

Grand President Susan Collins

Greetings Sisters,

As we ring in a new year we have much to ponder before we can move on. As we reflect on 2021, remembering the losses of the year; two Past Grand Presidents, members, family, and of course Betty White, we must also think of our accomplishments. No one thought that we would still be in the clutches of this nasty thing called Covid, but here we are. We have had to learn to work within the government restrictions while respecting the personal choices of our members and striving to remain safe and healthy.

A successful Grand Parlor annual meeting was held in June and the Sessions Committee for Grand Parlor has been working with the hotel in Rohnert Park to create a fun, safe, and pleasant GPAM for 2022. Information about GPAM 2022 will be out in the next month.

I find it hard to believe that my term is almost half over. I have enjoyed meeting so many Sisters over the last few months and I will be traveling a great deal more in the coming months. I love learning new things about our Great State and all its regions where ever I go. I look forward to upcoming official visits.



GP Susan enjoying the beauty of Meux House at the holidays.

I also want to remind you that several aspects of our Order are considering new legislation that will be beneficial to the future of this organization. A quick reminder that Legislation is due by March 1st this year to allow for review by the committees. If your parlor has any questions, they should be referred to the State of the Order Committee.

As we move forward in a world where you can be anything, choose to be kind. Being kind is more important than being right. Remember we don't always know what other people are dealing with in their personal lives, so just be nice.

So until we meet in person stay safe.

In sisterly devotion,

Susan Collins,
Grand President

In Loving Memory



PGP Adeline 'Addie' Coronado January 29, 1928 – December 11, 2021

Past Grand President Adeline 'Addie' Coronado closed her little eyes and peacefully took her last breath on December 11, 2021. She was born 93 years ago and truly lived a full life. In October 1952 she became a Registered Nurse, and in 1961 she became a Nurse Midwife. For a total of nine years, (three years at a time) she worked in East Africa performing many duties in a 'not the state of the art' hospital and loved every minute of it. The Native Daughters of the Golden West was something she was very proud of. She wanted to 'Illuminate' California and so for her year as Grand President, chose the theme "Lighting the Way for All." She served as Grand President from 2006-2007 and those who were once 'friends' quickly became family. She was a Member of the Native Daughters since 1977, and was a Member of Toluca Parlor No. 279, Burbank.

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In Loving Memory

PGP Sharon M. Johnston May 19, 1949 – November 21, 2021

SHARON M. JOHNSTON :
Sister, cousin, teacher, Past Grand President, mentor, friend.

How does one capture her essence, or describe her fine mind, or her gracious heart?

We have all heard the remark that so and so is all meringue and no pie. Sharon was all meringue and all pie; a complete pie, a complete person.

Commanding respect and dictating decorum; she professed: You follow the rules because the rules are made for a reason.

Strong and sure of herself, she always gave her best. By her example, Sharon encouraged the best in all of us.

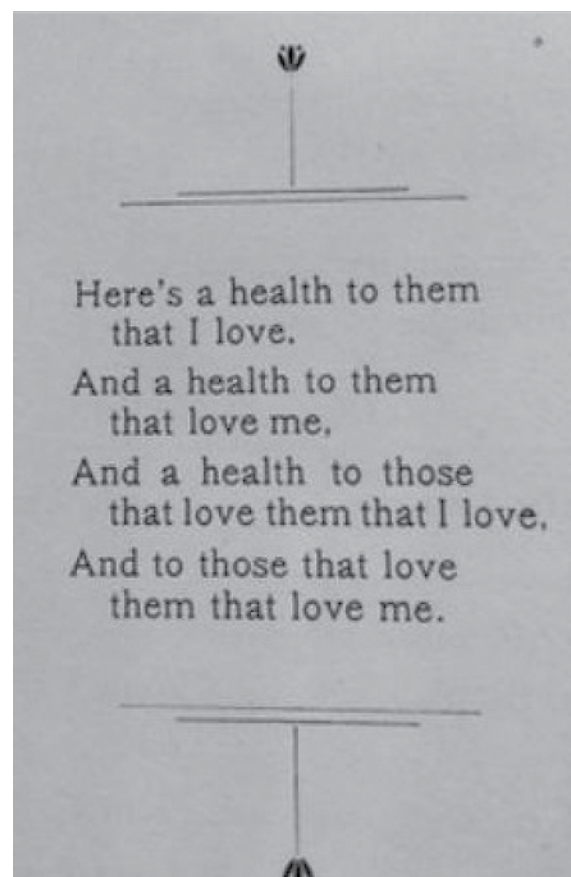
Who will take her place? Can anyone take her place? Who will tell us jokes at Grand Parlor? Who will tell us where all the commas belong? All of our worlds are less without her.

Sharon always stayed in touch with a call, a card, or an email. I find it difficult to comprehend that I won't again hear her voice, or receive a card with her beautiful handwriting, or open an e-mail from Poppygirl.

Commitment and communication were paramount to Sharon. She was taught their importance by two of her grandparents. First by her maternal Grandmother, Nona Guilia in whose kitchen Sharon learned to cook and speak beautiful Italian. And later through the twenty-year weekly correspondence Sharon enjoyed with her paternal grandfather, Grandpa Johnston. Lessons of the importance of commitment and communication continued when Sharon polished her linguistic skills in Spanish while living in Mexico with the Garibay family and studying at the Collegio.

At nineteen, she was conversant in three languages. Knowing this was her chosen path, Sharon majored in Communication Sciences and Arts at Stanislaus State in Merced. After receiving her Bachelor's degree, she pursued and received her teaching credential. In 1971, Sharon returned home and began teaching at Fremont School in San Juan Bautista. A year later, she transferred her skills to Tres Pinos Union School where she taught seventh and eighth grades for the next forty years.

From Ursula Parlor to her Daughter Parlors



SUBMITTED BY:
KATHY KELLY BEITLER,
STATE CHAIRMAN
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With respect and affection, they called her Miss J. She taught her students the importance of education, and the benefits of discipline and decorum. Students traveled with her to the State Capitol in Sacramento witnessing first-hand the workings of government.

At the end of the school term she took her class to an upscale restaurant for dinner where they could exemplify the table etiquette and proper public decorum she had taught them. Someone once remarked, you did not dare misbehave at the dinner because a dirty look from Miss J. could stop God.

After her retirement in 2011, she tutored children in reading and mathematics at her home.

Sharon fulfilled a teacher's promise of taking a hand, opening a mind, touching a heart, and shaping the future.

Sharon was a fifty-three-year Member of San Juan Bautista

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El Tejon Parlor No. 239, Bakersfield, Has a Busy 2021 Holiday Season

SUBMITTED BY DARLEEN CARPENTER

El Tejon Parlor No. 239 has been busy, busy, busy. We have annual events for our members and our community.

Our Parlor annually sponsors a \$100.00 food gift basket for a Kern County Veteran through the VFW Post 26 in Bakersfield. They have an annual food basket program, and our donation sponsors a basket for one veteran and his family.

El Tejon Parlor No. 239 sponsored a tree at the Bakersfield Woman's Club Festival of Trees 40th annual event held on November 20, 2021. The event theme was Winter Wonderland and all 1500 attendees passed through a beautiful decorated arch when entering the venue. The table centerpiece and favors were silver reindeer. The winner of our tree was very pleased with our silver and blue themed tree and the gifts, our tree really sparkled. There were 60 trees awarded at this event. The entertainment was the Bakersfield College Chorale. Our El Tejon member, Darleen Carpenter, was the Advisor for the event for the Woman's Club. It was a great day, a delicious lunch, great entertainment, and beautifully decorated trees. The event was very successful and netted a profit for the Woman's Club of \$100,000.00.

Our Christmas Party was held at the Historic Guild House Restaurant December 9, 2021. The Guild House is a non-profit and is staffed by volunteers who daily prepare a gourmet meal. All proceeds are donated to the Henretta Weill Child Guidance Clinic.

We enjoyed a fantastic luncheon of tomato basil soup, Chicken Delmonico and Sweet Potato Pie. As is our usual tradition, we donated to Toys for Tots and collected \$110.00 to donate to the Marine Corp Program to supply toys for needy children. It was a lovely afternoon and enjoyed by all in attendance.



El Tejon member, Ethel White and her guest Lee Ann.



Winter Wonderland Entry at Festival of Trees



El Tejon Tree at WCB Event

Legislative Measures

SUBMITTED BY DEBI STALDER, PGP STATE CHAIRMAN

The Legislative Measures State Committee carefully reviews all legislative matters affecting history and landmarks, natural resources of our great State, or any legislation impacting our Order. *"If you see something, say something!"*

We need your help! Be a "watch dog" regarding topics of interest to our Order that effect or impact our Beautiful State of California! Helpful information I would like to share... **Check it out!**

The www.ca.gov website is very valuable for information to the different departments or topics of interest to our Order, contact information for your Legislature is on this website. Bills presented before the Legislative Branches— AB are Assembly and SB are Senate — that may effect our Order. Protecting our interests or preserving historical significance (that are of a non-political manner) are also on this website and of great interest to our Order! Ways to help or volunteer your services with several suggested areas of need for our State are also on this website.

Don't forget Environmental Issues, Pen-nies for Pines is always a good project with all of the Fires in California! Contact State Chairman, Leona Sunseri, Also History and Landmarks is another great Committee to protect our valuable historical landmarks! A

Contact State Chairman, Jenni King. I am sure both of these ladies and their Committees would appreciate your support too!

Facebook also has a site called California Legislation: **Check it out!**

Most of the bills presented for the 2021-2022 from the State Legislatures are political in nature but a few have merit for Native Daughters of the Golden West. Attention such as Fire Prevention, Landmark and Historical preservation and always a concern for all Californians are our natural resources! Our Committee is focused on monitoring non-political topics and appreciate active contact of our representatives along with our Governor with our voices to support or disagree with our State Management or neglect what we feel is important to our citizens when it comes to protecting our State!

Let the State Committee know if something needs to be brought to our attention to get the word out to our members to become advocates and show we care about our beloved State of California.

Contact me for further information by asking your Recording Secretary for my Contact information

LET'S ALL TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLL IN PROTECTING CALIFORNIA THE MOST BEAUTIFUL STATE IN OUR UNION!

Honoring California's First Lighthouses (165+ Years)

SUBMITTED BY LINDA THORNQUIST-STUMPF

We invite you to travel the 840 miles of the California coast with us and our CALIFORNIA BEAR. Along the way our California bear will be visiting our treasured historical Lighthouses. Help move our bear up the entire coast by purchasing a mile for her. Our goal, for our beloved bear, is to reach the northern tip of our Coastline in time for GP Susan Collins Homecoming on June 5th. Help our bear on her way by purchasing a mile for her. For only \$5 a mile you help her travel up the coast and your name will automatically be entered to win CASH PRIZES of \$50, \$100 and \$150 DOLLARS. Contributions are always tax deductible and can be sent to Linda Thornquist Stumpf, P.O. BOX 1732, Fort Bragg, California 95437. Please make checks payable to NDGW CFIC; note California Lighthouse Preservation on the memo line. Like last year, we plan to give equal monetary awards to each recipient Lighthouse. The amounts will be based on our total proceeds for this fundraiser. We continue to be grateful for any and all contributions towards these deserving heroic and life saving beacons of past and current history.

When California first became a state, the United States Treasury Department ordered a survey of the California Coast and determined that eight to ten lighthouses were needed to begin with. Today, out of the first 10 to be built, there are only four that are both, still open to the public and structurally recognizable. Of those four, three began operations in 1855 and one in 1856. These are the four California Lighthouses we are honoring this year.

The four Lighthouses, as they appear geographically from south to north are; the Old Point Loma Lighthouse in San Diego, the Point Pinos Lighthouse in Pacific Grove, the Point Bonita Lighthouse located at the entrance of

the San Francisco Bay, and the Old Crescent City Lighthouse currently known as the Battery Point Lighthouse.

All of these had fascinating histories. Point Pinos Lighthouse is the oldest continuously operating Lighthouse on the West Coast and can boast having had the first officially appointed Woman Lightkeeper. Point Bonita Lighthouse was the last manned Lighthouse on the California Coast. Old Point Loma Lighthouse was shrouded in Fog so often that another light had to be placed farther down the cliff, below it, as was the problem for several of the early lighthouses. It also had two donkeys hauling 80 gallons of water up its steep incline because of lack of rain water to fill its cistern. The Lightkeeper stranded on the island, that Battery Point Lighthouse is located on, watched helplessly as a large tsunami wave headed tragically toward Crescent City in 1964. There is so much more as you can imagine after 165 years.

The needs of these historical structures is great. To quote George Thomas "Being one of the last Lighthouse Keepers "Wickies" at Point Bonita, it really breaks my heart to see it in its present day condition". We would like to thank George for his Service, cooperation, time, and providing this article with some amazing photographs of Point Bonita Lighthouse as well.

In my communications with the lighthouses this year the concerns are: Roof and structural leaks, powder beetle infestation, earthquake proofing needs, ongoing exterior and interior painting, cabinetry repairs, major electrical repairs, and the need for Interpretive photos with captions.

The needs are great and ongoing. Please join us on our journey so that these Lighthouses will be here for future generations.



NDGW - C.F.I.C
CALIFORNIA LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION FUNDRAISER



There is 840 miles of California coastline dotted with lighthouses. Our bear wants to visit them all starting in San Diego and heading north.



WILL YOU HELP HER WALK A MILE OR MORE? FOR ONLY \$5 A MILE YOUR NAME WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE ENTERED TO WIN CASH/CARD PRIZES OF \$50 to \$150. (ONE ENTRY PER MILE.) DEADLINE FOR ENTRY TO THE DRAWING IS MAY 15. Drawing to be held at Grand President Susan's homecoming on June 5.



Detach and return to Linda Thornquist Stumpf, PO Box 1732, Fort Bragg 95437
Make check payable to NDGW CFIC; note CA Lighthouse Preservation on the memo line.

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Name _____ Parlor _____

Address _____ City and ZIP _____

Phone number _____

Deceased Members

We extend the deepest sympathy of Grand Parlor to the families and Parlors of the Sisters who passed away. .

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| Joaquin No. 5
Kathleen Vignolo-Knight | Reichling No. 97
Clorina Paine | Morada No. 199
Eleanor Oliveira |
| Eshcol No. 16
Denise DelCarlo | Golden Era No. 99
Janice Scruggs | Frances Rego |
| Melissa Pina,
Maxine Williams | Aleli No. 102
Maxine Proctor | Liberty No. 213
Betty Baker, |
| Ruby No. 46
Janice Jarnagin | Darina No. 114
Alice Cooper | Leslie Ostman |
| Woodland No. 90
Ann Marie Gertz | San Juan Bautista No. 179
PGP Sharon Johnston | El Tejon No. 239
Kathryne Puryear |
| | Geraldine Kall | Toluca No. 279
PGP Adeline Coronado |

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Encinal Parlor No.156 Cares and Shares

SUBMITTED BY TERRIE KURRASCH, PRESIDENT, ENCINAL PARLOR NO. 156

During this past holiday season, Encinal Parlor No.156 in Alameda opened their hearts to local groups in a big way. Under the leadership of Susan Potter, a past President of the Parlor (among many other roles) and Deputy Grand President to Argonaut Parlor No. 166 in El Cerrito, parlor members made, “stuffed” and delivered 50 tote bags full of goodies to Operation Dignity. This organization provides a multi-phased program with social support to homeless Veterans, starting with on-the-street mobile outreach and culminating with independent living. The bags were delivered to House of Dignity, a renovated hotel in Oakland that hosts 54 beds of transitional and permanent housing for male Veterans. Each bag had toiletries, hand sanitizer, a wall calendar, socks, treats, pens, tablets, and so on. Members of Encinal, Argonaut, and Donner Parlors donated items in each bag. To learn more about Operation Dignity for donation/volunteer opportunities



The first is John Potter, President of Argonaut No. 166, Susan Potter, Chair of the project, and Terrie Kurrasch, President Encinal Parlor No. 156

see <https://operationdignity.org/>

With additional donated funds, we were able to give a \$100 donation to Dignity Commons in Alameda. The Commons provides 70 units of transitional and permanent housing for men and women Veterans and their families in former Navy housing. When Veterans are transitioning from one phase of the program to another, they most frequently do not have many of the necessities for setting up a home. The program relies on donations of household items, food, and money to allow the Veterans a semblance of normalcy. Our \$100 donation could, for example, be used to provide a “welcome home” basket to a formerly unhoused Veteran that would include linens, kitchen supplies, and other essentials to help them get established.



The second is Kathleen Valerio, First Vice President Encinal Parlor with the sleigh's worth of tote bags inside the House of Dignity.

The invitation for our wonderful holiday luncheon included the suggestion to make a donation to the Alameda Food Bank, newly renamed the Alameda Community Market, is open to folks who live or work in Alameda. Shoppers can go to their new warehouse/store located at Alameda Point (the former Naval Air Station) once a week to pick up fresh fruits and

veggies, meats, treats, and even pet food. Food items are donated by local merchants, such as Trader Joe's, Safeway, Lucky, and Target. Our members and guests were very generous, with a combined donation of \$335. Thanks to the leveraging power used by the Alameda County Food Bank, each dollar buys \$7 worth of goods, making our donation worth \$2,345! The market is open 3 days a week (MWF) and volunteers restock shelves on the other two days. The Market serves around 200 families each day. To learn more about donation/volunteer opportunities see <https://www.alamedafoodbank.org/>.

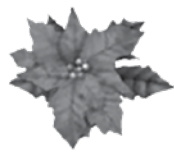


The third is Kathleen Valerio, Mary Elise Cooper, Case Manager at Dignity Commons, Terrie Kurrasch, and Lynn Losande, Treasurer.

We are proud to have been able to support our Veterans and the general welfare of our community this past year and look forward to doing it over again. Sharing and caring for our neighbors is one of the things I like best about being a member of NDGW. I'm so proud of our Bay Area District sisters! Thanks for your continued generosity and support as we continue to build community and improve the lives of fellow Californians on into 2022.

Thank you Sisters from the Native Daughters of the Golden West's Charitable Foundation, Incorporated (N.D.G.W. C.F.I.C.)!

The C.F.I.C. is proud to announce the success of our Annual “Cash for Christmas” Opportunity Drawing



The N.D.G.W. C.F.I.C. is pleased to thank everyone who supported this year's Cash for Christmas Drawing. This year we sold an amazing 1,051 tickets and brought in \$8,470 to directly benefit our CFIC State Committees:

Americanism and Civic Participation, California Admission Day, California History, Landmarks, and Historical Buildings, (Sub-Committees: Art Talent and Essay Contests), California Lighthouse Preservation, Education and Scholarships

The Native Daughters of the Golden West Charitable Foundation, Inc. is an established 501(c)3 nonprofit. All donations made to the Charitable Foundation or the individual committees listed above are 100% tax deductible. Your contribution to the Charitable Foundation's Undesignated Fund allows all of the money raised by these committees to support their projects.

The opportunity drawing was held virtually on Sunday, December 6, 2020 and we are proud to announce the lucky winners who received the following monetary prizes. Congratulations to all!!

****FIRST PRIZE: \$500.00 ~ Allan Baird, PGP, NSGW**

**** SECOND PRIZE, \$300.00 ~ D'Lorah Hurton, Berendos Parlor No. 23**

****THIRD PRIZE: \$100.00 ~ Joaquin Parlor No. 5**

The Charitable Foundation wishes to thank everyone for participating. A HUGE thank you to NSGW PGP Allan Baird, who kindly donated his \$500 winnings back to the CFIC!! Thank you Allan!

The C.F.I.C. Committee also wishes to thank Renee Rianda, GOS for her dedication and hard work in organizing the ticket sales for our annual Cash for Christmas drawing! We could not do it without you!

Join the Mission March!

SUBMITTED BY MARIA ELENA SERNA, STATE CHAIRMAN MISSION RESTORATION

The Members of the Mission Restoration Committee want to thank everyone for continued support of all of our Historic California Missions.

Once again, we invite our Sisters to join the “Green March” a project that began in April of 2020, by Jana Jack of Eshcol Parlor No. 16. This “virtual” fundraiser began during the pandemic, and our Missions have many needs, too many to list, but with the generosity of so many Native Daughters and Parlors statewide, we hope to continue the tradition of Native Daughters helping out. It is the hope of our Committee to fund some of the requests submitted by our California Missions this year!



As the State Chairman, I want to thank you in advance for supporting our magnificent Missions' Green March. Please send your donation to:

**NDGW GRAND PARLOR OFFICE
543 BAKER STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94117-1405**



Checks payable to: N.D.G.W. C.F.I.C. (Include: Mission Restoration on the memo line)

What Happens with my N.D.G.W. Dues?



SUBMITTED BY DARLEEN CARPENTER, STATE CHAIRMAN

We all pay annual dues to our Subordinate Parlors and a portion of these dues are paid to Grand Parlor (per capita tax). You might ask, “What do I get for this?”, well, let me explain. Every non-profit incurs administrative costs to manage the organization and to provide services for their members. Our Native Daughter organization is no different.

The bulk of our income is generated from dues (per capita), interest from our investments, and a small amount of administrative fees from committees for service rendered to those committees.

We are fortunate that we own our building so there is no rent to be paid, but we do have property taxes to pay along with utilities to light and heat the building. We also need staff to answer the phones, send monthly mailings, provide supplies to Parlors as requested, maintain our membership records, and to keep our Grand Parlor Office open and operational. We have a bookkeeper who makes deposits, issues checks, processes

payroll and payroll taxes, provides reports to our State Committees, invoices Parlors for Per capita and insurance, records and maintains the books of the Order and coordinates our Annual Tax returns (required by law) with the CPA. There are also costs for phone, office supplies, postage, cleaning, CPA fees, insurance, legal, and our California Star newspaper.

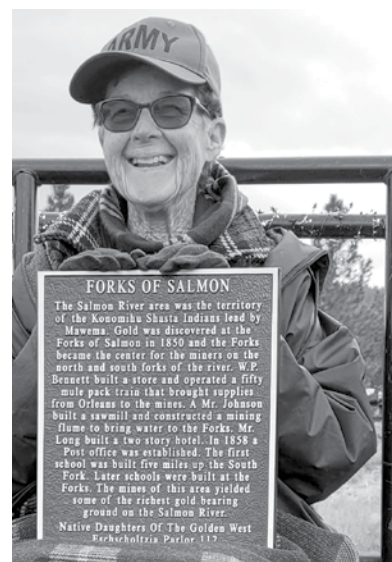
There are also costs for the GPAM as mandated by our Books of the Order for our Grand Parlor Annual Meeting which is required by law to maintain our non-profit status.

As you can see, paying your dues you pay is vital to operating our organization and servicing the needs of our Native Daughter Members, maintaining our non-profit status, and preserving California history by continuing our programs and projects. On behalf of the Finance Committee, we appreciate your support and thank you for paying your annual dues.

Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112 Supports Community

SUBMITTED BY MELANIE FOWLE-NELSON

This past fall Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112 participated in both the Veterans and Ft. Jones Christmas Parades. Secretary Melanie Fowle-Nelson sat in the back of the ranch Ranger holding a newly created historical plaque for the mining town of Forks of the Salmon. Committee chairs Janet Muzinich and Lynda Beverlin have been responsible for numerous plaque creations, some of which were marking former one room elementary schools and another showing location of the buildings in the former mining town of Oro Fino. President Mary Burton and Past President Francyne Jenner (driving) displayed huge bears in the back of their red jeep. The bears not only addressed the Christmas parade theme but immediately following this use were donated to the Marine Toys for Tots Drive. This parlor is all about country and community.



N.D.G.W. Childrens Foundation Celebrate California's Children

SUBMITTED BY SANDRA FIRPO
CHILDRENS FOUNDATION COMMITTEE PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR

A lively gathering of sisters from all across the state joined our Grand President Susan Collins, Grand Officers, and Past Grand Presidents on Sunday, December 5, 2021 at the lovely Basque Cultural Center in South San Francisco. The Native Sons Grand President Ron Brocco and other NSGW dignitaries also attended the event. This Annual Christmas Luncheon was hosted by the District 15 Parlors: Bonita Parlor No. 10, Darina Parlor No. 114, El Vespero Parlor No. 118, Vista del Mar Parlor No. 155, San Bruno Parlor No. 246 raises funds for our Native Daughters of the Golden West Childrens Foundation. The holiday décor, beautiful baskets on the stage, and everyone's festive-wear, truly brightened the room.



Sandra Firpo presenting the CF Camperships

Guest speakers for the afternoon were Linda Dusek of Petaluma Parlor No. 222, and Sandra Firpo of San Bruno Parlor No. 246. Both ladies are serving on the Childrens Foundation Committee. Since the Childrens Foundation was established in 1952, well over 6,000 California children have been helped through grants



District 15 Luncheon Chairman Donna Fletcher (Left) and GP Susan Collins welcoming guests to our Annual Childrens Foundation Luncheon

that fill the gap between what insurance won't cover, and what a family's personal income, can't.

Linda shared the stories of several children whose quality of life has been enhanced thanks to your support of the NDGW Childrens Foundation! A device, or therapy, or medication may seem like a simple item, but when it isn't covered by insurance or unavailable because of cost, the Childrens Foundation can fill that gap with an individual grant, and make it possible! Sandra's presentation focused on the other types of grants available through the NDGW Childrens Foundation: Camperships and Non-Profit Organizational. These grants can help many California children at once — such as the camp that was able to construct shade structures and buy sleeping bags, which made it possible to welcome 45 visually disabled teens to camp this past summer. Or, because of the pandemic, the camp that went "virtual" by sending "camp supply boxes" to the homes of the campers. Then, on computer, they guided the kids through daily activities based on the supplies in those boxes!



Guest Speakers Linda Dusek (left), and Sandra Firpo

How can YOU help children in California through our Childrens Foundation? YOU can donate directly to the NDGW Childrens Foundation. Or your parlor may consider a fundraiser to benefit the Childrens Foundation.

YOU can refer a child who could benefit from a grant. As an NDGW member, you can contact a member of the Childrens Foundation Committee, and let us know of a child in California who could use some help!

YOU can make a donation, or guide a family to the applications (Individual, Campership, Non-Profit Organizational) through our website at: www.ndgw.org

We also have a Facebook page: www.facebook.com/NDGWChildrensFoundation

Thank YOU for making a difference in the life of a child in California through your NDGW Childrens Foundation!

Welcome Grand President Susan Collins District 20 Official Visit

San Jose No. 81, Vendome No. 100, Gilroy No. 312

SUBMITTED BY JOANNE CHAPPELL, SAN JOSE PARLOR NO. 81

The three parlors within District 20 (San Jose No. 81-host, Vendome Parlor No. 100 and Gilroy Parlor No. 312) welcomed Grand President Susan Collins on Saturday, November 13th for an afternoon of required business, then a fiesta luncheon buffet with delicious Mexican dishes. In keeping with the theme of the afternoon, the tables were decorated with Mexican fabric, miniature cacti, hats, maracas and flowers which were provided by San Jose Parlor. Paper cacti, filled with candy provided by Vendome Parlor, were at each place setting.

The Official Visit of Grand President Susan Collins to District 20 was called to order by Chairman PGP Sharon Logan, SDDGP to district 20 at 12 noon. She introduced PGP Linda Galassi, President of San Jose Parlor. Linda then introduced Sue Fitzpatrick from Vendome Parlor No. 100 and Jean Koehl, President pro tem, from Gilroy Parlor No. 312. Audrey Castellucci from Vendome Parlor received her 50 year pin, and our Linda Galassi received her 25 year pin.

Displays were set up by both San Jose and Vendome Parlors representing one of their projects. Sharon explained our Baby Layette Project, Louisa Postier spoke about Vendome Parlor's scholarship program and about the tickets being sold for the raffle of a lighthouse quilt for the benefit of Grand Parlor Annual Meeting. A BIG AND GRATEFUL THANK YOU to those sisters who donated baby items and/or financial contributions for the Baby Layette Project. And a heartfelt thank you for the many, many raffle tickets sold for the beautiful lighthouse quilt. PGP Jean Koehl from Gilroy Parlor spoke about the Wreaths Across America project that her Parlor participates in.

It was a lovely afternoon, one in which will be remembered for a long time to come. Thank you to all for putting it together and those in attendance.



Carol Boné DGP to San Jose Parlor



PGP Sharon Logan, Carol Boné DGP to San Jose Parlor, PGP Linda Galassi



Veritas Parlor No. 75 - Merced Helps Keep Feet Warm For The New Year

SUBMITTED BY ROBERTA SALING, VERITAS PARLOR NO. 75

Veritas Parlor No. 75 has been busy! The Merced County Rescue Mission was presented with a donation of over 400 pairs of socks for those in need this winter from the sisters of Veritas Parlor No. 75 - Merced. The "Winter Sox Drive" effort was part of the Parlor's Community Welfare project for 2021. On hand for the presentation and pictured with Rescue Mission volunteer Bob, were Parlor President Durell Ewing, Recording Secretary Robert Saling and Parlor Treasurer Joyce Crouch. And Congratulations to Mary Jo Stavros the winner of a drawing for a pair of "Crazy Christmas Socks" from participating sisters.



Joaquin Parlor No. 5

SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINE TRIPOD, PGP

Joaquin Parlor No. 5 has initiated 5 new member this last quarter. The Parlor welcomed each new Sister with open arms. The last quarter started with a Gently Used Opportunity Basket fundraiser. Items were donated and everyone has the opportunity to give them a new home. Also we had an End of the Summer Picnic to celebrate the end of summer. Sandwiches, drinks and dessert were provided by the Parlor and the members brought salads. So much food! Our Halloween Party had us ready to celebrate!

November had us going to Dave Wong's in Stockton to honor our departed Sisters with an Apron Luncheon. The fog couldn't keep us from enjoying the food and the company of our Sisters. The annual bus trip to San Francisco was a hit. The bus transported the members and their friends to San Francisco to shop (Union



Children's Home of Stockton. February has us hosting a "Love the Home" salad luncheon which will benefit the NDGW Home in San Francisco. As you can see we are VERY busy ladies and men.

The Goings On of Mariposa Parlor No. 63

SUBMITTED BY ESTHER HOLM

Mariposa Parlor No. 63 has been hard at work! On Saturday, December 8, the Parlor participated in the Wreaths Across America event. Remembrance wreaths are placed on the graves of Mariposa Counties fallen heroes. Also, hats that were made by members were donated to the Mariposa Manna House for distribution to the community for the holidays.

This fall at a lovely luncheon, Jeannine Skelly was honored for being a 60-year member of Mariposa Parlor No. 63. She was joined by her daughter, Robin Long, a 32-year member, and granddaughter Jessica Whitmire and her two great granddaughters, Jaysea and Kylie. Four generations of native daughters present and future



Pictured are Esther Holm with coordinator Nancy Cordero.



Shown here, Jeannine Skelly with her daughter Robin Long, granddaughter Jessica Whitmire and her two daughters Jaysea and Kylie.



Pictured in front are Becky Tilton and Esther Holm. Behind them are Mana House volunteers Rene Young and Debbie Could-Neumann.

Have You Been To NDGW.org Lately?

SUBMITTED BY SHELLEY BUCHBERGER, GRAND TRUSTEE AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ECC COMMITTEE

As some of our Sisters have noticed, our NDGW web site has had a face lift! Our wonderful Web Mistress, PGP Sherry Farley, has been working hard along with a little help from some of our Committee Members to do a soft opening of the new web site in December. Now we are up and running. Please take some time to look through everything we have worked hard on. It's amazing if I do say so myself! We have a lot of ideas that we plan to implement that will help our Sisters know and love our Order even more. We will have videos and Q&A pages for those willing to explore more about our Order and maybe learn about holding an office. We hope to have GPAM set up as an event and plan to accept payment through the event site for registration and luncheon fees. Speaking of Events, we now have an Event Calendar. If your Parlor is hosting an event or a fundraiser, we can now add it to the event calendar. All members will have to do is to look at the calendar and plan events they'd like to attend. Our Grand President's schedule is also on there. If you have an upcoming event that

you'd like to add to the calendar please send me your flyer and information. This is not a member password protected site so please do not put your address to mail payments to but use an email where they can contact you to make reservation arrangements.

Our charitable entities, Children's, Home, and CFIC, are all set up with their own web page and will be accepting donations online. Sisters can now make donations online if they cannot attend a fundraising event. A new page planned, that is dear to my heart, that we are going to work on is a Memorial page. So many of our Sisters have left us and I know we need a space to connect with them and with other Sisters over our losses. If you'd like to add someone to the Memorial page, please send me a picture and a short Bio or Obituary about the Sister who has passed. We will add it to the page and Sisters will be able to add memories.

I hope you are as excited as we are to have this new tool for our Order and we are so excited to share it with you. Let us know what you think!

Sutter's Mill Parlor No. 336 Has a Busy Fall!!

SUBMITTED BY BARBARA WACKFORD, SUTTER'S MILL PARLOR NO. 336

Sutter's Mill Parlor No. 336 had a very active Fall calendar starting with the Grand President, Susan Collins Official Visit on October 12th. A luncheon and private historical tour were held at Wakamatsu Farm in Placerville. The Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm Colony was the first permanent Japanese settlement in the United States. It was also the only settlement of Samurai outside of Japan, the birthplace of the first Japanese American and contains the gravesite of the first Japanese immigrant and woman to be buried in the United States. Over 38 sisters and guest attended the event. A wonderful salad buffet lunch was prepared by Sutter's Mill Parlor members. Over \$380 was made to support various projects at Wakamatsu. A raffle rounded out the activities and revenue will be used for Parlor projects in the future.



The Parlor was the beneficiary of a very generous donor who provided \$1000 towards projects we support. At our November meeting we had the opportunity to donate a \$500 check to support Veterans in the community through the Military Family Support Group El Dorado Veterans Resources committee. The funds will be used to support homeless Veterans in our region. We were also able to donate \$500 from these funds to Wakamatsu Farm for their Orienteering Educational program at one of their hands on workshops. Both organizations were extremely appreciative of the donations.

Our December gathering included a holiday lunch at Round Table Pizza in Placerville. Parlor members attending brought donations for the local Toys for Tots campaign.

At the end of December, our Parlor benefactor again donated funds directly to our Parlor projects. \$1000 was given to the Military Family Support Group and \$500 was given to Wakamatsu Farm on behalf of Sutter's Mill Parlor No. 336. We feel honored as a Parlor to have such a generous person helping us succeed as we move forward to provide support to our community.

In the Spring we look forward to sponsoring a Tea to support the Native Daughter's Home and Wakamatsu Farm. We send our wishes for a Happy New Year to our Sisters and hope that 2022 will bring us all back together again!



Home Tree Lighting Ceremony



2022 Home Committee GP Susan Collins, Barbara Wackford, GVP Nina Coffenberry, GT Fran Bremer, Joyce James, Chairwoman PGP Cynthia Connelly, Christine Lewis, Vorisia Henderson, Patti Reed and Home Hostess Julia Hull. Not pictured Nancy Phipps and Niki Gamboa



Home Committee Member Vorisia Henderson and her mother, Louise



GIS Barbara Bruce, GT Shelley Buchberger, GT Juanita Case, Jr PGP Renee Chandler. Seated GVP Nina Coffenberry and GP Susan Collin



Santa NSGW, GS PGP Tom Perazzo greeting NDGW members



Standing: GIS Barbara Bruce, GVP Nina Coffenberry, NSGW GM Gary Padgett, GT Shelley Buchberger, Santa, JrPGP Renee Chandler, NSGW G1stVP Jeff Schmidt, GT Juanita Case, NSGW GT Richard Cortez. Seated: GP Susan Collins and NSGW GP Ron Brocco.



Members enjoying Danny Halford's music in the Home Parlor



L-R: Gary Padgett, Grand Marshall, Sonoma #111, Ron Brocco, Grand President, Sonoma #111, Jeff Schmidt, Grand 1st VP, Georgetown #91, Richard Cortez, Grand Trustee, Ferndale #93, PGP Tom Perazzo, Grand Secretary, Sea Point #158

Rancho La Puente Parlor Lifts the Spirits of El Monte Veterans

SUBMITTED BY LINDA SRULEVITCH, PRESIDENT, RANCHO LA PUENTE PARLOR NO. 331

The sisters at Rancho La Puente continue to lend moral support to the Veteran's living at the El Monte Veteran's Village with holiday happenings.

After Thanksgiving, several Sisters decided to help the apartments at El Monte Veteran's Village look more festive. Spearheaded by Grand Trustee Viola Gene Dana, 40 undecorated Christmas wreaths were purchased using our Parlor's Veteran's fund. Each member then went through their own personal stash of Christmas décor, high-tailed it to project supply stores, and walked the neighborhood collecting downed pinecones to make these wreaths cry out

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT!

Members Pat Tsuneyoshi and Lucinda Boswell met at Linda Srulevitch's house to decorate some of the wreaths as examples and as extras for the men who did not attend the wreath making party. Although the wreaths had lots of nice artificial fir attached we got busy embellishing them with bows, ornaments, bells, glittery garlands, and pinecones. Between GT Viola Gene and us, we partially finished about 30 of the wreaths ahead of schedule. We left about 10 wreaths unfinished so the men could try their hands at decorating.

GT Gene Dana, Linda Srulevitch, Deidre

Vail, Pat Tsuneyoshi, and Lucinda Boswell met at the Veterans Village December 2nd to get all the wreaths set up and the food ready for the men. Only seven men signed up for the craft project, but we collected additional guys as the afternoon progressed. Everyone did have lots of fun and the men produced great decorations and they ate the goodies provided. Aleida Reyes, the resident director, delivered the wreaths to the men who didn't attend. We also received a lovely Christmas card signed by the men thanking us for our support. Congratulations to GT Viola Gene for coming up with such a great Christmas idea!

While COVID continues to rear its ugly head with variants, and the communal area as well as the outdoor patio is closed, we decided that the Veterans could use a pick up for Valentine's Day. In the safest way possible we will drop off breakfast cereal with individual Valentine's cards and candy at the Village. Of course the best cereal is "heart-healthy" Heart-Shaped Cheerios! Our members are very generous as our funds were mostly depleted by the wreath project. We have collected 44 large boxes which should take the men (and two women Vets) through



Viola Gene shows a vet how to attach d cor. February.

Our connection to the Veteran's Village began well before the pandemic; providing dinners, lunches, and hanging out to play bingo games. We even did a "Flags Over California" presentation for them in honor of Admission Day. Several found the information quite interesting and stayed behind to ask more questions. We usually see between 8 to 15 Vets, depending on what activity we are doing. We hope we can get more Vets to participate in the future. Meanwhile, we appreciate all the support from our Sisters through donations, both monetary and supplies, making brownies, and just being present to give the Vets a smile and say "Thank you for your service".



Veterans show off completed wreaths! Rancho La Puente members shown left to right are Lucinda Boswell (seated), Deidre Vail, and GT Viola Gene Dana

PGP Sharon M. Johnston

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Parlor No. 179. The promotion and success of the Parlor and the care and sustainability of their historic Adobe were very important to her.

Soon after her Initiation she ascended through the chairs fulfilling every Parlor Office. After serving as Past President Sharon was re-elected as their Recording Secretary.

An Office which she brought her dedication and exemplary skills to for forty years.

She also served her District and chaired or was a member of many Native Daughter State Committees, and attended Subordinate Parlor Official Visits and Anniversaries, as well as Native Daughter luncheons, dinners, and Grand Parlors throughout our Golden State.

In 1984, Sharon began her journey as

a Grand Officer on the Native Daughters' Board of Directors.

At the 1990 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in Burlingame Sharon was installed as Grand President. Shortly into her term the Grand Parlor Office secretary resigned and when no replacement could be found, Grand President Sharon, took a leave of absence from her teaching position, and worked as the secretary in the Grand Parlor Office.

Grand President Sharon made seventy-seven Official Visits to Subordinate Parlors, encouraging Sisters to plan, promote, and participate in community projects.

Her special project was the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge. The Freedoms Foundation recognizes individuals who serve God and country and hold the highest standards of patriotic citizenship. Sharon received a scholarship to attend the Foundation's multi-faceted program in 1977. Fourteen years later she was selected as a jurist for the Foundation's National Awards Program. She was very proud of this honor and considered it one of the highlights of her year as Grand President.

Grand President Sharon presided over the 1991 Grand Parlor Annual Meeting at the Coconut Grove at the Santa Cruz Beach and Boardwalk. Her social theme was La Fiesta, and she delighted in reminiscing about this special week.

In the ensuing years Sharon was always available to lend a hand, or give instruction or advice. Her breadth of knowledge of the Books of the Order and the scope of her experience in Native Daughters served us all. Her loss to the Order is immeasurable.

Sharon was a gracious hostess and a great cook. She prepared fabulous dinners, and joyfully shared her delicious cookies, biscotti, and rich fudge.

She loved music. She loved to sing and often played the piano that had been her mother's.

She was proud of her home and filled it with her collections: bells, teapots, refrigerator magnets, mementoes from Native Daughters, drawings from children, Christmas decorations, and baseballs, pennants, and bobbleheads from the San Francisco Giants.

Sharon didn't just follow the Giants. She attended their games at the ballpark or watched their games on television, always simultaneously listening to the sportscasters' commentary on the radio and giving great thought to analyzing the plays and judging the umpires' calls. All the while wearing orange and black

attire. Sharon was a consummate Giants fan.

Sharon was exacting and discriminating with her clothing, jewelry, cosmetics, and perfume. Closets full of dresses and suits many with matching shoes, and just the right hat afforded her many choices.

If she couldn't purchase exactly what she wanted, she'd buy a pattern and create it.

She always wore delicate jewelry and three scents exclusively, Shalimar, Chanel No. 5, and Chantilly because, as she liked to point out, they all began with "sh" "as in "Sh"aron".

Although the adventure of state-wide and world travel excited and pleased her with new sights and experiences and opportunities of meeting, conversing, and laughing with those she befriended, the center of Sharon's world was the San Juan Valley.

She took her role in its' communities seriously. Sharon considered it a responsibility and part of her civic duty to participate in as many local events and activities as time allowed.

The affection and admiration her former students, their parents, and grandparents bestowed upon Sharon when they encountered her, brought her great pleasure. If you were in tow, it was akin to accompanying a local celebrity.

This beautiful Mission, in which we are so fortunate to gather today to remember and honor Sharon was the Johnston family's Parish for many years. Sharon served as its' Cantor, collaborating in choosing music, and leading parishioners in song. Sharon's faith in God and her religion was surely the source of her vision and strength.

Among Sharon's many legacies is the importance of commitment and communication. They bring us together, binding us in the sacred bundle of life and providing us so many gifts in our friendships: conversation and laughter, experiences shared and savored, knowledge that comforts, words that encourage, insight that blesses, and hope for the future. Ultimately, rewarding us with the treasure of holding each other safe in our hearts with love and tenderness.

During one of our last conversations, Sharon said, "I am so sick, I just want to go to heaven."

If anyone is going to heaven, it's Sharon. I am confident that Sharon will soon be organizing a choir of angels and pointing out grammatical and punctuation errors in a scripture to St. Peter.

A wise man wrote: "Is death the last sleep? No, it is the final awakening."

Go well, dear friend, dear Sharon. May you walk in grace on a path illuminated by the light of the universe.

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Sutter Parlor Welcomes 2 New Members

SUBMITTED BY GAIL PATRICE, SUTTER 111

Sacramento Sutter Parlor #111 welcomed Robin Gilmore in October and Annette Emory in November 2021. They both have a deep appreciation of their California roots and we are thrilled to have them as new sisters in our parlor.

Robin is a 3rd generation Californian from Huntington Park in Southern California. Her mother, and maternal grandmother grew up in So. California as well. Moving to Sacramento in 1978, Robin worked in Administration for the State of California.

Annette was born in San Jose but grew up in the Santa Cruz area, while her father was San Franciscan born and his father and family sold farming equipment in San Jose area. Annette's paternal grandmother was born in Sacramento. Graduating from UC Santa Cruz, Annette came to Sacramento in 1986 and worked for Cal Trans and later as a Special Ed. teacher.



Melanie Conover, Robin Gilmore, Deborah Garcia, Marjorie McKisson (seated), Annette Emory, Valerie Eller Baxter (seated), Milvia Christopher, Carmen Delgado (seated) & Gail Patrice



Valerie Eller Baxter, New members Annette Emory & Robin Gilmore, Gail Patrice, Sponsor



Deborah Garcia, Milvia Christopher & Marjorie McKisson at December Holiday Luncheon, Sacramento

The Shenanigans of Elfina

SUBMITTED BY Gail Patrice, Sutter Parlor 111

Sister Elfina mysteriously showed up in December at Our Daughters Home on Baker Street. We hope you caught her on our Facebook Home page!

Sneaking around each night, she showed up playfully each day in our holiday décor

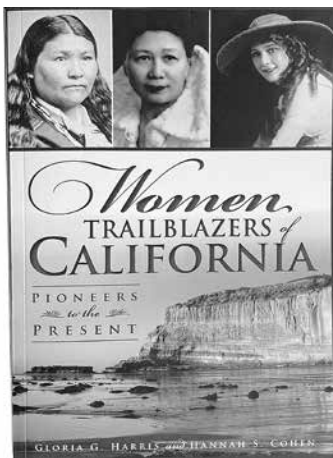
from Christmas trees, to the Grinch, sliding down the bannister and making snow angels... and waiting on the roof for jolly man in the red suit to arrive.

And just as quickly as she appeared, she disappeared on December 26th! Will she be back next year?



Women Trailblazers of California by Gloria G. Harris and Hannah S. Cohen

Donated by Sutter Parlor, Sacramento, to Native Daughters Home. Fascinating true profiles of some of the early women to our great state. From harrowing tails of crossing the country in a wagon with a newborn, harsh conditions of early rough and tumble life in San Francisco, this rich collection is filled with inspiring stories of our early sisters, immigrants, emancipated slaves and Native Americans that fought sexism, racism, famine, and more. These pioneer women set the groundwork for emancipation and equality that we appreciate today.



The Veteran's Welfare Committee Replaces Flags

SUBMITTED BY IDA EVANS, STATE CHAIRMAN

Dan Coffield a member of the Veterans Welfare Committee and also a Vietnam veteran, was contacted by the Veterans Memorial Museum in Fresno and told that all 30 flags posted at the buildings entrance were stolen. Dan reported to our Committee that the cost to replace them would be \$500 and he was hoping that the Veterans Welfare Committee would agree to donate to the Museum so they could purchase new flags. The committee approved and Grand President Susan Collins was contacted so she could make the presentation. The Committee also approved the purchase of a Bear Flag to be presented to the Museum as well. Grand President Susan read the California Bear Flag Presentation Ceremony and presented the flag and the \$500 check to the museum director. The director remarked that they will fly this new flag because it is much nicer than the one they have displayed.

Veteran's Committee members Ida Evans, State Chairman and Dan Coffield along with Karen Fini Fresno Parlor No. 187, Gayla Shorey Fresno Parlor No. 187 President, and Gold Star Mother Roberta Taylor, Joaquin Parlor No. 5, were in attendance to witness the ceremony. All received a tour of the beautiful museum. The museum has a wonderful display of all military branches and is the only one in the United States with an exhibit of the Legion of Valor recipients. The Veteran's Welfare Committee encourages all Native Daughters to visit the museum's website and when in Fresno, definitely plan to take a tour.



GP Susan Collins joins the Veteran's Welfare Committee to make the flag presentation at the museum.

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 415-563-9091, e-mail to grandparlor@ndgw.org 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.

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.”



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.

Itinerary of Grand President Susan Collins 2021-2022

Last updated: 1/31/22

2022

FEBRUARY

- 3 District 21 Official Visit: Santa Cruz No. 26, Aleli No. 102, and Junipero No. 141 (Salinas)
- 6 District 15 Official Visit: Bonita No. 10, Darina No. 114, El Vespero No. 118, Vista Del Mar No. 155 and San Bruno No. 246 (San Francisco)
- 7 District 12 Official Visit: Eshcol No. 16, Calistoga No. 145
- 12 Official Visit: San Juan Bautista No. 179 (San Juan Bautista)
- 16 District 19 Official Visit: Lomitas No. 255
- 18 Investment Committee Meeting, 9 A.M. San Francisco/Zoom
- 18 Finance Committee Meeting, 1 P.M. San Francisco/Zoom
- 18 Personnel Committee Meeting, 4 P.M. San Francisco/Zoom
- 20 Donner No. 193 NDGW Home Luncheon
- 26 District 14 Luncheon
- 26 Home Committee Meeting, Jackson/Zoom
- 28 District 24 Official Visit: El Tejon No. 239 (Bakersfield)

MARCH

- 5 District 23 Official Visit: San Luisita No. 108, San Miguel No. 94, El Pinal No. 163 (Paso Robles area)
- 8 District 25 Official Visit: Reina Del Mar No. 126, Tierra de Oro No. 304 (Santa Barbara)
- 11 District 28 Official Visit: Lugonia No. 241, Jurupa No. 296, Tahquitz No. 333
- 12 District 29 Official Visit: San Diego No. 208
- 13 Southern Counties Childrens Found. Luncheon; Childrens Found. Meeting
- 18-20 Board of Directors Meeting, San Francisco
- 25 Home Committee Meeting, Zoom
- 26 District 27 Official Visit: Poppy Trail No. 266, La Tijera No. 282, Rancho La Puente No. 331
- 27 District 26 Official Visit: Toluca No. 279 (Burbank)

APRIL

- 1 Personnel Meeting, 4 P.M. San Francisco/Zoom
- 2 CFIC Committee Meeting, 9 A.M. San Francisco/Zoom
- 4 District 17 Official Visit: Angelita Parlor No. 32 (Livermore)
- 8-10 GO and PGP Joint Meeting (Madera)
- 11 District 19 Official Visit: Veritas No. 75, 1 P.M. (Merced)
- 11 District 19 Official Visit: Mariposa No. 63, 5:30 P.M. (Mariposa)
- 12 District 19 Official Visit: Joaquin No. 5 (Stockton)
- 13 District 19 Official Visit: Morada No. 199 (Modesto)
- 14 District 18 Official Visit: Golden Era No. 99 (125th BD), Ruby No. 46 (Columbia)
- 16 Home Committee Meeting
- 17 **Easter Sunday**
- 19 District 9 Official Visit: Marguerite No. 12 (Placerville)
- 20 District 8 Official Visit: Laurel No. 6 (135th BD), Naomi No. 36, Manzanita No. 29 (Nevada City)
- 22 Investment Committee Meeting, 9 A.M. San Francisco/Zoom
- 22 Finance Committee Meeting, 1 P.M.
- 23 District 11 Official Visit: Petaluma No. 222, Cotati No. 299, Sonoma No. 209, Marinita No. 198
- 24-26 Past Presidents General Assembly
- 30 District 22 Official Visit: Fresno No. 187, Charter Oak No. 292 (Fresno)
- 30 Home Committee Meeting, San Francisco

MAY

- 2 Official Visit Oakdale No. 125 (Oakdale)
- 4 District 6 Official Visit: Gold of Ophir No. 190, Annie K Bidwell No. 168 (Chico)
- 7 Mother's Day Tea, Veritas No. 75 (Merced or Atwater)
- 9 District 4 Official Visit: Nataqua No. 152 (Susanville)
- 14 Home Committee Champagne Dinner, San Francisco
- 16-19 Native Sons of the Golden West Grand Parlor Meeting (Rohnert Park)
- 21 Childrens Foundation Meeting, San Francisco/Zoom
- 21 Home Committee Meeting, San Francisco/Zoom, 1 P.M.
- 25 District 1 Official Visit: Arcata No. 325, Reichling No. 97
- 30 **Memorial Day** {Grand Parlor Office closed}

JUNE

- 4 Fort Bragg No. 210 Official Visit & Homecoming (Fort Bragg)
- 11 Official Visit Grace Parlor No. 242 (Knott's Berry Farm)
- 26 Board of Directors Meeting (Rohnert Park)
- 27-30 NDGW Grand Parlor Annual Meeting (Rohnert Park)
- 30 **Installation of Grand Officers, 2022-2023**



Please Plan to Join us in June!

Grand Parlor Annual Meeting 2022 is set for **June 26 - 30, 2022 at The DoubleTree by Hilton Sonoma - Wine Country**. The hotel is located at One Doubletree Drive, Rohnert Park, CA (707) 584 - 5466

Grand President Susan Collins and the Members of the Sessions Committee for GPAM 2022 cordially invite you to attend Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in June. Please reserve your hotel room now for June 26th-30th. Hotel reservations can be made by calling the DoubleTree directly at (707) 584-5466 and give them the booking code **GPA**. The room rate is \$130.00 per night with free parking on site.

Some Highlights of GPAM 2022 are as follows:

- * Marketplace and the Opening Reception will be held on Sunday, June 26th
 - * Grand Parlor Annual Meeting Sessions will open on Monday, June 27th
 - * Installation of Grand Officers will be held on Thursday evening, June 30th
- Additional information will be included in the March monthly mailing from the Grand Parlor Office. Sisters, please plan to join us either on-site or via Zoom. We are looking forward to a great week together!

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Room Reservations

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