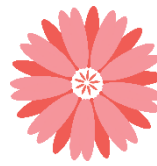


up to be part of the Los Ninos de las Flores ambassador program was over 100 which did not include their siblings.

At the July TDO Parlor meeting, it was decided to make sure we had lemonade & cookies for any child attending, not just Los Ninos participants. Co-chair, Lisa Burns, looked for advice from Fran Mackey who has contributed so much to Old Spanish Days by chairing Los Ninos de Las Flores for our Tierra de Oro Parlor and, as a board member of Old Spanish Days, created a program for girls who had aged out of flower girls, called Las Senoritas. There was an outpouring of support from our Parlor members. All present enjoyed the Native Daughters' generosity and kind gestures to the children.

[Enjoy the 100 years of Old Spanish Days in Santa Barbara](#)



The Sisters of Reina del Mar Parlor No. 126 Celebrate Old Spanish Days



Historian of the Order, Mary Louise Days (Right) and Reina del Mar Member Caroline Wedderburn (Center)



Member Caroline Wedderburn

Saint Barbara 2024

[Learn more about the Tradition of Saint Barbara](#)

Sutter Parlor No. 111 Celebrates 125 Years of Sisterhood

Sutter Parlor No. 111 is located in Sacramento and celebrated their 125th anniversary on July 27, 2024. The celebration took place at the historic 1909 Western Pacific Train Depot (now home to the Old Spaghetti Factory). 67 sisters from Parlors throughout California joined us for this wonderful event! Many of the attendees dressed in various historic clothing and everyone enjoyed the keynote speaker of the afternoon Mary Ellen Burns, who spoke about *Women's History in Early Sacramento*. Sacramento County Supervisor, Patrick Kennedy, awarded a resolution recognizing Native Daughters of the Golden West, Sutter Parlor No. 111 for

125 years of outstanding service to the Sacramento community. The Parlor also was awarded a State of California Senate Resolution from Senator Angelique Ashby's office to recognize Sutter Parlor's many remarkable achievements over the past 125 years.

The attendees enjoyed looking through the historical photos and documents on display and bidding on silent auction items. The sisters of Sutter Parlor are proud of their accomplishments and celebrated our past and our future with a champagne toast. We are all looking forward to the next 125 years.



The Sisters of Sutter Parlor proudly celebrate 125 years of Native Daughters!

Eschscholtzia Parlor No. 112 Conducts Historic Schools Tour

Submitted By: Melanie Fowle

On October 12 Eschscholtzia Parlor 112 conducted an historic small school's tour of north Scott Valley. This event was made possible by the research of Member Janet Muzinich and team Member Lynda Beverlin, who with the funds of the Moser-Schmidt Grant, erected markers at each of 24 historic small Scott Valley Schools. The tour visited 7 of these historic schools with former attendees sharing memories about each.

Without a doubt, this was a day of renewing friendships from many years prior. Elta Towne talked about Greenview Elementary, and then the group headed to Oro Fino where Janet Muzinich's memories were recalled about the old wood stove and drying out wet boots. Then it was Quartz Valley Elementary where Member Sherma Isbell recapped several generations of experiences and even had the

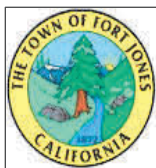
school bell first used by Rose Burton. At the Meamber School, it was Jan Ball, and then on to Ft. Jones Elementary where Harriett Neathammer and Lynda Beverlin recalled walking with other students several blocks along Highway 3 to the high school for a hot lunch with no

safety concern by parents or teachers. A brief aside was stopping at the Fort Monument, and then on to Kidder Creek School, where a number of the ranch families attended, and 3 hours of recalling

former memories ended this wonderful and truly memorable day!



Left Jan Ball, from Meamber Elementary, right Harriett Quigley Member, Charlie Martin reminisce about time at the historic Kidder Creek School



Gateway to the Marble Mountains



California Lighthouse Preservation Committee October 2024 ~ Light Station Piedras Blancas: San Simeon Submitted By: Val Baxter and Terrie Kurrasch

Are you looking for a trip to the Coast fall thru spring? Sunshine, Trees, (see Cambria) Beaches, Sea Lions, Moderate traffic and plenty of History? The answer is Piedras Blancas Light Station, located ½ mile north of Hearst Castle. It is an important part of the history of San Simeon and the northern Central Coast of California. Built in 1875, it once served a crucial role warning mariner of the impending rocky cliffs, as well as helping them navigate their location off the craggy shores. Today, it is both a historic park and wildlife sanctuary that bears a powerful reminder of the

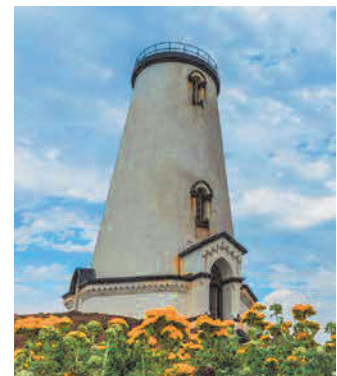
history of the area. Tours are conducted regularly and there is a small fee. Reservations: 877-444-6777, 15950 Cabrillo Hwy (1) San Simeon. Taking Hwy 5 or Hwy 101, exit Hwy 46 at Paso Robles you will avoid Hwy 1 and the winter landslides

Cambria has the lighthouse's First Order Fresnel Lens sitting in the center of town surrounded by a low fence, allowing visitors to casually walk around. Fund raising has been ongoing for some years to repair the Lens and in the past this Committee has donated to the restoration project



The original lighthouse was first illuminated in 1875.

The lighthouse today minus the Fresnel lens, which is in Cambria.



Other nearby towns of interest:

Cambria which is an artist colony, has works of a wide variety of artists. There is a boardwalk with restaurants.

Morro Bay ("the rock") is a few miles south with even more restaurants and shops and hiking trails.

Avila Beach The San Luis Obispo Light House is located nearby in Avila Beach with, you guessed it, more shopping and eating!

Paso Robles wine and beer tasting has skyrocketed in the past 20 years.

San Luis Obispo (inland a bit) a few more miles south and home of CalPoly @ San Luis Obispo. Mission San Luis Obispo is located right downtown and the homes on the hills are lovely.

The List of interesting places continues to Santa Barbara.

Aleli Parlor No. 102 Welcomes Grand President Darleen Carpenter



Grand President Darleen Carpenter with Aleli Parlor No. 102 Members Georgana Gularte, Bonnie Campbell, Ann Fritch and Shawna Freels, at their Official Visit held on September 7, 2024, in Salinas. Joined by Sisters from Santa Cruz Parlor No. 26, Woodland Parlor No. 90 and Junipero Parlor No. 141, it was a lovely afternoon for all in attendance.



NSGW Governor General 2023-2024 Tom Tullius and NDGW State President Kathy Kelly-Breidler enjoy the NSGW General Assembly Burlingame. All Parlor Past Presidents are invited to join!



N.D.G.W. SCHOLARSHIPS AND SHARON M. JOHNSTON MUSIC GRANTS EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

Submitted By: Gloria Courtney
San Bruno Parlor No. 246

November is National Scholarship Month. Are you aware that due to additional funding, the number and amounts available for scholarships and music grants have been increased? Do you know of a student with dreams of attending college or a vocational program? Do you know a young student who needs help acquiring a musical instrument or taking music lessons, or a school needing help in providing music education? NDGW Education and Scholarships Committee have the following scholarships and music grants available:

- Scholarships up to a maximum of \$2,000 each awarded to students enrolled at any University of California (UC) or any California State University (CSU) campus.
- A graduate scholarship up to a maximum of \$1,500 awarded to a graduate school student of a UC or CSU as a one-time gift.
- Annie L. Adair Scholarships up to a maximum of \$2,000 each awarded to students majoring in business or social welfare at an accredited California university or college.
- Sue J. Irwin Scholarships up to a maximum of \$2,000 each awarded to students of an accredited California university, college, vocational program, trade school, or online course.
- Bertha A. Briggs Veterans Scholarships up to a maximum of \$850 each awarded with the concurrence of the Veterans Welfare Committee to Veterans or their dependents, or active-duty military attending an accredited California university, college, vocational program, trade school, or online course. Recipients need not be Members of the Order or eligible to affiliate.

- Nursing Scholarships up to a maximum of \$1,000 each awarded to students enrolled in an accredited California nursing program. Recipients need not be Members of the Order or eligible to affiliate.
- Doris M. Gerrish Scholarships up to a maximum of \$2,000 each awarded to California-born women pursuing a teaching credential. Preference will be given to Members of the Order. Recipients will receive the scholarship for one year only.
- Sharon M. Johnston Music Grant up to a maximum of \$500 each awarded to students.
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This award can help dedicated and ambitious students achieve their goals and develop relationships that could result in new Members affiliating with our Order. If your Parlor has any potential scholarship applicants you would like to sponsor, please have your Recording Secretary request applications from Committee Chairman Dawn Dunlap, PGP. If you know of any students or schools interested in applying for a Sharon M. Johnston Music Grant, please have them contact Committee Chairman Dawn Dunlap, PGP directly. Her contact information is:

<mailto:NDGW.edu@gmail.com> or 805-395-0113. NDGW Scholarship application packets must be postmarked by April 11, 2025. Sharon M. Johnston Music Grant applications must be postmarked by February 7, 2025.

Contributions to the NDGW Scholarships or Sharon M. Johnston Music Grants are tax deductible and may be made through the NDGW Charitable Foundation (C.F.I.C.).

Thank you for your support of our Scholars!

N.D.G.W. Childrens Foundation

Big Check for Big Action

Submitted By: Sandra Firpo



Making a difference in the lives of California's children is the goal of our NDGW Childrens Foundation. If you're not familiar with the Childrens Foundation, it is one of our 501c-3 non-profit entities within Native Daughters. Please check out the [Childrens Foundation page](#) on our website and its [Facebook page](#).

Childrens Foundation provides grants to individual children – for needs such as hearing aids, physical and mental health therapy, speech therapy, orthodontia, and other medical needs or devices. It also provides Campership grants – to camps who provide experiences to children in California who might not otherwise get to attend summer camp. Among our grantees are camps that cater to children with diabetes, children who have an incarcerated parent, a sports camp that adjusts things so children with limited mobility can play, and children who are visually impaired. Our Childrens Foundation also awards grants to non-profit organizations who serve children in California.

Recently, members of the NDGW Childrens Foundation Committee took a tour of the facilities of the John Tracy Center (JTC) in Los Angeles.

One of their more successful programs is the Parent-Infant Program for families with babies and young children. This Parent-Infant Program identifies hearing loss at a very early age, and then begins specialized therapy so the child quickly learns how to navigate life despite their disability. This program also educates the rest of the family in resources and training so that the whole family can thrive.

JTC serves children who are hearing impaired. They know that early detection and intervention make a massive difference in the quality of life of a person who has the challenge of deafness or limited hearing.

This individualized service is costly, coming out to just under \$10,000 per year for one child. However, the impact is massive, resulting in a confident child

and healthier family. The NDGW Childrens Foundation Committee wanted to support this effort and chose to grant a sponsorship for 5 children.

This past March, members of the Childrens Foundation Committee gathered for a tour of the John Tracy Center and presented their staff with a check for \$48,100.

If you know of a child in California who could benefit from a Childrens Foundation grant, or you would like to donate to help us continue to help children throughout California, please visit our [NDGW Childrens Foundation](#) webpage or [Facebook page](#) for an application or contact a member of the Childrens Foundation Committee, or email CFCaseManager@ndgw.org.

Childrens Foundation

The Foundation serves children from infancy to age eighteen. All services must be administered within the State of California. Native Daughters Members, agencies, or individuals submit a confidential grant application along with a financial statement. An application is to be accompanied by a report from the doctor, hospital, or clinic which is to provide the services as well as the nature of the disability, the service needed and the cost thereof. For more information email the Case Manager Email: <mailto:CFCasemanager@ndgw.org>

Dear Sisters we have sadly lost...

Marguerite No. 12: Mary Ann Harper

Ruby No. 46: Wanda Darnbacher

Golden Era No. 99: Gwen Allen

San Luisita No. 108: Patricia Gummerman

Sutter No. 111: Audrey Skeen

Nataqua No. 152: Mary Jane Rea

South Butte No. 226: Mary Lou Byer

Lomitas No. 255: Katherine Yribarren

Toluca No. 279: Suzanne Eisenzimmer

