only \$30.00 which includes lunch, snacks, materials, and other expenses.* The Executive Committee meeting is at 6:30 PM in the Sun Room of the Petroleum Club, (a private club), 1301 Wilkins Circle. The Executive Board meeting is from 8:00 AM-3:00 PM at Casper Classical Academy/Frontier Middle School, 900 S. Beverly.

Everyone is invited to attend these meetings!

*Upsilon will cover the \$30 registration cost of our members who wish to attend this meeting.

Chapter Rules to Be Reviewed October 19



Revisions and changes to the Upsilon Chapter Rules will be done during our October 19 meeting. We need your input for this process. Please plan to attend to assist in making this document timely and appropriate for our chapter. You have received a draft copy of the Chapter Rules in September. Please bring your copy to this meeting.

2015 Alpha Xi Achievement Award Recipient



Our own Dr. Michelle Aldrich has been honored as the recipient of the 2015 Alpha Xi Achievement Award! She received this prestigious DKG award at our May "Founders' Day" dinner.

Michelle has been involved in teaching at the post-secondary level for 23 years and at the secondary level for 14 years. She currently teaches at Triumph High School



where she has been teaching Family and Consumer Science since 2004. Michelle is currently the advisor of the Triumph SkillsUSA; Z Club; and the Gay-Straight Alliance. Michelle is also a Senior Class Advisor as well as coach for the culinary arts, professional baking and lodging management teams.

In April 2015 Michelle was selected as the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Teacher of the Year from Association of Career and Technical Educators (ACTE) for Region 5, which includes 16 states and territories. In November 2015, she will be one of five educators competing for the National Teacher of the Year in New Orleans, LA. She has also received other numerous honors and awards, including: 2014 Wyoming CTE Teacher of the Year, 2014 National High School Teacher of the Year by the American Hotel and Lodging Association, 2013 Wyoming FACS Teacher of the Year, and 2013 NATFACS Distinguished Service Award Winner.

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Michelle is currently serving as the Second Vice President for Alpha Xi State and as the Necrology committee chairperson for Upsilon Chapter. She served as the Chapter President for two terms (2008-2012) and as the Secretary (2006-2008).

We are indeed honored and privileged to have Michelle as part of our Upsilon Membership. A full article on Michelle will appear in the *Fall Alpha Xi Roundup*. Congratulations, Michelle!

Nominations Committee:

The Upsilon Executive Board has requested that nominations for 2016-2018 officers be submitted by the January 11, 2016 meeting. Nominations committee members include Julia Burke (Chair), Mara Funk, Sheri Kelly, Orene Jerome, Sharon Novick, and Michelle Aldrich. Please contact any of the Nominations Committee members or a member of the Executive Board if you or someone you know is interested in serving as an Upsilon Officer for the 2016-2018 Biennium.

Speaking of Nominations.....

Dr. Irene Story

As I enter the second year of my biennium as your Upsilon President, I find that the preparation for this year has gone much more smoothly than my first year—so far! Having protocols and procedures in place and having fantastic Executive Board members who do their share of the work, has by far been such a plus for me—not to mention committee chairs and their members who work tirelessly for our chapter.

As we enter a new biennium on July 1, 2016, I would like all members to think about serving as a member of the Executive Board, especially our two VP positions as well as President. An ideal situation for any organization would be the progression from 2nd VP to 1st VP, and then the 1st VP taking over as President. This would happen in consecutive bienniums, and

would allow for better understanding for officers of the way that Upsilon "does business." This may seem like a long-term commitment, but there is limitless potential for leadership growth that can only benefit the chapter. Perhaps you work well with two or more Upsilon members—challenge yourselves and volunteer to become our next leaders! Think seriously about being an officer in the Upsilon Chapter. Your skills and expertise are indeed welcome and needed!



Dues Deadline:October 31

Dues must be paid by October 31 to our Upsilon Treasurer, JoAnn Baumhover, in order to keep your

membership active in DKG. Annual dues for an **Active Membership** is \$50, **Reserve Membership** is \$25, and **Active Life Membership** is \$5.00. You can mail a check to JoAnn at 8604 Yarina Way, 82009. If you have any questions, please give her a call at 630-3682 or email her at dismath@yahoo.com.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>: Collecting Boxes for

2016 Used Book Sale

We are in need of volunteers to collect boxes for our 2016 Used Book Sale. If you have the time and live near a supermarket, please contact Patrice Denisson



at tdenisson@yahoo.com, or call her at (307) 634-6066. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated! Thank you, on behalf of the Used Book Sale Co-chairs and their committee members!



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September 2015 Tri-Chapter Dinner and Upsilon Meeting













UPSILON Calendar*

Oct. 7	MEMBER Scholarship and Grants-in-Aid
<mark>Wed</mark>	Committee Meeting
	3:15 pm. Carey Jr. High School, room 176.
Oct. 8	Strategic Action Planning Committee.
Thurs	4:30 pm. Triumph HS. Dinner provided.
Oct. 9-10	Alpha Xi FALL Meeting, Casper.
Fri-Sat	Dinner on the 9 th , meeting on the 10 th
	Upsilon will pay your \$30 registration fee.
Dec. 14	Donations to Boys' and Girls' Club
<mark>Mon</mark>	School supplies, notebooks, backpacks, art
	supplies, etc.
Feb. 29	Tri-chapter Coordinating Council Meeting.
Mon	4:15 pm. Home of Glenda Reynolds.
Mar. 5-6	Upsilon Book Sale
Spring 2016	Alpha Xi SPRING Meeting, Casper.
Date TBA	
April 5, 2016	Upsilon Executive Board Meeting
Tues	5:00 pm, 2 Doors Down on Dell Range

These items may not be included in the Upsilon 2014-2016 Yearbook.

New items are highlighted in yellow.

2015-2017 Alpha Xi State Leaders:

President: Becky Tish

1st VP: **Carrie Manders** (also Educational Excellence Chair) 2nd VP: **Dr. Michelle Aldrich** (also Membership Chair)

Secretary: Jan Segerstrom

Treasurer: Shirley Tranas (also Nominations Chair)

Parliamentarian: Jo Ann Baumhover Roundup Editor: Glenda Reynolds

Finance: **Ann Hardesty**North Area Rep.: **Vicki Gopp**

South Area Rep.: Harmony Davidson
State Achievement Award: Dr. Irene Story
State Educational Foundation: Julia Burke
Strategic Action Plan: Yvonne Gatley



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