

# CALIFORNIA STAR

# Native Daughters of the Golden West

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### **Smiles From Joaquin Parlor No. 5**

#### **Black Oak Casino Bus Trip**

By Vicky Cesena

The 13th day of February was a lucky day for Joaquin Parlor members who chartered a bus to Black Oak Casino. Alma Huff, Marta Banning and their helpers, Marianne DeDios and Renee Watson did a great job of organizing the trip. Members brought plenty of good food to share and an abundance of wrapped gifts to raffle.

#### **Initiation of New Members**

On March 8th, eight ladies were welcomed into membership in Joaquin Parlor. President Juanita Case introduced the newcomers: Joy McDonald, Jennifer DeDios-Coile, Linda Moreno, Victoria Reynolds, Becky Freeman, Jill Libhart, Denise Weis, Ellen McFall, and





Jennifer DeDios-Coile with Genevieve Galli (right) welcomes sponsor, Marianne DeDios. Jill Libhart to Joaquin Parlor.

Joan Stafko. With this addition of eight new members, the Parlor successfully met its membership goal.

The new members were quick to add their time and talents to the Parlor. Linda Moreno undertook a printing project for the GPAM 2016 Hicks N' Sticks event. Jennifer DeDios-Coile volunteered to be the coordinator for the Parlor name badge

project. Victoria Reynolds attended the Bean-go luncheon and Ellen McFall was present for the Parlor 129th Birthday celebration. Denise Weis in-

Denise Weis with sponsor, Veronica Aranjuez, enjoy the meet and greet with the members of Joaquin Parlor.



vited her sister to join the Parlor and immediately submitted her application. Thank you all for your contributions. The Parlor is fortunate to have such enthusiastic neophytes.

#### Bean-go Event

It was such a success last year that the Parlor repeated the "Bean-go" event. On March 19th, members met at Miguel's Restaurant in Stockton for the second annual Bean-go fundraiser. The social hour was at noon, followed by a delicious lunch of chips and salsa,



Josephine Delaney and Marianne Hopper wishing each other good luck at the Bean-go fundraiser.



Helen Prieto, Laura Frausto, and Lisa Carson enjoying the chips and salsa as they prepare to get rowdy and

Angie Smith, Carol Bickley,

and Alma Huff enjoy the

second annual Bean-go

**Event for Joaquin Parlor.** 

salad, tacos or enchiladas, rice, and beans. Carol Bickley brought cookies for dessert and performed the duty of bingo caller. Knowing how rowdy bingo players can get, she brought a cow bell to ring to get attention. Angie Smith sold tickets and decorated tables with fresh flowers from the garden. The Parlor presented the restaurant with a certificate of appreciation and a flower bouquet as thanks for the support they have demonstrated to the Parlor.

#### Parlor 129th Birthday Luncheon

Joaquin Parlor was chartered on April 8, 1887. Joaquin Parlor is the second oldest existing Parlor in the state.

Georgena Chiarello, 71-year member of Joaquin Parlor, enjoys the luncheon.

With a membership of 227 members, it is also

currently the largest Parlor in the state. The Parlor's birthday was celebrated on April 9th at the Old Spaghetti Factory. So many wonderful years of being together and working on worthwhile projects to benefit our great state. And so many wonderful women who contributed to preserving California's history and its social and cultural development.

President Juanita Case proudly presented twenty-five year pins to Heidi Altamirano and Marilyn Avansino to honor their achievement. Blue violets, symbols of love and faithfulness, were presented to Georgena Chiarello, Alma Huff, and Yolanda Kelley. Georgena Chiarello has 71 years of membership in Joaquin Parlor and has many fond memories of events and Grand Parlor activities. Alma Huff, Past President and a 62-year member, still

#### Dear Sisters,

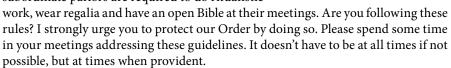
It is incredible to travel our Golden State this time of year!! The scenery is exquisite. I am busy visiting and attending functions, but also realize it is really time to WORK!!! I hope you are working also.

It is time to send your parlor reports to State Committee Chairs sharing what you have contributed this year in the way of activities

and fund raising. Please do so!!! I hope you are electing your delegates to GPAM 2016 and sending them to Modesto in June so that you may have a say in the works of our Order. My wish is to have EVERY subordinate parlor represented!! Can we do that??

I would like to remind you that Ritual and Manual will be placing recommendations for additions and changes and that your delegates should be prepared to voice your opinions and also keep an open mind to additional information.

I would like to address the issue of our IRS Tax Exemption status as a 501 © 10 non-profit mutual benefit fraternal organization. In this status the subordinate parlors are required to do ritualistic



Above all, continue to enjoy your membership and have FUN!! I know I shall!!!

> Sincerely and fraternally, Your Grand President

Bonnie M. Tabor

remains active in the Parlor as the Sunshine Coordinator. Yolanda Kelley, held several offices in her 61 years of membership. It is always a pleasure to see her and her daughterin-law, Lydia Kelley, at the monthly meetings. Each member attending the luncheon was given a birthday gift of a NDGW luggage tag.

#### **GPAM 2016**

Joaquin Parlor will be hosting the Hicks N' Sticks luncheon on Thursday, June 23rd at GPAM 2016 in Modesto. The event is titled, "Ain't Got the Money for the Mortgage on the Home or Bonnie Bonnet Saves the Day!!" Ida Evans and Linda Stirm are co-chairs and Linda has authored a melodrama to



Marilyn Avansino and Heidi Altamirano are presented 25-year pins by Joaquin Parlor President Juanita Case.

be presented by The Joaquin Parlor Players. Please join us for the premier showing of the travelling melodrama starring the great Bonnie Bonnet and her fine troupe of players as they once again defeat the dastardly evil Investment Broker as he tries to get the Home by nasty, underhanded tricks. Come prepared to hiss, boo, and cheer in support of this spectacular show.

And if that were not enough, vittles will be served. Grilled flank steak salad with baby greens, romaine, roasted peppers, bleu cheese, red onions, herb croutons, choice of dressing, and warm bread. Dessert features a chocolate brownie with vanilla bean ice cream. The fare is \$25 smackers.

#### Annual Fashion Show, "Bella Fiori"

Joaquin Parlor will present its annual fashion show on Saturday, May 7th, at the Italian Athletic Club, 3541 Cherryland Ave., Stockton. Social hour is at 11:00 a.m., with lunch following at noon. This year's menu is Antipasto, Roast Chicken, Risotto, Green Beans, Bread, Salad, and Dessert. There will be fabulous raffle baskets and fashions from Catherine's and Damon & Draper's. Seating is for 200 so get your reservations early. No tickets will be sold at the door. For reservations contact Genevieve Galli at (209) 477-6116.

GPAM 2016 special pull-out section for candidate letters and convention information follows page 4. All-Event Reservation Form appears on page 5 after the special section. Be sure to complete and submit before May 31 deadline.

# Official Visit of Grand President Bonnie Tabor to District 20

From the Vendome Parlor No. 100 April, 2016 newsletter

On February 20th members and guests of Garden Parlor (San Jose No. 81, Vendome No. 100 and Gilroy No. 312) gathered at the Three Flames Restaurant to welcome Grand President Bonnie Tabor for her Official Visit.

Tables were decorated with flower garden paths to carry out the theme of the day, A Stroll Down the Garden Path. Everyone was welcomed by SDDGP Sallee Murtha. Silver Anniversary PGP Sharon Johnston from San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 offered the prayer. Luncheon of steak, chicken or salmon was then served. Recording



Grand President Bonnie thinks whatever Silver Lady PGP Sharon Johnston is saying is pretty funny!

Secretaries turned over their reports to Grand President Bonnie and Parlor Presidents made the presentation of their Parlor gifts. Special gifts were also presented to PGP Sharon Johnston in honor of her 25th Anniversary as Grand President.



The Three Past Grand Presidents of District 20 PGP Linda Galassi, PGP Jean Koehl and PGP Sharon Logan

Congratulations to Vendome Parlor member, Lucille Basso, who received her 25-year service emblem.

Jr PGP Suzi Riley from Bonita Parlor No. 10 gave the closing prayer and bid everyone a safe trip home.



Grand President Bonnie presents Lucille Basso (seated) her 25-year service emblem, with Vendome Marshal Colleen Conley looking on.



San Jose Parlor President Sharon Logan presents Grand President Bonnie with a garden hose decorated with flowers and garden items — pretty funny!

### **Childrens Foundation Committee**

By Darleen Carpenter

The Childrens Foundation Committee works hard all year to review and approve cases to help the children of California. This year we have provided camperships, strollers, car seats, van lifts, hearing aids, a computer, orthodontics, and occupational therapy. Our ability to provide these services is due to our generous members who donate and attend the many luncheons held around the state. Many thanks for your generosity.

We would like to encourage all Parlors and Members to spread the word to anyone who can qualify for and benefit from the services of the Childrens Foundation. Applications and guideline information are available on the NDGW website. All applications must be submitted directly

to the Grand Parlor Office, not to Parlors. You can also support the Childrens Foundation every time you shop on Amazon.com by using Amazon Smile and registering to support the Childrens Foundation, register your Ralph's Reward Card, use your Save Mart Shares card at Food4Less and FoodCo. Register at Jamba Juice for a free card and we receive 10% of the sale amount. All information for these programs is also on the Native Daughters website (www.ndgw.org) for the Childrens Foundation.

Together, we can make a difference in the lives of the children of California. We look forward to seeing you at our luncheon at GPAM 2016 in Modesto.

#### Native Daughters of the Golden West So Butte Parlor No. 226 Annual Bean Feed February 20, 2016

Article Submitted by Gail Kunsman, 1st Vice President/Publicity

The crew planned a great evening. South Butte Parlor No. 226 hosted their Annual Bean and Fixin's Feed on Saturday, February 20th from 5-7 p.m. at the Native Daughter Hall in Sutter.

It was a wonderful evening of friendship and savory food. Proceeds benefitted some of our Parlor's projects and charities for the year.



Crew: Standing Left to Right: Beverly Kelly, Inside Sentinel; Denise Sebilian; Christina Cooley, President; Marie Huerta, Financial Secretary; Vickie Tomlinson, Trustee Chairman; Carolyn Childers, Recording Secretary; Claudia Warner, Trustee and Co-Chairman; Seated Left to Right: Barbara Rogas and Catherine Moniz, Past President and Chairman.

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### **Lolita Anzar Lizotte**

From the San Juan Bautista Historical Society
Submitted by Cece Johnston

Lolita Anzar Lizotte, granddaughter of P.E.G. Anzar and Mariquita Zanetta Breen Anzar, died peacefully at the age of 83 on March 26, 2016, at her care center in Roseville, California.

Lolita Anzar was born in Santa Cruz, California, to Francis Beckett Anzar and Violet Lillian Hunt. Both of her parents were from well-established California families. Her father's family is well documented in California history books. They originally settled in the area prior to California's statehood and took residence in San Juan Bautista. Lolita's grandfather, Policronio Escolastico de Guadalupe (PEG) Anzar was one of the earliest settlers of California and a land baron of San Benito County. His wife, Mariquita Zanetta Breen Anzar, grew up at the San Juan Bautista Plaza Hotel and  $was \, recently \, featured \, in \, the \, November \, 8,2015$ posting in the BenitoLink series, "Legacy of Women." Her parents owned the Plaza Hotel, the Livery Stables and later the Plaza Hall, which now comprise the San Juan Bautista State Historic Park. Married for fifty years,

they raised twelve children together.

Lolita's mother's family established their roots in Santa Cruz, California. Her great grandfather, Sedgwick Lynch, made his fortune in the gold fields of California, built the Santa Cruz wharf, and would eventually build the Lynch House in Santa Cruz. This historic building, overlooking the Pacific Ocean on West Cliff Drive, is where Lolita was born; it's now the West Cliff Inn, not far from the Santa Cruz boardwalk.

Her parents raised Lolita, her older brother, Eugene (deceased), and youngest brother Guadalupe (Lupe), in La Honda, California. She graduated from Pescadero High School in a class of six. Lolita ventured away from La Honda after high school graduation and became a hat model in San Francisco.

One evening, she attended a dance in Palo Alto with a friend. There she met William Lizotte, who was stationed at Moffett Field. He asked her to dance and during the dance he asked, "Will you cook dinner for me?" She replied, "I'm used to men taking me to



dinner." They married in 1954 and took up residence in Palo Alto, California, where they raised four children: twins Michelle Simon and Collette Cowger, Mark Lizotte, and Tami White.

At a very young age Lolita was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. However, she persevered, never complained, and with the help of her family, she lived a normal life. She was an active member of her local Catholic church, volunteering at the church as a Eucharistic minister and guiding catechumens. Cousin of San Juan native Mary Anzar who works in the Mission Gift Shop, Lolita often was a docent for her children's 4th grade field trips to San Juan Bautista.

She leaves seven grandchildren, Justin Simon, David Frost, Timothy Benintendi, De Anne Bostock, Megan Babb, Tessa Jacques and Aaron Frost. She also leaves 13 greatgrandchildren.

A Catholic funeral service was held at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Palo Alto, followed by an internment at Alta Mesa Cemetery, where she was buried next to her husband Bill on Tuesday, April 5th.

Her wit, class, and spunky attitude will be very much missed by all. However, her California history and legacy will continue to live on through her wonderful extended family.

#### Deceased Members

We extend the deepest sympathy of Grand Parlor to the families and Parlors of the Sisters who passed away between January 10, 2016 — April 10, 2016

Marguerite Parlor No. 12 Sherry Davenport

Sherry Davenport
Eschol Parlor No. 16

Nancy Courtney Califia Parlor No. 22 Edna Gross

Veritas Parlor No. 75 Marjorie Gonsalves

Darina Parlor No. 114 Viola Rusca

El Vespero Parlor No. 118 Evelyn Desmond Oakdale Parlor No. 125 Alice Sharp Hiawatha Parlor No. 140

Nona Searcy Encinal Parlor No. 146 M. Eileen Brewer

Elizabeth Chianese Marinita Parlor No. 198 Shirley Cole

Marjorie Bartolucci

Morada Parlor No. 199 Dorothy Lilly La Junta Parlor No. 203

San Diego Parlor No. 208 Elizabeth Salisbury Blanche Meyers Grace Parlor No. 242 Jeanne Barks

Placerita Parlor No. 277
Gloria Howell

Gilroy Parlor No. 312
Bruna Goold

Rancho La Puente Parlor No. 331 Evelyn Tenorio

# Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

SUBMITTED BY CECE JOHNSTON, SAN JUAN BAUTISTA PARLOR NO. 179

A great big hug and "thank you" to all our Sisters, friends, and guests who attended District 21's events this year!

strict 21's events this year! District 21 includes Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26, Santa Cruz; Aleli Parlor No. 102, Salinas;

> Junipero No. 141 Monterey, and San Bautista No. 179, San Juan Bautista.

The Sisters of our District spend countless hours planning the events and work very hard at the events to ensure everyone that attends has an enjoyable afternoon.

Thanks to ALL OF YOU, our Mission Restoration Barbecue and Home Tea were both huge successes!

We are grateful to those who came, enjoyed, purchased raffletickets, bought from the "Buy and Fly" tables, and participated in the auctions. Thank you so much!

Native Daughters of the Golden West are proud of the work we do for our Parlors, Districts, and State to keep our beloved California great!











### Our Perked up Parlor is Perfect!

SUBMITTED BY SUZI RILEY, JR. PGP

Thank you again to all of our many Sisters who supported my Home project last term to reupholster and update the Parlor furniture. All of the couches and chairs in the Parlor look fantastic! Thank you to everyone who supported this project and everyone is invited to come and sit, rest and relax in our *Perfectly Perked up Parlor!* Special thanks to **Gayle Gleim** of San Jose Parlor No. 81 who truly went above and beyond to ensure the great success of this project. Thank you and happy relaxing to all who visit our beloved N.D.G.W. Home!



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# The Living Treasure of Point San Luis Lighthouse

SUBMITTED BY SUSAN COLLINS AND BETTI CLARK

PHOTOS BY BETTI CLARK, SUTTER PARLOR NO. 111

Native Daughters of the Golden West is a very unique organization and we are all proud of being a part of it. We all know someone special in our Parlors, but how many of your friends or family actually are named "A Living Treasure" by a whole different group of wonderful people? We, NDGW, have someone that fits that bill to a "T." And, after interviewing her, we came away truly thinking that she certainly was named appropriately by the group.



On February 20, 2016, Betti Clark, Sutter Parlor No. 111, Sacramento, and Susan Collins, Fort Bragg Parlor No. 210, had the pleasure of meeting with and interviewing "The Living Treasure" Judy Fry of San Luisita Parlor No. 108, San Luis Obispo. All are members of the NDGW California Lighthouse Preservation Committee. Judy also brought along her husband, Bob and a fellow Sister, Nadine Lewis.

Judy was born in San Luis Obispo, and first arrived at the Point San Luis Lighthouse in 1939 at the age of 2 weeks. She lived there for the first six years of her life. Judy shared many wonderful childhood memories about being a kid on a lighthouse station. One of the stories she told was of playing on the little beach with her mother. Judy said, "We would make up stories about the spider holes along the road on the way down to the sandy

beach. Mom would ask me if I could smell the sausage the spiders were cooking and I really could smell it." She also enjoyed going over to the breakwater and crabbing. Her Mom kept a very tidy home and prepared meals for the family.

Her "Pop," John Moorefield, was the Head Keeper at the time. Judy's job was mostly to stay out of the way of her Pop, who was always busy with keeping up the lighthouse and his duties with the Coast Guard. His off-work pleasure was working the Ham radio.

Judy had only one playmate that she remembers. The daughter of the Assistant Light-Keeper, named Molly. Judy said, "Molly had a red broom that I loved. I had boots that Molly loved. So I would let her wear one boot and I would get to play with the red broom."

Judy had an older sister and brother. Her brother joined the coast guard soon after Judy was born and she never really got to know him. But her sister, Lucy, was a teenager. The Trolley that takes guests back and forth is named for her. Lucy left the Lighthouse life as a teenager and went to live in San Luis Obispo for high school with another family. Lucy would come back to the lighthouse and bring Judy gifts. Judy still has a straw man on a donkey, and a little chair from Mexico. Often Lucy would bring Judy large suckers that she would buy for her at the bus station.

When Judy was ready for school her mom moved with her into town so she could start Kindergarten at Emerson Grammar School. But Judy missed a lot of school that first year because she was vulnerable to all the germs she had not been exposed to living in an isolated location.

Friends would come and visit and stay. A favorite memory was a man named Walde and his wife, a large Klamath Indian woman. The wife had a big fur coat that she would turn inside out and let Judy bundle up and sleep in it.

During WWII there were alot of men from the Coast Guard on the Light Station as well. They lived in one side of the duplex and the Assistant Light Keeper and his family lived in the other side. The Coast Guard would later bulldoze the duplex over the bluff as it was too far gone into disrepair. The offices are now in the spot where the duplex sat.

When Judy lived there, they had indoor



plumbing and electricity, and most of the time there were blackout shades up, so it all looked brighter than she remembered.

Judy said she would have loved to have lived at the lighthouse longer. She misses the fresh air and the quiet. Living on the lighthouse made her a more independent person, able to keep herself entertained.

Judy was with the Native Daughters California Lighthouse Preservation Committee as they visited Point San Luis in March of 2015. While riding down on the trolley she noted how much smaller it all seemed. As a child, it had been her whole world.

She is part of the San Luis Lighthouse Restoration Committee. She gave some items like a panda bear to them when they restored the light house. The restoration was in the period of the Light House service, previous to the days of Coast Guard occupation, as it was when Judy was a child.

Judy recommends everyone visit Point San Luis light station if you get a chance. Her favorite time is in October. They have a Halloween tour which comes highly recommended, but any time is a good time to visit and learn interesting history.

If Judy could change anything about the restored lighthouse, she would have the wharf put back so visitors could arrive by boat as the keepers had to back in the day. Perhaps one day that is how we will return.

If you would like to learn more about Point San Luis Light station visit http://www.lighthousefriends.com/light.asp?ID=91.

## GP Bonnie Visits So. Butte Parlor No. 226

SUBMITTED BY GAIL KUNSMAN, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT/PUBLICITY

Our Grand President was making memories with a few of So. Butte Parlor's members at her Official Visit in October 2015.

Bonnie M. Tabor, Grand President, standing outside So. Butte Parlor No. 226's hall in Sutter, during her Official Visit.



Pictured from left to right: Back row: Carolyn Childers, Recording Secretary; Diane Zanocco, Catherine Moniz, Past President; Claudia Warner, Trustee; Marie Huerta, Financial Secretary; and Earlene Knight, Treasurer. Front Row: Bonnie M. Tabor, Grand President

#### **List of Initiated Members**

We welcome and congratulate our new Sisters and their Parlors: January 10, 2016 — April 10, 2016

Joaquin Parlor No. 5 Carlos Buenrostro Esther Perez

Susan Post
Virginia Rico
Amelia Sandoval
Wendy Woodrum
Jennifer deDios-Coile
Becky Freeman
Jill Libhart
Joy McDonald

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Joy McDonald
Ellen McFall
Linda Moreno
Victoria Reynolds
Joanne Stafko
Denise Weis
Laurel Parlor No. 6
Horteuse Davis
Susan Wilkinson

Bonita Parlor No. 10 Barbara Carpenter Dee Eva

Robyn Burnett

Reina Griffith

Marguerite Parlor No. 12 Teresa Marty

Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26 Marjorie Bachman Essy Barroso-Ramirez Kate Clark Catherine Lachance Dawn Pappas James Starr Mary Tavella

Veritas Parlor No. 75 Ruth Dacus Mabel Willmon

Golden Era Parlor No. 99 Ashley Hodge Cheryl Smith Margaret Lee San Luisita Parlor No. 108

Jeannette Fitch

Darina Parlor No. 114

Winifred Flint

June Sturm

Catherine Vibert **Oakdale Parlor No. 125**Bette Robles

**Reina Del Mar Parlor No. 126** Patricia Orena Laurel Wickenhaeuser

Calistoga Parlor No. 145 Susan Morton

El Pinal Parlor No. 163 Barbara Evans Thomas Casey Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168 Lupe Pereira

San Diego Parlor No. 208 Wendy Walz

Sonoma Parlor No. 209 Christine Bjerkhoel Isabella Carillo-Dardon Madeline Libbey

Lugonia Parlor No. 241 Brenda Friend

**Lomitas Parlor No. 255** Kristen Erratchu Shari Hernandez

Cotati Parlor No. 299 Laurie Edgar Maggie London Tasha Ritter

Tierra de Oro Parlor No. 304 Patricia Moreno

El Paso De Robles Parlor No. 335 Arlene Hoover

Zinfandel Parlor No. 337 Nancy Ehlers-Bicksler Pat Simpfenderfer

# GRAND PARLOR ANNUAL MEETING



2016 SPECIAL SECTION

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

Dear Sisters:

Your 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting Committee is planning some fun things for the week of June 20-24 in Modesto. We will be renewing old friendships and making new friends as we fellowship through lunches and meetings.

You will find information on all of the events that will be taking place during GPAM 2016. Please select the event(s) you wish to attend by simply checking the appropriate box(es) on the reservation form, write *one check* payable to: GPAM 2016 Committee and mail *no later than May 31, 2016* to: Sylvia Lowrie PGP, 2110 South 10th Street, Los Banos, CA 93635, or e-mail: *Sylvia.lowrie@aol.com*.

When you register at GPAM 2016, one envelope with all the tickets for the events that you have selected will be included. Each individual should review the tickets to be sure they are correct.

To make hotel reservations online, please go to www.modestodoubletree.com and use the reference NDG, or you can call (209)526-6000 and ask for reservations, which must be made on or before May 25th.

If you have questions, please feel free to call Marilyn Bustillos PGP or Barbara Custer.

Sincerely and fraternally, Marilyn Bustillos, PGPCo-Chair, GPAM 2016 Barbara Custer

Co-Chairman, GPAM 2016, Co-Chair

#### 2016 GPAM Meals and Events

Monday, June 20, 11:00-3:00 pm Garden of Hearts Marketplace

Monday, June 20, 2:00 pm Silver Anniversary Reception

Monday, June 20, 7:00 pm Opening Reception

**Tuesday, June 21** Charitable Foundation Lunch

Wednesday, June 22, 12:00 pm Childrens Foundation Lunch

Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 pm Gold Dust Girls Dinner

Thursday, June 23, High Noon Hicks from the Sticks Lunch

**Thursday, June 23, 7:00 pm** Prom Night 2016 Banquet

Friday, June 24
Home Luncheon
Friday, June 24, 7:00 pm
Installation

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# Sherry Farley Candidate for Grand President

The Members of Grace Parlor No. 242, Native Daughters of the Golden West, are pleased to present our Member, Sherry Farley, as a candidate for the office of Grand President.

As a 34-year Member of Grace Parlor No. 242, Sherry has served in many Parlor positions, including President for three terms and Past President. She has also served as Deputy Grand President and Supervising District Deputy Grand President.

Sherry has been elected as a Grand Officer nine times, serving as Grand Vice President, Grand Marshal, Grand Secretary, Senior Grand Trustee and Grand Trustee. During these terms, she has not only fulfilled the duties of these offices, she has contributed to the betterment of our Order by volunteering her services to design brochures, create marketing



materials, submit articles to the California Star, write press releases and facilitate GoToMeetings.

Sherry's favorite contribution is to help advance the Order with internet technical support. She was instrumental in creating the Committee for Electronic Communications. As the current State Chairman for this Committee, Sherry shares her talents by providing valuable services such as website design and mass email communications.

Sherry's highest academic achievement is a Master's Degree in Nursing from U.C.L.A. After 22 years in Pediatric Nursing, Sherry joined her husband in a family business, where for the past 15 years she has held the position of Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Sprite Showers. The job requires corporate interactions with national retailers such as Lowes, The Home Depot and Bed Bath & Beyond.

The Members of Grace Parlor No. 242, including Sherry's mother, Pat Moore, and daughter, Kim, respectfully request your favorable consideration of Sherry Farley to the office of Grand President at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Modesto.

# Bonnie Tabor Candidate for Junior Past Grand President

Dear Sisters,

The members of Morada Parlor No. 199 Modesto, proudly present their esteemed member, Bonnie Tabor, for election to the office of Jr. Past Grand President of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

Bonnie, a member for 46 years, has served as President of Morada and been active throughout her District, serving as SDDGP and DGP many times. This past year she has served as Grand President of our Order.

She has served the Order on the state level as Grand Outside Sentinel and served as Grand Trustee for four years, including Senior Grand Trustee. She served on the Finance Committee, the Charitable Foundation Inc. Committee, James E. Phelan Fund, Investment Committee and Personnel Committee. She has chaired our Childrens Foundation Committee, served as State Chairman of Roll of Honor and Public Relations,



worked on State of the Order Committee three times, and served on the Legislation Committee, all of which has given her knowledge in the progression of the Order.

Continuing her education after high school in the area of General Education, she received an AA Degree in Speech Arts. After starting her family life, she began her career of 30 years as a Psychiatric Technician. She worked in both the State

Hospital setting and community mental health programs where she provided acute care, Patients' Rights Advocacy, and was affiliated with Delta Community College as an educator in their Psychiatric Technician Program. She served as a member of the Consumer Affairs Board for Governor George Deukmejian. Bonnie retired in 1998 to spend time with her family and the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

Bonnie has the full support of her Parlor and District 19. She is supported by her husband "Rod", sons Rick and Michael, and her extended family members.

Morada Parlor No. 199 respectfully requests your favorable consideration and support of our member, Bonnie Tabor, as she seeks election to the office of Jr. Past Grand President at GPAM 2016.

Sincerely and fraternally, Morada Parlor No. 199 Karen Stiles, President Judy Yost, Recording Secretary.

# Cynthia Connelly Candidate for Grand Vice President

Dear Sisters:

Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168, Native Daughters of the Golden West presents their esteemed member, Cynthia Connelly, for election to the office of Grand Vice President at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Modesto.

Cynthia, a forty-one-year Member of Native Daughters of the Golden West, is currently Past President to Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168, having served for 2 years as First Vice President and 1 year as President. She also served Berryessa Parlor No. 192 as President for 6 terms as well as First, Second and Third Vice President, Past President, Marshal, Recording Secretary and Inside Sentinel.

Cynthia has been Deputy Grand President to Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168, Chico, Gold of Ophir Parlor No. 190, Oroville, and to Berendos Parlor No. 23, Red Bluff. She has served as Supervising District Deputy Grand President to District 6 (Butte, Glenn and part Tehama Counties) and is currently Supervising District Deputy Grand President to Dis-



trict 3 (Shasta and part Tehama Counties).

Having served the Order as Grand Outside Sentinel, Grand Inside Sentinel, Grand Trustee for 4 years and Grand Marshal, Cynthia is looking forward to stepping into the position of Grand Vice President, Native Daughters of the Golden West. She is State Chairman of the Insurance Committee and Laws and Supervision, and a member of Past Presidents Assembly.

Before beginning her tenure as a Grand Officer with the Native Daughters,

Cynthia served on the American Baptist Women's Ministry Board of Directors in many capacities and as a member of the Willows Lamb Derby Committee where she advanced to the office of President. Currently, Cynthia serves as a Board Member for Walden Academy Public Charter School and its Planning Committee. She credits the experience from serving on these Boards with allowing her to be an effective Member of the Board of Grand Officers.

With continued support from her family and friends, Cynthia looks forward to working toward perpetuating the ideals of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

Therefore, Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168, Chico, respectfully requests your favorable consideration and support of its member, Cynthia Connelly, for election to the office of Grand Vice President at 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Modesto.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Sheryl Brann, President Melissa Ramsey-Runge, Recording Secretary

# Marti Noyes Candidate for Grand Secretary

Dear Sisters,

The Members of Jurupa Parlor No. 296 of Native Daughters of the Golden West are honored to present our Member, Marti Noyes, as a candidate for the office of Grand

Secretary at the Grand Parlor Annual Meeting 2016 in Modesto.

Marti has been an active and dedicated Member to Jurupa Parlor for 17 years, having served as First Vice President, President for two terms and as Past President. For the past eleven years, she has been Jurupa Parlor's Recording Secretary. She has served as Deputy Grand

President to three other Parlors in District 28 (Lugonia Parlor No. 241 - San Bernardino, Grace Parlor No. 242 - Fullerton, and Tahquitz Parlor No. 333 - Hemet) at least two times each and is currently Deputy Grand President to Lugonia Parlor No. 241. In addition, she has been Supervising District Deputy Grand President numerous times. Marti was honored to be elected to Grand Trustee in 2015, having previously served as Grand Inside Sentinel the prior term. She is an active participant and contributor on the Board of Directors. Marti is currently serving as Chairman of the NDGW Roll of Honor Committee and is a member of the State of the Order Committee. In the past, Marti has served on the NDGW Charitable Foundation, Inc. Committee and the NDGW Childrens Foundation Committee. Currently, Marti is serving as State Marshall of and is the Treasurer of the Past Presidents Association No. 23.

Marti has worked tirelessly for our Parlor and Native Daughters of the Golden West, helping with fundraising events and col-

lecting donations. She also coordinates Jurupa Parlor's annual Fashion Show Tea and serves as moderator. She is an active volunteer at the Riverside Woman's Club. Through this association, Jurupa Parlor has gained new members who are also members of the Riverside Woman's Club. Since her husband served during the Vietnam War in nuclear submarines, she became an

Associate Member of the Submarine Veterans Organization also.

Marti has a BS degree in Sociology from the University of California – Riverside, with a minor in Economics. Marti's experience in business includes 30 years as a Human Resources Manager in 5 major manufacturing companies (both union and non-union) that were based in Southern California. She is now retired, but lends her Human Resources knowledge and experience as a volunteer.

Marti has the support of her husband, Brick, the rest of her extended family, and her many sisters in Native Daughters. The Members of Jurupa Parlor respectfully request your favorable consideration of Marti Noyes for election to the office of Grand Secretary.

P.D.F.A. Melanie Vigil, President Laurel Weiler, Recording Secretary Pro-tem

# **Karen Fini Candidate for Grand Marshall**

Dear Sisters:

The Members of Fresno Parlor No. 187, Fresno, presents with pride their Member, Karen Fini, for election to the office of Grand Marshall at GPAM 2016.

Karen has been a member of Fresno Parlor for 43 years. She served four times as President ofher Parlor, as well as Past President, Secretary, and Marshal. She has also chaired numerous committees within her Parlor. She has been active throughout her District serving as Deputy

Grand President to Charter Oak Parlor No. 292, and additionally she currently serves as Deputy Grand President to Veritas Parlor No. 75, Merced.

Karen has served the Order on the state level as Grand Trustee for the past four years, as well as Grand Outside Sentinel. In addition, she previously served as a member of the Home Committee, and has served the Childrens Foundation committee for three years, serving as its Recording Secretary for one year, and Case Manager for two years; she has served on the Finance Committee, and currently serves on the Investment Committee and the James Phelan Fund as well as the Personnel

Committee. She previously served as State Chairman of the Welfare Committee, as well as State Chairman of Historical Landmarks and Markers. She has also previously been a

> member of the State of the Order Committee and the Community Outreach Committee.

> Karen continues her work three days a week as a paralegal, (now over 56 years as a paralegal). Additionally, for the past 8 years she has served as a CASA advocate (court appointed special advocate for abused and neglected children) advocating for

children in the Fresno/Madera County areas. She is the mother of five and grandmother of sixteen and great grandmother of eight.

Karen actively serves her Parlor and the Order and has the full support of her family and Parlor members as she seeks election to the office of Grand Marshall.

The Members of Fresno Parlor No 187 respectfully request your favorable consideration and support of our Sister, Karen Fini, to the office of Grand Marshall.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Patricia Lockman, President Sandra Vaiarello, Recording Secretary



Cordially invites you to a luncheon in honor of the Native Daughters of the Golden West Public Benefit Committees

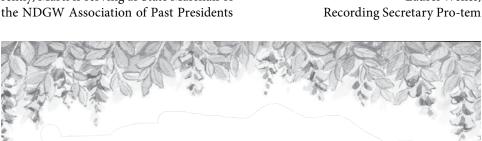


Tuesday, June 21 2016
Doubletree Hotel, Modesto, CA

\$27.00 per person

Menu: Cavatappi pasta with chicken breast, rolls & butter, beverages & dessert (assorted cupcakes)

R.S.V.P.s must be received by May 31 on the GPAM All-Event Registration Form.



# Morada Parlor No. 199 Native Daughters Of The Golden West

Cordially invites you to attend The opening reception honoring Grand President Bonnie M. Tabor and her Corps of grand officers

Monday. June 20. 2016 7:00 pm The Grand Ballroom

Double Tree Hotel, Modesto 1150 9th Street, Modesto, California

Please join us as we celebrate the beginning of Grand Parlor Annual Meeting 2016

Dessert will be served.

Cost will be \$1.00

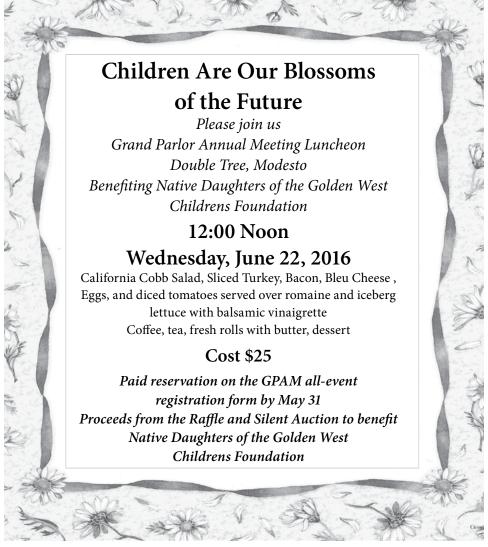
Reservations required

Please make your reservations on the GPAM 2016

All-Event Form on or before May 31, 2016

Dressy attire requested





#### **Dawn Dunlap Candidate** for Grand Trustee

Dear Sisters,

El Pinal Parlor No. 163 is proud to present its esteemed member, Dawn Dunlap, for election to the office of Grand Trustee at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Modesto.

Dawn has been a member in good standing of El Pinal Parlor No. 163 for forty-six years. She has served as our President, Past President, Trustee, Outside Sentinel, and Recording Secretary. She served as the Deputy Grand President to San Luisita Parlor No. 108 for three years and is currently the Deputy Grand President to El Paso de Robles Parlor

No. 335. On the State level of our Order, Dawn has served on Laws and Supervision, State of the Order, Education and Scholarships, and three years as the Chairman of the Extension of the Order. This past year she has served on California History, Landmarks and Historic Buildings, Real Property, NDGW Childrens Foundation, Finance, and as the Chairman of Ritual and Manual of Instruction.

Dawn is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and has advanced degrees from two archaeological institutes in Greece. While continuing her study of Greek pottery at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, she worked two years as an editor of annual corporate reports for a Fortune 500 conglomerate. Returning to California in the 1970s, Dawn worked for a decade as a legal assistant to a real property lawyer and five years as a legal research assistant for a judge of the San Luis Obispo

County Superior Court. For the past sixteen years, she has worked as a title and land use consultant and as an independent historian specializing in the Central Coast. She raises purebred Charolais cattle and lives on the

ranch where she was reared.

Dawn has lived the majority of her life in Cambria and has always been an active member of the community. Her recent activities have included: Chairman of the North Coast Farm Center for the California Farm Bureau, Member of the Board of Directors for the San Luis Obispo County Historical Society, Agricultural Representative

on the North Coast Advisory Council and Chairman of the Old Santa Rosa Chapel and Cemetery Committee, a non-profit corporation, that oversees the restoration and maintenance of a church built in 1870 and its' adjacent historic cemetery; a position she has held for the past thirty-one years.

Our Parlor is proud to present Dawn Dunlap. She has all of the qualifications necessary to serve on the Board of Directors and is willing to meet her obligations for service as Grand Trustee. We respectfully request your favorable consideration and support of our member, Dawn Dunlap, for election to the office of Grand Trustee at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting.

Sincerely and fraternally, Sigrid Castaneda, President Consuelo Macedo, Recording Secretary

### **Dominique "Nickie" Acevedo Candidate for Grand Trustee**

Dear Sisters:

Charter Oak Parlor No. 292, Visalia, is pleased and honored to present our Member, Dominique "Nickie" Acevedo, for election to the office of Grand Trustee.

Nickie joined Charter Oak Parlor No.

292 in May of 1994, while a student at St. Mary's College in Moraga, and began attending Native Daughter luncheons and Grand Parlor Annual Meetings as school and work in the East Bay area permitted. She moved back to Visalia in 2003, and was installed in a Parlor Office almost immediately.

Nickie has served Charter Oak Parlor as President, Past President, 1st Vice President, Financial Secretary, and is currently serving as Recording Secretary. She is currently serving as Supervising District Grand President to District 22 and has also served as Deputy Grand President to Fresno Parlor No. 187 and Charter Oak Parlor No. 292. At the State level, she is currently serving as State Chairman of the Official Publication and has also been the State Chairman of the Essay Contest. She has also served on the Childrens Foundation, California Lighthouse Preservation, Electronic Communications, Mission Restoration, and Public Relations Committees. Nickie continues to attend NDGW functions throughout the state as

school, volunteering, family responsibilities, and raising two daughters will allow.

Nickie graduated cum laude from St. Mary's College in Moraga with a major in Finance and a double minor in Economics and Spanish. She has more than twelve

> years of experience in Human Resources and staffing and seven years in administrative support roles having worked for Pacific Telesis, Randstad Staffing Agency, Ikon Office Solutions in the Bay Area, and Accela, Mission Care Group, and San Joaquin Valley College in Visalia. In August 2015 she completed her second BA

in Psychology through Brandman University, and is now working on her masters degree in Psychology. Her goal is to be a family therapist.

Nickie has the full support of her daughters Rebecca (11) and Mia (8), her extended family, and Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 in her desire to serve the Order as Grand Trustee during the 2016 -2017 term.

Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 respectfully requests your support for our candidate Nickie Acevedo for Grand Trustee at the Grand Parlor Annual Meeting 2016 in June in Modesto.

Sincerely and fraternally, Robert A. Borges, Parlor President Joan M. Hall, PGP, Financial Secretary

#### **Rae Rosas Candidate** for Grand Trustee

Dear Sisters,

The members of Tierra de Oro Parlor No. 304 Santa Barbara proudly present their esteemed member, Rae Rosas, for election

to the office of Grand Trustee of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

She has been an active member of our Parlor for 33 years. She has served our Parlor as President after holding other Officer positions. She has served as Supervising District Deputy Grand President and Deputy Grand President in our District. She has also served in the past on the Finance Committee, Investment Com-

mittee, State of the Order Committee, and several GPAM Committees. This year Rae served on the Ritual & Manual of Instruction State Committee.

She is employed by the City of Santa Barbara Airport Department. Where she helps

oversee the Airport Maintenance's budget, accounts payable, and work order system.

In her spare time she enjoys reading and photography. She also helps out another

non-profit organization "A Different Point of View" in Santa Barbara as their bookkeeper and attends their functions. When she is not at a NDGW or ADPOV function she attends the Coastal Band of Chumash Nation meetings.

Rae has full support from her family and Parlor members.

Tierra de Oro Parlor No. 304 respectfully requests your favorable consideration and support of our member, Rae

Rosas, as she seeks election to the office of Grand Trustee at GPAM 2016.

> Sincerely and fraternally, Anna Ortiz, Parlor President Marie Mackey Recording Secretary, Pro Tem





### San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179

Cordially invites you to a reception honoring

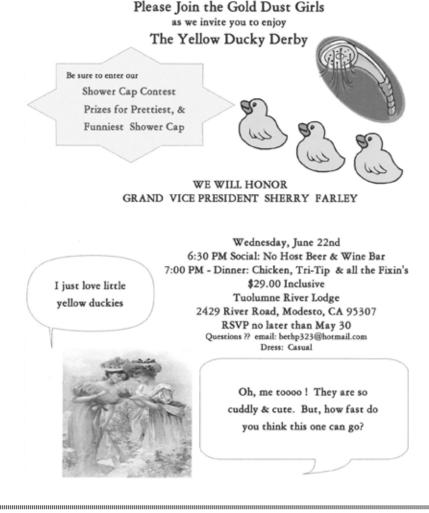
### **Past Grand President Sharon Johnston**

Celebrating her twenty-fifth anniversary As Grand President of The Native Daughters of the Golden West

> Monday, June 20, 2016 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**Double Tree Hotel** 1150 Ninth Street, Modesto, California

R.S.V.P. must be received on the GPAM All-Event Registration Form by May 31st.



#### Hicks from the Sticks presents The Joaquin Parlor Players Ain't Got the Money for the Mortgage on the Home or Bonnie Bonnet Saves the Day!

Thursday, June 23, 2016 • High Noon Vittles: Grilled Flank Steak with baby green, romaine, roasted peppers, bleu

cheese, red onions, herb croutons, choice of dressing, warm bread Chocolate brownie with vanilla bean ice cream

#### Fare \$25.00 smackers

Come join us for a premier showing of the traveling melodrama starring the great Bonnie Bonnet and her fine troupe of players as they once again defeat the dastardly evil Investment Broker as he tries to get the Home by nasty, underhanded tricks. Come prepared to Hiss, Boo and Cheer in support of the spectacular show.

Make reservations by May 31, 2016. Make checks payable to GPAM 2016.

### **Renee Chandler Candidate** for Grand Trustee

Dear Sisters,

Poppy Trail Parlor No. 266, Montebello, Native Daughters of the Golden West, is proud to present our esteemed member, Renee Chandler, for election to the office

of Grand Trustee at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting to be held in Modesto.

Renee has been an active member of Poppy Trail Parlor for over 33 years. She has served as President and Past President, as well as other officer positions within the Parlor, and currently serves as a Deputy Grand President and Supervising District Deputy Grand President. Renee is currently serving on the Laws

and Supervision State Committee, Home Committee and is currently serving as our Grand Trustee. She is also a Past President of Past President's Association No. 19.

As a member of Poppy Trail Parlor, she has headed many committees and served on various committees within the Parlor. Her great love for the Parlor and the Order is evident in her participation in the Parlor and her attendance at Grand Parlor.

During her three years as a Grand Officer, Renee has traveled to many events throughout California. She has enjoyed meeting new Sisters and greeting those she has met throughout her years of service to the Order.

Renee graduated from Sawyer College of Business in Pasadena. She is currently a Legal Assistant and Office Manager for an Attorney and has worked in this field for over 31

years. As children have a special place in her heart, Renee and her husband volunteer annually in the local Special Olympics in Long Beach.

Renee's husband, Tom, supports her wish to serve the Order, as do her two children, and her two-and-a-half-yearold and her three month old granddaughters! Renee's grandmother, Becky Meza (a member for over 40 years), passed away

in February of 2013 and would have been thrilled to know that Renee would serve our beloved Order as a Grand Officer.

The members of Poppy Trail Parlor No. 266, Montebello, respectfully request your consideration and support of our sister, Renee Chandler, for election to the office of Grand Trustee at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Modesto.

> Sincerely and fraternally yours in P.D.F.A., Susana Burciaga, President Anna Marie De La Torre, Recording Secretary

### **Janet Somavia Candidate** for Grand Inside Sentinel

Dear Sisters,

San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, Native Daughters of the Golden West, proudly

presents our esteemed member, Janet Somavia, as a candidate for election to the office of Grand Inside Sentinel at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in the City of Modesto.

Janet has been an active member of our Parlor for sixteen years. She has served as Treasurer, First Vice President, President, Past President, and is currently serving on the Board of Trustees. She has been active

in all of our Parlor activities, serving as chairman of our Adobe Home Committee and the monthly Pedro Card Party Fundraiser. In addition, Janet was on the planning committee for our Parlor Centennial and consistently volunteers to help with other fundraisers for the benefit of our Adobe Home.

Janet has served District 21 as a Deputy Grand President, and on the state level she served on the State of the Order and Legislation Committees, the Charitable Foundation, Inc. Committee, and as State Chairman of the Transportation Sub-Committee for five Grand Parlor Annual Meeting Committees. Janet proudly served as Grand Outside Sentinel this year and completed her duties in a commendable manner. She served on the Native Daughters Home Committee as Secretary for two years, and after volunteering as the Home Manager for eight months, Janet agreed to assume that position on an interim

basis, remaining as a Home employee for a total of eighteen months, until January 2016. Janet retired from the San Benito County

> Building and Planning Department where she was employed as a Planning Technician. She is involved in many community activities including cooking for and feeding the homeless in our community, providing home health care for a fellow church member, and caring of her many pets. In addition, Janet is an avid baseball fan and attends as many games as her schedule allows.

Janet has the full support of her Sisters of San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, her twin daughters, Janelle and Christy, and her extended family. Janet is looking forward to continuing her service to our Order. She is excited to be a part of the future of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, and as Grand Inside Sentinel she will work toward meeting the upcoming challenges facing our Order while assuring the preservation of our history.

San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 requests your favorable consideration and support of our Sister Janet Somavia, who is seeking election as Grand Inside Sentinel at the 2016 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting.

> Sincerely and fraternally, Roberta L. Paul, President Sharon M. Johnston, PGP, Recording Secretary

### **Susan Collins Candidate** for Grand Trustee

Fort Bragg Parlor No. 210, Fort Bragg is pleased and honored to present their member, Susan Collins for election to the

office of Grand Trustee of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

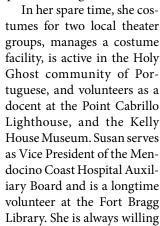
She has been an active member of our parlor for 12 years. She served two terms as President in 2008 and 2009. She served as Past President for two terms and as Supervising District Deputy Grand President and Deputy Grand President for two terms and is now serving as President of our Parlor. She has chaired

many committees including History and Land marks and most recently the Committeefor our centennial celebration.

She has been on the Lighthouse Preservation committee for the last three years and is currently the Chairman of that committee.

Assisting in 1979 at the College of the Redwoods in Eureka and worked as an RDA for over 35 years, retiring in 2012. She has lived

in Fort Bragg since 1982, moving here from her hometown of Arcata. In 1984 she married her second husband, Joe. She has two daughters, a step son and five grandchildren.



to volunteer in the community for special events. She loves traveling in her motor home searching out historical landmarks and parks.

Susan has the full support of her family members and our members of Fort Bragg

> Sincerely and Fraternally, Edith Gobles, President Pro-tem Clair Hundley, Recording Secretary

# **Stephanie Kerr Candidate** for Grand Outside Sentinel

Oakdale Parlor No. 125 is pleased and honored to present our Member, Stephanie Kerr, for election to the office of Grand Outside Sentinel at the Grand Parlor Annual Meeting 2016 in Modesto.

Stephanie has been an active member of Oakdale Parlor since early 2009. She has held the positions of Second Vice President, First Vice President, President, for two years, and Recording Secretary, which is the position she holds at this

time. One of her projects as

President was to create and post signs of the Native Daughters of the Golden West on the signboards at the four entrances to Oakdale. She also instituted an "Adopt-a-Poll" program in which Oakdale Parlor is in charge of a precinct on Election Day. The participating members receive a stipend which they donate to the Parlor. She has served on various parlor committees, and is currently serving on the Budget Committee, Americanism and Civic Participation, Publicity, and Newsletter committees. She creates the roster and calendar booklet for the Parlor each year. Stephanie is currently serving as the Deputy Grand President for Morada Parlor No. 199, Modesto.

At the Grand Parlor level, Stephanie serves on the Veterans Welfare and the Mission

Restoration Committees. She is particularly fond of visiting Nuestra Senora de la Soledad Mission as she was originally from the Monterey County area.

> Stephanie was employed by Monterey County for 33 years. For the last 27 of those years, she was in charge of the Fraud and Administrative Hearings Division of the Department of Social Services. She also owned a Baskin Robbins Franchise. She now volunteers as a Hearing Officer for the City of Modesto,

conducting code violation, cost recovery, and water violation hearings. She also volunteers at Railtown 1897 in Jamestown.

By way of education, Stephanie holds a certificate from IT Culinary Academy, an AA degree in Administration of Justice from Hartnell College in Salinas, a BA in Public Administration from Golden Gate University, a BS in Information Technology and Design from Kaplan University, an MBA from Kaplan University, and a Juris Doctorate from Monterey College of Law.

Stephanie is married with three grown children. Her husband supports her in this

> Sincerely and fraternally, Joan Echols, President Leslie Pettinger, Secretary Pro Tem

## Parlor No. 210. Susan completed her education in Dental

### IT'S PROM NIGHT IN MODESTO!

The Poppyseeds of Morada Parlor cordially invite you to STROLL DOWN MEMORY LANE

at the GPAM 2016 Banquet in honor of Grand President Bonnie M. Tabor (Prom Queen) and her Corps of Grand Officers

Thursday, June 23rd 6 pm No Host Cocktails • 7 pm Dinner

Double Tree Hotel • Arbor Theater • Modesto, California **Evening Attire Requested (Prom Dresses optional)** 

\$45.00 per person MENU: 3 course meal with choice of Chicken Marsala, Broiled King Salmon or Vegetarian Option entree

Reservations must be received by May 31, 2016 On the GPAM 2016 All-Event Registration Form

#### The N.D.G.W. Home Committee

Cordially invites you to attend a luncheon in honor of the Native Daughters of the Golden West Home

"There's No Place Like OUR Home"

Friday, June 24, 2016 • Double Tree Hotel • Modesto, Californio \$25 per person

Menu: Chicken Caesar salad served with rolls and butter, beverages and cheesecake for dessert

Raffle proceeds of a Doll House to benefit our N.D.G.W. Home R.S.V.P. by May 31, 2016 on GPAM Reservation form.

### San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179

SUBMITTED BY LORIE O'BRIEN

The Sisters of San Juan Bautista Parlor No.179 have established a support link with our local elementary school — one more way we are actively involved in our community. Grand Parlor Organist Judy Cain provided beautiful accompaniment for the students' Spring Concert, and our Parlor donated a large California Bear flag for the gymnasium/auditorium performance area to assure that the patriotic theme of the event was complete. In addition, we inventoried the entire school and provided smaller Bear flags for each classroom, a 4' by 6' Bear flag for the exterior flagpole, and a 3' by 5' flag for permanent display in the library.



### **Estate Planning**

A Gift that Provides for the Future of Native Daughters of the Golden West

When doing your Estate Planning please keep Native Daughters in your thoughts. Bequests in your will, trust, or as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy can be made to the three 501(c)(3) entities under the Native Daughters of the Golden West: the Native Daughters Charitable Foundation, Inc. and/or one of the ten Public Benefit and two Sub Committees under it, the Native Daughters Home, and the Native Daughters Childrens Foundation. A gift, when making your estate plans, will ensure the work of our beloved Order will continue well in to the future.

# Fort Bragg Parlor's Celebrates 100 Years

SUBMITTED BY SUSAN COLLINS

On March 12, 2016 Fort Bragg Parlor Celebrated their Centennial and Official Visit of Grand President Bonnie Tabor with a Banquet at the local Senior Center. We were pleased to host most of the Board of Directors as well as many Past Grand Presidents. We were also happy that so many of our Sisters came all the way to this far flung outpost in heavy El Nino weather to help us celebrate this momentous occasion.

The entry hall was filled with photos and memorabilia of parlor activities over the last 100 years, as well as a special tribute to Past Grand President Marilyn Rickett. The Dining room was decorated with daffodils as were the very first banquet tables 100 years ago. The evening began with introductions of the dignitaries. Marshall Edith Goble led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation was given by 2nd Vice President Betty Carr. A delicious dinner, prepared by chef



Sal of the Senior Center, was served by students from Fort Bragg High School. Queen Jane, a 90+ local pianist, entertained with tunes from throughout the decades. Happy Birthday was sung as Grand President Bonnie Tabor cut the Birthday Cake.

The Program continued with further introductions of our visiting sisters from parlors far and near. Deputy Grand President Marilyn presented a brief history of the parlor. Fort Bragg Mayor Dave Turner presented a proclamation and Heather Gurewitz, representing Congressman Jared Huffman, read a proclamation to our Parlor that had been read into the Congressional Proceedings earlier that month. Grand President Bonnie inspired us with her message urging us to have fun along the way. The Silver Lady, Past Grand President Sharon Johnston, spoke of her history with some of our long time members. Grand Trustee Dawn Dunlap gave a well-researched report about the history of the area. The evening closed with singing of the State Song, "I Love You California."

## A Wonder-ful Essay Contest

SUBMITTED BY LORIE O'BRIEN

The "Wonders of California" annual essay contest was a huge success again this year for local scholars in San Benito County. A total of 163 fourth through eighth grade students submitted entries. The first, second and third place winners from each grade read their essays to a standing-room-only audience at the San Juan Bautista Parlor No.179 Adobe on April 13th. Family, friends



and teachers joined our Parlor Sisters and enjoyed an ice cream social following the event. Kudos to PGP Sharon M. Johnston for chairing a most successful event!

#### **GPAM 2016 All-Event Reservation Form**

Please complete the form — one line per person, include check for total amount of all meals made payable to 2016 GPAM Committee.

NO CASH Send completed forms and checks to: Sylvia Lowrie PGP, 2110 S. 10th St., Los Banos, CA 93635. Deadline: May 31, 2016

Name and Contact		Mon	Mon	Tue	Wed	Wed	Thur	Banquet	Fri	Total \$
Name/Phone and/or e-mail (Please indicate below your name any vegetarian or allergy-specific requirements.)	Parlor No.	Silver Lady Reception 2-4 pm No Charge	Opening Reception 7 pm \$1	Charitable Foundation Luncheon Noon \$27	Childrens Foundation Luncheon Noon \$25	Gold Dust Girls Night Out 6:30 Social 7 pm \$29	Hicks from the Sticks Luncheon Noon \$25	\$45 Indicate Choice: C chicken S Salmon V vegetable	Home Luncheon Noon \$25	Total Amount Enclosed Checks

## Tierra De Oro Parlor No. 304 Happenings

SUBMITTED BY FRANCINE MACKEY, TIERRA DE ORO PARLOR NO. 304

#### Hello everyone, WE'RE BACK and have we been busy.

DECEMBER 2015 — Every year Reina del Mar Parlor 126, NDSW Santa Barbara Parlor and Tierra de Oro celebrate Christmas together by having a dinner at a local restaurant. This year it as the Native Sons turn to host and President Paul Larsen and wife Kim (member of TDO) did a bang up job. The dinner was held at Cody's restaurant and was well attended by all Parlors. In addition to a fabulous meal each Parlor donated \$300.00 to the Unity Shop telethon, a community non-profit that helps families in need.

January 2016 — This year we are trying something new in a way to raise funds. We signed up with Panda Express to hold a fundraising evening at one of their local restaurants. On January 16th between 5 and 8pm anyone eating at the restaurant using one of our flyers a percentage of the take that evening was donated back to the Parlor. We did so much better than expected, we want to thank everyone who came out that evening and supported the Parlor, it was great. Our next adventure will be in May with Panera.

February 2016 — We held our Second Annual Tea Party at the Goleta Valley Community Center. Again we had a wonderful turn out. Our Parlor Sisters helped by supplying the wonderful sandwiches,



Four generations enjoy the Tea Party.



cookies & desserts that were served. This year we held a Tea Hat contest, it was fun to see what people came up with and we also had a wonderful speaker Betsy Green who spoke about Santa Barbara during the year 2016. She was very entertaining and kept her presentation moving, everyone truly enjoyed listening to her. Finally, without the help of all the ladies in our Parlor this event would not happen, so again THANK YOU EVERYONE.

# Veterans Home Ladies Valentine Tea

SUBMITTED BY KAREN MAY

For over 56 years, Geo C Yount No. 322, Yountville Native Daughters has been doing the Ladies Valentine Tea. This year they were joined by Eshco No. 16, Napa; Calistoga No. 245, Calistoga and a member of Gilroy No. 312, Gilroy. An invitation is sent to every lady that lives at the Yountville Veterans Home, and flyers are distributed to all the buildings. Parlor members buy bingo prizes and bring homemade cakes. The Parlor purchases the tea, coffee, liquid cream, real sugar, table covers, plates, napkins, forks and spoons. We have a center piece for each table, with cream and sugar bowls. China cups and saucers are furnished by all the members to serve the tea and coffee in.

First they play bingo for about one hour; we always have lots and lots of prizes. Then they move over to the lovely set tables. All the cakes are put on side tables for the ladies to look at when they come in. Members bring around platters of different cakes for the ladies to have as many pieces as they like. Coffee and Tea is severed to every lady. We do door prize drawings, if they did not happen to win at bingo this gives you a second chance to win.

This year we had about 50 home members join us for the Tea. Men do not come and are very nice about leaving. This is the only event done at the Yountville Veterans Home just for the Ladies. Every one that comes to help with the event has a fun and rewarding time with the lady Veterans. We do it on a Saturday as close as we can to Valentine's Day. Last year we had 17 of our members come and help, this year with the other Parlors we had 20 ladies helping. The home members look forward to this day and enjoy it so much.



March 2016 — We initiated a new member Patricia Moreno, daughter of member Olive Moreno. We did our initiation in

style, we spent the weekend up at the Native Daughter Home in San Francisco and initiated Patricia there. Some of our members had never been to the Home and since Patricia lives in the Bay area we felt what a wonderful opportunity it was to show off the Home and bring in a new member. We all did our own thing on Saturday, touring the Presidio, using Uber to get around, eating some wonderful food, drinking some great coffee in the morning. On Sunday morning we held the initiation down in the Parlor, so great. Those participating in the ceremony were: GIS Rae Rosas, Parlor Officers: Anna Ortiz, Toni Heppner, Olive Moreno and Francine Mackey, Members and Patricia's sisters: Clarrisa Dimes and Andrea DiBartolomeo. Welcome Patricia to a wonderful sisterhood of women.

April 2016 — This month the Native Sons brought to our attention some work that was going to be done at an abandoned local Civil War Cemetery. The Cemetery, which sits atop a small hill, overlooked what would have been a swamp; Thus the name La Cieneguitas Cemetery. For a long time, the cemetery sat abandoned and became overgrown with weeds, but through community efforts and the purchase of the land a small portion of the cemetery has been restored. This section is dedicated to the Calvary Unit of Barbarenos under the command of Antonio Maria de la Guerra. Though not all were buried here at least 20 have been identified and head stones were made and placed to honor their service during the Civil War. Once a year about 5 Non-profits get together and go clean up the cemetery. It was an honor to be included this year. Thank you to Parlor Members Kim and Elsa Larsen, Toni Heppner, Marie and Francine Mackey for helping.









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### From the Welfare Committee

By State Chairman, Marlene Salha

Dear Sisters:

The word welfare has many meanings and interpretations. It can be the health, happiness and fortunes of a person or group. It can also mean financial or other support given to people in need. As an individual, or as a member of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, we have many opportunities to assist with financial and other support to those in need, and doing that can contribute to the health and happiness of many.

During the months of November and December, we focus on giving and providing for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Whether it be food, warm clothing, toys for the children, or financial assistance, it is for the welfare of those in need that we concentrate on. The need for welfare does not end with the holiday season. It should be a year-long project for us as the need is yearlong.

Some suggestions:

- Send greeting cards on holidays to some of your members who are unable to attend meetings
- Visit a shut-in and if possible, take them for a ride so they can enjoy the beauty of the outdoors
- Volunteer at a local hospital or nursing home
- Crochet or knit scarves, hats or lap robes to distribute to a shelter or Veterans home
- Offer to shop for groceries or other necessities for someone unable to do so themselves The list is endless. Give it some thought and decide what welfare project would work best for you.

# So. Butte Parlor Helps Blue Star Moms

SUBMITTED BY GAIL KUNSMAN, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT/PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

South Butte Parlor No. 226 presented a donation to the Tri Counties Blue Star Moms at their "Care Package Event and Remembering Our Fallen Memorial" on Saturday, March 26th, 2016 at the Plaza Room in Yuba City.

Pictured from left to right: Gail Kunsman, First Vice President and Publicity; PGP Nancy Brown, Supervising District Deputy Grand President; Catherine Moniz, Past President; Claudia Warner, Sr. Past President and Trustee; Lori Danby, President and Founder of Tri Counties Blue Star Moms; Earlene Knight, Treasurer and Veterans Welfare Chairman; and Debbie Groves.



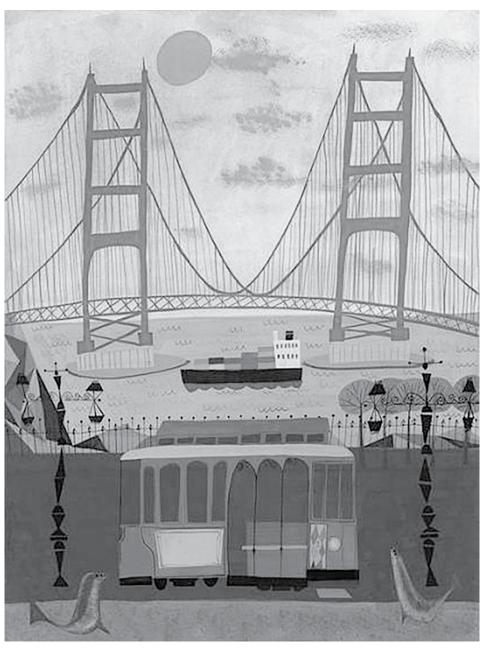
### **Geo. C. Yount Follows Tradition**

SUBMITTED BY KAREN MAY



This Memorial Day will be the 58th Memorial Day Program George C. Yount Parlor No. 322 has performed at the Yountville Pioneer Cemetery. Members of the Parlor have gathered over the years to honor the fallen Pioneers. With a guest speaker for the event each year, it is interesting. A wreath is laid at George C. Yount's grave. After the program the George C. Yount Mountain Men do a black canyon volley (which is lit with glass and the sun) cookies and punch are

provided by George C. Yount Parlor members. It is a lovely way to spend a Sunday afternoon for Memorial Day.



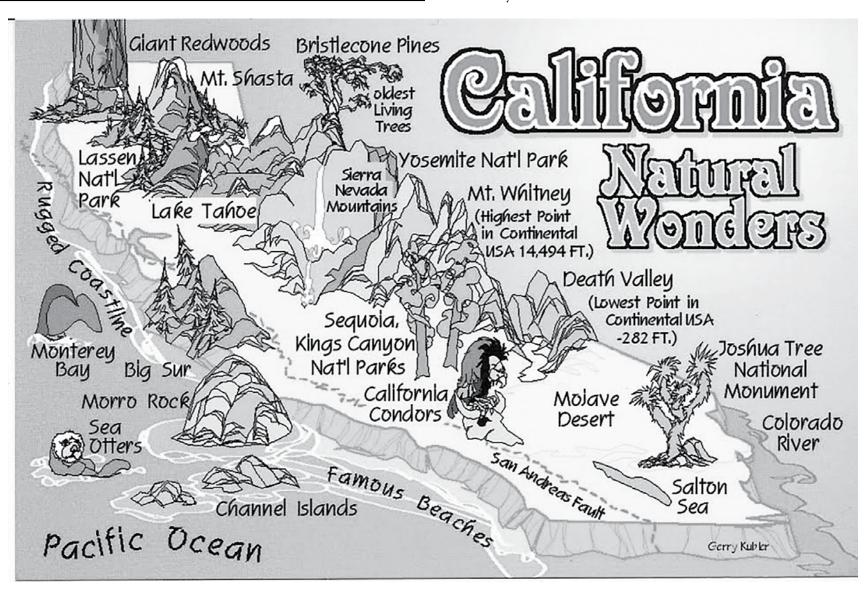
### **San Francisco Gold Rush Notes**

FROM AAA MAGAZINE (FEB/MAR 2016) BY ERICA PETERS SUBMITTED BY GAYLE GLEIM, SAN JOSE PARLOR NO. 81

A strange Gold Rush delicacy? Grizzly bear bacon. Apparently it's delicious. An unaffordable ingredient? A single egg cost \$1. That's \$31 today. But depending on what came in on a ship, prices varied week by week.

A surprise: That folks didn't welcome the sour in sourdough bread until the 20th century. Prior to that time, if it tasted tangy, you made it wrong. In 1904, however, a journalist mentioned that bread (in San Francisco) tastes different. After that, you start seeing writers comment on the tart flavor.

Grand old restaurants where people still can dine? Tadich Grill, which opened with that name in 1912, and the Palace Hotel's beautiful Garden Court, a room that dates to 1909 and has recently been renovated for evening visitors. The Cliff House, 1863, is the city's oldest restaurant by the same name at the same location. Mark Twain went there when it opened.



## Who are the Native Daughters of the Golden West?

The Order of the Native Daughters of the Golden West is a fraternal and patriotic organization founded on the principles of 'Love of Home', 'Devotion to the Flag', Veneration of the Pioneers' and 'Faith in the Existence of God'. Individuals 16 years of age and older who were born in California are welcome to call 1-800-994-NDGW, e-mail to <code>ndgwgpo@att.net</code> or check out our web page at <code>www.ndgw.org</code> for more information.

Native Daughters participate in various projects throughout the State such as their Childrens Foundation, which helps children whose families could not otherwise afford medical assistance. Native Daughters also help Veterans, help restore Missions and Lighthouses, assist in other civic activities and much more. Join Native Daughters and help us make our Golden State prosper.

Check out Native Daughters of the Golden West Grand Parlor page and click "LIKE". Great stories and information regarding our beloved State of California are posted frequently! It is a wonderful tool to share and communicate with Sisters all over the State! Join in with the technology, information and fun!



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Submitted by:PGP Debi Stalder, Laurel Parlor No. 6, Facebook Manager www.facebook.com/NDGWGrandParlor

Native Daughters of the Golden West – Mission Statement:

"The mission of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, as one of the oldest associations of diverse California born leaders, is to preserve California's history and better the quality of life through active participation in education and community service."

## Itinerary of Grand President Bonnie Tabor 2015–2016

June

Homecoming & Official Visit-Morada No. 199 — Modesto

14 Flag Day — Fly Your Flag!

19 Happy Fathers Day!

19 Grand Officers Meeting —Double Tree Hotel — Modesto

19 Grand Officers Dinner

20 Marketplace & Opening Reception

21 Opening Session — Memorial Service — CFIC Luncheon

22 Business Session — Hicks from the Sticks Luncheon — Gold Dust Girls Dinner

23 Business Session — Native Sons Visitation — Childrens Foundation Luncheon - Banquet

24 Business Session — NDGW Home Luncheon

24 Installation of Grand Officers

25 Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting

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- 1 District 11 Childrens Foundation Brunch Marin/Sonoma
- 2 Official Visit Oakdale Parlor No. 125 Oakdale

Official Visit — District 14 — Ursula No. 1,

Chispa No. 40, Forrest No. 86 — Ione

Official Visit — San Diego Parlor No. 208

7 Official Visit Tahquitz No. 333, Jurupa No. 296, and Lugonia No. 241 — Hemet

(BELOW REVISION DATE MARCH 21, 2016)

- 8 Happy Mothers Day
- Official Visit Bonita Parlor No. 10, El Vespero Parlor No. 118
- 13 Home Committee Meeting 2:00 PM
- 14 Official Visit Fresno Parlor No. 187, Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 — Fresn
  - Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 Fresno Home Committee Meeting — 9:00 AM

Official Visit — Sutters Mill Parlor No. 336

- 16-19 NSGW Grand Parlor Rohnert Park
  - 24 Official Visit Zinfandel No. 337 Lodi

## **Itinerary For Sherry A. Farley — 2016**

#### June

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- 19 Installation of Grand Officers 2015-2016
- 20 Meeting with DGPs and SDDGPs @ 8 am PGPs @ 8:30 am
- 20 Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting 9 am–1 pm
- 20 125th Anniversary of South San Francisco Parlor Evening

#### July

- 4 Happy Fourth of July!
- 5 Celebration of Sloat Landing Monterey
- 9 CFIC Committee Meeting 11 am NDGW Home
- 10 Investment Committee Meeting 9 am NDGW Home
- 10 NDGW Home Committee Meeting 2 pm NDGW Home

- 1 Childrens Foundation Committee Meeting 9 am NDGW Home
- 11 Finance Committee Meeting 2 pm NDGW Home
- 12 Veterans Picnic @ Yountville

#### August

- 2 Ice Cream Social Alameda
- 5-8 Santa Barbara Fiesta
- 11 Official Visit to Nataqua Parlor No. 152 Susanville
- 13 Official Visit to Naomi No. 36 Downieville
- Home Committee Meeting 2 pm
- 21-23 Board of Directors Meeting
  - 21 Personnel Meeting 2 pm

## **Dolly Attaway**

SUBMITTED BY MARYANN FOUSHEE

After thirty-three plus years of dedicated service, Dolly Attaway, member and past president of Poinsettia Parlor No. 318, is ending her going to Ortega Adobe, the first Tuesday of each month to clean and dust. This project was initially spear headed by Shirley Clark and supported by Dolly.

These two Native Daughters' endeavors were to preserve this Ventura, California Historical site which was built in 1857. It was also important to Dolly because of her family heritage. Her mother was married to one of the Ortega sons and this adobe

was very special to Dolly.

Even though there will be no more dusting the furniture and other items, sweeping the dirt floors, and seeing that the outside yard and grape arbor are cared for, Dolly's heart will be there in spirit. THIS IS HER NATIVE DAUGHTER'S HERITAGE. However, she will be the consultant for Evelyn Rowden and Mary Ann Foushee, who will follow in Dolly's footsteps.

(Note: This family also started the famous Ortega Green Chilies Company.)



