The Upsilon Update

Upsilon Chapter, Eaton County, Michigan State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Coaches' Message

Upsilon Chapter has been busy planning the Capitol Area Coordinating Council Luncheon to be held in Charlotte at the Senior Retirement Center. This event has been postponed for the past three years because of Covid. Hopefully you have registered. Your \$20 fee should be sent to LuAnn Stuible, 5222 River Ridge Dr., Lansing, MI 48917 by February 28. It will be most enjoyable seeing everyone.

Thanks to Marilyn Hansbarger for hosting our December meeting. As always, a wonderful time was had by all.

A new year has started with things occurring none of us ever expected. The shooting at MSU was tragic, not only to those involved, but unsettling to all of us. It has changed our view of the world we live in and brought with it sense of insecurity, not only for us, but for all those we love. Roger and I were in Mississippi when it happened and when people found out where we lived, they were sincere with their sympathies. Even closer to home, our grandson was in his dorm at MSU and was greeted by a Swat Team searching his dorm. That is not the world we wanted we wanted our grandchildren to inherit.

Judy Nixon and I will be attending the DKG State Convention April 21-23. Judy will be attending in person and I will be attending virtually. Isn't that interesting? Just a couple of years ago I would have to explain Zoom and virtual.

I hope to see you at the Coordinating Council Luncheon.

-Judy Foster



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Upsilon Meetings For 2023

March Coordinating Council Saturday, March 10, 2023 11:00 a.m. Eaton Area Senior Center Charlotte, MI 48813

Saturday, April 14, 2023 11:00 a.m. Tony M's Lansing, MI 48917

Thursday, May 11, 2023 5:00 p.m. House of Hsu Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Saturday, June 17, 20223 11:00 a.m. Marilyn's

Program of Work July 13, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Congregational church Charlotte, MI 48813

Budget Committee July 19, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. LuAnn Stuible Lansing, MI 48917

Thursday, Sept 14, 2023

Thursday, Oct 12, 2023

December 10, 2022 Minutes

The Michigan State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Upsilon Chapter met at 11:00 AM on December 10, 2022 at Marilyn Hansbarger's. Twelve members were present. Our Early Educator Award recipient Crystal Quintanilla-Howard was our guest. Judy Foster presided.

Marilyn Hansbarger led the Induction Ceremony to welcome Sheila Dunnigan to our Upsilon Chapter.

A lovely Christmas brunch was provided by the December hostesses. Our thanks to Marilyn for hosting this annual event.

Hats and Mittens were collected and will be distributed to elementary schools in each of the school districts represented by our membership.

Our Annual Silent Auction was a great success. Our thanks to the Grant-in-Aid committee for their organization of the event.

Crystal Quintanilla-Howard shared with the membership how she is using her Grant-in-Aid Award to help her students be successful in school.

The Secretary's minutes were approved as published in the Upsilon Update.

There was no Correspondence.

The Treasurer's report was approved as published in the Upsilon Update.

Unfinished Business:

Our Upsilon sponsored March Coordinating Council event is planned for Saturday, March 11, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran, Charlotte, Michigan. Members are asked to arrive early for set-up.

All Upsilon Chapter members will receive and email invitation from Mary Slag. The deadline to RSVP is February 28, 2023. The cost is \$20.00. Members are encouraged to contribute an item for the Silent Auction table. Jackie Jancek and Mary Slag will provide the necessary bags for the auction. (Cont'd on page 3)

DKG Upsilon Chapter Treasurer's Report November 2022

 Checking
 \$1,067.25

 Savings
 \$1,324.42

 Cert. of Deposit
 \$3,184.76

 Spartan Saver
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*** Please submit any dues, bills or reimbursements to me via mail or in person. Thanks, LuAnn Stuible 5222 River Ridge Dr Lansing, MI 48917



The Upsilon Update is posted on our website http://upsilonchapter-mi.weebly.com and emailed to all members with an email address listed in the yearbook and mailed to those sisters who do not have email. It is posted and mailed about 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting. To assure that everyone gets their newsletter, I need to know about address changes or if you have trouble opening the newsletter on our website. You can email me at mlstag@aol.com or phone or text me at 517-231-4339.

-Mary Slag

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Committee members are: Judy Foster, Marilyn Hansbarger, Lissa Sell, Carolyn Shoaps, LuAnn Stuible, and Lola Wilson.

Adjourned 12:39 PM

Carolyn Shoaps Recording Secretary



Hansbarger Grant-in-Aid

The information about the Hansbarger Grant-in-Aid for senior women has gone out to counselors in all the districts our group represents. It is for those who want to become teachers. If you know anyone who might qualify for this grant, let them know that all the information and application are on our website: https://upsilonchapter-mi.weebly.com.

Chapter Newsletters

The Winter 2023 Issue of the Wolverine announced a change in Chapter Newsletters. Effective in 2022-2023, newsletters will no longer need to be submitted for evaluation. Instead, the state committee will develop a tool that we can share ideas for fundraising, program ideas, recruitment, retention, and service projects. The timeline for this has yet to be determined. The plan is to utilize both Facebook and our DKG website.

We are all thinking of MSU students.



Senate bill package proposes significant gun safety reforms February 21, 2023

In light of the tragedy on MSU's campus, the following bills have been introduced in the State Senate and will likely see quick action:

- SB 76 Would require license or background check for purchase of firearms.
- <u>SB 77</u> Updates references to a pistol in the State's penal code. TIE BAR WITH SB 76.
- SB 78 Updates references in sentencing guidelines.
- <u>SB 79</u> Provides for penalties for storing or leaving a firearm where it may be accessed by a minor.
- · <u>SB 80</u> Updates sentencing guidelines for weapons.
- <u>SB 81</u> Would exempt sales tax for firearm safety devices, safes, lockboxes, and trigger locks.
- SB 82 Would exempt use tax for firearm safety devices, safes, lockboxes, and trigger locks.
- SB 83 Would enact an extreme risk protection order, also known as a "red flag" law.
- SB 84 Would prohibit purchase of firearms by an individual who has an extreme risk protection order. TIE BAR WITH SB 83.
- <u>SB 85</u> Enacts sentencing guidelines for making a false statements in relation to an extreme risk protection order.
- <u>SB 86</u> Would allow court fees for the service of processing extreme protection order actions.

The first hearing on these bills will be Thursday, Feb. 23, at noon in the Senate Civil Rights, Judiciary, and Public Safety Committee.

It's anticipated that the State House will move similar bills soon as well. Stay tuned to <u>MEA.org/GunSafety</u> for more information as it becomes available.

<u>Take a moment now to contact your lawmakers</u> and urge support for SBs 76-86. After Oxford and MSU and too many other instances of gun violence in our schools, it's time for action to address gun violence that affects our students and educators – and the new legislative majorities in Lansing are ready to do so.

-Judy Foster