

DeltaLines

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President's Message

Greetings Sorors,

It is the month that we celebrate each other as Sisters. It's the time of year when we OVER LOVE the intelligent, bossy, aspiring, and classy women who share the same values without judgment; as well as

finding those close and amazing relationships with your sisters. It's late night talks and laughter. It's sharing a cup of coffee. It's having a support system. It's embracing our differences. It's always stressing and striving to become more, to do more while simultaneously pulling or pushing your sister to do the same. It's also taking time to rest and relax... then getting back into the game. It's brunch, banquets, baby and bridal showers. It's weddings and worshiping together. It's prayer and praise with your sisters. It's being prissy and powerful and, on occasion, petty. It's selfies and service. It's pictures and postings. It's attending plays and parties. It's crying together. It's sitting with each other. It's thinking about each other. It's reflecting on how fortunate we are to be together. It's Sisterhood Month. It's Women's History Month. It's a time of SWEET Celebration for all that we are and aspire to be. It's elephant hugs and nose rubs. It's holding the hand of those in crisis and believing that life will shift for the better. It's covering our missteps. It's holding each other accountable. It's being intentional about learning each other and empathizing with our various experiences and emotions. It's being the best sister in the whole wide world! It's fixing that tilted crown and pulling up that hanging slip, all while being completely humble and gentle and patient, bearing with one another, in love. Happy Sisterhood Month!

Sisterly,

Kay Williams-Dawson

The Spoken Word

A Room Full of Sisters

(excerpt)... By Anonymous

A room full of sisters, like jewels in a crown: vanilla, cinnamon, and dark chocolate brown. Now picture yourself in the midst of this glory, as I describe the sisters who are part of this story...

They were wearing purple, royal blue, and all shades of red; some had elegant hats on their heads.

Speaking with smiles on their African faces; their joy and laughter filled all the spaces.

A room full of sisters, like jewels in a crown: vanilla, cinnamon, and dark chocolate brown.



The Corner: Where Knowledge Is Power

Protocol Tip

DELTA INSIGNIA

The Fortitude Pin: The Fortitude Pin is a replica of the sculpture Fortitude, commissioned by the Sorority and unveiled at Howard University in 1979 as a tribute to the Founders of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. It may be pinned on a dress, blouse, or suit or worn as a pendant.

Protocol and Traditions Manual, Page 11.

Inspirational Word

"Surround yourself with only people who are going to lift you higher." Oprah Winfrey

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Delta Time

Sorority Meeting

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019 **Arcola Lakes Senior Center**

(Main Room)

8401 Northwest 14th Avenue Miami, Florida 33147

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Member Banking Hour

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Breakfast Hour

9:30 a.m. - 9:35 a.m. Hostess Committee

9:35 a.m. - 9:40 a.m. Protocol Tidbit

9:45 a.m. -10:00 a.m. Formal Opening

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. General Meeting

Attire: Purple Business Attire Hostess: March Hostess Group

Agenda

- Formal Opening
- Adoption of Agenda
- Minutes
- Correspondence
- President's Report
- Financial Report
 - 2019-2020 Proposed Budget First Reading
- Hospitality Committee
- Reports/Presentations
 - •Internal Audit 2nd Quarter
 - Emergency Response Team
 - Risk Management
 - Leadership Academy
 - Membership Services
 - Scholarship and Awards
 - Jabberwock
 - Cooking Gents
 - Social Action
 - 12th Grade Sub-Debutantes
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Announcements (President)
- Adjournment
- Formal Closing

Submit all news and announcements to:

corresponding@dstmiami.org chaptermail@dstmiami.org

All announcements must be approved by the chapter president before printing. Material must be received no later than the 15th of the month to allow adequate formatting and printing time.

Mission Statement

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated is an organization of college educated women committed to constructive development of its members and to public service with a primary focus on the Black community.

FLASH Special Announcements

Talk Tech To Me

The Technology Committee will be available during the March meeting breakfast hour to answer any technology questions you may have about apps, phones, social media, cameras, and other gadgets. Look for committee members with BRIGHT YELLOW NAME TAGS.

Economic Development Calendar – The 2019 Chapter Calendar is available for purchase. Please see Soror Eoline Watson or any committee member. The calendar contains important information about the chapter's activities throughout the year and is a great opportunity for you to reclaim a soror so she can be in the know about the chapter's events. The cost is \$5.

2019-2020 Dues Renewal - Dues and fees for the July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020 sorority year are now due. The financial team should receive all check payments no later than March 15, 2019, to ensure timely processing.

Mark Your Calendar

March 16th Jabberwock

March 9th -12th – Delta Days in the Nation's Capitol

March 31st - April 2nd Delta Days at the State Capitol

May 18th - Save the Date - Cooking Gents







Community Service/Events

TRAYVON MARTIN PEACE WALK

On February 10th, chapter sorors participated in the Trayvon Martin Peace Walk & Talk, organized by Soror Sybrina Fulton, in honor of her late son. The award-winning step team mesmerized the crowd with a performance after marching through the streets of Miami Gardens for peace and justice.



BUILDING BLITZ

Miami Alumnae Chapter participated in the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami Build Blitz on February 16th. Members braved the heat by painting and lending a hand to help a first-time home buyer fulfill their dream of home ownership.



VOTER REGISTRATION

The Social Action Committee conducted a voter registration drive in Richmond Heights on February 16th. They registered 22 new voters, who were mostly felons with restored civil rights. Great job!



DELTA VIOLETS' BLACK HISTORY MONTH ACTIVITY

Kudos to the committee for conducting impactful activities for our elementary-aged mentees by showing the beauty and wonder called Black Girl Magic!



LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The Miami Alumnae Chapter Leadership Academy classes were held September 29—December 15, 2018. Class topics included The Making of a Good Delta, Heritage and Archives: Capturing and Preserving Our History, Protocol and Traditions: Supporting the Values and Belief Systems of Delta. Sorors spent valuable time enhancing their Delta knowledge and are ready to help position Miami Alumnae for the next century in Delta!



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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

Members News

Kudos/Congratulations

- Soror Alessandra "Sandy" Williams was promoted to the newly established position of PROS Operations Coordinator for the Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces Department.
- Soror Keietta Givens has been appointed to the Collegiate Connection Sub-Committee of the National Membership Services Committee.
- Soror Celethia Passmore married Mr. Dana Mack on February 2nd.
- Soror Kathy Horton has been selected by Legacy Magazine as one of South Florida's "50 Most Powerful Black Leaders in Business and Industry."
- Soror Nancy Dawkins is an AT&T featured honoree for their Black History calendar.
- Soror Sherrilyn Norwood and Mr. Mike Norwood will celebrate 50 years of marriage on March 20th.
- Soror Tamia Spells, gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Tamir Assata Thomas, on February 7th. Tamir is the granddaughter

- of Soror Kay Dawson and greatgranddaughter of Soror Margaret Williams.
- Soror Alfreda Curry-Jackson received her second promotion in two years at the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department.
- Soror Adrienne Burrow's Black History door design was featured by Essence Magazine online. The door design was in honor of ballerina Misty Copeland.

Get Well Wishes and Prayer

- Soror Juanita Stafford was recently hospitalized and is recuperating.
- Soror Evelyn Lawrence is recuperating after undergoing surgery.
- The daughter of Soror Kathy Evans continues to be monitored and treated for a serious illness.

Condolences

- Soror Rosa Harvey-Pratt continues to mourn the loss of her beloved mother-in-law.
- Soror Carolyn McKay lost her brother, Air Force Sergeant Michael McKay.

 Please keep our sorors and their family in your thoughts and prayers.

