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A Message From the Grand President

Dear Sisters,
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

My family does an Amazing yard display and we all dress in costume and pass out candy to about 400 Trick or Treaters. It is great fun.

It has been a very busy month for me with six OV's plus visit to UC Davis with the Childrens Foundation Committee, and Jt. Board and PGP's meeting. All my 15 OV's have been very special and I thank all the Parlors and sisters for all their support, encouragement, and kindnesses. I have two visits in November and will then resume OV's March 1. I will have some Board meetings and luncheons during this time. I also resume my job as an Income Tax Preparer January -April 15, 2025.

I am happy to report that we are in escrow for the sale of the Palomares Cemetery. It is not a done deal until escrow closes, so fingers crossed that we get it across the finish line.

We are starting our Zoom training sessions, with the first on November 16, on ***How to Conduct a Parlor Audit***, presented by PGP Sherry Farley. There is a flyer in the monthly mailing with all of the information and zoom instructions. We are requesting that all Parlor Presidents, Parlor Book Officers, and DGPs attend. We will have Zoom training later in November or December. The session with all State Committee chairmen to talk about their committee purpose and what they are working on, will be January 25 by Zoom. This is open to **ALL** members. State Chairmen, don't forget to request your 5% of principal from the Investment account to help you achieve your Committee goals for this year. Send your request to PGP Jean Koehl, Investment Chairman.



I have received the first entry in the Parlor Community Event contest. We need to be very visible and active in the community which helps to recruit new members. Keep those entries rolling in, remember \$500.00 to the winning Parlor.

We are still missing some Directory information sheets, these must be completed **ASAP** and sent to Grand Parlor. Each Parlor needs to have their contact information in the Directory and it is vital to our bookkeeper in doing her job. Reminder to all DGP, your Parlor report is due to me by today, please send if you have not already submitted.

Now for some fun, mark your calendars for Live stream of Mariana Bertola reception November 7 and plaque placement in Little Italy November 8, Holiday Luncheon benefiting the Home on December 1 at the Basque Cultural Center, followed by Tree Lighting at the Home (separate flyer). Don't, forget to purchase your tickets for "Cash for Christmas" to benefit the Committees under CFIC.

In Sisterly Love,

Darleen Carpenter

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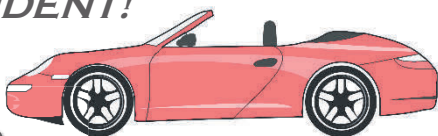
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**ON THE ROAD WITH
THE GRAND PRESIDENT!**

DARLEEN CARPENTER

EL TEJON PARLOR No. 239
BAKERSFIELD



Annie K. Bidwell Parlor No. 168 welcomed Grand President Darleen to their Official Visit with a lovely poppy-designed cake.



Childrens Foundation Member, Julie Mustard was thrilled to show GP Darleen another magnificent Julia Morgan-designed home, located right down the street from UC Davis Health Center. GP Darleen looks ready to move inside!



BIG NEWS...

Recently, the NDGW Childrens Foundation awarded a grant to the Children's Ophthalmology center at U.C. Davis to allow them to upgrade and make their waiting room area child friendly. While they are waiting, sometimes hours, for tests and treatment, they now will have a fun and relaxing area to wait. UC Davis invited the Childrens Foundation Committee to view how they spent the grant and they have done a marvelous job! We toured the facility, met some wonderful doctors and were treated to a lovely lunch.

It makes all the difference for these children during a very stressful time in their young lives. This is what we are about.

Congratulations to all and many thanks to CF Member Linda Dusek (left) for coordinating the visit. Julie Mustard (right) reported that the UC Davis Team was the absolute best! The Team was so ingratiating, kind, thoughtful and really made us feel special for awarding them the donation.



They even have video games!! Native Daughters Childrens Foundation Members are thrilled with the new waiting room for children at UC Davis. *Great work ladies!*

"HOW TO DO A PARLOR AUDIT"

Audits Made Fun

Join us on November 16th on Zoom

1:30 – 2:30 PM

**All Book Officers, Deputy Grand Presidents
And All interested Members**



Lead by PGP Sherry Farley

Sponsored by Board of Directors

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Zoom Login Information-

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83024764595?pwd=PDbEbH0n0rarHvpLQ9kl4dQgblnWrT.1>

Meeting ID: 830 2476 4595 Passcode: 703642

Approved by: Grand President

Marleen Carpenter

Los Niños de Las Flores Garden Party

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Submitted By: Lisa Burns
Tierra de Oro Parlor No. 304

The annual *Los Ninos de Las Flores Garden Party* held during *Old Spanish Days 100-year Anniversary of Fiesta in Santa Barbara* was a highlight for all the children attending.

Tierra del Oro Parlor No. 304 was recognized from the podium before a large crowd of proud parents by Old Spanish Days Los Ninos de Las Flores Committee Chair Sarah Brewer. She acknowledged that the Native Daughters initiated the Flower Girl program for Old Spanish Days 75 years ago. She thanked our Committee who put together the refreshments for the *100th anniversary event with its theme, "Viva El Centenario!"*

With an auspicious 100th Fiesta anniversary year, Co-chairs Fran Mackey and Lisa Burns anticipated a larger than usual turnout. The number of children who signed



Las Señoritas enjoy the Garden Party!



Pictured from left are participating Tierra de Oro Members on the day of the event included Anna Ortiz, Jennie Martinez, Lisa Burns, Jr. PGP Rae Ann Rosas, Kathy Wilcox, Nancy Kenderson, and Dolores Johnson. Other Members made cookies or donated resources.