



# Delta Lines

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## President's Message

My Sweet Sweet Sorors,

LOVE is the greatest POWER, and in this month of February where we share this most powerful gift, share it with hearty generosity and grace. When was the last time you gave your sister a hug to say "Thank You" for every time she has been there for you? It doesn't take a lot. Scribble out a few cute quotes on a greeting card, post sweet messages on

her Facebook or share something funny with her on Pinterest—don't take your sister's love for granted. You'll realize the importance of this precious bond only in hindsight, when it is probably too late. Whether you are a Big sister to a little sister or a line sister, don't wait to share an adorable moment with your sister. Just walk up to her and catch her off guard. Hold her close and let her know that you are there. Feel the Power. You both will probably break into laughter as you share that Delta Love. It'll be a memory that you'll hold close to your heart for a lifetime.

Sisterly,

*Kay Williams-Dawson*

## Motivational Message

Language does have the power to change reality. Therefore, treat your words as the mighty instruments they are – to heal, to bring into being, to remove, as if by magic, the terrible violations of childhood, to nurture, to cherish, to bless, to *forgive* – to create from the whole cloth of your soul, true love. We have to allow ourselves to be loved by the people who really love us, the people who really matter. Too much of the time, we are blinded by our own pursuits of people to love us, people that don't matter, even all that time we waste and the people who do love us have to stand on the sidewalk and watch us beg in the streets! It's time to put an end to this. *"It's time for us to let ourselves be loved."*

## Dr. Martin Luther King Unity Scholarship Breakfast



On Monday January 16, 2017, Miami Alumnae Chapter attended the Dr. Martin Luther King Scholarship Luncheon sponsored by the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project South Florida. The Honorable Congressman John Lewis was the keynote speaker. He told the packed venue about his rich history with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He challenged guests to "Never give up." The event was held at Jungle Island and hosted by Congresswomen Frederica Wilson.



## The Corner: Where Knowledge Is Power

### Protocol Tip

**Chapter Meeting:** The Ritual must be used during Chapter Meetings for the opening and closing ceremonies. Business attire is required at all Chapter Meetings. A business suit or professional style attire is acceptable. Chapters cannot offer fundraising campaigns for optional attire.

### Inspirational Word

*"When I let go of what I am, I become what I might be."*

Lao Tau



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## Delta Time

### Sorority Meeting

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2017**

#### FIRE RESCUE HEADQUARTERS

(Cafeteria)

9300 North West 41st Street  
Doral, Florida 33178

8:30–9:30 a.m.	Member Banking Hours
8:30–9:30 a.m.	Breakfast
9:30–9:40 a.m.	Hostess Group Presentation
9:45–10:00 a.m.	Formal Opening
10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	General Meeting

Attire: African Attire (No headdress or hats)  
Red business attire for Membership  
Directory Photos

Hostess: February Hostess Group

#### Agenda

- Formal Opening
- Adoption of Agenda
- Minutes
- Correspondence
- President's Report
- Financial Report
- Hospitality
- Reports/Presentations
  - Scholarship/UNCF
  - Arts and Letters
  - Founders Day
  - Jabberwock
  - Membership
  - Cooking Gents
  - Mentoring Groups
  - 12th Grade Debutante
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Announcements
- Adjournment
- Formal Closing

Submit all news and announcements to:

[corresponding@dstmiami.org](mailto:corresponding@dstmiami.org)  
[chaptermail@dstmiami.org](mailto: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.

## FLASH Special Announcements

### Jabberwock 2017

THE MIAMI ALUMNAE CHAPTER OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.,  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH DELTA EDUCATION, HEALTH AND CULTURAL INITIATIVE, INC.

*Presents*

## JABBERWOCK The Brightest ★ Stars

**SATURDAY  
MARCH 11, 2017**

**MIAMI JACKSON SR. HIGH SCHOOL**  
1751 NW 36TH ST, MIAMI, FL 33142

★ **RECEPTION** 3:00 TO 4:00 PM  
**THE SHOW** 4:00 TO 6:30 PM

**TICKETS \$30 ADULT | \$15 CHILDREN**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT VIVIAN SMITH AT [JABBERWOCK@DSTMAMI.ORG](mailto:JABBERWOCK@DSTMAMI.ORG)

**Chapter Blazers** – Chapter blazers will cost \$140. Please make check payable to Miami Alumnae Chapter. Please bring to the financial team at the finance table during February Sorority meeting. If you are unable to make the meeting, please mail to the chapter PO Box. Blazers will be delivered before and after March meeting. For any questions, please contact Soror Michelle Pinckney-White 754-423-5160.

**Arts and Letters** – The Arts and Letters Committee annually awards a \$1,000 scholarship to one Miami-Dade County student who has demonstrated two or more years of excellence in the arts. Please carefully review the application guidelines and share with any qualified pupil. The deadline for online submission is February 3, 2017 at 11:59 P.M. Email us at [artsandlettersscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:artsandlettersscholarship@gmail.com) for further questions or clarification. The application can be found under Announcements and Forms on the secure site of [dstmiami.org](http://dstmiami.org) and the community may access it on the website under contact us "community room."

**Cooking Gents-Seeking Committee Members**  
Cooking Gents is seeking committee members to assist with the upcoming event. Please see Soror Avice Warren for additional information.

### 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.



## Community Service/Events

### ARTS AND LETTERS – HIDDEN FIGURES



The Arts and Letters Committee was in the community supporting the movie “Hidden Figures” on Sunday, January 22, 2017. Delta Academy, 10th and 11th grade sub debutantes, Delta Violets, and sorors viewed the movie at Cinepolis in Coconut Grove. The movie was a true depiction of the plight of women who worked at NASA space program. Thank you to all the sorors, community, and friends who participated in this event.

### TRI-COUNTY FOUNDERS DAY



On Sunday, January 22, 2017, Miami Alumnae Chapter attended the Tri-County Founders Day sponsored by Broward County chapters (Broward, South Broward, and Pompano Beach Alumnae) of Delta. The 24th National President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Cythnia M.A. Butler-McIntyre was the keynote speaker. It was a great event for sorors to celebrate our illustrious sisterhood.

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### MIAMI ALUMNAE CHAPTER HISTORY BOOK



75th Anniversary History Book Sub-Committee members pictured left to right: Dr. Mona Bethel Jackson, Dr. Patricia C. Duncan, Dr. Rosa Jones, Rosa Harvey Pratt (chair), Brenda L. Bryant, Naomi Porter, and Mae Everett. Committee member not pictured: Regina M. Grace and Dr. Alice Johnson.



A signature highlight of the January chapter meeting was the presentation of the long awaited book *Celebrating Diamond*

*Reflections: The History of Beta Zeta Sigma/Miami Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated 1941-2016, Volume I.* The book is a narrative of the 75 year history of the chapter and was dedicated to the memory of the ten Charter members whose inspirational vision set ablaze Sisterhood, Scholarship, and Service which directed the path for our chapter to flourish. *Thanks to the committee for a job well-done!*

## Dues Renewal Information

Sorors, it is time to fulfill our annual dues obligations to maintain financial status with the sorority. Dues and fees for the July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 sorority year are now due. Please use the chart below to determine your financial responsibility for the upcoming sorority year. The financial team should receive all check payments no later than March 15, 2017, to ensure timely processing.

DUES	NATIONAL	PER CAPITA	LOCAL	TOTAL
REGULAR	\$125.00	\$10.00	\$190.00	\$325.00
REGULAR (Reduced)	\$125.00	\$10.00	\$100.00	\$235.00
GOLDEN/DIAMOND LIFE (Paid in Full)	0	\$10.00	\$190.00	\$200.00
GOLDEN/DIAMOND LIFE (Reduced Paid in Full)	0	\$10.00	\$100.00	\$110.00

- Members, age 62 or older, as of May 2, 2015, are grandfathered to receive reduced local dues. Otherwise, members must be 65 years old to receive reduced local dues.
- For Regular and Regular (Reduced) members – For payments received between March 16th and June 16th, add \$5. For payments received after June 16th, add \$15.
- Checks and money orders are payable to: Delta Sigma Theta–Miami Alumnae
- **Please bring the membership form and payment to the February or March Sorority meeting, or mail to:**

**Miami Alumnae Chapter**  
**Attn: Finance Committee**  
**P.O. Box 680726, Miami, FL 33168-0726**

**Note:** In order to **register** for the 2017 National Convention, you must be financial for 2016 – 2017. In order to **attend** the 2017 National Convention, you must be financial for 2017 – 2018. For questions regarding current or prior year dues renewals, please contact Soror Alicia Jones, Financial Secretary ([financial@dstmiami.org](mailto:financial@dstmiami.org)) or Soror Alessandra Williams, Treasurer ([treasurer@dstmiami.org](mailto:treasurer@dstmiami.org)).

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## Members News

### Kudos/Congratulations

- Congratulations to Desiree Culpepper who was named "Teacher of the Year" Carol City Middle School.
- Kudos to our president, Kay Dawson, as she has been traveling throughout the state as the State of Florida Chaplain and has been the Founders Day Speaker for various chapters. Keep Speaking Madam President.

### Get Well Wishes and Prayers

- Please continue to pray for Sorors who are experiencing illness or bereavement.

### Hats Off for Cancer

Membership Services will collect hats during February and March chapter meetings to begin "Hats Off for Cancer" campaign. The committee is seeking hats of all shapes and sizes to donate to various agencies throughout the community. The culminating event will be held in March at Famous Dave's, 8210 N.W. 36th

Street. Please see committee members for additional information.

### Mark Your Calendar

March 11<sup>th</sup> – **Jabberwock**  
March 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> – **Delta Days State Capital**  
March 31<sup>st</sup>-April 2<sup>nd</sup> – **State Cluster** (Daytona Beach, Florida)



**Sister To Sister,  
With Love To . . .  
Our "Delta Sorors"**

*We appreciate the **Sister** in you!*

