**Program Planning and Development Committee Reports**

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| **[Arts and Letters Committee](https://members.dstonline.org/National-Area" \l "arts):** [dsttaarts@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaarts@gmail.com) Chair [Shenika Baisley](mailto:sbaisley33@gmail.com): A Virtual Book Club was held Friday, October to read Paradise by Toni Morrison. The Red Carpet Event in conjunction with Membership Services will be voted on today to go and see 21 Bridges as a chapter on November 22 at Westshore AMC. If approved, tickets will go on sale at the October and November chapter meetings. Also go see Harriett, the November 1 weekend. Bring your stubs to the November chapter meeting for a chance to win a 1-4 night Las Vegas stay.  Next Committee Meeting: October 13, 2019 Zoom Meeting |
| [**Economic Development Committee**](http://deltasigmatheta.org/economic.html)**:** [dsttaecondev@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaecondev@gmail.com) Chair [Kay Lee-Smith](mailto:klee2345@msn.com): Financial literacy event on November 9 to be removed due to Cluster. They will also not hold a holiday bazaar this year in December.  Next Committee Meeting: October 22, 2019 Conference Call Dial-in Number: 605-472-5202 Access Code: 286896 |
| [**Educational Development**](https://www.deltasigmatheta.org/educational.html)**:** Coordinator, [Angie Fields](mailto:angie.l.fields@gmail.com): |
| **Delta Gems**: [tampaalumnaedeltagems@gmail.com](mailto:tampaalumnaedeltagems@gmail.com) Chair [Quicta Nicole Walters](mailto:tampaalumnaedeltagems@gmail.com), co-chairs [Maureen Goins](mailto:maureengoins@yahoo.com), and [Sharon Hays](mailto:semple8@hotmail.com): 61 girls enrolled.  Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday, 2 weeks prior to the monthly meeting – Zoom |
| **Delta Academy**: [tadeltaacademy@gmail.com](mailto:tadeltaacademy@gmail.com) Chair [DeVonne McKeever-Daniels](mailto:devonnemc9@gmail.com), co-chairs [Jeanine Baron](mailto:jeaninebaron@yahoo.com), and [Deidre Joseph](mailto:djoseph173@aol.com): 36 girls enrolled. Another successful college and career expo was held at Middleton on September 21. Escape Room 10/5  Next Committee Meeting: Sunday, October 27, 2019 |
| |  | | --- | | **EMBODI**: [taembodi@gmail.com](mailto:taembodi@gmail.com) Chair [Michelle Stone](mailto:famurat1990@aol.com) co-chair [Angie Fields](mailto:angie.l.fields@gmail.com): 27 young men enrolled. Escape Room 10/5  Next Committee Meeting: November 14, 2019 | | [**International Awareness and Involvement Committee**](https://www.deltasigmatheta.org/international.html)**:** [dsttaiaandi@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaiaandi@gmail.com) Chair [Jackie Jackson](mailto:msj626@aol.com) co-chair [Christine Lewis](mailto:cj2lewis@yahoo.com): *Delta House Sustainability Fund Support: Instead of World AIDS Day the committee will sell t-shirts that can be used annually and the proceeds from the shirt sales will also be used for the sustainability fund targeting Delta House and Vashti Village. They will also conduct an education campaign via social media to educate on HIV/AIDS statistics.*  Next Committee Meeting: November 12, 2019 via conference call | | [**Physical and Mental Health Committee**](http://deltasigmatheta.org/health.html)**:** [tapmh@dstta.com](mailto:tapmh@dstta.com) Chair [Julie Williamson](mailto:juliewilliamson2003@icloud.com) co-chair [Kareen Moreland](mailto:kareenw_nylife@yahoo.com): Walk it Out  \*\*Tuesday, 6 pm at International Mall (2223 N. Westshore Blvd) meet at the entrance of California Pizza Kitchen \*\*Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30 pm at the Amphitheater near Waterworks Park (1710 N Highland Ave) \*\*Thursday, 7 pm at the Brandon Parkway Trail (604 Pauls Dr) \*\*Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 pm at Dick's Sporting Goods in Citrus Park Mall (8100 Citrus Park Dr.) at couches in front of the store.  Next Committee Meeting: November 3, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Every first Sunday via conference call 7:30 p.m. (605) 475-5900 access code 5712114# | | [**Political Awareness and Involvement**](http://deltasigmatheta.org/political.html)**:** [dsttapolitical@gmail.com](mailto:dsttapolitical@gmail.com) Co-Chairs [Walinda McKnight](mailto:walindamckgr@msn.com) and Erica Williams: Preparing for 2020. PAI has held two voter registration drives. The first one on Sunday, August 11, 2019 during Children with A Vision's 20th Anniversary Back to School Giveaway and Community Fair at Ragan Park. The committee collected 9 voter registration applications, including those of 4 new registrants! (We love new voters). This event was also a collaboration with the local League of Women Voters. With their assistance, there was a volunteer criminal defense attorney onsite assisting returning citizens.  The second drive was held on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at the Tampa Alumnae Chapter’s College and Career Expo in collaboration with Middleton High School. We collected a total of 30 new registrations and pre-registrations (age 16 &17).  Date Changes:  Remove “Know Your Rights; Restoration of Felon Rights Voter Education” from calendar on for February 22, 2020.  Remove “Judicial Forum” from on calendar for February 24, 2020.  Request approval to have voter’s registration at the Black Heritage Festival to be held on January 18th & 19th. Early Bird Deadline is Nov. 25th and cost is $220.  Next event:  Present civic engagement at EMBODI on 10/20/19 from 300 pm to 530 pm. Co-Chair, Erica Wililams has secured Former State Representative Ed Narain as the speaker.  Next Committee Meeting: TBD | | [**Scholarship Committee**](https://members.dstonline.org/National-Area#scholar)**:** [scholarshipdstta@gmail.com](mailto:scholarshipdstta@gmail.com) Chair [Tina James](mailto:tee_jay10@hotmail.com) co-chair [Joanell Lawson](mailto:jazdst10@msn.com): Scholarship applications are live. Deadline January 31, 2020. Please share with Hillsborough County families.  Next Committee Meeting: TBD |   [**Social Action Committee**](hhttps://members.dstonline.org/National-Area#social)**:** [tasocialaction@gmail.com](mailto:tasocialaction@gmail.com) Chair [Heddie Sumpter](mailto:hmshollywd1@gmail.com) co-chair [Audrey Sullivan Moore](mailto:mammamooreasm@gmail.com): Social Action is gearing up for Census 2020. Next Committee Meeting: October 17, 2019 6-7:30 Children’s Board, Innovations Lab |
| [**Risk Management**](https://members.dstonline.org/getmedia/b3270cc4-04eb-4af4-8717-e876aa303f2e/Risk-Management-Manual-September-2017_Amended.pdf)**:** [dsttariskmng@gmail.com](mailto:dsttariskmng@gmail.com) Coordinator [Cassandra Thomas](mailto:bbzephyr01@aol.com) Trainers: Angie Fields, DeVonne McKeever-Daniels, and Gloria Williams: Two more training sessions will take place on October 23 and November 3 both from 6-8 at the Children’s Board. |

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