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August 1, 2017

Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents,  
Officers and Members of Subordinate Parlors  
Native Daughters of the Golden West

Dear Sisters:

🌸 **Grand Parlor Office (GPO) - Summer VACATION Alert**  
Monday, July 31 – Monday, August 7, returning Tuesday, August 8

Please be patient with any requests submitted in late July or early August.  
Note: All New Member Applications were processed by 7/28/17.

🌸 **Grand President Itinerary Changes**

Change:           Honey Run Bridge Dedication from July 29, 2017 to August 27, 2017  
                      District 14 Official Visit from August 14, 2017 to November 7, 2017  
                      Encinal Parlor Official Visit from September 16, 2017 to February 12, 2018  
                      Argonaut Parlor Official Visit from September 16, 2017 to March 26, 2017  
                      District 26 Official Visit from October 26, 2017 to October 25, 2017  
                      Escholtzia No. 112 Official Visit from September 5, 2017 to November 7, 2017

Add:               Nataqua No. 152 Official Visit on September 11, 2017  
                      Vina Monastery and New Clairveaux tours October 14, 2017  
                      CFIC Walking Tour and lunch, Jackson on November 12, 2017

🌸 **Reminder:** [Parlor, Member & Directory Information Sheets](#) submitted to GPO by **August 15, 2017**

🌸 **Volunteers Needed:** Monday – Friday (10 AM – 3 PM)

- \* New Membership Support
- \* Sorting and Filing
- \* Mailing
- \* General Office Support

Sincerely and fraternally,

*Brendamarie Curtis*

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# MINUTES

**DAY FOUR**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2017**

**131<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**

**GRAND PARLOR**

**Approved**

**Revised June 23, 2017**

**NATIVE DAUGHTERS OF THE GOLDEN WEST**

**SHERRY FARLEY, GRAND PRESIDENT**

**KNOTT'S BERRY FARM HOTEL**

**BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA**

**NATIVE DAUGHTERS OF THE GOLDEN WEST  
131<sup>ST</sup> GRAND PARLOR ANNUAL MEETING**



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## **BUENA PARK, CALIFORNIA**

### **DAY 4 - Friday June 23, 2017**

Drawing for "On-Time" drawing gift cards began at 8:30 A.M.

GP Sherry Farley called the meeting to Order at 9:05 A.M.

GP Sherry Farley asked that all cell phones be silenced.

GM Karen Fini attended to her duties at the Altar opening the Holy Bible, and led the Members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of the Star-Spangled Banner.

Jr. PGP Bonnie Tabor offered the Divine Blessing.

GP Sherry Farley declared Friday, June 23rd, as Native Daughters of the Golden West Home Day. Contributions to benefit the Home can be made at the Home Committee's Luncheon and throughout the day.

GS Marti Noyes read announcements.

Report of Historian of the Order: Chairman Mary Louise Days, Reina del Mar Parlor No. 126, Santa Barbara

Historian Mary Louise read a tribute to the Silver Anniversary Past Grand President Ethel M. Kelly, Poinsettia Parlor No. 318, Ventura. PGP Ethel M. Kelly passed away in December of 2011 at the age of 86 of complications from a stroke.

Historian Mary Louise also reported on Theodore Roosevelt's tour of California (May 7<sup>th</sup> –20<sup>th</sup>) in 1903. An interesting excerpt from *California Addresses by President Roosevelt*, tells of President Roosevelt being in San Francisco where he addressed the Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West at the Hall of the Native Sons. He began, "Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Keith (sic), and you who have greeted me today." Miss Eliza D. Keith was our Grand President. He said, "I should be sorry indeed if there were not societies like those of the Native Sons and Native Daughters in this State to keep alive the sense of historic continuity with the State's mighty past."

Chairman Mary Louise Days thanked GP Sherry Farley for her appointment.

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Report on Extension of the Order: Chairman PGP Beth Perrin, Placerita Parlor No.277, Van Nuys

Chairman PGP Beth Perrin recognized Members who brought in new Members to our Order this past year. These sponsors were given a special pin as a Thank You for promoting membership in our Order.

The Petal Pusher Project was a huge success this year! Each Parlor's name was entered into a drawing. Tahquitz Parlor No.333 won the drawing and received \$200.00 for their Parlor.

Final Report

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Report of the Americanism & Civic Participation: Chairman Beverly Pierce, Vendome Parlor No. 100, San Jose

Chairman Beverly Pierce presented her Supplemental report. Chairman Beverly reported on the presentation of the American and California flags to Knott's Berry Farm Hotel. She also thanked everyone that wrote letters to the Troops and provided toiletries. Her Committee ships items to the Troops on a monthly basis.

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Change in Delegate- PGP Suzi Riley, Bonita Parlor No. 10, Redwood City

Delegate Joanne Sanfilippo replaced by alternate Diane Meyer, Vendome No. 100 (All day)

Report of the Credentials: Chairman PGP Suzi Riley, Bonita Parlor No. 10, Redwood City

Grand Officers –12            Acting as Delegates - 1

Past Grand Presidents - 21    Acting as Delegates - 4

Delegates – 76

State Chairmen - 10

Total Voting Members - 114

Non-Voting Members - 65

Total Number Registered - 182 (3 One-day visitors)

Partial representation: 1 Reina del Mar No. 126, Santa Barbara



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Non-represented Parlors 20:

Marguerite Parlor No. 12, Placerville; Berendos Parlor No. 23, Red Bluff; Manzanita Parlor No. 29, Grass Valley; Naomi Parlor No. 36, Downieville; Mariposa Parlor No. 63, Mariposa; Veritas Parlor No. 75, Merced; Woodland Parlor No. 90, Woodland; Reichling Parlor No. 97, Fortuna; Golden Era Parlor No.99, Columbia; Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112, Etna; Placer Parlor No. 138, Lincoln; Hiawatha Parlor No. 140, Redding; Junipero Parlor No. 141, Monterey; Vista del Mar Parlor No. 155, Half Moon Bay; Marinita Parlor No. 198, San Rafael; La Junta Parlor No. 203, St. Helena; Liberty Parlor No. 213, Elk Grove; South Butte Parlor No. 226, Sutter; Arcata Parlor No. 325, Arcata; Lupoyoma Parlor No.329, Lucerne; Sutter's Mill Parlor No. 336, Coloma  
Partial Report

NDGW Childrens Foundation: Chairman Dorothy Rogers, Marinita Parlor No. 198, San Rafael is ill and was unable to attend GPAM 2017.

GP Sherry Farley shared information regarding the Mary Elizabeth Rose Trust. After the settlement negotiations, NDGW Childrens Foundation received approximately \$650,000 as a residual beneficiary of the Mary Elizabeth Rose Trust.

PGP Camelia presented information regarding a pilot program to provide human milk fortifier, and a Bright Start crib mobile for premature babies in the NICU at a local hospital. GP Sherry Farley reported that this is an extension of our historic "Childrens' Milk Fund."

Committee Chairman pro-tem Viola Gene Dana reported on behalf of Chairman Dorothy Rogers. She announced that the proceeds from the Childrens Foundation Luncheon were \$3,449.00, and thanked everyone for their support.

Committee Member Darleen Carpenter, Treasurer, moved to accept the 2017-2018 Proposed Budget as presented, seconded by PGP Joan Hall.

Motion carried. Budget adopted

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The Report will be included in the Proceedings.

GM Karen Fini attended to her duties at the Altar opening the Holy Bible.

Recessed at 9:59 A.M.

Reconvened at 10:27 A.M

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Report of the Home Committee Budget: Chairman PGP Suzi Riley, Bonita Parlor No. 10, Redwood City

Chairman PGP Suzi Riley reviewed the Proposed Home Budget for 2017-2018. Chairman PGP Suzi moved to adopt the Proposed Home Budget for 2017-2018. Brandi Fleischmann, Charter Oak Parlor No. 292, Visalia/Ruby Parlor No. 46, Murphys, seconded the motion.

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Report of the Finance: Chairman PGP Marilyn Rodrigues, Angelita Parlor No. 32, Livermore

Chairman PGP Marilyn Rodrigues presented the NDGW Grand Parlor Budget.

Chairman PGP Marilyn Rodrigues reviewed the Proposed Budget and gave a history of the Per Capita Tax that has increased over the past thirteen years. Based on this history, the amount needed to balance the Budget is approximately \$50 per Member. PGP Marilyn Rodrigues moved to accept the Proposed Budget with corrections. Carmen Paredes, Lugonia Parlor No. 241, San Bernardino seconded the motion to accept the Budget for 2017-2018 as presented. Discussion took place prior to the vote. Motion carried.

Partial Report

Chairman PGP Marilyn Rodrigues moved and GT Renee Chandler seconded a motion that the per Capita tax for the 2017-2018 year be \$29.00 per Member: \$14.50 per member payable by July 31, 2017 on the Membership as of June 30, 2017 and \$14.50 per member, payable by January 31, 2018 on the Membership as of December 31, 2017. Motion carried.

Chairman PGP Marilyn Rodrigues moved that the pro-rated allocation of \$10,000 be taken from all the Grand Parlor Committees to be paid to the Grand Parlor General Fund for administrative costs. GM Karen Fini seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman PGP Marilyn Rodrigues moved that any deficit from the 2017-2018 Budget be taken from the Grand Parlor General Fund Invested Funds. GT Renee Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Report on Special Project: Golden Trails Passport: Chairman PGP Christine Tripod, Hayward Parlor No. 122, Hayward



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Chairman PGP Christine reported on the Golden Trails Passport program. She stated that it was very successful with forty-four Parlors participating. Awards were distributed at GPAM 2017's Gold Rush Gala Banquet on Thursday evening.

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Report of State of the Order: Chairman PGP Sharon M. Johnston, San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, San Juan Bautista

Page 20 line 11 – delete “Placerita Parlor No. 277, Van Nuys”

Partial Report

GM Karen Fini attended to her duties at the Altar opening the Holy Bible.

Recessed at 11:23 A.M.

GPAM 2020 presentation of El Pinal Parlor No. 163, Cambria was presented by sGT Dawn Dunlap with a Western Theme clothing, hats, boots, beautiful pictures, and music inviting everyone to San Luis Obispo for GPAM 2020!

Recessed for the NDGW Home Luncheon at 11:50 A.M.

## Afternoon Session – June 23

Prior to reconvening for the afternoon session, the PGP's entered wearing Minnie Mouse ears and polka dot bow ties singing a revised Mickey Mouse Club song honoring GP Sherry Farley.

Our last “On Time Drawing” was held at 2:05 P.M. \$125.00 worth of gift cards was won by Francine Bremer!

GM Karen Fini attended to her duties at the Altar opening the Holy Bible.

Reconvened at 2:05P.M

Report of the Credentials: Chairman PGP Suzi Riley, Bonita Parlor No. 5, Redwood City

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Non-Voting Members - 69

Total Number Registered - 183 4 – One-day visitors

Partial representation: 1 Reina del Mar No. 126

Non-represented Parlors 20

PGP Suzi Riley read the Change of Delegate information:

Delegate Frances Levy replaced by Alternate Carol Ann Bower, El Paso de Robles No. 335, Paso Robles (PM only)

Marguerite Parlor No. 12, Placerville; Berendos Parlor No. 23, Red Bluff; Manzanita Parlor No. 29, Grass Valley; Naomi Parlor No. 36, Downieville; Mariposa Parlor No. 63, Mariposa; Veritas Parlor No. 75, Merced; Woodland Parlor No. 90, Woodland; Reichling Parlor No. 97, Fortuna; Golden Era Parlor No.99, Columbia; Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112, Etna; Hiawatha Parlor No. 140, Redding; Junipero Parlor No. 141, Monterey; Vista del Mar Parlor No. 155, Half Moon Bay; Marinita Parlor No. 198, San Rafael; La Junta Parlor No.203, St. Helena; Liberty Parlor No. 213, Elk Grove; South Butte Parlor No. 226, Sutter; Arcata Parlor No. 325, Arcata; Lupoyoma Parlor No.329, Lucerne; Sutter's Mill Parlor No. 336, Coloma

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Chairman PGP Suzi Riley thanked GP Sherry Farley for her appointment and her committee members for their help this week.

GS Marti Noyes read announcements and donations.

PGP Christine Tripod, Hayward Parlor No. 122, Hayward moved to approve the Minutes of the April 28, 2017 Joint Meeting of the Board of Directors and Past Grand Presidents as corrected. GT Rae Rosas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Report will be included in the Annual Proceedings.

GS Marti Noyes moved Day 1 GPAM Minutes be accepted as corrected. PGP Sharon Johnston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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GS Marti Noyes moved Day 2 GPAM Minutes be accepted as corrected. PGP Sharon Johnston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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GS Marti Noyes moved Day 3 GPAM Minutes be accepted as corrected.

PGP Marie Otto seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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GS Marti Noyes moved Day 4 GPAM Minutes be reviewed at the Board of Directors meeting on Saturday morning. PGP Marilyn Rodrigues seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no objection to printing the corrected daily minutes in the Annual Proceedings.

Invitation to GPAM 2020: sGT Dawn Dunlap, El Pinal Parlor No. 163, Cambria\_moved to accept her Parlor's invitation to hold GPAM 2020 in the City of San Luis Obispo. PGP Sharon Johnston seconded the motion. Discussion took place after the motion was made.

Page 20 Item 12 Accepted

Report on Legislation: Chairman sPGP Dolores Ferenz, Hayward Parlor No. 122, Hayward presented her supplemental report and thanked GP Sherry Farley for her appointment.

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Report on State of the Order: Chairman PGP Sharon Johnston, San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, San Juan Bautista

PGP Sharon reviewed each item of our Proposed Recommendations and Resolutions booklet. Each item had been addressed during GPAM 2017.

Item 1 – Ratified

Item 2 – Ratified

Item 3 – Ratified

Item 4 – Ratified

Item 5 – Adopted - 2/3 Vote

Item 6A- Withdrawn

Item 6B - Withdrawn

Item 6C–Withdrawn



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Item 7A- Adopted

Item 7B- Adopted

Item 8A – Adopted

Item 8B – Adopted

Item 8C – Adopted

Item 8D – Adopted

Item 8E – Adopted

Item 8F – Adopted

Item 9 – Adopted

Item 10 A– Adopted as reworded- 2/3 Vote

Item 10B –Withdrawn

Item 10C – Withdrawn

Item 10D – Adopted

Item 11A – Adopted

Item 11B – Adopted as reconsidered

Item11C – Adopted

Item11D – Adopted

Item 11E - Adopted

Item 11F- Adopted

Item 11G- Adopted

Item 11H – Adopted with “modification” defined as typographical, punctuation, spelling and grammatical

Item 12 – Adopted

Previous Notice - Childrens Foundation - Adopted

Previous Notice – regarding Items 11F and 11G – Adopted



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Report of Transportation Committee: Chairman GIS Janet Somavia, San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, San Juan Bautista

Chairman GIS Janet reported on transportation for GPAM 2017. The transportation reimbursements were above the budget. Twenty-Two Delegates waived their mileage.

#### Final Report

The report will be printed in the Annual Proceedings.

Report of GPAM 2017 Committee: Co-Chairmen PGP Marie Otto, PGP Joan Hall, and Pat Moore thanked GP Sherry Farley for a successful year as Grand President.

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#### Announcements

GVP Cynthia Connelly announced Grand Installation would take place at 7:00 P.M. in the Sessions Room. Pictures for Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, and the Escort Team will begin at 5:15 P.M.

GP Sherry Farley indicated that all of today's Final Reports will be included in the 2016-2017 Annual Proceedings.

Myrlene Poma, La Tijera Parlor No. 282, El Segundo presented GP Sherry a beautiful sunflower afghan as a parting gift as she could not be in attendance at the Installation of Grand Officers Friday evening.

Members sang the Closing Ode.

At 3:20 P.M., GP Sherry Farley discharged the 2016-2017 Grand Parlor State Committee with her appreciation for the Members cooperation and dedication to our Order.

Jr. PGP Bonnie Tabor invoked the Divine Blessing.

PGP Marilyn Bustillos assumed the gavel. GP Sherry was escorted from the Sessions Room as she and her GPAM Committee waved and danced to the song, Happy Trails to You. PGP Marilyn announced that Jr. PGP Bonnie Tabor would be conducting the Grand Installation Ceremony at 7:00 P.M. for Grand President –Elect Cynthia Connelly and her Corps of Grand Officers



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Recessed at 3:42 P.M. to reconvene at 7:00 P.M. for Installation.

Respectfully submitted,

*Marti Noyes*

Marti Noyes, Grand Secretary

*Sherry Farley*

Sherry Farley, Grand President

### Corrections to Day 3, June 22, 2017

Page 3 bottom of page Add:

sPGP Dolores explained that the report shows \$21,000 plus being given to the selected Missions, but only \$12,000 had been raised this year. The balance of \$9,000 came from reserve funds in the Mission Restoration checking account.

Page 4 – paragraph 4 – wording added to explain the Special Landmarks Book

Page 5 - Names of the Native Sons in Attendance- the names of the Native Sons are being collected for inclusion in the Annual Proceedings.

Page 6 – paragraph 8 corrected information

Heidi Dillon of Joaquin Parlor No. 5, Stockton was presented with a pin by PGP Sharon Johnston from her year as Grand President in 1990-1991 that belonged to PGP Sharon's mother, Eleanor Johnston of San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, San Juan Bautista.

### BOD Meeting, Saturday, June 23, 2017

Sr. GT Renee Chandler moved the Day 4 GPAM Minutes be accepted as corrected.

GVP Karen Fini seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Day 4 GPAM Minutes will be included in the Annual Proceedings.



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Respectfully submitted,

*Dominique Acevedo*

Dominique Acevedo, Grand Secretary

*Cynthia Connelly*

Cynthia Connelly, Grand President