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Nina Nachtigall (right) received the Alpha Xi Achievement Award Medallion from Johnna Lissman (left).

Nina Nachtigall Received Alpha Xi State Achievement Award

The 2010 Alpha Xi Achievement Award was presented to Nina Nachtigall in recognition for her work in the Society. In 1986 Nina was initiated into Alpha Chapter in Cheyenne. She served as Alpha's president in 1994 – 1996 after having served as second and first vice presidents. Nina has been a member of Cheyenne's Coordinating Council for several years, serving as chairman in 1994 - 1996. She continues to be an active participant in Alpha Chapter.

At the state level Nina began her service as recording secretary in 1997. The next two bienniums she was the second and first vice presidents. She was Alpha Xi State President during 2003 – 2005. At the state leadership conference in June Nina was extremely excited to present to Alpha Xi State the *Third 21 Years*, a book of our state's history. As chair of this state committee for the past three years Nina did an outstanding job collecting and publishing this information. She continues to work on this committee this biennium.

Nina has attended four regional conferences and two international conventions. She followed her passion for music by singing in the choirs and playing the piano.

Hereford, South Dakota is where Nina began her elementary teaching career in 1968. She moved to Cheyenne in 1981 and did substitute teaching until 1985 when she received a third grade teaching assignment at Gilchrist Elementary School. Nina retired from that position in 1998. Upon retirement Nina and her husband bought Eileen's Colossal Cookies in Cheyenne and Nina became known as "The Cookie Lady." Through her cookie business, she donated time and her cookies to various groups including Alpha Xi State and Alpha Chapter members. She retired from the cookie business in 2009.

Besides being a member of our Society Nina was a member of Cheyenne Youth Symphony Board of Directors, served in several adult leadership roles of Jobs Daughters, created materials for the Cheyenne History Project, and is active in her church, First United Methodist Church. She recently collaborated with Family and Consumer Science Teachers as a cookie business owner during which she mentored teachers and their FCE classes.

Nina and her husband Lynn have two children. Troy is married and lives in Rome and Florence, Italy and Tara studies and works in New York City.

Alpha Xi State congratulates Nina on receiving this award.

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Sharon Cole
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Let Your Light Shine

What an exciting summer and fall it has been for DKG! Our Leadership Seminar in June allowed participants to earn 1.5 PTSG credits while enjoying a variety of workshops, art and food.

Eleven of us attended the International Convention in Spokane in July, and we were proud to see all of our members “letting their light shine” in so many ways.

Glenda Reynolds, our Northwest Regional Director, served as chair of the Northwest breakfast, conducted a workshop on social networking, and performed her duties as a member of the Administrative Board.

Julia Burke was recognized as a “woman of vision and action” and served on the timekeepers committee.

Yvonne Gatley attended the Golden Gift Tea and with her 2010 graduating class entertained us with their “Pearl Girls” song.

Shirley Tranas helped disseminate brochures on the “Shoe-In” Membership event.

Becky Tish provided piano selections and sang in the International Choir.

Michelle Aldrich led water aerobics early in the mornings at

her hotel and conducted a workshop.

Abi Paytoe Gbayee conducted workshops on wikis and social networking. She also was a microphone monitor at all general sessions.

Loretta Tonak sang in the International Choir and collected tickets at the NW Regional Breakfast.

Maria Fedden helped collect tickets at the NW Regional Breakfast.

Jane Rutz attended all of the general sessions and voted on our new Constitution!

Sharon Cole as Alpha Xi State President attended the Executive Board meetings, presented the Wyoming vision and tribute to Glenda and invited NWR members to the conference in 2013 in Cheyenne

Most recently we had a very successful fall Executive Board meeting. Individual chapters have been busy planning their programs with their new and “renewed” chapter officers and members for this upcoming year. May I suggest that you save some time at a meeting or two to discuss the changes in our International *Constitution* and *Standing Rules* and to look at changes you would like to see made to our State Bylaws? A reminder: Have a “web watcher” to help report on events from our DKG website.

Finally please put on your calendar for 2011 plans to attend our state convention in Greybull, **April 29, 30, and May 1**. Events to look forward to include: an International guest, a variety of inspiring workshops, a chance to win a trip to attend the NW Regional Convention, in Edmonton, Alberta, our always popular silent auction of theme baskets, the arts and crafts

competition, the presentation of scholarships and the annual achievement award, and always “genuine spiritual fellowship.”

Best wishes for a wonderful year. If I can help in anyway, please feel free to contact me.



The lighthouse is President Sharon’s symbol for her theme “Let Your Light Shine.” As she visits chapters, she asks for names of members that are beacons in each chapter; these may be recognitions received such as Teacher of the Year, publishing a book, being part of a Blue Ribbon school, being honored by her community, earning a new college degree, and especially being 25-year and 50-year members of Delta Kappa Gamma. A flag with a rose on it is placed on the lighthouse’s netting with the member’s name and the honor for which she is recognized. Sharon hopes to have her lighthouse overflowing with flags by the end of her biennium. All of you are beacons in some way, so please let us know so we can honor you.



President Sharon explained her lighthouse as Becky Tish listened.



Yvonne Gatley, First Vice President

Why Women Should Vote

August 18, 1920 is a date that women should celebrate yearly as an anniversary of our rights as women. For on this date, the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States was ratified, giving women the right to vote. 90 years later we may ask, why is this of such importance to us?

Never in our political history have elections become such an issue with educators in our country. Whether it is at the local, state, or national level, decisions have been made and are set to be made that affect each and every student and educational staff member. One example is the reauthorization of the No Child Left Behind Act. This legislation looms on the horizon as elected officials consider what impact this act had in the past and what could shape the future for all children in this country. Your vote in elections does matter. When you vote, you follow Purpose #4 of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International – *To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators.* To further follow this purpose, consider inviting local, state and national

elected officials to your meetings to provide programs that inform you as citizens, and most importantly as women, of current political issues. Going back 90+ years ago, it is of equal importance that we remind ourselves of the great struggles that women endured to secure our right to vote. These struggles resulted in arrests and brutality of the determined and brave suffragists. If you are interested in presenting a program on this history to your members, look up the “Night of Terror” which occurred on November 15, 1917. An HBO movie was also made to inform audiences of these courageous women. It is titled, ‘Iron Jawed Angels’ and is available in DVD form from Amazon.

Your mothers, grandmothers, or great-grandmothers lived through a time when women’s opinion, ideas, and rights were not always valued. You have the freedom to express yourselves as a result of the struggles they sustained. Honor their memories by making your ‘voice’ heard. **Vote!**



Shirley Tranas, Second Vice President

Membership

Membership has been a very hot topic the last few years. Since I have been 2nd Vice President of Alpha Xi State, I have written about how to get members and how to retain them. When I looked

at the 2nd Vice Presidents' membership forms last year, I realized that the dues increase really was upsetting people. With the new constitutional changes at the International level, a person can be invited to be member, if she is employed as a professional educator or has retired from an educational position. This was set up so your chapter can mentor a new teacher early in her career if your chapter wants to do that. Don't forget to look outside the box to find new members. New members have to be teaching and getting paid to do so. A person can teach other places than just a school. Look at your government agencies in your community or hospitals, etc.

Remember also to nurture your members. People want to be noticed and cared about. They have to have a reason to stay a member. Don't forget about the older members of the chapter that may need someone to help them get to a meeting.

With this economy it is tough coming up with extra money to join organizations. These organizations also need more money at the same time. We want the services that are offered to us and we want it to stay the same price but that isn't how life works. We also like to pamper ourselves for little things such as a Starbucks coffee, two times a week, or a diet pop at the end of a day of work but just think if you put that same money in a container and save it for Delta Kappa Gamma dues, you would have the money very quickly. Another great way is to take your change and put it in a container instead of carrying it in your purse. Chapters could also help by letting people pay some each month. When October comes around their dues would be paid.

Necrology is also part of the Membership Chair's job. At each spring convention we recognize those women who have passed away during the biennium. Please send me a write up about the women we will honor this year. You may send those by e-mail to dtranas@tctwest.net or send to 324 Hawk Drive, Greybull, WY 82426.



Ann Hardesty, Treasurer

Treasurer's Talk

I just returned from our Fall Executive Board meeting. What fun it was to hear the enthusiastic reports of International Convention and the changes in the Constitution, to hear our scholarship recipient speak about her time with Maori in New Zealand, to see beacons added to Sharon's lighthouse, and more. I was delighted to report that our finances are in good shape thanks partly to the auction of baskets at the Gillette Conference. Two more baskets were auctioned at the fall meeting. Our lunch was tasty as were the choice of pastries for breakfast. Plan now to attend convention in Greybull April 29 – May 1.

Once again I thank chapter treasurers. Reports were in on time as were the IRS filings. Help your treasurer by paying your dues if you have not already done so.

\$11,625.00 was contributed in grants in aid and scholarships by Alpha, Delta, Epsilon, Theta, Kappa, Pi, Rho, Sigma, Upsilon, and Chi. **Roses to you!**



Chapter Presidents Shine for 2010-2012

Alpha Xi State salutes the chapter presidents who have agreed to be the shining light for their chapter. We appreciate their willingness to serve. Together we can make DKG visible in Wyoming.

- ▶ Alpha-**Becky Tish** Cheyenne
- ▶ Beta-**Marie Puryear** Casper
- ▶ Delta-**Tawny Christensen**-Afton
- ▶ Epsilon-**Peggy Anderson** Guernsey
- ▶ Zeta-**Donna Thompson** Laramie
- ▶ Eta-**Carol Harper** Lander
- ▶ Theta-**Sharon Cole** Gillette
- ▶ Kappa-**Yvonne Gatley** Sheridan
- ▶ Lambda-**Carrie Manders** Newcastle
- ▶ Pi-**Jill Stonehouse** Cody
- ▶ Rho-**Maryann Bischoff** Burlington
- ▶ Sigma-**Kathi Morrison** Worland
- ▶ Upsilon-**Dr. Michelle Aldrich** Cheyenne
- ▶ Phi-**Ellen Kub** Cheyenne
- ▶ Chi-**Jan Segerstrom** Jackson
- ▶ Psi-**Mary Berry** Green River
- ▶ Alpha Delta-**Harmony Davidson** Rawlins



Alpha Xi State Achievement Award Deadline Approaches

Nominations due by February 1, 2011

The Alpha Xi State Achievement Award which was first presented in 1968 is awarded annually to a dedicated member of the Society. It is time to start thinking of someone your chapter would like to nominate. Your nominee does not have to be from your chapter, but must be an active Wyoming DKG member. A member may be nominated again if she has not received the award in the past. The awardee will be announced at the spring 2011 convention meeting in Greybull.

Guidelines and resume information are available from Ellen Kub, 6231 Kemp Hill Drive, Cheyenne, WY, 82009. kubwy@cs.com

1968-Miss Verda James-Beta
1971-Mrs. Vera Steel Isberg-Zeta
1973-Miss Edith Longwith-Kappa
1977-Mrs. Louise Dyer-Iota
1981-Mrs. Cleo Riley-Gamma
1983-Mrs. Mary Stueber-Alpha
1985-Mrs. Virginia Lovelady-Sigma
1987-Miss Mary Johnson-Gamma
1989-Mrs. Qujetta Eudaley-Beta
1991-Mrs. Julia Burke-Upsilon
1993-Mrs. Barbara Crews-Beta
1995-Mrs. Letha Dickinson-Eta
1996-Mrs. Margaret Olson-Upsilon
1997-Mrs. Dorothy Halsted Gibbs-Kappa
1998-Allegra "Click" Hunter-Pi
1999-Glenda Reynolds-Phi
2000-Mary Pauline Lanoy-Alpha Delta
2001-Ann Hardesty-Iota
2002-Jane Rutz-Upsilon
2003-Renon Jones-Rho
2004-Mary Wendel-Eta
2005-Pat Dixon-Rho
2006-Dorothy Bush-Rho
2007-Barbara Scifers-Beta
2008-Marcy Helser-Phi
2010-Nina Nachtigall-Alpha

Management Seminar Puts Vision into Action

By Toni Brown, Theta Chapter

What an interesting mix of topics and presenters available for the members who attended the Summer Leadership Seminar 2010 in Gillette June 15 – 17.

Two panel discussions, Standardized Testing and Women in Leadership Roles, sparked much interaction, some of it heated, some with great suggestions. The discussions were not complete at the end of the designated one-hour time slots, and continued out into the halls and into the evenings! The panel members were both men and women, from all grade levels as well as from administration positions. We thank them for bringing their ideas to our attention, from in town as well as from around the state.

The individual workshop sessions provided such a variety with great presenters in the three strands of Leadership, Technology and The Arts. It was difficult to choose one topic over another. But it was exciting to compare notes with other attendees between sessions. Activities range from the evening at the AVA arts facility to scuba diving and story telling, as well as hands-on with the new iPads and other technology. The leadership strand had many challenges for us to learn to use in our own personal lives as well as in our classrooms. Kenna Rose had us spell bound and then in tears as she lead us to consider our teaching lives and our own individual lives.



Marie Puryear, principal of Casper Classical Academy, Laurie Davis, principal of Recluse Elementary, and Tana Larsen, principal of Rawhide Elementary shared their views with Toni Brown on the many hats that women in a leadership role must juggle.



Judy Vandell and Nina Nachtigall learned decorative finishes from Heather Rodriguez owner of Master's Touch Studio.



Lyla Downey showed attendees apps to try on the iPads which she provided.

Ann Hardesty Received the Personal Growth Grant

Ann Hardesty, state member from Thermopolis, received the 2010 Personal Growth Grant, according to Harmony Davidson, personal growth chair from Alpha Delta Chapter. The grant is for \$200 and is awarded to an active DKG member who is not presently active in the classroom.

A goal set by Ann in 2006 to take the notes she jotted down for a book in 1998 challenged her, so she set out on her journey. She attended an Author's Boot Camp and a workshop at state convention. During this same period, she completed many revisions. Finally, with her book completed she took the advice of another author and decided to look into self publishing. After some research and correspondence, Ann found a publisher for her historical fiction children's book, *Lucy's Trials in the Black Hills*, a story about a girl living in the Black Hills in the early twentieth century. Lucy tries to be accepted by her brothers despite being falsely accused for the disappearance of different things around the house and her journey for the truth. Even though this book is fiction, the setting, The Hardesty Homestead, is a real place.



Ann
discussed
her book
during the
Leadership
Seminar
2010 in
Gillette.



Hailey Ellingham, Alpha Chapter, shared her adventures in New Zealand at the fall executive board meeting in Casper.

Alpha Xi State Scholarship awarded to Hailey Ellingham

Hailey Ellingham, a Spanish teacher at McCormick Jr. High in Cheyenne, received the \$500 state scholarship to assist her in pursuing her MA in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis in teaching English as a second language at the University of Wyoming. This past summer she studied in New Zealand studying the Maori culture.

At the fall executive board meeting Hailey enthralled the audience with her outstanding presentation entitled, *A Study of the Rescue and Revitalization of the Maori Culture of New Zealand*



Sharon Cole, Yvonne Gatley, Harmony Davidson, and Maria Fedden presented a skit, featuring Annie Webb Blanton. RoseAnn Ready advised us to go to the DKG website to find thousands of program ideas by visiting dkg.org-Library-Resources.

What did you do on your summer vacation?

By Yvonne Gatley, 2010 Golden Gift Recipient

You know the assignment, "Write an essay about what you did on your summer vacation." Well my summer vacation included an experience like no other. I attended the 2010 Leadership/Management Seminar at the University of Texas in Austin for two weeks in late June and early July. Under the sponsorship of the Golden Gift Fund Committee, I was one of 30 Society members selected to this outstanding professional and personal development seminar.

Professional development was provided by exceptional professors associated with the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas. Courses that focused on topics such as, interpersonal and gender communications, values and ethics, decision making, negotiations, and networking, gave me new skills and information that I will use for my work in all life situations.

As for personal development, I now know my personality and management style, how to improve my professional image, and tips for enhancing my own personal wellness. Tours to the Texas State Capitol, the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library, and the San Antonio River Walk and Alamo filled our weekend hours of July 3rd and 4th.

Our class named themselves the "Pearl Girls" and as a Pearl Girl my life will forever be enriched by the deep bonds developed over these two weeks with my fellow sisters. We gathered from 19 states

as well sisters from Iceland and Finland. Other than sleeping, most of our waking hours were spent together. We laughed often, cried occasionally, and celebrated life as learners and leaders. Never have I felt as close to my society as I did with these incredible women. Emails, and Facebook and DKG Networking entries continue as we keep in contact with each other. Miles cannot separate when sisters are in need or just want to share.

I invite and encourage all Alpha Xi members to consider applying for the 2012 Leadership/Management Seminar. You too can visit International Headquarters in Austin, learn from experts in leadership, and form friendships that will last a lifetime.



Yvonne Gatley visited the Society's Headquarters in Austin, Texas.



Nina Nachtigall, Alpha Chapter, presented The Barbara Scifers/"Lucky" May Wallace Chapter History awards to Becky Tish for Alpha Chapter's hardcopy, to Yvonne Gatley for Kappa's First Place electronic copy, to Carol Milano for Psi's Third Place electronic copy, and to Maryann Bischoff for Rho's Second Place electronic copy. Alpha Chapter sponsors the awards.

Alpha Xi State Hosts 2013 Northwest Regional in Cheyenne, July 28 – August 3, 2013

Hosting a regional can be a wonderful experience for all Wyoming DKG members. Your participation and help is needed. Regional conferences are held to disseminate information regarding DKG activities and to provide educational workshops and leadership training. Wyoming will be responsible for WYO Night, favors, tours, committees, hostesses, etc. Consider how you and your chapter can help. Every chapter's participation is needed.

2013 Northwest Regional in Cheyenne Seeks Funds

The Wyoming 2013 Northwest Regional Conference Steering Committee is offering sponsorships to individual members, chapters, and businesses in support of the Wyoming 2013 Northwest Regional Conference Fund. This fund will mainly support Wyoming Night and the reception that follows by providing approximately 400 attendees with entertainment, food, and favors that evening.

Those who choose to become sponsors will have their names printed at the Wyoming Night. Chapters are encouraged to participate through donations and securing business donations. You may donate each year to eventually reach a higher level. To become a sponsor, simply fill out the form below indicating your level of participation, write your check payable to the Alpha Xi State NWR 2013, and send the information and check to:

Glenda Reynolds, Chairman
Wyoming 2013 NWR Conference
5149 McCue Drive
Cheyenne, Wyoming 2009

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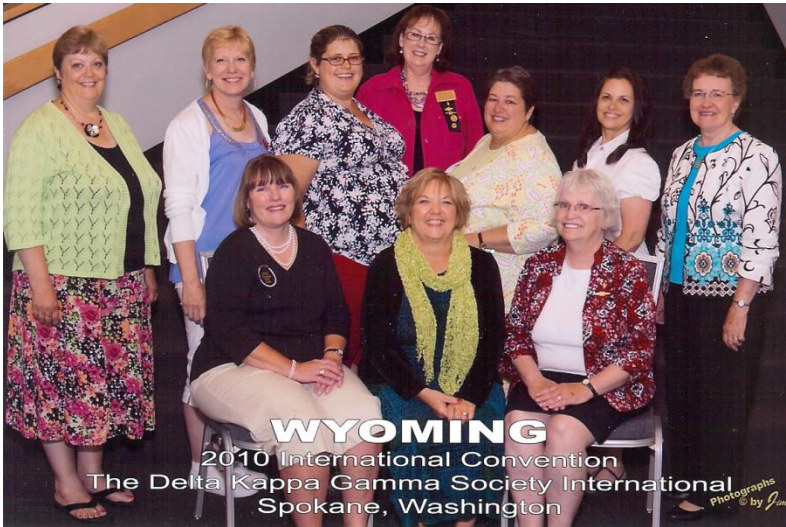
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	Wrangler	\$ 50
	Buckaroo	\$ 25

2010 International Convention

From Vision to Action: Advancing the Society

July 20 -24 Spokane, Washington



Alpha Xi members at the international convention included Becky Tish, Loretta Tonak, Abi Paytoe Gbayee, Glenda Reynolds Michelle Aldrich, Maria Fedden, Julia Burke, Yvonne Gatley, Sharon Cole and Shirley Tranas. Not pictured is Jane Rutz. *Photographs by Jim*

Amanda Gore traveled from Australia to speak about *Spirited Leadership-from Vision to Action* at a general session. She taught members to celebrate with "TAH-DAH."



Eleven Wyoming members attended the 2010 International Convention in Spokane, Washington. Seventeen member countries were represented. Over 1,500 attendees joined the week's activities, sessions, workshops, and sightseeing. Constitutional changes, exciting keynote speakers, installation of new international officers, unveiling of the School's For Africa as the Society's project, and genuine fellowships filled the unforgettable week. First timer Abi Paytoe Gbayee, Upsilon Chapter, wrote in her DKG blog, "As a microphone monitor at this year's convention I have had to pay attention to conversations and discussions I might have otherwise tuned out of. Reviewing and revising our constitution has given me a solid understanding of what we are about, where we have come from and where we are going. Now I have a new interest in getting involved with my chapter and a better understanding of the big picture! I am looking forward to sharing what I have learned and creating tada moments." First timer Maria Fedden, Kappa Chapter, stated, "The people in Washington were so great. The entertainment at the Night on the Town was wonderful and the tours before were fabulous." First timer Loretta Tonak, Kappa Chapter, reported that there was an amazing feeling of belonging. She made good friends in the choir. Wyoming was well represented!



President Sharon Cole shared a special moment with International President Carolyn Rants. Sharon attended the Executive Board meetings and was presented before Saturday evening banquet. *Photographs by Jim*



Loretta Tonak and Maria Fedden enjoyed the Gathering on the River the first evening.



Shirley Tranas and Sherri Wagemann from Washington passed out brochures before a general session.



Julia Burke and Yvonne Gatley attended general sessions where the *Constitution* was discussed and voted upon.



Abi Paytoe Gbayee led hands on workshops in technology.
Photographs by Jim



Loretta Tonak and Becky Tish led a song at the Northwest Regional Breakfast honoring President Carolyn.

Dr. Michelle Aldrich conducted a workshop "Show Me the Money!" which helped chapters generate ideas for fundraisers.
Photographs by Jim



Glenda Reynolds fulfilled her duties as Northwest Regional Director throughout the convention.
Photographs by Jim



Wyoming members enjoyed an Italian dinner together. Connie Jay, formerly from Cheyenne and now Spokane, joined the group.



President Carolyn Rants introduces the incoming international president Dr. Jensi Souders from Tennessee for 2010-2012.
Photographs by Jim

Chapters Report From Around the State



Alpha Chapter- Alpha chapter is ready for another exciting year of educational programs, community service and fun. Scheduled programs are diverse and interesting, and highlight the activities of several of our chapter members. One program will feature a panel of women administrators discussing educational leadership for women. Alpha member Paula Egan-Wright volunteered to translate for physicians in Haiti after the earthquake, and will talk to our chapter about her experiences there. Hailey Ellingham, Alpha first vice president, will present a program on her trip to New Zealand to study the Maori people. Kathy Giorgis, Alpha past-president, received an Alpha personal growth grant to help her pay for a trip to Italy. She will talk to our chapter about her trip. Alpha will do several types of community service this year. In November, members will stuff socks with toys, gifts and personal care items. These socks will be donated to the COMEA Homeless Shelter and to the Safe House for battered women and their children. In December, Alpha members and their families will sing carols with the residents of Pointe Frontier retirement home. Following the caroling, members and their families will enjoy a Christmas dinner party at a local restaurant. Members will also continue to volunteer at the Children's Village in the Botanical Garden. Other chapter activities will include a potluck and scrapbook party, and a three-chapter dinner and Founder's Day celebration.



Beta Chapter-

Dr. Bert Toens talked to the chapter about managing stress as a woman. At another meeting Ardy Fritts gave a book talk on *Juggling Elephants*. The chapter supports the women and children staying at the Transformations Center at the Central Wyoming Rescue Mission by supplying toiletries and household items. Currently the members are making fleece blankets for the children.



Sandra Greene, Barbara Scifers and Maria Nolan work on a fleece blanket.



Rho Chapter-

In October members were entertained by a special speaker who told scary stories. The members are collecting pull tabs from aluminum cans and giving them to the Ronald McDonald House in Billings, MT. They also showered them with gifts such as laundry items, games, toiletries and dry goods.



Kappa Chapter

Kappa Chapter has selected programs this year to include a program on political issues, women's breast health, and scoring of Wyoming Young Authors entries. The chapter will also hold its Jewelry Jamboree, where members donate and buy jewelry to fund our scholarship endowment at Sheridan College. A busy and productive year is anticipated by all Kappa members.



Kappa members gathered at Kendrick Park on a beautiful Wyoming summer day to plan for the upcoming programs.



Phi Chapter-

Phi Chapter supported the state president's project this past year by donating to 2 projects listed in donorschoose.org. \$100.00 was given to a rural school in Wyoming for a Wii Fit as P.E. had been cut in this school. \$200.00 was donated to another elementary classroom for an Elmo projector so the books could be read on an overhead. These funds were provided by a 50-50 raffle fundraiser at a basketball game.



Upsilon Chapter-

Upsilon's program of work committee has provided the chapter with a year of interesting programs and opportunities. The September meeting was the joint carry in dinner for the three Cheyenne chapters. Members enjoyed the October meeting when Linda Brain and Kara Gann shared the newest information on Smart Boards. In November Dr. Mark Stock, new superintendent of schools for Laramie County School District 1, will speak. December will be the Christmas Social and a community service project when the members bring items for the chosen group.



Psi Chapter-

Psi Chapter held its first meeting in September at Sage Creek Bagel Shop. It was agreed that Psi will continue with their community service project working with Expedition Academy Childcare in Green River bringing in donations of needed educational toys/items for their licensed daycare program. The chapter also provided several baby gates which enable the teachers/caretakers to set up infant sections in different corners. The October meeting had scrapbooking and card-making sessions.



Delta Chapter-



On Monday, October 11, 2010, Alpha Xi President Sharon Cole traveled 500 miles to visit with Delta Chapter. Members were thrilled to have her visit. Robyn Johnson and Jackie Hodgson were initiated into the chapter.

Beacons of Alpha Xi State

Johnna Lissman, Phi Chapter, was awarded the "Community Hero" award for Cheyenne. Johnna with other faculty members from Carey Junior High coordinate an annual effort to assist the City of Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Department each spring. A pool of over 300 students is provided to various city departments to assist with tasks such as painting, raking leaves, pine cones and grass, litter control, landscaping, planting floral areas and general beautification efforts in preparation for the upcoming growing season. Over the past ten years this adds up to more than 42,000 hours of volunteerism!

Carol Stewart, Kappa Chapter, has been named Sheridan County School District #2 Teacher of the Year for 2010. Carol has taught at all levels within SCSD#2 and at Sheridan College. She is currently a reading specialist in the high school and has been instrumental in facilitating professional literature study groups for teachers at the high school.

Julia Burke, Upsilon Chapter, was nominated by her chapter and was honored as a "Woman of Vision and Action" at the 2010 International Convention.

Starla Mason, Alpha Chapter, is head of the radiology department at Laramie County Community College and recently completed a workbook and all of the ancillaries for the textbook, Essentials of Radiological Science. Her published materials include worksheets, lab experiments, power points, lesson plans, quiz banks, test generators, and video animations.

Ardy Fritts, Beta Chapter, received a Who's Who Award in 2010.

Need Money?

Check out your Educational Foundation's

Educational Project Grant

Cornet Professional Development Seminar Award

Cornet Professional Development Seminar Award



Find applications on Educator Edge and on the DKG Web Site's Foundation link.

www.educatoredge.org
www.dkg.org



Alpha Xi State Convention

Let Your Light Shine Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

April 29 - May 1, 2011

Greybull

Rho Chapter would like to invite everyone to attend the Alpha Xi State Spring Convention in Greybull, Wyoming. It is tentatively being planned at the Greybull Elementary School. Please contact Shirley Tranas, (dtranas@tctwest.net), if you would like to do a workshop on April 30. Keep in contact with the Alpha Xi state web site and the *Wyoming Roundup* for new information.

Schools for Africa is the Society's international project. It was presented and approved by the membership at the 2010 International Convention. DKG will partner with UNICEF, the Hamburg Society, the Nelson Mandela Foundation and Gucci to provide quality education to children. *Schools for Africa* assists eleven African countries. Contributions from members will assist in providing education to many disadvantaged students in these countries. For more information, visit the library section of the DKG Web site.

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promotes professional and
personal growth of women
educators and excellence in
education.*

Important Dates

Nominations deadline – November 15 to Sally Spooner

Achievement Award Nominees – February 1, 2011 to Ellen Kub

Alpha Xi Roundup deadline – February 25, 2011

Personal Growth Grants deadline – March 26, 2011 to Harmony Davidson

State Scholarships deadline – April 1, 2011 to Carol Milano

Alpha Xi State Convention - April 29 – May 1, 2011, Greybull, Wyoming

Northwest Regional Conference July 28 – Aug. 3, 2013, Cheyenne



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