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November 1, 2018

Dear Sisters:

It has been a busy month of October, with official visits, and meetings with Sisters up north in the mountainous areas. The trees are beautiful and it makes one mindful of the wonders of our glorious State and how fortunate we are to be living here.

This month will find many activities - the 6th is the Children's Foundation luncheon in Chico; Day Light Savings Time begins on the 4th, so remember to set your clocks back one hour before the District 13th luncheon; and remember to VOTE on the 6th - Children's Foundation meeting and Home Committee meetings on the 10th with decorating for Xmas; Veterans Day on the 11th - Please remember to support our troops; District 17th OV is the 17th - with the Board of Director's meeting on the 16-18th of the month.

As we approach this season of Thanksgiving, and the upcoming Holiday Season, let us all be reminded of the Reason for the Season. We are to be thankful and grateful for what we have, and remember to GIVE to those less fortunate than we are as we gather with family and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving. Remember, be Kind to others and the fact that all Givers Gain, it will be returned to you ten-fold or more.

Please remember to send your Kindness letters to the NDGW Office, as well as we look forward to receiving your Veterans tributes which will all be displayed at Grand Parlor.

The changes you have asked for and which have been implemented are being well-received and as I travel from Parlor to Parlor, I am hearing lots of enthusiasm and thankfulness for the changes implemented. One of the most exciting things seems to be the activities which the Home Committee has put together for various outings and events in SF. While I didn't get to go, I understand that the Phantom of the Opera was a huge success. Please check with the Home or on our website to find one which may interest you.

I look forward to seeing all of you very soon, and please remember the Home Luncheon on December 2nd, with the tree lighting to follow at the Home. It promises to be a very special day.

Happy Thanksgiving to each of you on the 22nd.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Karen H. Fini
Grand President

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October 30, 2018

Grand Officers, Past Grand Presidents, Officers,
and Members of Subordinate Parlors

Dear Native Daughters,

Well I hope everyone has been enjoying the fine fall weather- in San Francisco at least, we are definitely basking in our Indian Summer!

Updates to the Grand President's Itinerary

- The Sat., Nov. 3, 2018 District 6 Children's Foundation Luncheon in Chico has been CANCELLED.
- The District 19 Official Visit to Morada No. 199 in Modesto was incorrectly listed as being on March 20, 2019. The CORRECT date is March 13, 2019.

Important Grand Parlor Office (GPO) Updates:

-NDGW has permanently disconnected our toll-free **800 number**. If any of your letterhead, websites, Facebook pages, etc. list this number, please remove it right away.

-The latest, most up-to-date **Directory** is attached! If you would like a hardcopy mailed, please print and fill out the attached Supply Order Form and send with a \$5 check made out to NDGW GPO. **IMPORTANT:** Please check your info in the Directory and contact me with any corrections ASAP. Also, I would like to thank PGP's Debi Stalder and Suzi Riley for their many hours of hard work correcting and updating the Directory.

-If you have a Facebook page and/or Parlor web page, please make sure they've been updated with your correct Parlor mailing address and Recording Secretaries' email, etc.

-NDGW has instituted a limit on the number of **new initiate packets** to **two** per Supply Order, unless you have a number of *actual* new initiates greater than two, in which case please let us know on the order form so we can give you the right number, and please send the full names of all prospective members. This is to discourage 'hoarding' of packets, which take a while for our volunteers to assemble. We would greatly appreciate it if you would please look in your Parlor's storage areas and check on your existing supplies before ordering new ones. If you have new initiate packets with outdated pins, you can send the pins back to the GPO and we will send you GP Karen Fini's pins at no charge.

- Don't forget you can access many of our forms online at www.ndgw.org instead of ordering them snail mail. Click the "Contact and Forms" link near the upper right-hand corner, then where it says "Forms – For Parlor Secretaries and Members," the user name is the permanent password of the Order. The password is the annual password provided by the Grand President. Both of these can be provided by your Parlor's Deputy Grand President.
- Please remember to **PRINT** the information on new member cards AND on Member Activity Forms.
- Please remember to include the **CITY** on new member cards.
- Please remember to create a new member card for any REINSTATED members and send with the Member Activity Form. (When a member is suspended, their original card is removed from the current member card catalog.)
- We are waiting for one last item from the Legislation Monitoring Committee for the 2018 Books of the Order.
- The **Supply Order Form** has been updated and there are now some quantity limits on certain items.
- Please note the latest **Quarterly Audit** form is attached. Please fill out and file in your Parlor files.

Thank you for your patience in reading my "War and Peace" above! I know it's a lot to read and absorb. I very much appreciate your attention.

With warm wishes,

Eve Brockmann

Grand Parlor Office Support Assistant (OSA)

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Karen H. Fini

Grand President



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Native Daughters of the Golden West
Veterans Welfare Committee
October 20, 2018

Dear Sisters and Sister Sisters,

One hundred years ago this year, President Woodrow Wilson instituted "Veterans Day" as a National holiday to be celebrated on November 11 of each year; please fly your Flag and attend your local Veterans Day festivities!

Co-Chairman, Dan Coffield and I have been in contact with Captain Joe McClain, a retired US Navy Pilot and CEO of "**Help Heal Veterans**" in Winchester, CA.

For more than 45 years, **Help Heal Veterans**, a nonprofit organization founded during the Vietnam War, has supplied arts and crafts kits **free of charge** to injured service men and women and U.S. Veterans. The kits often become a part of the patient's treatment plan, giving them a creative outlet along with tangible therapeutic and rehabilitation benefits. The kits improve fine motor skills, cognitive functioning, memory, anger issues and dexterity.

Following conversations with Captain McClain and **receiving a sample of the craft kits**, we feel it is a rewarding project for Native Daughters to support.

In behalf of the Veterans Welfare Committee, we are requesting each Parlor hold a coin march this month and mail the proceeds to Grand Parlor for Veterans Welfare. Please note in the memo line, "Help Heal Veterans." One check from all donations will then be mailed to Help Heal Veterans so they can continue to provide the kits free of charge to our Veterans.

Please fly your Flag on Veterans Day and have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

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Co-Chairman

Approved:

Karen H. Fini
Grand President

Dan Coffield
Dan Coffield
Co-Chairman

September 15, 2018

Officers and Members of Subordinate Parlors
Native Daughters of the Golden West

Dear Sisters,

Our Worthy Grand President's program for the 2018/2019 term is to "Pay It Forward With Kindness".

In this spirit, the Yearbook Committee would like to ask each Parlor to submit a visual display of your Parlor's "acts of kindness" towards your community. We ask that you use a standard, poster-sized (22"x28") board to adhere pictures along with a brief description of the act of kindness.

We ask you to submit the poster board display by Tuesday morning before sessions begin at the 2019 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Fresno. The Yearbook Committee will begin accepting the displays when registration opens on Monday June 17, 2019.

There will be two prize categories: Creativity and content with a certificate of merit and a "special prize" awarded in each category.

Let your imagination and generosity run wild!

Sincerely and fraternally,

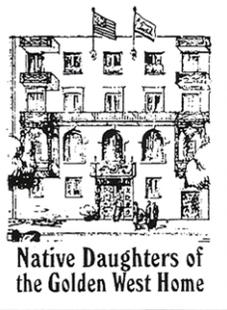
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October 8, 2018

To: Room Sponsors of the NDGW Home

From: NDGW Home Committee

Re: N.D.G.W. Home Room Sponsorship Guidelines

The Native Daughters of the Golden West Home Committee thanks you for your continued support of the NDGW Home in San Francisco.

Our beloved jewel was established as a place of security, comfort and friendly companionship. Room Sponsors provide the heart of that concept.

Enclosed is a current copy of the Room Sponsorship Guidelines. Please review with your Parlor's appropriate committee.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns at 209-207-2681 or via email at heididillon.ndgw@gmail.com

Once again, we thank you for your dedication to the N.D.G.W. Home.

Our success depends on gracious Sponsors like you!

Sincerely,

Heidi Dillon

Heidi Dillon
NDGW Home Room Sponsor Representative

Guidelines for Room Sponsorship at the NDGW Home

1. Room Sponsors are to supply the following items:
 - A. Linens – Bedrooms
 1. Bedspread (no fringe) or comforter with bed skirt (1 per bed)
 2. Blankets (2 per bed, one on bed and one in closet)
(NO ELECTRIC BLANKETS)
 - B. Linens - Bathrooms

Provided by NDGW Home with funds obtained from Room Sponsorship
 - C. Window Coverings
 1. NDGW Home Committee provides window shade/blinds
 2. Fabric window coverings must allow for the opening of windows
 3. Window coverings must cover windows and maximum length be one inch above the floor
 - D. Room Decorations
 1. Must be in good taste and in working condition
 2. Please do not clutter the top of furniture to allow space for guests use
 3. Coasters, alarm clocks and small dishes/trays for jewelry are greatly appreciated
 4. Themed rooms to represent your Parlor's location is recommended
 5. **NO FLAME BURNING CANDLES**

2. Room Sponsors Duties

At least once a year Room Sponsors must inspect their room(s), make any appropriate replacements/additions, and notify the NDGW Home Committee. The NDGW Home Committee periodically inspects rooms and will notify the Subordinate Parlor Room Sponsor of any deficiencies.

3. The Native Daughters of the Golden West and the NDGW Home Committee are not responsible for lost/stolen/broken items provided by Room Sponsors.

All furniture currently in all rooms is the property of the NDGW Home.

Any furniture brought into any room becomes the property of the NDGW Home.

The NDGW Home Committee has the right to inspect rooms at any time and make appropriate changes as required for safety or ease of use and/or to require the responsible Room Sponsors to do the same. The Subordinate Parlor Room Sponsor will be notified of any action taken.

The NDGW Home Committee reserves the right to remove and/or replace any broken, worn, faded, torn, stained, inappropriate, unsafe, item(s) in any room.

September 15, 2018

Officers and Members of Subordinate Parlors
Native Daughters of the Golden West

Dear Sisters,

I encourage each Parlor to submit a yearbook at the 2019 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Fresno. A yearbook is a recording of your Parlor's year. It is a way to preserve our history and document the activities enjoyed by your Parlor. What a wonderful way to display ideas for other Sisters to take back to their Parlor.

To encourage greater participation this year, I have ten photo albums that have been donated. If your Parlor has not budgeted for a yearbook, this might just be the opportunity you need. Please contact me by email at NDGWyearbook@gmail.com to request an album.

Creating a yearbook is not as hard as you might think. You can do a page a month, maybe even have different Members assigned to a month, or you can organize materials into monthly envelopes and have a Parlor scrapbooking party to enjoy and promote fellowship!

If you have any questions or need a little guidance, please don't hesitate to contact me by the email account listed below. I would be more than happy to help. Please note the yearbook contest Rules and Regulations can be found in the Book of the Order, under Committee Policies, Yearbooks.

I am looking forward to working with you this year and seeing your yearbook at the 2019 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting!

Sincerely and fraternally,

Vicky Cesena

Vicky Cesena
State Chairman Yearbook
Email: NDGWyearbook@gmail.com

Approved by:



Karen H. Fini, Grand President



NDGW Home Tree Lighting Ceremony
Christmas Time in the City

Honoring

Silver Lady Marie Otto PGP

Sunday, December 2, 2018

2:30 pm doors open, 3:00 program, 4:00 refreshments, raffle auction

**Bring family & friends and delight in the
holiday spirit honoring our
Silver Lady Marie Otto PGP
who started this special
event at our home 25 years ago.**

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Please call well in advance to reserve a room for the night at the Home
(415) 921-2664

