





MAY marks the end of our

2015-2016 year, as well as DKG's 2014-2016 biennium. Focus is now on the International DKG Convention in Nashville, July 5-9, as well as planning for the 2016-

2017 year.

Accomplishments during the **2014-2016 Biennium** for Upsilon Chapter includes:

 Two stellar Used Book Sales that allowed us to give community grants that totaled \$43,500!



- Updating the Upsilon Chapter Rules
- Developing and implementing the Upsilon Strategic Plan
- Interesting and thought provoking programs

I hope this biennium helped to stimulate you to further your personal/professional growth and encouraged your participation in our activities. Plans are being developed for our 2016-2017 Upsilon year. In the meantime, have a great summer!





## Founders Day Dinner: *Here's the Scoop*

when	Monday, May 16, 6:00 PM
Where	Radisson, 204 W. Fox Farm Road
Cost	\$20 per person (paid at the door)
Dinner Choices: (Please email Irene at doc7uwyo@gmail.com	
to request your choice )	

Entrée: #1 Entrée #2

● Pot Roast ● Caramel Apple Boneless Pork Chop

Tossed Salad, Parsley Buttered New Potatoes,
Sugar Snap Peas w/ Bacon & Onions, Rolls and Butter

\*Dessert: Salted Caramel Cheesecake\*

Beverages: Coffee, Water, and Ice Tea



#### **Congratulations to our Retirees!**

Here are our 2015-2016 retirees from Upsilon Chapter:

- Alice Hunter, Director of Special Services, 16 years
- Linda Brain, Triumph High School, 37 years
- Patricia Urasky, East High School, 10 years

We all wish you a long and happy retirement with many new adventures!

## What do you do...if you get donations of books before the March book sale?

-Mary Hartman, Co-chair, Upsilon Used Book Sale



We are not storing book donations again this summer due to the possibility of not being able to find a location for our book sale next year. However, if any of you have people approach you about picking up books this summer,

direct them to me. I will try to assess the situation and arrange to move them through our book dealer. We will arrange a pickup if possible and he will give our chapter a portion of the proceeds. That will allow those who have books to dispose of in the summer to get rid of what they have and give us a little income too. We are not broadcasting and seeking donors but this will give those who approach us an option. Thanks again for all your hard work.

#### Membership Report, 2014-2016 Biennium

-Kathy Orr, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and Membership Chair Mara Funk, Jerry Cole, Jacqueline Donnelly

Upsilon Chapter adopted the new membership program Implemented by our DKG



International President, Dr. Lyn B. Schmid. The New Member Prospect Cards were submitted to the Upsilon Membership Committee, and the Letter of Invitation was sent to each prospective new member. With such delighted replies from those ladies, we gained new and reinstated members, bringing our membership total for the 2015-2016 to 72 after losing 4 members during the year. (Please note





that we do have a "scholarship fund" to help members with dues—just contact Irene or JoAnn.)

This year we sent "miss you" post cards to those missing 3 meetings in a row. (It was suggested that next year we send these postcards out after a member has missed 2 meetings.) We had 6 members who had perfect attendance this year!!

Our meetings included programs about best Used Book Sales practices, Urban Farming, Prohibition in Cheyenne, and Cowboy Poetry, and averaged 29 members a meeting. Weather and traveling had some influence on our attendance, but the members present had an enjoyable and productive time. Members were involved in our birthday wishes and door prize activity, adding some more fun and member ownership to the agenda.

# UPSILON Members initiated or reinstated during the 2014-2016 Biennium, to December 2015 include:



- 1. Camellia El Antably
- 2. Darlene Stout
- 3. Jayne Smith, Ed.D.
- 4. Jeri Griego
- 5. Jorga Schmaing (reinstated)
- 6. Lori Townsend (reinstated)
- 7. Marissa Smith
- 8. Mary Schrinar
- 9. Shannon Beer
- 10. Tiffany Smith

In addition, nominees who will be **initiated into Upsilon Chapter at the Founders Day Celebration** on May

16, 2016 include:

- 1. Carla Gregorio
- 2. Darlene Heil
- 3. Judi Knapp
- 4. Kathy Skinner
- 5. Rachael Martinez



We are indeed honored that these professional educators have chosen to be a part of Upsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International!

#### LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE, Volume V



The 5<sup>th</sup> Volume of Let Your Light Shine, Pioneer Women Educators of Wyoming is now available! It features the autobiographies or biographies of 98 Wyoming women educators! Upsilon Members can get their copies

(\$15 each) at our Founders Day Celebration on May 16 at the Radisson on Fox Farm Road, 6:00 pm. They are otherwise available from Sharon Cole, 2303 Dryfork Drive, Gillette, WY 82718 (make checks out to Alpha Xi State; the \$15 includes postage). She can be contacted at 307.421.3409.

Upsilon members featured in this volume include:

- Rogene Boyd
- Julia Burke
- Linda Carlson
- Ardath Junge
- Dorothy Middleton-Owens
- Shannon Roberts (deceased)
- Jane Rutz
- Virginia Mullins

Congratulations to these members!!

#### **Kudos to:**

Abi Paytoe
 Gbayee—accepted
 into a doctoral program
 at the University of
 Wyoming



- Dottie Wallis-Mantell—received her National Teacher Certification
- Jane Rutz—received the 2015 Quealy Homemaker Award
- **Julie Borgaard**—turned 50 and is beating cancer
- Val Montgomery—MA in English and Creative Writing

If you received an honor or reached a goal or know someone who has—let Irene know and she will share it in the *Upsilon Newsletter!* 







Michael Jordan, the "Urban Farmer," was our guest speaker in March. He is pictured above with an example of the type of beehive he uses. Mr. Jordan is also the head custodian of Triumph High School. His program was both interesting and timely!

### September 19, 2016: Tri-Chapter DKG Dinner

The first DKG meeting for the 2016-2017 year will be held on Monday, September 19, 2016.

Location: TBD

• Time: TBD

 Upsilon is responsible for bringing <u>DESSERTS.</u>

Please put this on your calendar. Updated information will be provided in the *September 2016 Upsilon Newsletter*, which will be emailed to you the first part of September.



April birthdays were celebrated with Dr. Michelle Aldrich and Jo Zunker.

#### **Upsilon Executive Board, 2016-2018 Biennium**

President Dr. Irene Story

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Second Vice-President Alice Hunter

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Member-at-Large Carol Johnson

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#### **UPSILON** Calendar

Feb 1, May 1, or Sept. 1	Cornetet Award for Professional Development applications due to Internat'l
May 4 Wed	New member orientation. 6:00 pm. Home of Linda Carlson, 3514 Sunrise Road
May 16 <i>Mon</i>	Founders Day Dinner 6:00 pm, RADISSON (formerly the Holiday Inn), Fox Farm Road. Dinner: \$20 per person, paid at the door; cash or check accepted.
July 5-9	International Convention, Nashville, TN
Sept. 19	Tri-chapter potluck dinner.  Location and time TBD  Upsilon members responsible for DESSERTS
Spring 2017	Alpha Xi State Convention, Cheyenne
Summer 2017	NW Regional Conference, Spearfish, SD

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