

Happy HOLIDAYS

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December 2020

WINTER 2020

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State Director's Message

Happy Holidays Brothers,

We can all agree that 2020 has been a year we will never forget. I hope during this period you have reflected on what is important and began to weed out those things that don't uplift or add value to you and the people around you each day.

At the conclusion of February's election, little did I didn't know what was lying ahead as your new state director. I became even more vested in the personal lives of brothers. I significantly increased the amount of social media posts, phone calls, and text.

In 2020, we welcomed new brothers into our organization, and we watched as brothers joined the Omega Chapter. This year we launched our first financial campaign, 10 for 10, as a means to

assist collegiate chapters with the payment of chapter taxes and insurance. We congratulate chapters whose membership has grown and celebrate the amount of service hours chapters are submitting as they address the needs of our communities.

In this issue, we will outline a schedule for our 2021 Virtual State Conference, PIA updates for all programs, and meeting calendar for the 2021 fiscal year.

Our 2021 Mississippi State Conference is scheduled for February 25-27, 2021. Our theme for this year is "A New Year, A New You in Sigma".

- Thursday-Virtual Oratorical and Debate Contest,
- Friday-Virtual Step Show and Pageant.



- Saturday-Sigma Business. The cost is \$25 per brother and can be paid via check and PayPal. More details to follow in the upcoming weeks.

Thank you for all you do to make ensure Sigma Mississippi continues to grow.

Fraternally,
Brother Sedric Scott



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Happening Across The State



Brothers of the Deta Alpha Sigma Chapter of Hattiesburg joined our sisters of the Lambda Kappa Zeta chapter in collecting food donations to help feed the homeless. Items collected were donated to the Mt. Carmel Ministries.




Brothers of the Theta Iota Sigma Chapter of Tupelo Mississippi made a donation to their local Boys and Girls club. The funds were provided in hopes that a local family will have a great Christmas during these rough times that we are facing.



Brothers of the Pi Tau Sigma Chapter of Columbus Mississippi donated Christmas gifts to a Columbus family through the "Adopt a Family" Program.

JOSEPH RUTHERFORD

for
International Second Vice President




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Education Mississippi

Pi Tau Sigma initiate new members into their Sigma Beta Club

Sigma Beta Club



Marcus Smith



Tyre Smith



Caleb Smith



Daryl Smith



Cedric Gathings



Gregory Harper



Khye Hairston



Beta Class Members

"The Next Generation of Leaders Accepting the Responsibility and Loving the Challenge."



From the Mississippi Director of Education

Education News December 2020

ComingUP Collegiate Oratorical and Debate Contests

The 2021 State Conference

Oratorical Contest Topic: Should the United States grant reparations to descendants of enslaved Africans? If so, what form of remedy is best suited to achieve the objective of equality in the 21st Century? If not, why not?

Debate Contest Topic: Do you feel convicted felons should have the right to vote once they have a prison sentence?

- Collegiate GPA's Fall 2020
- All collegiate chapters are asked to submit GPA's for each active Brother in your Chapter for Fall semester 2020.
- Transcripts can be printed from Brothers' campus accounts and email to (wfmorris14@gmail.com) on or before February 22, 2021.

W. Frank Morris, State Director of Education

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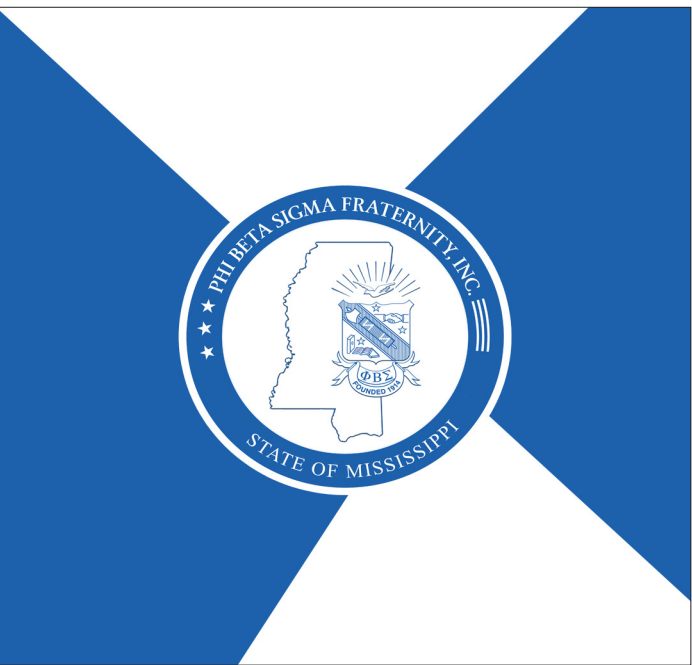
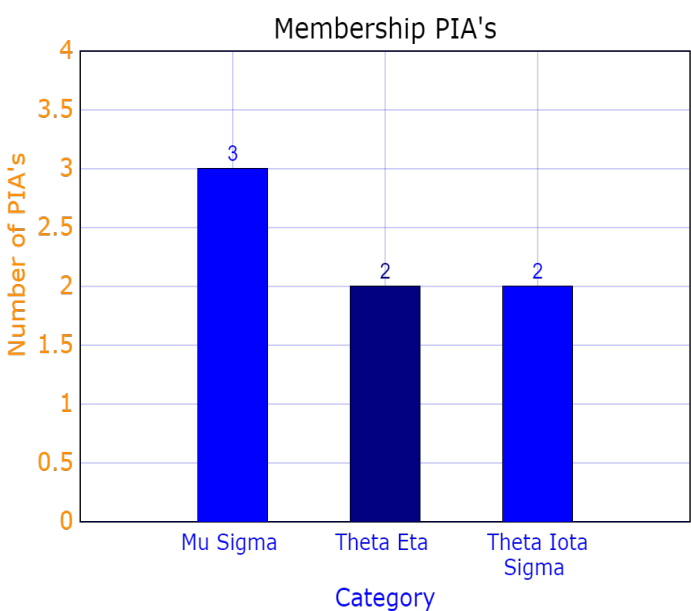
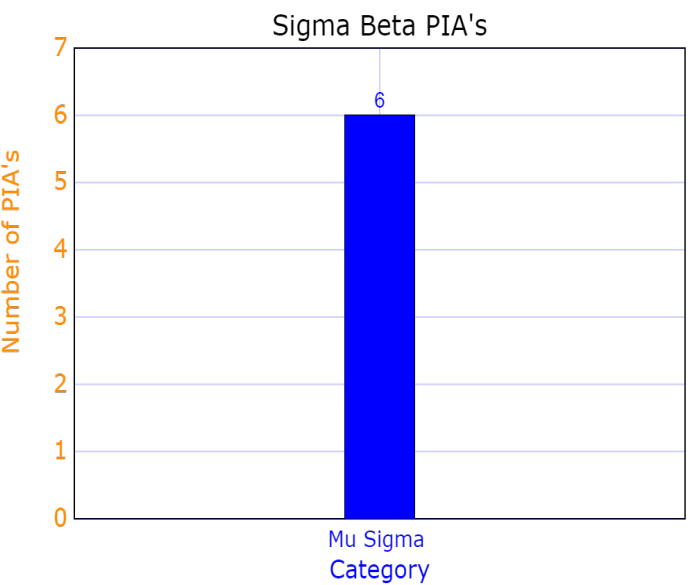
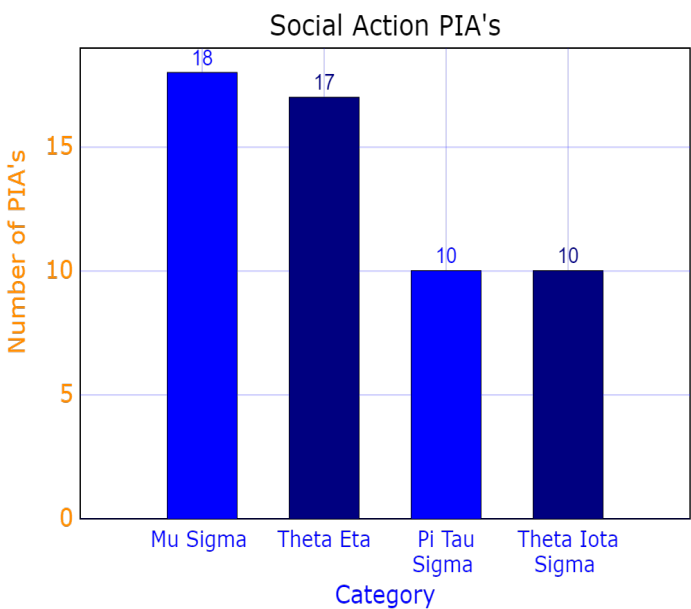
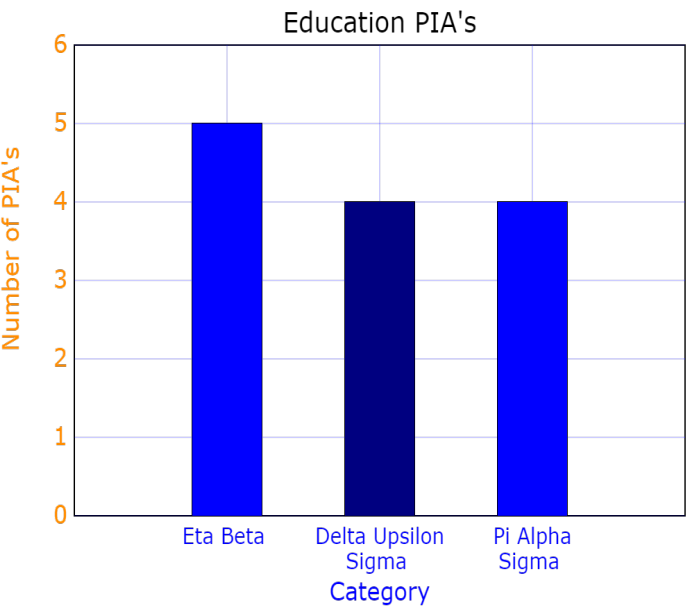
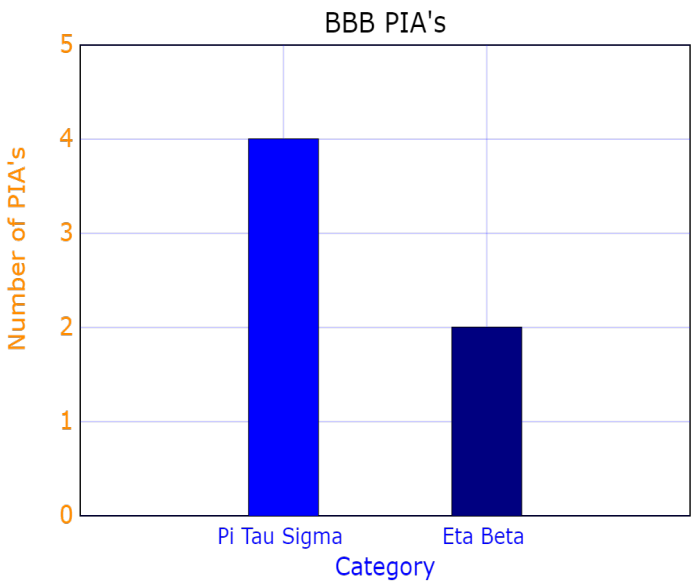


WALTER M. CLARKE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The Conclave 2021 Walter M. Clarke Leadership Summit promises two days of insightful education, powerful engagement, and great networking, all included in your Conclave 2021 registration!

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CURRENT MISSISSIPPI PIA'S



Remember all PIA's must be submitted by the national chapter report deadline for the 2020 fiscal year. If you do the work, document it.



This issue is dedicated to Brothers
Dederick Daugherty,
Christopher Townswend
and every brother who have
gain their wings over the 2020 year.



*"Fear not fight own for in this wise,
our cause speeds on its way."*

WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW BROTHERS



Pi Tau Sigma - Columbus

WELCOME NEOPHYTES

GAMMA EPSILON SIGMA CHAPTER
PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC



BRO. DARNELL DAWKINS



BRO. DEONTE BROOKS



BRO. JOSEPH DENSON



DR. JOHN HUNTER



BRO. JAMAL PHILLIPS



BRO. TREVELLE MCGLOTHLIN

FALL '20



Gamma Epsilon Sigma - Meridian



Eta Lambda Sigma - Oxford



Delta Tau Sigma - Holly Springs



Delta Alpha Sigma - Hattiesburg



Kappa Epsilon Sigma Chapter - Vicksburg

Businesses Spotlight: The World of Greekdom (Robert Tate) and Divine Creations (DeAnthony Jones)



THE Greek and Masonic retailer

Be sure to shop with Mississippi's own Brother Robert Tate of the Delta Alpha Sigma chapter and his company the World of Greekdom this holiday season. You can find brother Tate and his latest merchandise on Facebook at "Robert Tate", "The World of Greekdom". You can also find him at www.theworldofgreekdom.com. World of Greekdom is your one-stop-shop for Greek, Masonic, HBCU, and local High School apparel/gifts. World of Greekdom also allows custom orders.



Be sure to shop with Mississippi's own Brother DeAnthony Jones of the Gamma Mu Sigma chapter and his company DIVINE Creations this holiday season. You can find brother Jones and his latest merchandise on Facebook at "DeAnt P Jones", "Divine Creations". You can also find him at <https://www.divinecreations.store/.com>. Divine Creations was established in 2016 and specializes in custom vinyl & sublimation craft. We also provide renting party supplies to enhance your birthday party and or family gathering experience. Divine Creations is your one stop shop for all your needs!

Message from the Director of Publicity

Happy holidays brothers,

I hope all are doing well. I write this letter in hope that you will help me and the state out. If you have any news and accomplishments regarding you, your chapter brothers, or your chapter that you would like to share or already share on social media, please share it with me so we can feature it on our state pages and in our newsletters. I know a lot of chapters have done a lot of great things this year despite our current situation, but I can't share/ publicize what I don't know about. I share what is sent to me. You can send photos, initiation photos, and briefs to bkeys0814@gmail.com or inbox it to me on Facebook @Byron Keys. In the past sometimes I would go on Facebook to find some of your news to share on our pages and newsletters, but I'm not going to lie it's been hard for me to go on Facebook this year and to start scrolling down Facebook when 90% of the time some type of bad news always shows up. It's depressing to me and I'm sure it's probably depressing to some other people also. We have to pay our respects to our beloved brothers and their families and pray for our brothers, but we should also share some positivity. All I'm asking is can we get back in the habit of submitting to our State pages also. In these times I know a lot of chapters are hosting virtual events. If some of those events are open to the public, please share the info with me so that I can share it with the state and also attend myself if time allows so I can share the experience on our social media outlets. I apologize for this not being formal but I have to just be real about it and come from the heart real talk. So once again please continue to share your news and upcoming events and have a happy holiday. GOMAB

Thank you,
Byron Keys
Director of Publicity

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JAN.

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11:00 AM CST

JOINT VIRTUAL STATEWIDE FOUNDERS' DAY PROGRAM

Special Guest Speaker

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. International President

Honorable Bro. Micheal Cristal

Spring '82 initiate of the Theta Iota Chapter (Mississippi State University)

