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President's Message

Greetings Sorors!

Flight 262 jetted to high altitudes for the opening of the new sororal year. Last month was FILLED with meetings, community service, and lots of fun. Because of the lasting effects of hurricanes Irma and Maria during last hurricane season, the chapter forged new relationships and partnered with St. Thomas and St. Croix Alumnae Chapters respectfully, and donated our annual school supply collection to both chapters to assist students in those areas return to school with the supplies they so desperately needed.

We Sold Out Deltapalooza! We gave presence and voice at the rally, "When We All Vote" with Mrs. Michelle Obama, while partnering with the Top Ladies of Distinction during "Action Week" and hosted a Voter Registration Drive! In our efforts to combat Sickle Cell Disease, we journeyed South and hit the streets walking to "Stomp Out" Sickle Cell Disease in the Third Annual 5k Run/Walk. We then turned Northward and partnered with the Foundation For Sickle Cell Disease Research and the Liberty Square Rise Up Coalition for the Sickle Cell Awareness Month Health Fair. Whew! And after all of that... On the contrary, the Scripture says: *"What eye has not seen and ear has not heard and has not entered into the heart of man, (Sorors) [all that] God has prepared (made and keeps ready) for those who love Him [who hold Him in affectionate reverence, promptly obeying Him and gratefully recognizing the benefits He has bestowed]."* 1 Corinthians 2:9 AMPC

"YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET!" There is MORE to come and I look forward to seeing all of my Sorors in these Delta streets making it happen for the least, the left out, and the left over!

Sisterly,

Kay Williams-Dawson

The Spoken Word

In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month,
we salute the courageous spirit of all cancer survivors.

What Cancer Cannot Do:

Cancer is so limited...
It cannot cripple Love; It cannot shatter Hope;
It cannot dissolve Faith; It cannot destroy Peace;
It cannot kill Friendship; It cannot suppress Memories;
It cannot silence Courage; It cannot invade the Soul;
It cannot steal Eternal Life; It cannot conquer the Spirit.

When We All Vote Rally

Members of the Miami Alumnae Alumnae Chapter were honored to attend the "When We All Vote" rally with Soror Beverly E. Smith, National President and CEO of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. The rally, held on September 28, 2018 at the University of Miami Watsco Center, featured keynote speaker and "When We All Vote" organizer, Former First Lady Michelle Obama. We are Red Army REaDy!

The Corner: Where Knowledge Is Power

Protocol Tip

The 10th National President, Dr. Dorothy I. Height, wrote: *"To preserve tradition, we must bring it into the current decade and make sure it remains viable for decades to come."*

Two principles which form the template for all the traditions and protocol activities that we present in the Sorority are:

• Principle One – Organizations that survive and thrive over a long history are those that articulate a sound system of beliefs and values. We are gifted in Delta Sigma Theta with a strong belief and value system – the nine Jewels and the "Delta Oath."

• Principle Two – Traditions, ceremonies, and protocol must support and enhance the organization's belief and value system.

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Inspirational Word

"The greatest discovery of all time is that a person can change his future by merely changing his attitude."
Oprah Winfrey

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Delta Time

Sorority Meeting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2018

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
9:30 a.m. – 9:40 a.m. Hostess Group Presentation
9:40 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. Protocol Opening
9:45 a.m. –10:00 a.m. Formal Opening
10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. General Meeting

Attire: Pink Business/Professional Attire
Hostess: October Hostess Group
Protocol Tidbits: Protocol Committee

Agenda

- Hostess Group
- Formal Opening
- Adoption of Agenda
- Minutes
- Correspondence
- President's Report
- Financial Report
- Hospitality
- Reports/Presentations
  - Membership Services
  - Scholarship and Awards
  - Founders Day
  - Poinsettia Gala
  - Physical and Mental Health
  - Social Action
  - Economic Development
  - Delta Violets
  - Delta Academy
  - 10th Grade Sub-Debutantes
  - 11th Grade Sub-Debutantes
  - 12th Grade Sub-Debutantes
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Announcements
- 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

25/50 Year Award

Members who were initiated 25 years ago in 1994 or 50 years ago in 1969, please submit your name to Soror Keietta Givens by the October 2018 chapter meeting.

Breakfast Card

The BREAKFAST CARD FEE IS NOW $60. If you have not paid for your BREAKFAST CARD, please do so before the October chapter meeting. Beginning with the October meeting, you must have a breakfast card in order to partake in the delicious breakfast. You may use Cash App, $DSTMAC, or make check payable to Miami Alumnae Chapter.

Economic Development

The 2019 Miami Alumnae Calendars will begin taking information at the October meeting. The Economic Development Committee will be ready to receive updates on birthdays, meetings, and events. If anyone is interested in placing an ad in the calendar, please send information to economic@dstmiami.org.

Membership Directory

Directories will only be distributed during the months of October and November. After November, the directories will be placed in storage and will be given out again during the May 2019 meeting. If you know of a soror who could not make it to the meeting, please pick it up for her. Any orders that were taken at the September meeting, sorors will receive their directories in October.

Physical and Mental Health Committee – Gift Card Donation

The committee is requesting a $20 gift card donation for the University of Miami Pediatrics Adolescents Medicine. Donated cards will be given to 80 patients for food. Gift card donations will be presented at the 2018 Poinsettia Gala.

Save the Date – Poinsettia Gala 2018

Poinsettia Gala will be held on December 1, 2018, at the Holiday Inn Miami West in Hialeah Gardens, FL. The theme is Celebrating "Wakanda" from Marvel Comics 1966. Formal African Attire is requested. Tickets are $75. Tables are available. DON'T WAIT! Make checks payable to DEHCI, Inc. (DEHCI does not have CASH APP).

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Community Service/Events

MIAMI ALUMNAE CHAPTER AWARDS

Congratulations to our chapter award recipients.

Professional Achievement Award
Soror Chandra Burgess

Community Service Award
Soror Julie Pennington-Gilchrist

Winona Cargile Alexander Award
Soror Alessandra G. Williams

STOMP OUT SICKLE CELL 5K RUN/WALK

In recognition of Sickle Cell Awareness Month, the September Hostess Committee, along with chapter members and guests, walked for a cure on September 22, in Homestead, FL. After Soror Kay Williams-Dawson fired the starting shot, sorors pounded the pavement to Stomp Out Sickle Cell.

SICKLE CELL AWARENESS MONTH HEALTH FAIR

The Miami Alumnae chapter, in partnership with the Foundation For Sickle Cell Disease Research and the Liberty Square Rise Up Coalition, hosted a Health Fair in recognition of Sickle Cell Awareness Month. The event, held on September 29th, allowed local residents to receive vital information and assistance with their healthcare needs.

DELTAPALOOZA 2018

Delta Education, Health, and Cultural Initiative (DEHCI) hosted the 8th Annual Deltapalooza at Renaissance Ballroom in Hialeah, FL. This first ever SOLD OUT event was met with rave reviews as guests danced and laughed the night away. Bravo to the committee for an outstanding event. See you next year!

WHEN WE ALL VOTE – VOTERS REGISTRATION DRIVE

Miami Alumnae joined the Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc., to do a voters registration drive in Miami Gardens, FL. Thank you to all sorors who helped support this initiative. Social action is what we do!

Mark Your Calendar

October 18th–**Executive Board Meeting**

October 20th–**Leadership Academy**

December 1st–**Poinsettia Gala**

January 18th-20th–**Cluster 2019** (Jacksonville, FL)

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Members News

Kudos/Congratulations

- To Soror Jasia Dickerson, Tau Rho Chapter, on becoming South Florida Facilitator.
- To Soror Whitley Johnson, who was appointed as one of the Best Practice Specialists for the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) First Gen Advising Community Steering Committee. She is the founder of the Empower Me First Diversity and Inclusion Initiative at the University of Miami.
- To Soror Elodie Billionniere, who is on her last leg of completing her 50 state marathon goal.
- To Soror LaShannon Petit, honoree of Legacy's Magazine South Florida's 40 Under 40 Black Leaders of Today & Tomorrow for 2018. Soror Petit is also a recent recipient of the Black Owned Media Alliance's Best Social Communicator of the Year.
- To Soror Karen Reed, who became the co-pastor of Martin Memorial A.M.E ("Purple Church"). She is now an ordained minister in the A.M.E. church.
- Hooray to the Stomp Out Sickle Cell 5K Run/Walk Medal Winners!

1st Place – Chandale Williams (ages 23-32)
Margaret "Mother Dear" Williams (ages 63-99)
2nd Place – Shellian Wheller (ages 23-32)
Cathina Burth (ages 43-52)
A. Rosalyn Walker (ages 53-62)
3rd Place – Latoya Darbeau (ages 33-42)
LaTasha Nickel (ages 43-52)
Arlenna Williams (ages 43-52)

Condolences

- The father of Soror Courtney Collier, Mr. Otis Collier, passed away on September 18th. He was laid to rest on September 24th.
- Please keep these sorors and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Get Well Wishes and Prayers

- Soror Maureen Bethel is currently recuperating at home after a brief hospital stay. Please keep her continuously in your thoughts and prayers.
- Soror Lois Alexander has recuperated from a successful surgery and she is thankful for the chapter's thoughts and prayers.
- Soror Maybelline Truesdell is at home recuperating after back surgery.
- Please continue to pray for Sorors who are experiencing illness or bereavement.

Founders Day 2019 is a CLOSED EVENT. To purchase a ticket, Cash App $DSTMAC or go to EVENTBRITE https://JointFoundersDay19.eventbrite.com. Use the password "Fortitude." The password should not be shared with anyone outside of Delta membership.