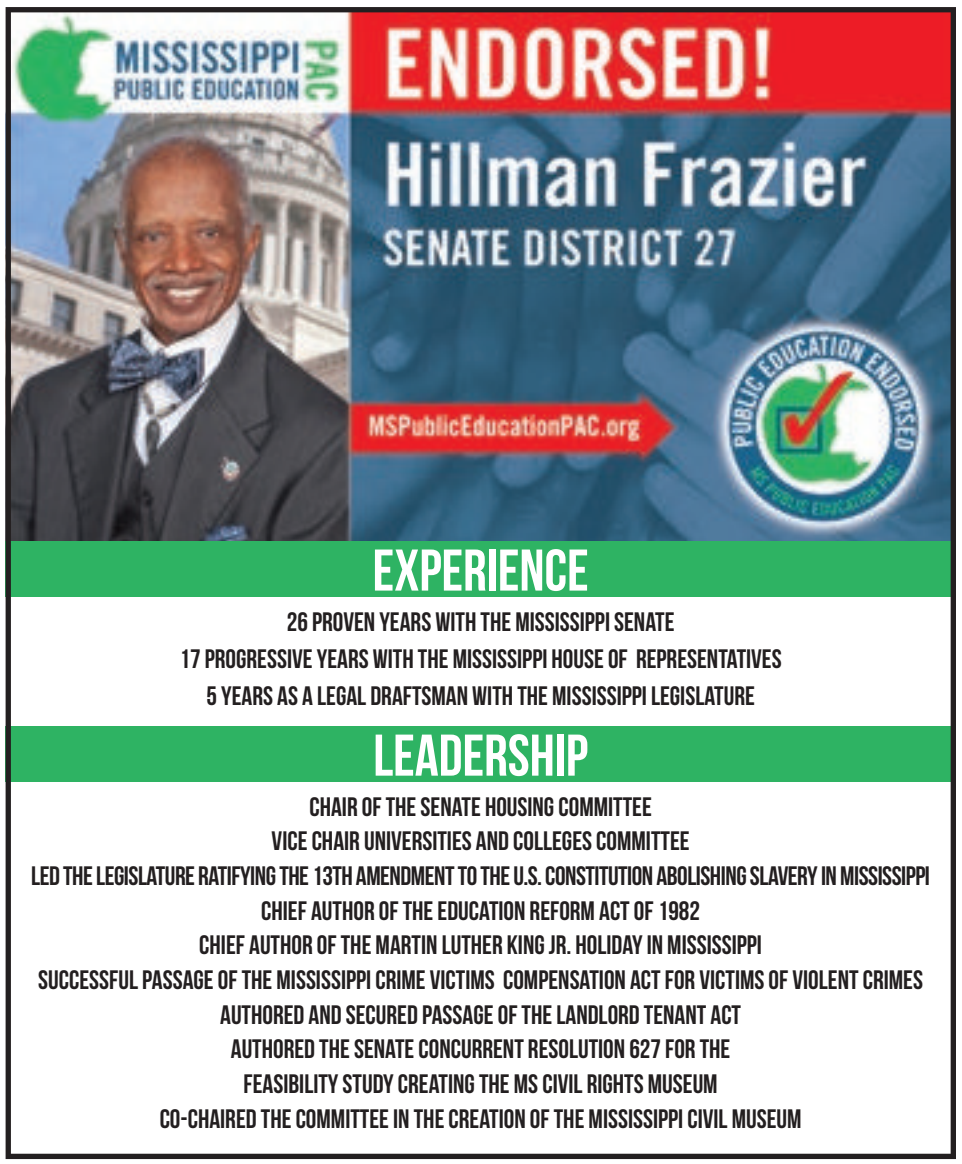

Junior Auxiliary of Clinton brings home awards

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The Junior Auxiliary of Clinton recently received training and two awards at the Annual Education Conference provided by the National Association of Junior Auxiliaries. Pictured (l to r) are Laura Jo Ferguson, Jana Chao, Wendy Brown, Jolyn Stone and Nancy Leigh Strum.

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Clinton's Junior Auxiliary recently attended training provided by the National Association of Junior Auxiliaries. The training was designed to members better perform hands-on service in their community.

Five Chapter members from the Junior Auxiliary of Clinton attended the nonprofit association's Annual Education Conference (AEC) this past spring at the Hilton Hotel in Memphis. They took part in seminars that focused on service to children and families to fulfill the organization's mission and exemplify its slogan of "Care Today - Character Tomorrow."

Junior Auxiliary of Clinton was recognized for two awards at AEC 2019. The chapter received the Efficiency Award as well as the Awesome Attendance Award for the Southern Area Meeting in 2018.

"The Annual Meeting of our association is a great opportunity for our ninety-three Chapters and six Provisional Chapters across the Southeast to unite in order to gain knowledge and motivation so that they may better serve their communities," said NAJA Executive Director Anna Pieralisi of Greenville. "We also have the chance to bond with other Chapter members and celebrate our achievements together."

In 2018, the Junior Auxiliary of Clinton performed a total 1,247 hours of service impacting 1,717 people. Some of its signature service projects include Crown Club, which provides training to high school girls in the areas of community service and fund raising, and IMPACT, which serves as the child welfare project. Members help the Methodist Children's Home by celebrating birthdays and achievements of group home residents.

Junior Auxiliary is a national non-profit organization that encourages members to render charitable services which are beneficial to the general public, with particular emphasis on children.

The NAJA slogan is "Care Today – Character Tomorrow" and when teamed with the current focus of the Association, Junior Auxiliary Chapters are working more than ever before to increase awareness of child health and welfare and how it affects their futures.

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