

# CALIFORNIA STAR

## Native Daughters of the Golden West

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### **Kudos to Our Honorary & New Members**

SUBMITTED BY KATHY McCloskey - Publicity

On Saturday, October 8th, five local parlors of the Native Daughters of the Golden West welcomed Grand President Sherry Farley upon her Official Visit. Held at the Native Sons Hall in Napa, the highlight of the event honored four ladies who became 50 year members of the Order. It was with great pleasure that GP Sherry presented 50 year pins to each lady.

On Wednesday, November 16th, Jenny Hernandez was initiated as a member of Calistoga Parlor No. 145. We look forward to her participating in our activities as we welcomed her into our Parlor. It was President Barbara Maxfield's honor to present Jenny with her pins.





Pictured L-R:
GP Sherry Farley
from Fullerton Parlor, Marilyn Budde
from Napa Parlor,
Ramona Decker
from St. Helena
Parlor and our very
own Carolyn Cardoza from Calistoga
Parlor. Not pictured
Anita Ghiringhelli
from St. Helena
Parlor.

## Mid-Valley Childrens Foundation Luncheon is a Success!

Fresno Parlor No. 187 and Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 were pleased to host the Mid-State Childrens Foundation Luncheon on October 1st. It had been almost 20 years since a luncheon was held for the Childrens Foundation in the Central Valley, but we were thrilled to have members and guests from far and wide attend the luncheon and help us raise \$2,240 for this Committee.

One special guest was a beautiful young lady, named Jacqueline, who had been helped by our Childrens Foundation. She had just turned sixteen. It was amazing to see her smile as everyone present sang her "Happy Birthday!"





Grand Officers in attendance (above left to right) were Grand Trustee Renee Chandler, Grand Secretary Marti Noyes, Grand President Sherry Farley, Grand Marshall Karen Fini, Grand Trustee Nickie Acevedo, and Grand Trustee Rae Rosas.

#### . Hello Sisters,

The spring edition of the *California Star* is here! Complementing the "R" for RE-JUVENATION in the T.R.A.I.L.S. acronym, spring is all about rejuvenation. It's time to reflect on our accomplishments and plant seeds for our future. Stay optimistic with your Parlors and find ways to inspire, motivate, educate and demonstrate to others the core principals of our Order: Love of Home, Devotion to the Flag, Veneration of the Pioneers and an abiding Faith in the

of the Pioneers and an abiding Faith in the Existence of God.

Our sisters are going the extra mile to rejuvenate their Parlors and find new Members. Thank you to those who have met the goal to bring in ONE new Member. To those who still need to work on this challenge, there is plenty of time — don't give up! We are counting on you!

The institution of a new Parlor is a monumental occasion. Please check inside this edition for the invitation to join us on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> to witness the rejuvenation of Amapola Parlor No. 338 in Sutter Creek. We will be using the proposed Initiation and Installation ceremonies

(Refer to January mailing: GPAM 2017 addendums "B" and "C").

The Parlor Passports will focus on the following projects in the upcoming months:

February — N.D.G.W. Childrens Foundation March — Education and Scholarships

April — Environmental Issues

As we move into daylight savings time, may the golden light of California shine down on the trail to the door of your Parlor!

Happy Golden Trails to You!

Sherry A. Farley
Grand President



### **Smiles from San Juan Bautista**

SUBMITTED BY CECE JOHNSTON

San Juan Bautista Parlor members Cece Johnston, President Roberta Paul, and Claudia Fisher stand in front of their historic Adobe with the barrels of canned goods their Parlor Sisters and friends donated to the Community Food Bank and Pantry of San Benito County.



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## **Bonita Parlor Happenings!**

SUBMITTED BY PGP SUZI RILEY

Friend of Bonita Parlor, Bob Amaya shared a special presentation in memory of his mother, Marie Amaya, beloved, longtime member and recording secretary. Bonita's room at the N.D.G.W. Home (409) is dedicated in her memory of her many years of dedicated service to our Parlor and to our Order. Bob presented a lovely shadow box showcasing all of Marie's personal collection of Native Daughter pins. The beautiful display will proudly hang in room 409 for all visitors

and guests to enjoy. Stop by and visit soon! Bonita Parlor No. 10 is thrilled to welcome six new Sisters to our Order! These lovely ladies bring a long history of volunteering and since 2017 marks the 150th Anniversary of Redwood City; we are proud to begin our Sesquicentennial celebration with some new friends. It's Time! Sponsored by: Barbara Carpenter; Helen Cocco; Edythe Miller and Janice Fager; we are glad to be building our Sisterhood for the next 150 years!



From left: Donna DeVoe; PGP Suzi Riley; President Joyce James; Barbara Gabriel; Bob Amaya; Marian Wydo; Helen Cocco; Deanna Liotta; Edythe Miller; Laura Galey; and Barbara Carpenter.



From left standing: President Joyce James; PGP Suzi Riley; Sponsors: Barbara Carpenter; Helen Cocco; Edythe Miller; and Janice Fager. Seated from left: New Sisters: Marge Peralta; Margaret Mirande; Sally Newman; Patricia Andersen; Susan Mitchell and Lynn Sherwood.

## Home for the Holidays Trip with Veritas No. 75

SUBMITTED BY MICHELLE HAFER, VERITAS PARLOR

Veritas Parlor No. 75 enjoyed a great day with great conversation as eight members got together with a few spouses to cruise into San Francisco to enjoy a fun afternoon at the Basque Cultural Center. After a fabulous lunch, a fun afternoon and some won baskets, we hurried over to the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

The NDGW Home was all decked out in holiday cheer and filled with sisterly love as the festivities began. We sang Christmas carols in the parlor and enjoyed cookies and beverages in the side room.

A great time was had by all and we hope to do something similar again next year.





Pictured left to right: Back Row: Rita Buttacavoli; Chris Cooley, Trustee, Junior Past President; Barbara Rogas; and Denise Sebilian, Marshall. Front Row: Beverly Kelly, Inside Sentinel; Claudia Warner, State President of Past President's, Vice President, Trustee; Cathy Moniz, Recording Secretary; Marie Huerta, Financial Secretary; Earlene Knight, Treasurer; PGP Debi Stalder, District 7 Sutter SDDGP and Sherry Farley, NDGW Grand President.

### South Butte Parlor No. 226

SUBMITTED BY GAIL KUNSMAN, PRESIDENT & PUBLICITY

South Butte Parlor No. 226 has been busy these past few months.

On October 24, 2016, Grand President Sherry Farley visited South Butte Parlor. The Parlor had a lasagna dinner prepared by the members. They spent an evening of friendship and sisterhood.

Members Erin Cucchi and her grandmother Mary Lou Byer received the John Garamendi Women of the Year Award for 2016. Both Parlor Members are leaders making a difference in their community. They are extraordinary women, advocates in community service and an inspiration to all women.

On December 12th, South Butte Parlor cel-



ner and Gail Kunsman

ebrated Christmas by giving to Hands of Hope, a local charity for the homeless. In lieu of exchanging gifts with their members, they donated much needed items to Hands of Hope. Executive Director Rick Millhollin and his wife Babette joined Native Daughters for the potluck dinner. Everyone was in the holiday spirit and enjoyed the evening. Santa made a surprise visit.

South Butte Parlor also participated in "Wreaths across America" on December 17, 2016, working with the local Yuba Sutter Stand Down organization to remember our fallen heroes, to honor those who served and to teach our children about sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms. The goal was to place wreaths on the graves of military veterans, coordinated as well as possible with ceremonies happening at Arlington. South Butte Parlor sponsored twelve wreaths, as did members of the Parlor. It was an emotional event.



Pictured left to right: Claudia War- Pictured left to right: Erin Cucchi, Patty Garamendi and Mary Lou Byer



Pictured left to right: Back Row: Christine Cooley, Earlene Knight, Marie Huerta, Claudia Warner, Santa Claus (Manny Cordoza); Denise Sebilian, Shirley Jimerson, Outside Sentinel and Jennifer Robles. Front Row: Anita Tennis, Cathy Moniz, Carolyn Childers, Gail Kunsman, President, Barbara Rogas, and Vicki Tomlinson, Trustee

### Native Daughters of the Golden West Home

555 Baker Street, San Francisco, CA 94117-1405 **Room Reservations** 

To make a Room Reservation call 415-921-2664 or E-mail Home@NDGW.comcastbiz.net or mail the Reservation Form available from Your Parlor Secretary, GP Office or NDGW Home Office

## Native Daughters of the Golden West Is Having Growing Pains!

SUBMITTED BY MARILYNN RODRIGUES, PGP

It has been my pleasure working, for the last six months, with Past Grand President Marilyn Bustillos, Nina Coffenberry and, a very excited group of more than 40 women to re-institute Amapola Parlor No. 338 in Sutter Creek. Grand President Sherry Farley has selected the date of Sunday, March 26, 2017 to hold the Institution Ceremonies. It is our hope that many Native Daughters up and down our glorious State will be able to attend and welcome these new Sisters to our Order. Grand President Sherry and her Corps of Grand Officers will be conducting the Institution, Initiation of Charter Members, and Installation of Charter Officers ceremonies.

Invitations and more information will be in the mail soon. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending this wonderful event.

Sutter Creek Auditorium

18 Main Street

Sutter Creek, California 95685 Sunday, March 26, 2017, 11:30 A.M. Luncheon will be served

Hotels in area:

Hotel Sutter, 53 Main St, Sutter Creek, CA 95685, 209-267-5211

Best Western Amador Inn, 200 S. State Hwy 49, Jackson, CA 95642, 209-223-0211 Days Inn Sutter Creek, 271 Hanford St., Sutter Creek, CA 95685, 209-267-9177.

## **Great Donations Bring Great "Hope"**

SUBMITTED BY HELEN LEIVA

Grace Parlor's annual Thanksgiving luncheon was held on Saturday, November 12th at the Claim Jumper restaurant in Fountain Valley. Mary Pat Crawford, chairman of the event, had beautifully decorated tables carrying out the theme of our member and Grand President, Sherry Farley, with "sunflowers in a pumpkin patch". Roycene Dieberger pro-





vided the centerpieces and Joan Benson brought darling favors for everyone.

A silent auction was held and many door prizes were given. However, the main purpose of the luncheon was the canned goods drive. "Project Hope," a program of St. Boneventure Church of Huntington Beach was the beneficiary of this bountiful donation of canned food for the needy at this holiday time. A very generous donation was also collected of many turkeys for "Project Hope".

Thank you cards and Christmas cards were also signed by all the members and sent to the USO for holiday cheer. Celebrating with us was PGP Marie Otto, who with our many members and guests, enjoyed the delicious turkey buffet.

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### **List of Initiated Members**

We welcome and congratulate our new Sisters and their Parlors:
October 10, 2016 — January 10, 2017

Berendos Parlor No. 26 Frances Potts

Califia Parlor No. 22 Shirley Tuter

Calistoga Parlor No. 145 Jenny Hernandez

El Paso de Robles Parlor No. 335

Charlotte Wallace

El Pinal Parlor No. 163 Maria Castaneda

Anna Parezze-Easter Roy Weist

El Vespero Parlor No. 118 Ann Breitler

Ann Breitler Keegan Collins Kristina Collins Janet Eckert Amy Stewart

Karen Zott

Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112 Christine Filippone

Golden Era Parlor No. 99 Margery Paxton-Fromm Jeanette Taylor

Grace Parlor No. 242 Sherry Iverson Joaquin Parlor No. 5 Suzanne Custino Torchy Dennington

Maureen Gill Barbara Morris Jurupa Parlor No. 296

Linda Wallace
Liberty Parlor No. 213

**Liberty Parlor No. 213**Diane Campbell
Rhinda Furtado

Lomitas Parlor No. 255 Victoria Allen

Joanne Borba Jolene Gilbert Patty Lewis Mariana Marshall Marie Morgan Darlene O'Brien Diane Pimentel Shelly Weathers

Nancy Williamson

Manzanita Parlor No. 29 Diane Mancinelli

Mariposa Parlor No. 63 Lee Allen Oralee Phillips Oakdale Parlor No. 125 Diane Noon Placer Parlor No. 138 Donna Kimbrough Carol Noon

Elaine Van Camp

Reichling Parlor No. 97 Lanette Cramer Fay Curtis

Ruby Parlor No. 46 Deanna Taaffe

Santa Cruz Parlor No. 23 Cecelia Cooper Coleen Douglas Karen Herman Pat McDonald Jacqueline Rall

Ursula Parlor No. 1 Priscilla Leed

Vista del Mar Parlor No. 155 Lucia Meier Kerry Tate

Woodland Parlor No. 90 Kaitlyn Castillo Ellen Grimm

Zinfandel Parlor No. 337 Jennifer Krantz

## El Tejon Parlor No. 239, Bakersfield Had a Busy Holiday Season

By Darleen Carpenter

Denice Mettle presenting check to Veterans

Lurine Webb, Ethel White, and Chris Kildare

Our Parlor sponsored a \$100.00 food gift basket for a Kern County Veteran through the VFW Post in Bakersfield. They have an annual food basket program, and our donation sponsored a basket for one veteran and his family. We raised the funds from selling Macy's Shopping passes.

El Tejon Parlor No. 239 also sponsored a tree at the Bakersfield Woman's Club Festival of Trees event held on November 19, 2016. The event was attended by 1700 women and a few men, and was very successful. The winner of our tree was very pleased with our crystal-themed tree and the gifts. Our tree really sparkled. There were 62 trees awarded at this event. The entertainment was an "Elvis Impersonator" which proved to be very popular. Thanks to Chris Kildare, Chairman, Ethel White, and Lurine Webb for decorating and all our members who donated gifts and assisted with the decorating of the tree.

We also selected a 12-year Army Vet for our Christmas project this year. She is a single mom with two children, ages 6 months and 3 years

old. Her name is Sophia Ruiz. After our Christmas luncheon, Ethel White, Denice Mettle, and Phyllis Hensley presented her with a \$200.00 Wal-Mart gift card, a Christmas wreath, presents for the kids, and a food basket. She was delighted to receive these gifts for Christmas. Pictured below is our Vet receiving the gift card from President Ethel, some of the food items, and gifts for the kids. Thank you, Sophia for your service.





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## San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 Celebrates Halloween

SUBMITTED BY ANN FRITCH

In a decidedly different take on the usual trick or treating activities, Halloween evening saw sisters from Native Daughters Parlor No. 179, San Juan Bautista, providing entertainment for the children in town with their popular "decorate the pumpkin" booth at the city's Community Center. Tables were laid out with pieces of ribbon, yarn, pins, cloth scraps and many other sundry items. The intent was to encourage creativity from children and parents alike. Pumpkins of just the right size were obtained from local farm Tonsia. After decorating their pumpkins, which have now become "jack-o-lanterns," each child can take home their very own creation.

This yearly function has become much anticipated in the community and our booth is now a highlight of the festivities. Sisters volunteering to gather materials and help on



that night were Mary Gibson, Marianne Steeger, Shawna Freels, Valerie Egland, her daughter Laura DeGuzman and grandsons Edward and Kamoana, Ann Fritch, Bonnie Campbell, and Virgie Alosi. We all are looking forward to next year's festivities.



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Pictured are members of Lomitas Parlor in the Veterans Day Parade in Los Banos.

## **A Lomitas Angel, Cathy Caropreso**

From the December 2016 "Poppy Press"

Cathy Caropreso is one of those women who sees a need and does whatever it takes to go beyond just filling a need. She is a wonderful example of the spirit of giving and she does it with a kind heart and a willingness to help others.

A not-so-long-ago event, the Veterans Day Parade is a typical Cathy event. She seeks out what needs to be done, gathers the troops together and tends to all the behind the scenes tasks that make this parade a meaningful experience for the young at heart from ages 4-94.

Along with her husband, Gary, Cathy is an outstanding community leader who envisions a project and gets a job done. We are blessed to have her as a part of our Lomitas Parlor Sisterhood!



Above, all the members that attended our November meeting and the many items that they brought to the meeting to be donated to the Salvation Army. You will note that Cathy (front row, left) and Marlene (front row, right) have our new Lomitas Parlor tee shirts on.

### **WELFARE**

By Marlene Salha, State Chairman

The Welfare Committee was the November 2016 Project of the Order. Parlors and our members were encouraged to have a canned food drive for a local food bank or to conduct a Community Welfare Project, such as saving "pull tabs" for a Ronald McDonald House. I hope that many of the Parlors participated in this project and were able to add another check in your Parlor Passport.

The Committee is aware that especially during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, our membership is mindful of needed welfare in their communities and are always generous. Food, warm clothing, toys for children, and financial assistance are many of the "welfare" items that we contribute during this time. However, the need for welfare does not end with the holiday season, nor with the cold weather. It should be a year-long project as the need is year-long.

When you are out and about in your area, be alert and aware, and then step up

and offer. A small gesture such as a cup of hot chocolate or coffee for someone out in the cold weather would do more than warm the tummy. Offer to purchase a container of warm soup. We all have extra gloves, hats or scarves. Put some in your car and have them ready to give to someone you see who is cold and without one.

Other suggestions include:

- Send greeting cards for Valentine's Day, Easter, or other holidays to some of your members who are unable to attend meetings.
- Visit or call a shut-in.
- Volunteer at a local hospital or nursing home.
- Offer to shop for groceries or other necessities for someone unable to do so for themselves.

The need and the list are endless. Give it somethought and decide what welfare project would work best for you and your Parlor.

### **Deceased Members**

We extend the deepest sympathy of Grand Parlor to the families and Parlors of the Sisters who passed away between October 10, 2016 — January 10, 2017

Aleli Parlor No. 102 Mary Cunha

Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168

Ruth Boles

Berendos Parlor No. 23

Dolores Van Veghel Bonita Parlor No. 10

Patricia Bernard Chispa Parlor No. 40

Chispa Parlor No. 40 Patty Knobelauck

Cotati Parlor No. 299 Gladys Wing

El Pinal Parlor No. 163

Diane Davies Lola Washburn

Encinal Parlor No. 156 Marguerite Lacy Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112 Betty Berg Lucille Webster

Fort Bragg Parlor No. 210 Julia Tidwell

Grace Parlor No. 242

Mary White

La Tijera Parlor No. 282 Catalina Knott

Lomitas Parlor No. 255

Mary Silva

Mariposa Parlor No. 63 Ruth Johnson

Morada Parlor No. 199 Carmen Caldeira

June Canning

Placerita Parlor No. 277 Mary Hayes **Ruby Parlor No. 46** Mimi Ponte

San Jose Parlor No. 81 Joel Kennedy

Anhela Oropeza San Juan Bautista

Parlor No. 179 Lolita Pinuela Marie Waller

San Miguel Parlor No. 94

Dorothy Gillett

Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26 Dennis Cooney

Barbara Hazlett

**Tahquitz Parlor No. 333** Gwendolyn Schlange

Woodland Parlor No. 90 Theodora Plocher



# Farley's Old Time General Store Coming Soon At Knott's Hotel!

The GPAM 2017 Committee would like to expand the sales opportunity for Parlors participating in the Marketplace at the upcoming Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Buena Park. The Reservation form for this event will be in the February Mailing. If Parlors return this form to the Chairman no later than March 31<sup>st</sup>, they will be listed along with a summary of items they are planning to sell at FARLEY'S OLD TIME GENERAL STORE, in the May issue of the California Star. This will give members who do not attend Grand Parlor a chance to ask their delegates to "shop" for them for specific items that they know will be available.

In addition, at Grand Parlor, we will have a bulletin board available for posting notices for Parlors that would like to continue to sell their items from their rooms throughout the week at Grand Parlor. We have noticed that many members do not arrive in time to attend the Marketplace, but would like to purchase special items. The notices posted could include a picture of items, along with a description, and room contact information. We hope that this effort will result in increased sales for participating Parlors. One more exciting thing "KNOTT TO MISS" AT GRAND PARLOR 2017.

## Morada Parlor No. 199

SUBMITTED BY CAROLYN S. FLOWERS

Morada Parlor No. 199 has been a busy Parlor! In August, we enjoyed a Farmers Market for a fundraiser! In September, we were cleaning up a local river park with our Environmental Committee and in October we enjoyed a successful table setting luncheon and fashion show.

At our October meeting, we celebrated Halloween with costumes. In November, we initiated two new members, Janice Freitas and Linda Bell.

December found us at our Christmas dinner with entertainment from our local Girl Scouts Troup. We also collected non-perishable foods and socks for our local Veterans. Our PoppySeed group also raffled "Baskets of Cheer" and the proceeds went to a needy family for the holidays.



Kelli Thompson's table, depicting adult coloring





Pictured (left to right) are Barbara Johnson, Luz Alcarez, Joann MacDonald, Isabel Nino and Donna Hiatt.

## Joaquin Parlor No. 5

ARTICLE BY VICKY CESENA PHOTOS BY ALMA HUFF, CAROL BONE, AND HEIDI DILLON

#### **ANNUAL FALL TEA**

Stockton's Joaquin Parlor No. 5's Annual Fall Tea was a huge success this year! This year's tea theme was Blue Hawaiian Tropical Tea and bene-

fited Valley CAPS, the local day program for developmentally disabled adults. It was chairman, Carol Bone's second year as chairman



Members Veronica Aranjuez and Denise Weis (above right) served up



"Elvis" entertained guests with his Hawaiian Songs!

and it was just as lovely and well-organized as the first year. Our generous members donated 36 gift baskets to our tea! Our sold-out event was held at the Stockton Elk's Lodge and catered by their in-house caterer. Delicious authentic Hawaiian Tropical Tea was served by our member's Ardelee McCurdy, Ida Evans, and Michelle Okazaki's daughters! Chair Carol Bone' thanks everyone who participated for your support for this worthy cause!



Our tea Chair & member, Carol Bone', is surrounded by our local corporate sponsors! Carol Ward-Ochoa, owner of Your Secure Retirement and Katherine Setness, owner of Setness Travel!



Long-time member, Alma Huff, spreading cheer at our Chari-tea!

### **VETERAN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

On December 15, 2016, Veteran's Committee Co-Chairs, Roberta Taylor and Donalee McGary hosted a Christmas luncheon for residents of Dignity Alcove in Stockton. Additionally, sisters from Joaquin Parlor brought food, served, and shared in the fun. The menu included deli sandwiches, meatballs, cocktail wieners, fruit salad, macaroni salad, three bean salad, coleslaw, and cupcakes for dessert. Special thanks to Roberta Taylor, Donalee McGary, Heidi Dillon, Vicky Cesena, and Marta Banning for providing homemade dishes made with love. Juanita Case, Ida Evans and Linda Stirm served and made sure all guests were enjoying the event.

After lunch, George, a resident at Dignity Alcove, sang Christmas Carols to the delight of the audience. As the spirit of Christmas warmed the room, more and more of the audience members joined in the caroling. Afterwards, the group played bingo, led by Joaquin member Carol Bickley. Several prizes, such as warm winter slippers, new leather wallets,

## California Lighthouse **Preservation Committee**

By Christine Tripod, PGP, State Chairman

On November 12, 2016 members of the California Lighthouse Preservation Committee, Grand Officers and members of the Order were present at the 144<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pigeon Point Lighthouse. The Native Daughters were able to donate to the Light Up the Future program at Pigeon Point. There will be a plaque in recognition of our donation in the Fog Signal Building. This recognition will remain on display for five years or for the duration of the temporary lens display in the Fog Signal Building until the lens returns to the top of the tower.

Grand President Sherry Farley and California Lighthouse Pres-





ervation Chairman Christine Tripod presented a check for \$1,000.00 to the Lighthouse. While waiting for the program to begin, we spoke to many individuals about the Native Daughters and gave out applications to join our Order!

The Committee looks forward to offering our help to other lighthouses in the future. We need to keep the lights shining and preserving our California history!

and boxes of See's chocolates, were won. Many Joaquin Parlor sisters donated to Operation Secret Santa, which provided each Veteran with a Christmas gift of a warm, hooded sweatshirt.

The Veterans group graciously thanked Donalee McGary and Roberta Taylor for their unselfish acts of devotion to the Dignity Alcove program. In unison, they stood and saluted the two women as a sign of respect, honor, and devotion. Both received a plaque of appreciation. In addition, Gail and Flo, from the Quilts of Honor Organization, awarded a graduate of the program a signed and numbered, handmade quilt that is bestowed to those



Joaquin No. 5 members Roberta Taylor and Donalee McGary are honored with plaques from the veterans of Dignity Alcove in Stockton.

Veterans who have gone above and beyond. The Dignity Alcove resident was acknowledged for his success in the program and his steadfast service to the other residents. It was truly an inspiring day that highlighted the true meaning of Christmas.

#### **NDGW HOME PROJECT**

To place a checkmark for the December Passport Project, Home Chairman Vicky Cesena designed a t-shirt for a fundraiser. The design is based upon Grand President Sherry Farley's term theme. The colors used in the design are purple and gold and feature a bouquet of five sunflowers, to highlight Joaquin Parlor as the fifth organized parlor in the state. The large letters across the front are large and meant to be seen. The state butterfly, the dogface butterfly, flitters above the letters. As members proudly wear the t-shirts at community events, they

will be delighted to share information to those unfamiliar with our organization. Besides identifying us as sisters, it reminds us to smile and stay on "the sunny side of sisterhood."



## On the sunny side of sisterhood

(Front of sunflower t-shirts for the Joaquin Parlor Home fundraiser.)

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The sisters of Joaquin Parlor welcomed the new year and two new members, Gina Grilli and Joyce Harvis-Gruzas. Gina was recommended by members Marlene Good and Wendy Woodrum. Joyce was introduced to the members during a Parlor visit with her sponsor, Elaine Hench, and requested a membership application. It is our pleasure to welcome both and wish them many happy times as sisters in Joaquin No. 5.



Gina Grilli and Joaquin member sponsor receive their new Parlor Pins during initiation ceremony.



Joyce Harvis-Gruzas is welcomed to Joaquin Parlor by sponsor, Elaine Hench.

Hitch up to G.P. Sherry Farley's wagon train of adventures!

# "Join Us on the Trai

### Saturday, March 4, 2017 • Social: 11:30 Luncheon 12:00 noon

Native Daughters of the Golden West Parlors of District 17: Angelita No. 32, Hayward No. 122, Encinal No. 156 & Argonaut No. 166

Cordially invites you to our Luncheon to benefit:

N.D.G.W. Charitable Foundation, Inc. (C.F.I.C.)

California Lighthouses — Essay Contest — Mission Restoration — Veterans Welfare

Please dress as the Committee you represent!

at Frankie, Johnnie & Luigi Too (Italian Restaurant) 11891 Dublin Blvd., Dublin, CA 94568-6812

### Cost: \$25.00 per person

Menu Choices:

Caesar's Fantasy Chicken Salad with soup • Veal Scaloppini Marsala with green salad Eggplant Parmigiana with green salad. • All entrees served with fresh baked bread and coffee

All reservations are due by February 22, 2017 Please make checks payable to: District 17 Deputies Mail To: Dolores Ferenz, sPGP, 365 Tumbleweed Court, Fremont, CA 94539

Please include your name, entree choice and phone number with your check. Thank you.

## Congratulations!!!

By Christine Tripod, PGP, CFIC Chairman

It is my pleasure to announce the winners of our Cash for Christmas drawing held November 12, 2016. The drawing took place at Pigeon Point Lighthouse. The winners are:

1. First Prize \$500 Ferndale Parlor #93 NSGW

2. Second Prize \$300 Elaine Wakeman3. Third prize \$100 Shelly Stewart

Congratulations to our winners and a BIG thank you to all who purchased tickets. With your support, the CFIC Committee was able to raise over \$4000. The funds will be used to cover the costs of our financial audit, print new brochures and general support of the committees under our umbrella.

## **Grace Parlor's Wreath Presentation**

SUBMITTED BY HELEN LEIVA

The historic Anaheim cemetery was the scene for a wreath presentation by Grace Parlor No. 242. This cemetery was located in the original five acres of land purchased by a German colonist. A second parcel of land was purchased in 1893 to expand the cemetery property.

On December 7, 2016, in honor of the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor, Grace Parlor members placed a beautiful wreath made by our member Roycene Dieberger. This wreath was put on a stand and placed right behind the Native Daughters of the Golden West plaque dedicated by Santa Ana Parlor No. 225 on June 14, 1990.

Parlor President Jan Allen, recited a beautiful prayer written by Parlor Secretary Judi Smedley. Ending the presentation, all sang "America" and "America the Beautiful". Other members present were Patti Townley, Joan Benson, Frances Trujillo and Roycene's husband, Corporal Earl W. Dieberger, Ret.





## The Top Ten Have Arrived

From the November 2016 "Poppy Press"

Our October Meeting was very festive with Sisters dressed in Halloween colors and festooned with various spooky attire. We were on hand to initiate and welcome TEN new members to Lomitas Parlor No. 255 Los Banos. We look forwardtoincludingour new members into our fold and hopefully they will gain



Back row: Joann Borba, Vickie Allen, Marie Morgan, Darlene O'Brien, and Jolene Gargano Gilbert. Front row: Shelly Weathers, Marianna Marshall, Nancy Williamson, Diane Pimentel, and Patty Lewis.

friendships and involvement in our many Lomitas projects. Always remember that when you have an active Parlor, you attract new members.

### Veritas Parlor No. 75 of Merced — News

SUBMITTED BY MARGIE TREANOR

On November 19th, Veritas No. 75 members held a gigantic yard sale with so much stuff. It was at Amber Baker's yard on Olive Avenue. Olive is a very busy street so it is a great location. Michelle Hafer volunteered to pick up, store items and price things ahead of the sale date. Then came a little rain and she had to quickly move

everything inside her garage. On Saturday, sale day, Lenda and the crew of workers began at 6 a.m. setting up tables, pop up tents and unloading the truck loads of items in the cold and dark. Here came the buyers early too. By 1 p.m. they were sold out and very little remained to be hauled away. The hard work paid off with a profit of \$480 all going to the 125th Anniversary fund.

Suzi Balestra, our Parlor President, chaired the poinsettia sale with the last date to place an order being November 26th. Suzi then heads to Southern California to spend Thanksgiving with her family thinking she will be home on the weekend with plenty of time for flowers. But, as we all know, the best plans can

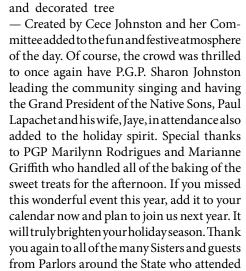
go astray. Suzi's daughter asks mom to please stay the week to babysit the grandkids. The morning of December 2nd, at 3 a.m., Grandma Suzi kissed the kids good-bye and jumps into her car, speeds home from Southern California to Merced. Arriving home, she grabs her folder of orders and checks her mailbox one more time and phones in her flower order. Then Suzi switches cars and races to Oakdale to load 66 beautiful red wrapped poinsettia plants. Returning with the flowers, she knows she must be in Clovis on Saturday to start her deliveries. First stop is for 22 and she begins the countdown. She rushed around all over town and said, "Boy, I am going to bed early tonight!" The poinsettia flower sales netted \$260 for the Parlor's 125th anniversary. Good job Suzi and thanks to all who purchased them.

December 11, 2016, was Veritas Parlor's Christmas party at President Suzi's home. With the decorations hung and the tree all so pretty and the table set with the fine white china, members all dressed in their finest sat at the dining table. Suddenly, bells began to ring and the prancing and pawing of boots on the hardwood floor, it was jolly old Santa. Each member stood with Santa by the fireplace with greenery for a lovely picture and whispered what they wished for Christmas in his ear. Santa handed out the gifts with care and then we all had a beautiful, delicious lunch. Thanks to Suzi and Santa, and we wish all a very happy, healthy 2017.

### N.D.G.W. HOME for the Holidays!

SUBMITTED BY: SUZI RILEY, PGP, HOME CHAIRMAN

The hardworking and dedicated N.D.G.W. Home Committee wishes to extend our heartfelt thanks and great appreciation to everyone who attended this year's 23rd Annual Home Tree Lighting Event. Grand President Sherry Farley's magnificently designed





From left: Jaye Lapachet; N.S.G.W. Grand President Paul Lapachet; Musical Director, Past Grand President Sharon Johnston; and N.D.G.W. Grand President Sherry Farley enjoying the Tree Lighting Event at our Native Daughters Home.

this year's Tree Lighting Event.

The Home Committee is grateful for all of our MANY generous donors to the 2016-2017 Tree to Shining Tree project again this year. Thanks to everyone's thoughtfulness and generosity, our Native Daughters Home will continue to sparkle as the jewel of Order for years to come. Remember, the capital improvement projects funded by this very worthwhile project include: ongoing renovations and repairs – including our boiler, painting, as well as many others. We are currently hoping to replace the carpet in the parlor and in the dining room. Thankyou for your donation and please remember; it is not too late to support our beautiful, beloved Home.

# El Tejon Parlor Annual Christmas Party

SUBMITTED BY DARLEEN CARPENTER

Our Christmas Party was held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at the Tea Room of the Woman's Club with fourteen sisters in attendance. The Tea Room was festively decorated with trees, tall nutcrackers, wrapped gift boxes and live poinsettia plants for centerpieces. President Ethel welcomed everyone and Past President Lurine Webb gave the prayer. We enjoyed a wonderful catered luncheon of pork loin and accompaniments with apple crisp for dessert. It was delicious. We did our annual Toys for Tots collection and brought food and gifts for our Lady Veteran. We raised \$105.00 as a donation to Toys for Tots. Not pictured; Nancy and Ruth Jacobus.





### **Once in a Lifetime Chance**

Native Daughters of the Golden West Fresno Parlor No.187 has an opportunity to view nesting Bald Eagles at Millerton Lake.

When: Saturday March 4, 2017 • What: A 4-hour tour guided by a Park Ranger Time: Barge leaves at 8:00 AM – returns at 12:00 noon

Cost: \$40.00 includes eagle tour, lunch, a birds of prey show by master falconer, Cat Krosschell, plus a tour of the historic **Millerton Courthouse** (**dedicated in 1868**).

Dress: Warm and casual • Paid reservations by Feb 28, 2017 to Karen Fini, 6412 N. Delores, Fresno, CA 93711

Seating is limited/ First come First serve. Questions??? Call Karen 559-392-2604

### **Mission Restoration Committee**

By Cece Johnston, State Chairman

Having been raised in San Juan Bautista, the Mission has been a very important part of my life for many years and I am grateful that Grand President Sherry Farley asked me to chair the Mission Restoration Committee.

Today, we are so fortunate to own our very comfortable cars with heating and air conditioning and are able to travel throughout our Golden State to visit and enjoy the beautiful, historic Missions of California.

Please take a moment to realize what it must have been like in 1542 when a sailing expedition led by Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo made it to Point Reyes just north of San Francisco or in 1769 when the Franciscan religious order led by Father Junipero Serra from Majorca, Spain embarked on a journey to Alta California and established a Mission system on the land.

Many died on the trip from scurvy or starvation, but the ones that survived founded the first Mission in our beloved state of California, San Diego de Alcala in 1769. From there they traveled on horseback and by foot to found the second Mission in 1770 on Monterey Bay, Mission San Carlos de Borromeo in the city we now know as Carmel.

Father Serra had a dream to establish a chain of Missions along the Alta California coast to bring religion to the native peoples and teach them to be good Spanish citizens. Over the next sixty-four years the Franciscan Fathers would go on to found twenty-one missions from San Diego all the way to Sonoma.

As the Missions were built, there was approximately a one day's distance between them for fast riders on horseback. They were constructed very simply with locally available materials like adobe, timber, clay, and stone.

Most Missions featured an assembly of buildings in a quadrangle with a large court-yard space in the center. The Missions were self-contained and self-sufficient communities by necessity because the nearest Spanish outpost with supplies was all the way south in Baja California.

Crops like wheat, barley, oranges, grapes, figs, olives and others were grown on the land surrounding the Missions. Their livestock holdings of sheep, cattle and horses grew to become a significant source of income.

Throughout the 20th century and now in the 21st century advocates for the Missions pushed for renovations and reconstruction including our own Native Daughters of the Golden West. Maintenance work and seismic retrofitting is an ongoing process as we all know. Since 1906 our organization has taken great pride in preserving these dwellings and marking the El Camino Real with bells. Native Daughters have worked very hard raising money for Mission restoration. Three major projects were Mission Soledad, Mission San Jose, and Mission San Miguel.

Past Grand President, Orinda Giannini Petty of San Francisco, met Sir Harry Downie of Carmel who explained the plight of Mission Soledad (right) and she then asked the Native Daughters to spearhead the drive to rebuild that Mission and we did. The small chapel and wing are proud reminders of the project today.

In 1974, Father Williams of Mission San Jose (left) asked for help to rebuild the Mission church which had been destroyed by an earthquake in 1868 and, again, the Native Daughters responded to the call.

When the earthquake severely damaged Mission San Miguel (below left) years ago, it was closed until the fundraising began to rebuild it. The Mission has been repaired and again today it stands as a symbol of what communities and the Native Daughters of the Golden West can accomplish when we all work together.

During Grand President Sherry's term, two very successful Mission Restoration fundraisers have been held.

In September, the members of District 21 which includes Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26, Aleli Parlor No. 102 of Salinas, Junipero Parlor No. 141 of Monterey, and San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 held a chicken barbecue to raise funds for Missions San Miguel and San Gabriel.

In December, the members of Eshcol Parlor No. 16 of Napa got together to, once again, prepare their annual Mission Restoration dinner that was absolutely delicious and very well attended. My sincere thanks to the committee members that planned, prepared and worked so hard on both fundraisers as well as to everyone that enjoyed and supported the events.

In this new year of 2017, I would like to invite all the members of the Native Daughters of the Golden West, who live near or in a city that has a Mission, to get together and plan a fundraiser which will greatly help with restoration costs.

### **Veritas Parlor Presents Image Award**

SUBMITTED BY ROBERTA SALING, VERITAS PARLOR NO. 75 MERCED

Veritas Parlor President Suzi Balestra (right) and sister Doreen Crawford present one of the GPAM 2016 Image Awards to City of Merced Mayor Stan Thurstan at a recent City Council Meeting. The Award was for the G Street Undercrossing at the Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Rail Road on G Street in downtown Merced. The undercrossing features murals and street side mosaic depictions of various local land-



marks on the inside walls of the walkway as well as landscaping at the north and south entrances to the undercrossing. This is the first crossing allowing traffic to freely cross through the city if a train is held up on the tracks or just traveling through Merced.

## Don't Forget! GPAM 2018 Fundraiser

In an effort to fulfill GP Sherry Farley's wish for all Parlors to be represented at GPAM 2017 in Buena Park, the GPAM 2018 Sessions Committee is proud to offer:

5 Nights lodging & All sponsored meals Or 5 Nights lodging

Or All sponsored meals

At GPAM 2017 in Buena Park. Lodging is Monday through Friday.

Meals: Reception, Luncheons Tuesday through Friday, Wednesday Fun Dinner and Thursday Banquet \$50 per ticket

Make checks payable to Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168, GPAM 2018
P.O. Box 7144, Chico, California 95927
Drawing to be held on March 9, 2017
For additional tickets call: (530)517-0528.
No purchase necessary to win.

## Community Foundation for San Benito County Aids NDGW Preservation of Historic SJB Building

SUBMITTED BY LORIE O'BRIEN
FROM THE BENITOLINK: SAN BENITO COUNTY NEWS WEB SITE
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Established during the Gold Rush Era in 1886 in Jackson, California, the Native Daughters of the Golden West is a State-wide fraternal and patriotic organization steeped in the appreciation and understanding of the history of our beautiful State of California. Through rich historical traditions, NDGW fosters the love of Country and veneration of our pioneers as two of its key tenets. In 1910, the women of San Juan Bautista requested that a local parlor (i.e., a 'chapter') of this organization be instituted in their City, and thus began what is today the 107-yearold NDGW San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179.

In 1933, the members of NDGW San Juan Bautista Parlor No.179 purchased what, at the time, was the dilapidated relic of the Pico-Boronda Adobe at 203 Fourth Street, one of the original 1840s structures in the city. This was an investment made by the women of the SJB community as

a first step in reclaiming one more important piece of SJB history. San Juan Bautista is called the City of History due in part to its many outstanding historic buildings that reflect the

early years of California statehood.

During the 84 years since, the NDGW members have dedicated their energy and personal resources to its reclamation and preservation because of the building's paramount importance to the community as a whole; visitors to SJB significantly help support the city, many drawn here in part by the complexion of this historic community as demonstrated by the buildings. Historians such as Charles W. Clough have underscored that such buildings dating back to the mid-19th century are not numerous in the West, yet San Juan touts a remarkable collection.

More recently, an extensive fundraising effort spanning several years permitted a very costly new roof, electrical wiring, insulation, and bathroom improvements, which increased the Parlor's ability to invite people from across California to many functions in their esteemed "Adobe Home". However, the exterior walls had been gradually declining assumedly due to weather, the occasional earthquake, and simple age causing the building to become structurally unstable in several areas. In 2016, the needs out-stripped the resources of the Parlor members and they turned to the Community Foundation for SanBenito County for much needed financial assistance through a substantial impact grant, for which they publicly announce "BRAVO!" and "Thank you!" for their generous support.

The restoration project objectives were clear: to repair and preserve the original adobe material that comprises the exterior structure. The outcome is the successful restoration and preservation of the once damaged adobe walls, which had been dra-

Native Daughters Adobe on 4th Street today...Before below.



matically deteriorating.

The Chris Ingram Lath and Plaster of Carmel engineering team was hired, and after an in-depth analysis, clarified the issues: "inadequate draining capabilities of incompatible and impervious materials previously applied to the structure several years prior impeded proper drainage." Areas above the base (approximately 30" up) only required minor crack repairs. In addition, the team installed expansion joints in areas where the original 1840 structure adjoins the later addition--added on at the rear of the adobe several decades later for "indoors" kitchen and lavatory functions. These expansion joints will now reduce the likelihood of recurring large cracks caused by the two separate structures moving independently.

At the time the original CFSBC grant application was submitted in April 2016, the estimated timeline for the project was two-four months. The grant was approved in mid-June; however, due to heavy rains, the project was finally completed in December 2016.

Much of the labor entailed placing multiple layers of adobe on the structure, each requiring extended periods for drying over several days. The outcome has been the successful repair and stabilization of the damaged base and walls of the structure.

The members of NDGW San Juan Bautista Parlor No.179 are most grateful for the financial support from the Community Foundation of San Benito County and for the team of skilled crafts men from Chris Ingram Lath and Plaster of Carmel. The Chris Ingram team enjoys a well-earned reputation as eminent restoration experts because of their considerable work repairing and restoring many of the California missions and other adobe structures of historic significance throughout the region.

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

The Order of the Native Daughters of the Golden West **1** 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 ndgwgpo@ att.net or check out our web page at www.ndgw.org 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!



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 Sherry A. Farley 2016 - 2017

### **JANUARY**

- 27 Investment Meeting 9:00 AM, San Francisco
- 27 Personnel Committee Meeting - 1:00 PM, San Francisco
- 27, 28, 29 Board of Directors Meeting, San Francisco

### **FEBRUARY**

- Official Visit Tahquitz No. 333, Jurupa No. 296, and Lugonia No.241 —Riverside
- 3 Official Visit — Vallejo Parlor No. 195 — Vallejo
- Official Visit District 15 Bonita No. 10, Darina No.114, 4 El Vespero No.118, Vista Del Mar No. 155 & San Bruno No.246
- 7 Official Visit — Reina Del Mar No. 126,
- Tierra de Oro No. 304, Poinsettia No. 318
- 10 CFIC Meeting — 9:00 AM, San Mateo
  - Home Committee Meeting 2:00 PM, San Francisco
- 11 District 6 — Home Luncheon - Oroville
- 12 Home Luncheon — Donner Parlor No 193, Byron
- 14 Happy Valentine's Day!
- 18 Official Visit — San Juan Bautista No. 179 - San Juan Bautista
- 21 Official Visit — Reichling Parlor No. 97 and Arcata Parlor No. 325 — Fortuna
- 25 Childrens Foundation Luncheon — Jackson

### March

- 3 Home Committee Meeting — 2:00 PM, San Francisco
- 4 District 17 Luncheon
- Official Visit Angelita Parlor No. 32 Livermore 6
- Official Visit-San Diego No. 208 San Diego 11
- 12 Southern Counties Childrens Foundation Luncheon
- Childrens Foundation Committee Meeting 10:00 AM Southern CA 12
- 15 Official Visit - Lomitas Parlor No. 255 — Los Banos
- Official Visit-District 21-Santa Cruz No. 26,
  - Junipero No. 141 Santa Cruz
- Official Visit District 23 San Miguel No. 94, San Luisita No. 108, 18 El Pinal No. 163, El Paso de Robles No. 335 — Paso Robles
- 22 Official Visit — Placerita Parlor No. 277,
  - Toluca Parlor No. 279 Burbank
- Finance Meeting 9:00 AM, San Francisco 24 Personnel Meeting — 1:00 PM, San Francisco 24
- **Board of Directors Meeting** 24, 25, 26
  - Institution of Amapola Parlor No. 338
  - 28 Official Visit-Hayward No. 122 — Hayward

## **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.

#### APRIL

- Official Visit Fresno Parlor No. 187, Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 — Visalia
- 4 Official Visit — Veritas No. 75 and Mariposa No. 63
- 5 Official Visit — Ruby Parlor No. 46, Golden Era Parlor No. 99 — Murphys
- 6 Poppy Day
- 7 Investment Meeting 9: 00 AM, San Francisco
- 7 Home Committee Meeting — 2:00 PM, San Francisco
- 8 Official Visit — Joaquin No. 5 — Stockton — 130th Anniversary
- 9 District 21 Home Tea-San Juan Bautista — Adobe
- 12 Official Visit — Morada No. 199 — Modesto
- 16 Happy Easter!
- 21, 22 Past Presidents General Assembly - Yuba City
  - 23 Meet Your Neighbor Breakfast - Petaluma
  - 24 Official Visit - El Tejon No. 239 - Bakersfield
  - 28 Arbor Day
  - 28 Finance Meeting 1:00 PM, San Francisco
- 28, 29 Grand Officers and Past Grand Presidents Joint Meeting

### MAY

- Official Visit Oakdale Parlor No. 125 Oakdale
- 5 CFIC Meeting — 9 AM, San Mateo
- 5 Home Committee Meeting — 2:00 PM, San Francisco
- Official Visit Sutter's Mill No. 336 Coloma 6
- 7 District 11 — Childrens Foundation Brunch — Marin/Sonoma
- Official Visit Fort Bragg No. 210 Fort Bragg Official Visit — Donner No. 193 — Byron
- 13
- 14 Happy Mother's Day
- 15-18 NSGW Grand Parlor -Monterey
  - Official Visit District 20- Gilroy 20
  - Chapel of the Chimes 28
  - 29 Memorial Day — Fly Your Flag!

### JUNE

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- Homecoming & Official Visit
  - Grace No. 242 Orange 90th Anniversary
- Flag Day Fly Your Flag! 14
- 18 Happy Fathers Day!
- 18 Grand Officers Meeting — Knott's Berry Farm Hotel, Buena Park
- 18 **Grand Officers Dinner**
- 19-23 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting — Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park
  - Marketplace, Seminars & Opening Reception 19
  - Opening Session Memorial Service CFIC Luncheon 20
  - Business Session Childrens Foundation Luncheon 21 Gold Dust Girls Dinner
  - 22 Business Session — Native Sons Visitation —
    - Hicks from the Sticks Luncheon Banquet
  - 23 Business Session - NDGW Home Luncheon
  - 23 **Installation of Grand Officers** 24 Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting

