**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)-Woodley: A family friendly Virtual Painting with a Twist party was held on June 5, 2020. Please continue sending 2020-2021 Book recommendations to dsttaarts@gmail.com.  Next Committee Meeting: Sunday, Jun 14, 2020 from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm via Zoom |
| [**Economic Development Committee**](mailto:Economic%20Development%20Committee)**:** [dsttaecondev@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaecondev@gmail.com) Chair [Kay Lee-Smith](mailto:klee2345@msn.com): “Level Up” Women’s Business Virtual Competition with the 100 Black Women received 11 applications, the 9 eligible applications were reviewed and narrowed down to the following five businesses for the final competition.   1. Nicole Donnell - Black Girl Budget 2. Erika Nunn - Sparkle Bonnets & Wraps 3. Maya Hill - Bright Beacon Insurance Inc. 4. Ursula Metz - Ursula Metz Designs LLC 5. Dyheema Palmer - PRETTI ME COLLECTION LLC   The pitch event will be held on Saturday June 13 from 10 am – 12:30 pm via Zoom. Judges include Belinthia Berry, Dr. Brenda Webb Johnson, and Harold Gillespie. The winners will be announced and promoted on social media on June 27.  Next Committee Meeting: TBD |
| [**Educational Development**](https://www.deltasigmatheta.org/educational.html)**:** Coordinator, [Angie Fields](mailto:angie.l.fields@gmail.com): May 30 is the deadline for the 25 spots for the 2020-21 year. The end of the year program was attended by 86 parents and youth. |
| **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 Semple-Hayes](mailto:semple8@hotmail.com): 61 girls enrolled. 23 Gems and 13 Volunteers. Elections were held on May 24.  Next Committee Meeting: Sunday, May 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. |
| **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):  Next Committee Meeting: TBD |
| |  | | --- | | **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):  Next Committee Meeting: TBD | | [**International Awareness and Involvement Committee**](mailto:International%20Awareness%20and%20Involvement%20Committee)**:** [dsttaiaandi@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaiaandi@gmail.com) Chair [Jackie Jackson](mailto:msj626@aol.com) co-chair [Christine Lewis](mailto:cj2lewis@yahoo.com): World Health Day is April 7, 2020. The goody bag delivery was approved to move forward. They are still working on a date for delivery. Items have been purchased and the staff of 40 nurses was excited so we will wait for direction from leaders Tampa Family Health Centers.  Next Committee Meeting: The week of May 19 | | [**Physical and Mental Health Committee**](mailto:Physical%20and%20Mental%20Health%20Committee)**:** [tapmh@dstta.com](mailto:tapmh@dstta.com) Chair [Julie Williamson](mailto:juliewilliamson2003@icloud.com) co-chair [Kareen Moreland](mailto:kareenw_nylife@yahoo.com): Virtual Expressions of Determination Strength and Triumph is in the final stages and will be shared virtually. Waiting on a final update from PR so it can be disseminated. The goal of this event is to continue the fight to reduce stigma for mental health and substance abuse using spoken word. Ahmaud Arbery, a young man from the Brunswick area of Georgia, was killed by two men while out jogging on February 23rd.  To show support, you can run or walk 2.23 miles in honor of Ahmaud (2.23 represents the day that he died) You can wear your letters, take pictures, and send to our IG direct messages @TampaDeltas1947 and #irunformaud #JusticeForAhmaud. Please continue to follow CDC guidelines. Walk/run on your own. Please stay safe. PMH Will also be exploring ways to show appreciation for healthcare workers and first responders.  Next Committee Meeting: TBD | | [**Political Awareness and Involvement**](mailto:Political%20Awareness%20and%20Involvement)**:** [dsttapolitical@gmail.com](mailto:dsttapolitical@gmail.com) Co-Chairs [Walinda McKnight](mailto:walindamckgr@msn.com) and Erica Williams: Political Awareness and Involvement committee held its last committee meeting on June 2, 2020.  The calendar for next sororal year was reviewed. Discussion about events that can be held before end of the year was based on this current climate was presented.  Committee is working on these events/activities to be held by end of June. PAI continues to send out information regarding opportunities for learning more through forums during this crisis in our country so watch your emails.  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): A scholarship program will be held on June 13, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. The chapter will be invited to attend. Participants will be picking up their letters along with a gift at Young Middle School on June 13 also at 4:00 p.m. In collaboration with D.E.L.T.A., Inc., $36,070 in scholarships will be awarded. For a complete list of awards can be found on members only. A PowerPoint presentation and video will be shared with the chapter highlighting recipients and a video will be shown during chapter meeting.  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 continues to send out information regarding opportunities for activism during this crisis in our country. Census 2020 is underway. Please be sure to submit your information so watch your emails. Some immediate strategies for social action to implement this month are being discussed. They are also pursuing a letter writing campaign to local and state representatives over the summer.  Next Committee Meeting: Thursday, June 18 at 8pm via Zoom |
| [**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: Brenda Webb Johnson, Angie Fields, DeVonne McKeever-Daniels, and Gloria Williams: Next month Cassandra will be soliciting feedback from returning volunteers to determine if recruitment is needed. National guidance came out reminding us to be compliant with assuring we are not posting youth photos without a signed release from the parents. A volunteer renewal form will go out this weekend. |

### Respectfully submitted by Dr. Brenda Webb Johnson, 1st VP, 813-789-1691, [firstvp@dstta.com](mailto:firstvp@dstta.com)