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Golden Era Parlor No. 99 Member Graduates with a Masters Degree from Cal Poly

SUBMITTED BY VONNIE LEFMAN, GOLDEN ERA PARLOR NO. 99

Melissa Stegall of Golden Era Parlor No. 99 graduated with Academic Excellence from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, and earned a masters degree in Agriculture Education on December 9, 2017. Melissa's mother, Kathy Stegall and "Nana" Vonnie Lefman, both members of Golden Era Parlor, attended the Fall Commencement. That's three generations of Native Daughters!



From left to right: Kathy Stegall, Melissa Stegall and Vonnie Lefman.

Melissa began her interest in agriculture as a member of 4-H raising rabbits, poultry, goats, hogs and steer. Her interest continued in high school as a member of Future Farmers of America (FFA) showing all breeds of animals at the local fairs.

As a member of FFA she earned the American Farmer degree at the National FFA Convention, the highest award earned by members of the FFA. She graduated from Modesto Junior College with an AS in animal science then on to Chico State where she graduated with a BS in agriculture with an emphasis in agriculture education.

After graduation she was hired as an Ag instructor at Los Molinas high school located in Los Molinas, California. She teaches Ag computers and design, introduction, intermediate and advanced Ag mechanics, animal science, Ag government and Ag economics. She is also one of 2 FFA advisors. She coaches farm power, vet tech, and livestock CDE (career development event) teams who compete with other high schools throughout the State. Melissa is the advisor for the student lamb, steer, goat and poultry projects.

It was during the summer breaks from teaching when Melissa enrolled

at Cal Poly in the masters program. After three summers she finally completed her goal of graduation with a Masters of Agricultural Education degree.

The Native Daughters of the Golden West has a wonderful scholarship committee who awarded Melissa funding to help defray the cost for her higher education. She is a success story who put those funds to good use. And yes, as her "Nana," I am very proud of my third generation Native Daughter of the Golden West granddaughter and thankful for the NDGW scholarship committee.

Grace Parlor No. 242 Celebrates

SUBMITTED BY HELEN LEIVA

It can't get any better when members of Grace Parlor No. 242 are privileged to have Jr. Past Grand President Sherry Farley chairing their annual Christmas Party. Not only did she chair the event, she prepared and served a delightful luncheon and tea. Lovely decorations and favors covered all the tables. Five gorgeous bundt cakes, all done up in cellophane and sitting atop cake pedestals made wonderful centerpieces. There was a \$10 gift exchange and a special cookie exchange. Yummie!!

Enjoying the celebration with Jr. Past Grand President Sherry Farley and Parlor President Carol Markel, was Grand Outside Sentinel Gene Dana who is Deputy Grand President to Grace Parlor this season.



Dear Sisters,

It's January! December proved to be a magical time. I was able to spend time with my family while fulfilling Christmas preparations. From baking and decorating gingerbread cookies to finding a special tree to celebrating Christmas with 4 generations, it was the most special, loving time. We then quietly closed the year with movies and popcorn. A wondrous time, indeed.

I am again hitting the road to visit the rest of our Districts and Parlors, which will culminate with my Homecoming to Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168 on June 9th. How quickly the past six months seem to have passed! I have no doubt that the next few will feel just as fast!

Soon Parlors will be nominating their Delegates and Alternates for Grand Parlor. By-Laws state that one must have attended $\frac{3}{4}$ of the regular meetings of the Parlor to qualify as a Delegate. I encourage Parlors to consider who will be a good representative of the Parlor

and move forward as dictated by the By-Laws of the Constitution of Grand Parlor.

Per the By-Laws, ALL Parlors are required to send the appropriate number of Delegates to Grand Parlor. Non-representation will result in fines of \$100 per Delegate. No Parlor is exempt from these fees. Please do all you can to ensure proper representation for your Parlor.

I am very excited to see everyone in Sacramento June 18-23 at the Sacramento Hilton on Arden. We are planning some very interesting and fun times for everyone.



I have some very exciting news regarding our Childrens Foundation. I am pleased to inform you that the Human Milk Fortifier (HMF) Program that was initiated during Jr. PGP Sherry Farley's Presidential year is growing beyond our wildest imaginations. Our Pilot Program through Whittier Presbyterian Neonatal Intensive Care Unit is really quite a successful program. We have helped many premature babies and will, in the near future, move the Program into other areas of California – one hospital at a time. A goal of the Childrens Foundation is to see this program grow to encompass all areas of California. It is a wonderful opportunity to follow these very needy children throughout their 18th birthdays and provide additional help as needed.

A grant from San Francisco's Victorian Alliance will provide a much-needed renovation to the front doors of the Native Daughters Home. The work is scheduled for Grand Parlor week and it is planned to include beautiful artwork in the side panels. Please refer to the Home article in this edition of the Star for details.

I pray blessings to all!



Cynthia Connelly, Grand President

Two more fun-filled events took place in December, a special Christmas shopping spree at the Sugar Plum Boutique in Buena Park with lunch following, and a luncheon Christmas Party at the historic Mission Inn on December 16th. Grand Trustee Marti Noyes headed up a delegation from her Jurupa Parlor in Riverside to join in the festivities with Grace Parlor members for gifts, party favors, and gift exchanges.

Grace Parlor's holiday donations included canned goods for Pathway for Hope in Fullerton, and a sizable donation sent to the USO. As Sydney Greenstreet says in *Christmas in Connecticut*, "What a Christmas, what a Christmas!"



Save the Trinidad Memorial Lighthouse

SUBMITTED BY GT SUSAN COLLINS

On November 2, 2017, the NDGW California Lighthouse Preservation Committee was invited to the Trinidad Civic Club meeting in the Trinidad Town Hall where we were entertained by the Club Members singing to the tune of “I will Survive” with words changed to suit the plight of the Memorial Lighthouse.

A slide show was presented by Jan West on the past, present, and future of the Memo-

rial Lighthouse. It was placed on land owned by the Civic Club in 1949 to house the 4th order lens that was being removed from the Lighthouse on Trinidad Head. The original bell is also displayed at the memorial site. The names of people lost at sea are on plaques around the memorial.

The bluff overlooking the harbor where the memorial sits began to slide in last winter’s storms. The Memorial needs to be moved about 10 feet back away from the edge of the bluff in order to be saved.

It will cost over \$100,000.00 to complete the work. The Trinidad Civic Club is hard at work raising money though many avenues. Time is of the essence. If we have another winter like last year, it might be too late.



Jeannie Duhem, Shirley Jones, Nadine Lewis, and GT Susan Collins, Committee members

A check was presented to Dana Hope of the the Civic Club by the Co-chairman of the NDGW California Lighthouse Preservation Committee, Susan Collins, GT of Fort Bragg Parlor No. 210. Berendos Parlor No. 23, Red Bluff also presented a check. Matching funds have been promised by the City of Trinidad. In attendance were Nadine Lewis and Shirley Jones of San Luisita Parlor No. 108 and Jeannie Duhem of Marguerite Parlor No. 12. These ladies are members of the NDGW California Lighthouse Committee and



NDGW members and Trinidad Civic Club Members

were joined by many other Native Daughter Sisters from around the State. We wish this organization the best of luck in saving their picturesque site.

D’Larah Hurton, Adair Paul, and Arcata Parlor No. 325 served a lovely lunch of sandwiches and salads with desserts after the ceremony. Then we were off to see the Memorial Lighthouse for a photo op.

The Cher Ae Heights Indian Casino provided a shuttle to take visitors up to the original Trinidad Head Lighthouse where a docent gave us more history and we were allowed to go up in the lens room. This Lighthouse was recently obtained by the BLM which has made many improvements and is making it accessible to the public on the first Saturday of the month.

Next, we were treated to a visit to the Trinidad Museum by Executive Director Patty Fleschner. There is one room devoted to the history of the Lighthouse and the 5th Order electric lens is preserved there. The library next door had a new display of old and new books on Trinidad Head Lighthouse. Memorabilia can be purchased at www.gearbubble.com/gbstore/trinidadlighthouse. For more information and donations go to www.trinidadcivicclub.org.

All in all, we had a wonderful time and we thank all who made this an educational and successful visit.

Iona Keil Receives Twenty-Five Year Pin

SUBMITTED BY GAIL KUNSMAN



South Butte Parlor No. 226 honors one of their own. Iona Keil received her 25-year pin. Pictured here, Claudia Warner, President of South Butte Parlor No. 226, is pinning her as Cathy Moniz takes the picture.

South Butte Parlor No. 226 Celebrates Christmas

SUBMITTED BY GAIL KUNSMAN

Pictured Left to Right: Shirley Jimerson, Inside Sentinel; Earlene Knight, Treasurer; Marie Huerta, Financial Secretary; Debby Grove, Hall Rental Chairman; Claudia Warner, President; Santa (Manny Cardoza); Cathy Moniz, Recording Secretary; Anita Tennis, Gail Kunsman, Trustee Chairman. Not Pictured: Rita Buttacavoli



Once in a Lifetime Chance — Again



Native Daughters of the Golden West

Fresno Parlor No. 187

has an opportunity

to View



nesting Bald Eagles at Millerton Lake.

Sunday, February 25, 2018

4-hour tour guided by a Park Ranger

Barge leaves at 8:00 am

and 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, bring binoculars

Paid reservations by February 5, 2018

to GVP Karen Fini, 6412 N. Dolores, Fresno, CA 93711

Seating is limited to 25 — First come, first serve

Questions??? GVP Karen – (559)392-2604

or Ann (559)709-4557



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Berendos Parlor No. 23

SUBMITTED BY BONNIE LOVE, PARLOR PRESIDENT

Berendos Parlor No. 23, Native Daughters of the Golden West presented a donation of thirty-four dog sweaters and twenty-nine dog collars to the Tehama County Animal Shelter. Members have been collecting the sweaters and collars for several months as a special project.



Left to right: Christine McClintock, Animal Care Center Manager for Tehama County Animal Services with Christine Rainwater, Carol Mieske, and Bonnie Love representing the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

El Tejon No. 239 Parlor Sponsors a Tree at the Womans Club Festival of Trees

SUBMITTED BY DARLEEN CARPENTER

El Tejon Parlor No. 239 sponsored a tree at the Bakersfield Womans Club Festival of Trees event held on November 18, 2017. The event, which was attended by 1700 women and a few men, was very successful. The winner of our tree was very pleased with our snowman-themed tree and the gifts. Our tree really sparked! There were 62 trees awarded at this event. The entertainment was a singer who totally engaged the audience and had everyone up dancing. Thanks to Chairman Chris Kildare, Ethel White, Lurine Webb, Jennifer Henry, and Denice Mettle for decorating the tree and all our members who donated gifts for under the tree.



Jennifer Henry, Lurine Webb, and Denice Mettle. Not pictured, Chris Kildare and Ethel White



Native Daughters Show Up

SUBMITTED BY PGP BETH PERRIN

Are you taking advantage of every opportunity to introduce NATIVE DAUGHTERS to new people? Last year Toluca Parlor No. 279 had an information table at Campo de Cahuenga’s annual re-enactment. And they recruited a new active member. Dolores Crowell and Bea Hastings showed up again this year and met four potential members. Has your Parlor identified an upcoming local community event where you can have a Native Daughter information table? Please try. We have so much to offer.



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

List of Initiated Members

We welcome and congratulate our new Sisters and their Parlors:
July 12, 2017 – January 8, 2018

Ursula Parlor No. 1 Evalyn Ghormley	Sutter Parlor No. 111 Laura Baccelli Juliet Heller Ahna Ligtenberg-Heller	Placerita Parlor No. 277 Marjorie Bernath
Joaquin Parlor No. 5 Diane Archuleta Kitty Bussey Janwyn Funamura Susan Lee Susan Machado Nancy Phipps Deborah Williams	Darina Parlor No. 114 Michele Sullivan	Toluca Parlor No. 279 Angela Fennessy
Laurel Parlor No. 6 Marilyn Smith	El Vespero Parlor No. 118 Kelly Holland	Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 Betsy Gaudette-Cross
Bonita Parlor No. 10 Michele Nesbitt	Hayward Parlor No. 122 Arlene Paxton Isabella Santos	Cotati Parlor No. 299 Carla Filgas Lynn Fitzpatrick Katherine Foster Christine Jenkins Sally Johnson Camille Lehrmann Colleen Merickel Theresa Ryan Debra Shippey Mary Smith
Marguerite Parlor No. 12 Sue Quinn Chantelle Rogers	Oakdale Parlor No. 125 Mary Whitaker	Gilroy Parlor No. 312 Terri Aulman Carolyn Olsen
Eschol Parlor No. 16 Anna DeMattei Gillian Homick Barbara Mack	Calistoga Parlor No. 145 Carolyn Bechtel	Poinsettia Parlor No. 318 Katherine Johnson Patricia Becnerra Rochelle Hale Barbara Marcus Desiree Ranallo Roberta Medrano Denise Olivares
Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26 Sally Burgess Dominique Daubenbis Marilyn Fenn Susan Tappero	Nataqua Parlor No. 152 Mary Levada Michele Levada Sherrie Thornton	George C. Yount Parlor No. 322 Anna Marta Lopez
Ruby Parlor No. 46 Vienna Watkins-Colodzin	Encinal Parlor No. 156 Katherine Johnson Patricia Lockner Barbara Rosenberg Teresa Veasy	West Wind Parlor No. 328 Susan Parker
Veritas Parlor No. 75 Agnes Stone	El Pinal Parlor No. 163 Laua Benites Tara Covell Chelsie Foster Barbara Moloney Joy Ruddell Shaunna Sullivan	Rancho La Puente Parlor No. 331 Sandra Harris
San Jose Parlor No. 81 Kaitlyn Scadina-Mansfield Joann Smith	Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168 Debra Reynolds	Zinfandel Parlor No. 337 Doris Beck Candace McGee
Woodland Parlor No. 90 Robyn Cherwin Lorraine McGrath	San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179 Shelby O’Neil	Amapola Parlor No. 338 Jennifer Cheney Lauren Hartwick Ashley Millsap Andrea Sexton Amber Slusser Michele Snider Angela Spinetta Elizabeth Tone
Reichling Parlor No. 97 Jo Mell	Marinita Parlor No. 198 Laura Barton Katie Woolard	
Vendome Parlor No. 100 Bonnie Carroll Patricia Girard Joanne Lindsey Frances Vader Carol Williams	Morada Parlor No. 199 Gloria Casas Fort Bragg Parlor No. 210 Helen Haun Mary Knoerdel Susan Nella Melissa Wuoltee Liberty Parlor No. 213 Audrey Campbell Lomitas Parlor No. 255 Susan Jordan Judith Medford	
Aleli Parlor No. 102 Candice Jansen Linda Yop		
San Luisita Parlor No. 108 Nancy DeLauer		

Deceased Members

We extend the deepest sympathy of Grand Parlor to the families and Parlors of the Sisters who passed away between July 12, 2017 – January 8, 2018.

Joaquin Parlor No. 5 Sharon Harlowe	Reina Del Mar Parlor No. 126 Kathlyn Regina	South Butte Parlor No. 226 Carolyn Childers
Bonita Parlor No. 10 Dee McGuigan	Placer Parlor No. 138 Eva Mae Rankin Lillian Sprague	San Bruno Parlor No. 246 Wanda Facchini
Marguerite Parlor No. 12 Joan Miller	Junipero Parlor No. 141 Dixie Lamb	Lomitas Parlor No. 255 Evelyn Benidettino
Califia Parlor No. 22 Alice Goldie Dee Muncy	Calistoga Parlor No. 145 Claire Turley	Toluca Parlor No. 279 Vera Holloway
Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26 Carla Vencill	Vista Del Mar Parlor No. 155 Joy White	Charter Oak Parlor No. 292 Eva Kyle
Manzanita Parlor No. 29 Marilyn Engelking	El Pinal Parlor No. 163 Evaline Curti	Jurupa Parlor No. 296 Esther Stuetig
Forrest Parlor No. 86 Marla Moreno	Fresno Parlor No. 187 Loydene Maxwell	George C. Yount Parlor No. 322 Patricia Foss
Woodland Parlor No. 90 Helen Webber	Gold of Ophir Parlor No. 190 Penny Readman	West Wind Parlor No. 328 Diana Metheny Dorothy Raley
Darina Parlor No. 114 Claudine Silveira	Donner Parlor No. 193 Betty Gianotti	Rancho La Puente Parlor No. 331 Phyllis Tucker
El Vespero Parlor No. 118 Mary Crosat	San Diego Parlor No. 208 Margueritte Iles Edith Musgrove	Tahquitz Parlor No. 333 Patricia Yvonne Leroux
Oakdale Parlor No. 125 Jeanette Brizendine	Sonoma Parlor No. 209 Marilyn Caselli Lei Poncia	

Native Daughters of the Golden West Donner Parlor No. 193



Cordially Invites
You and Guests
To Attend Our
**NDGW Home
Luncheon
Sunday,
February 18, 2018**

Sweeney’s Grill & Bar

301 Oak St. Brentwood, CA 9451
925-634-5192

Luncheon Begins at 12:00 NOON

No Host Social at 11:00 — Full Bar

Note this restaurant is opening its doors just for us.
Normally not open on Sunday!

Luncheon selections are: Meat Ravioli with Meat sauce,
Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce
or Vegetable plate.

All served with Salad, Strawberry Shortcake
and a non-alcoholic beverage. **\$25 per person**

Tax and Gratuity are included.

Reservation Deadline Monday, February 12, 2018

Cut and Return with your reservation count

Name _____

Parlor Name and Number _____

For each reservation, please identify below each
person’s luncheon choice: Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan,
Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate

Total Number of guests _____x \$25
= Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

**Please mail reservation payment by
Monday February 12, 2018 to:
Annette Hansen**

15674 West Von Sosten Rd Tracy, CA 95304, (209) 835-3851

Name:	Circle Entree Selection:
1 _____	Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate
2 _____	Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate
3 _____	Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate
4 _____	Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate
5 _____	Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate
6 _____	Meat Ravioli, Chicken Parmesan, Steak with Mushroom sauce or Vegetable plate



Clampers, Native Daughters of Marguerite Parlor No. 12, and families share their love of California and contribute holiday cheer by decorating a Christmas tree for the annual Hwy 50 display. The tree is located between the caboose and Jack Russell Brewery. Back row left to right: Carolyn and Chris Morgret, Jim Zeek and dog Toby, Charlie Robertson, Adrianna Novello, Jordan Searle, Bonny Robertson Front row: Carol Mueller and Mary Ann Harper

Marguerite Parlor No. 12 and Clampers Help Make Placerville More Festive!

SUBMITTED BY MICHAL LAWRENCE

Probably no local resident would ever guess that the notorious “Clampers” and the Native Daughters of the Golden West would be collaborating on a project to bring Christmas cheer to the community. Yet that is exactly what happened thanks to a chance meeting between Native Daughter Mary Ann Harper and E. Clampus Vitus member Chris Morgret, whom she recognized from a recent photo in the Mountain Democrat, showing his group of “Clampers” engaging in a clean-up project in Pollock Pines.

Harper was quick to offer them another opportunity to be of service by asking for help creating ornaments for a Christmas tree that Native Daughters intended to put up along Hwy 50. Morgret made bright yellow corrugated plastic cutouts shaped like California and donated by his ECV chapter, who recognized this as “helping to change public perception of our organization, whose purpose has evolved to educate young members about responsible citizenship and community service.” The tree, decorated by members of both groups and their families, went up as part of the spectacular annual display of decorated Christmas trees that delights residents and travelers throughout the holidays as they pass through Placerville on Hwy 50.



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Joaquin Parlor No. 5, Stockton

SUBMITTED BY HEIDI DILLON

Halloween

Double, double toil and trouble; fire burn and cauldron bubble! A “Spooktacular” time was had by all at the October 24th Halloween-themed Parlor meeting. Joaquin Parlor Sisters enjoyed donning costumes for the merriment that ensued, as well as the delicious lunch provided by the day’s hosts, Hortenzia Moreno and Helen Prieto. Everyone was pleasantly pleased with the Halloween decorations creatively displayed by Helen and Hortenzia.

Welcome New Members

In November, Joaquin Parlor initiated three new Members: Diane Archuleta, Susan Machado, and Deborah Williams. Thelma Casem was recently reinstated as well. A warm welcome to all our new Members. We look forward to getting to know you all at our monthly meetings and events.

Home Christmas Tree Lighting Bus Trip to San Francisco

Joaquin Parlor Senior Past President, Alma Huff, hosted a merry bus trip to San Francisco. The bus, filled with Members, family and friends, didn’t even notice the traffic as they all enjoyed delicious snacks and played games, trying their luck to win the coveted opportunity drawings. After a few hours spent shopping, everyone reloaded the bus to arrive at our beloved jewel of the Order, our Native Daughters of the Golden West Home. Many oohs and awes, were heard at the lovely Christmas decorations on display. Everyone enjoyed singing Christmas carols lead by Past Grand President Sharon Johnston and her merry little helper, Hannah Rose!

Veterans Christmas Party

The holiday season was full of Christmas cheer. Joaquin Parlor Vet-



Joaquin Parlor Inside Sentinel, Rose Buenrostro and Marshal Ida Evans are all smiles at the October 24th Halloween-themed meeting.



Joaquin Parlor Members Gloria Cesena, Lorraine Phillips and Patricia Resendes enjoying the Halloween-themed meeting.



Keith Bickley and two of Joaquin Parlor's newest Members, Diane Archuleta and Deborah Williams, enjoying the 2017 Joaquin Parlor Christmas Party.



Genevieve Galli and Donna Goyette spreading Christmas cheer!



Linda Spaulding, Becky Stevens, and Janet Young having fun during the festivities.

with an antipasto platter was served. The festive occasion and fellowship was a wonderful way to end the year.

El Tejon Parlor No. 239 Devoted Daughter 2017-2018 Ruth Jacobus

Several years ago, El Tejon Parlor created their Devoted Daughter Award to honor a member who has provided exceptional service, dedication, and leadership to the Parlor. This year’s recipient as our Devoted Daughter for 2017-2018 was announced at our September meeting. **Our member, Ruth Jacobus was selected.**

Ruth is a lifelong educator. She worked for 50 years at Bakersfield High School as an art teacher and has subbed for the college district. She loves art, including quilting and calligraphy. Ruth has served El Tejon Parlor and the Order in many capacities, including, First, Second, and Third Vice President and as Trustee for the Parlor many times. She is currently serving as Trustee. Ruth is always willing to step up to serve on a Parlor Com-

mittee and has become our official “Cake Lady.” She supports our Parlor activities through her actions and her donations time after time.

Ruth is a real go-to person and always participates. She helps with the Fair exhibit and the Festival of the Trees. She decorates, cleans up, attends all the audits, is a real trooper, and never complains. She just gets it done. One of her biggest contributions is having her two daughters, Nancy and Roxann as NDGW members. Ruth has purchased bricks in the Voss Garden at the NDGW Home to commemorate their memberships. Ruth is an example to all our Members.

**Ruth is truly a devoted daughter of our Parlor and our Order.
Congratulations Ruth!**



Nancy with her mother, Ruth Jacobus

A reminder that
Daylight Savings
time begins
March 11, 2018.
Spring ahead
by turning your
clocks ahead
one hour
before you retire
on Saturday.



**All submissions will become property of NDGW.
Winner will be notified by March 15, 2018
and recognized with a plaque by their panel.**

Jurupa Parlor No. 296 Supports Veterans

SUBMITTED BY GT MARTI NOYES

Jurupa Parlor No. 296 loves our Veterans and supports those Veterans at the VA Hospital in Loma Linda in several ways. In November, 100 lunch size bags were delivered to the patients at the VA Hospital in honor of Veterans Day. The white bags were decorated earlier by Susie Buchko with patriotic stickers, and then filled by members at Jurupa’s November meeting with playing cards, notebooks, pens and pencils, a bag of chips, and sugar free candies, personal care items, puzzle sheets, and a Veterans Day card thanking the Veteran for their service to our Country. On Monday, November 13, 2017, Sue Anderson, Alison Eccleston, Marti Noyes and Melanie Vigil delivered the bags throughout the VA Hospital. Jurupa Parlor has been making these bags and delivering them for a number of years as a special thank you to our Veterans.

On Monday, December 11th, these same four members of Jurupa Parlor took candy canes to hand out at the VA Hospital. Jurupa Parlor members who weren’t able to go to the VA Hospital that day, donated candy canes or money to purchase the candy canes. This year there were new rules at the VA Hospital regarding distribution of candy

canes because many veterans have diabetes. But as long as we had sugar free candy to offer instead of just the candy canes that are made with sugar, we could distribute throughout the VA by giving each veteran a choice when asked their preference. Thanks to Mary Pat Crawford, we had sugar free candies left over from our November Veterans bags. So, because we could offer sugar free candy also, we were able to deliver the 100 plus candy canes personally to veterans as we have in years past.

In addition, Jurupa Parlor was able to donate a number of 2018 calendars that were given to the Volunteer Services Center. These were happily accepted to be distributed to Veterans both in the hospital or those receiving outpatient services. A few calendars had already been donated on our trip in November. Other ways to serve our Veterans include collecting Valentine cards in February and personal care items throughout the year. We owe so much to our Veterans.



At Jurupa Parlor’s meeting November 1, 2017, showing the completed bags for the Veterans are Susie Buchko, Alison Eccleston, Melanie Vigil and Sue Anderson.



(Left to right) Delivering candy canes wearing Native Daughter aprons, Alison Eccleston, Sue Anderson, Melanie Vigil on December 13, 2017 at the VA Hospital in Loma Linda.

Poinsettia Parlor No. 318 Helps Laundry Love

SUBMITTED BY MARY ANN FOUSHEE

Laundry Love, a program started by Joyce Barger and Shayna Metzner in Ventura, received \$500.00 from President Janice Martinez. For the majority of the parlor’s year, members saved quarters and wrapped them in bank wrappers. It’s now a continuing program for the Poinsettia Parlor No. 318 members.

This money is put to good use, as it helps the homeless with clothes washing needs at three different laundry mats in the area. The quarters aren’t actually given to an individual. Volunteers from Laundry Love go to the laundry mats and put the quarters in the washers and dryers. In addition, soap and dryer sheets are also provided to complete the process of having clean clothes.



Did you know that the Native Daughters of the Golden West and the Native Sons of the Golden West Homeless Childrens Fund issued stamps (not postage stamps)? Roger Hall (husband of PGP Joan M. Hall) was going through a large box of stamps purchased at an auction and came across this “stamp”. It was issued in 1946 (a very good year) and appears to be similar to our Christmas Seals of today. It would be great to learn if this was the only year they were issued or if there were others, and any additional information you may have. Please let me know if you have anything to add.



Wreaths Across America 2017

SUBMITTED BY GAIL KUNSMAN



Pictured Left to Right: Gail Kunsman, Trustee Chairman and Claudia Warner, Parlor President laying wreath on grave of Clyde Perkins

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.

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 ndgwgp@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

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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 Cynthia Connelly 2017-2018

JANUARY

- 20 Grace Parlor No. 242 Home Luncheon, Fullerton
- 26 - 27 Board of Directors Meeting, Monterey
NDGW and NSGW Discovery of Gold, Monterey

FEBRUARY

- 3 Official Visit District 15 — Bonita Parlor No. 10 (H),
Darina Parlor No. 114, El Vespero Parlor No. 118, Vista del Mar Parlor No. 155, and San Bruno Parlor No. 246, Pacifica*
District 6 Home Luncheon, Chico
NDGW Home Committee, NDGW Board Room, 9 AM
- 10 Official Visit District 28 — Lugonia Parlor No. 241,
Grace Parlor No. 242 (H), Jurupa Parlor No. 296,
and Tahquitz Parlor No. 333, Fullerton*
- 12 Official Visit Encinal Parlor No. 156, Alameda
- 17 District 14 Childrens Foundation Luncheon, Jackson
- 18 District 16 Home Luncheon, TBA
- 21 Official Visit District 1 — Reichling Parlor No. 97
and Arcata Parlor No. 325 (H)
- 24 Official Visit San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179, San Juan Bautista

MARCH

- 2 - 4 San Francisco History Days, Old San Francisco Mint
- 3 Official Visit District 23 — San Miguel Parlor No. 94,
San Luisita Parlor No. 108, El Pinal Parlor No. 163 (H),
and El Paso de Robles Parlor No. 335, Cambria*
NDGW Home Committee, NDGW Board Room, 9 AM
- 4 District 17 Luncheon, Fremont
- 5 Official Visit Angelita Parlor No. 32 — 130th Anniversary
- 10 Official Visit District 29 — San Diego Parlor No. 208, San Diego
- 11 Childrens Foundation Committee Meeting, time and location TBD
Southern Counties Childrens Foundation Luncheon, TBA
- 12 Official Visit District 25 — Reina del Mar Parlor
No. 126 and Tierra de Oro Parlor No. 304,
Santa Barbara
- 17 Official Visit Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26,
Santa Cruz — 130th Anniversary
- 18 GPAM 2018 Sessions Committee Meeting
Joaquin Parlor No. 5 Home Luncheon, Stockton
- 23 Personnel Meeting, NDGW Board Room
- 23 - 24 Board of Directors Meeting, NDGW Board Room
- 26 Official Visit Argonaut Parlor No. 166, El Cerrito

APRIL

- 4 Official Visit District 18 — Ruby Parlor No. 46
and Golden Era Parlor No. 99, Columbia
- 6 Investment Committee, NDGW Board Room, 9 AM
Finance Committee, NDGW Board Room, 2 PM
- 7 Official Visit District 11 — Marinita Parlor No. 198,
Sonoma Parlor No. 209, Petaluma Parlor No. 222,
and Cotati Parlor No. 299 (H), Santa Rosa
NDGW Home Committee, NDGW Board Room, 9 AM
- 8 NSGW/NDGW Meet Your Neighbor Breakfast, Petaluma*
NDGW Charitable Foundation Inc., Committee,
sPGP Dolores Ferenz’s Home 10 AM

- 10 Official Visit Hayward Parlor No. 122, Hayward
- 11 Official Visit Morada Parlor No. 199, Modesto
- 14 Official Visit Veritas Parlor No. 75 (H),
Cathey’s Valley — 75th Anniversary
- 15 San Juan Bautista Parlor No. 179
NDGW Home Tea, San Juan Bautista
- 18 Official Visit Lomitas Parlor No. 255, Los Banos
- 20 - 22 Grand Officers and Past Grand Presidents Joint Meeting, TBD
- 23 Official Visit El Tejon Parlor No. 239, Bakersfield
- 27 - 29 Past Presidents Assembly, El Monte
- 29 GPAM 2018 Sessions Meeting


MAY

- 3 Official Visit District 22 — Fresno Parlor No. 187 (H)
and Charter Oak Parlor No. 292, Fresno
- 5 Childrens Foundation Committee Meeting,
NDGW Board Room, 9 AM
NDGW Home Committee Meeting, NDGW Board Room, 2 PM
- 6 District 11 Childrens Foundation Brunch, TBD
- 7 Official Visit Oakdale Parlor No. 125, Oakdale
- 10 Official Visit District 5 — Fort Bragg Parlor No. 210, Fort Bragg
- 13 - 17 Native Sons of the Golden West Grand Parlor, South Lake Tahoe
- 18 Official Visit District 13 — Califia Parlor No. 22,
Woodland Parlor No. 90, Sutter Parlor No. 111,
Liberty Parlor No. 213 (H), West Wind Parlor No. 328,
and Zinfandel Parlor No. 337,
Elk Grove — Liberty Parlor’s 100th Anniversary
- 19 Official Visit District 16 — Donner Parlor No. 193, TBD
- 20 GPAM 2018 Sessions Committee Meeting
- 27 Chapel of the Chimes Memorial, Alameda

JUNE

- 2 Official Visit Aleli Parlor No. 102 (H)
and Junipero Parlor No. 141, Salinas
Dedication Donner Pass, Truckee*
NDGW Home Committee Meeting, NDGW Board Room
- 9 Homecoming — Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168, Chico
- 17 Grand Officers’ Meeting, Sacramento Hilton Arden Way,
Grand Officers’ Dinner
- 18 Childrens Foundation Meeting,
Grand President’s Suite, 9 AM
Marketplace and Opening Reception
- 19 Opening Session —
Memorial Service, CFIC Luncheon
- 20 Business Session —
Childrens Foundation Luncheon,
Cali Girls Fun Night
- 21 Business Session — NSGW Visitation,
Hicks from the Sticks
Luncheon, Banquet
- 22 Business Session —
NDGW Home Luncheon
- 22 Installation of Grand Officers





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