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Chispa Hosting 2023 '49er Days Los Angeles Parlor #45 is Back!

Chispa #139 is hosting the 2023 49er Days, an annual event held by the Mother Lode parlors celebrating the historical importance of the Gold Rush. Events include a reception, historic tour of Murphys, initiation, dedication and dinner. All events are at the parlor's hall at 389 Main Street in Murphys.

The Schedule

Friday, March 24, 5 to 8 p.m. Registration and reception at the parlor's hall.

Saturday, March 25.

10 a.m. Historic tour of Murphys which can include wine tasting.

11 a.m. Initiation.

1 p.m. Dedication of the Utica Mansion in Angels Camp.

5:30 p.m. No-host cocktails and dinner.

Sunday, March 26.

Pancake Breakfast.
Price of the three-day event is \$60, which includes reception, dinner and breakfast. Reservations are requested from the parlor at (209) 728-8902. Information is available from Ron Rivera at ronaldwr8@aol.com.

Lodging Information

Murphys Inn & Suites, 134 Highway 4, Murphys, CA 95247—toll free 1-877-728-2121, 209-728-2121

Murphys Hotel, 457 Main Street, Murphys 95247, toll free 1-800-532-7684, 209-728-3444

Murphys Inn Motel, 76 Main Street, Murphys, CA 95247, 209-728-1818

Travelodge by Wyndham, 600 North Main Street, Angels Camp CA 95221, 209-736-5004

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If you are a candidate for Grand Parlor office and want to have your advertisement published in the April-May issue of *The Native Son*, please submit the ads to Fred Codoni, nsgwfpc@comcast.net. Business 1/8th-page ads are \$30, payable to and sent to Grand Parlor NSGW. Contact Grand Parlor for rates on other size ads. Deadline is March 15, 2023.

By PGP JOE CASTILLO

After a 20-year absence, Los Angeles Parlor #45 is returning to the Native Sons of the Golden West. The Board of Grand Officers approved the merger between University Parlor #272 and Rio Hondo Parlor #294 into the new Los Angeles Parlor #45, which was originally instituted in 1878.

The details of the landmark merger are momentous for the entire Order. In addition to bringing together members from University #272 and Rio Hondo #294 into one new parlor, the merger will also create and fund the Bud Utter Historical Preservation Fund and the University Parlor #272 Membership Fund.

The Bud Utter Historical Preservation Fund will create a restricted account for historical preservation projects through the Historical Preservation Foundation of the NSGW. This \$50,000 restricted account will only be used for historical preservation grants in the eight Southern California counties of Imperial, Inyo, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, San Bernardino and Ventura.

The University Parlor #272 Membership Fund will create a restricted account to recruit new members into Southern California parlors through selected promotional events. This \$15,000 restricted account will only be used by the three Southern California parlors which have the greatest need in promoting their membership roles: De Anza #312, Los Angeles #45, Santa Ana #74 and any new Southern California parlor.

In recent years, University Parlor #272 has aided historical groups in the Ventura County area and through the creation of the Bud Utter Historical Preservation Fund, which will continue with its historical preservation endeavors. Rio Hondo Parlor #294 is working intensely promoting the Order by setting up our NSGW booth and handing out NSGW Coloring Books at events such as the Tournament of Roses EquestFest, Battle of Rancho Dominguez Celebration and Battle of Rio San Gabriel re-enactment.

The merger will benefit our order's historical preservation efforts while recruiting new members from the most populous multi-county area in the United States. In addition, the name of Los Angeles Parlor #45 will be added to the other Los Angeles illustrious championship names including the Los Angeles Dodgers, Los Angeles Lakers and Los Angeles Rams.



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 to reach out to all brothers
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Stew and Polenta at #183

Petaluma-Nicasio Parlor #183 will hold the 18th Annual Henry W. Chiosi Stew & Polenta Feed on Friday, March 3, at Hermann Sons Hall, 860 Western Ave. Petaluma. Social Hour is 6 p.m. with dinner at 7. Menu is stew and polenta, salad, rolls, and dessert. Price is \$20. Reservations are required by February 26 and limited to 100. Get reservations from Kris Nelson (707) 332-2376 / krisnelson183@gmail.com, Larry Schork (707) 486-6897, Dan Foppe (707) 763-1736 or Harold Matzen (415) 706-9989. Proceeds benefit the NSGW Charitable Foundation (“Cleft Palate”).

South SF St. Pat Dinner

South San Francisco #157 will pay tribute to St. Patrick with a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner on March 8 at Pomery Center, 207 Skyline Blvd., San Francisco. Cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7.

Reservations from Matt Casselli at (415) 823-3615 by February 28. Price is \$20; pay at the door.

Information Booths Available

A great way to introduce people to the Native Sons of the Golden West is by setting up an information booth at a parade, picnic, festival—whatever provides an opportunity to tell our message to the public and start a conversation about California History and our part in it.

We have four of these professional-looking booths available. To reserve a booth, contact the Grand Parlor office or go to nsgw.org/information-booth.



2023 Lucky Calendars Available

“Bear Flags of California” is the topic for the Native Sons’ 2023 Lucky Calendars. They are available from your parlor secretary, Grand Officers or direct from the Grand Parlor office. Price is \$20. Prizes range from \$20 daily to \$75 on Saturdays and \$150 at the end of the month. Special awards are \$250 on January 1 and on Flag Day. Admission Day award is \$500 and the end of year award is also \$500.

You may purchase a ticket (without calendar) for \$20 and also be entered in the daily drawing.

Winning tickets are returned to the draw—you can win more than once with the same ticket.

Winn at The De Anza Trek

By BURT WINN

[We often ask our members to visit and support local parlors, but Fairfax Parlor President Burt Winn and wife Lynn traveled 600 miles each way to visit our most distant parlor, De Anza #312 in El Centro. Here’s his story. -Ed.]

One of the great things about being a member of the NSGW is the ability to get an inside perspective of California and her history by visiting new places within the state.

Case in point: The De Anza Trek.

Sponsored by De Anza Parlor #312, The De Anza Trek is an annual event occurring in January in the heart of the Imperial Valley near the valley’s hub, El Centro. For this Bay Area Native, the 600-mile drive was long; after leaving home in the morning we arrived at our hotel at night. I’ve never been south of the Salton Sea so the landscape was unfamiliar. Daylight revealed we were in a vast agricultural valley, mostly below sea level, near the Mexican border.

The Desert Research & Extension Center in Holtville hosted the first part of the Trek. There we saw a film of the history of water in the Imperial Valley and the creation of the Salton Sea, followed by a series of lectures from the University of California Desert Agricultural Field Station “Farm Smart” directors and researchers. We learned about historic floods, the creation of the All-American Canal and the importance of water conservation, especially drip irrigation, in the desert. Bottom line: Conservation of Water is Key to the Future.

Lunch was served, but the tractor ride in the fields was cancelled due to a lack of drivers. Instead we were given goodie bags of organic fresh produce containing broccoli, cabbage, oranges, romaine



Paula McConnell Pangle (standing) at the family ranch.

lettuce and cauliflower, all grown nearby in the valley.

That evening, Paula McConnell Pangle hosted an excellent all-you-can-eat Taco Truck Dinner with all the fixins’ at her home on the nearby McConnell Ranch. She told me the McConnell’s have owned this ranch for 135 years. (Their house is surrounded by fields of broccoli.) Eating the Taco Dinner while listening to Mexican music on the back porch highlighted for me the cultural blend of the Imperial Valley.

If you go: Spend a day (or two) exploring Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, the North Algodones Dunes Wilderness and nearby Yuma, AZ. Traffic is mostly light. Bring your passport if you want to cross the border into Mexico.

GRAND PRESIDENT

My Brothers:

Together we are entering one of our busiest times of year for Native Sons with New Brother Initiations, Dedications of Historical Sites, Crab Feeds, Corned Beef & Cabbage, plus festivals, events, meeting and dinners with our local parlors.



This is Our Prime Time to Shine, to show older members we are alive and active, plus a great opportunity to recruit and get new brothers into our Order.

As Grand President I am excited to offer Membership Rewards, including my Belt Buckle, Challenge Coins, Honor Banners and California Trail recognition. Brothers, its up to each and every one of us to grow our

membership, remembering our fathers before us have fallen and only our sons remain.

Communication is important and Grand Marshal Mitch Laing from Santa Rosa Parlor #28 has penned an article on this page about promoting and using tools we have available to reach out to all members so they can support your parlor.

January 20-21st The Native Sons had a Golden Opportunity to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Discovery of Gold at John C. Marshall State Historic Park in Coloma. We held a Board of Grand Officers meeting at the historic Moose Lodge, enjoyed a lunch in the Historic Beer Garden which was restored by Georgetown Parlor #91 in 2010, all followed by a historical chat by PGP Barney Noel of Placerville #9 with Sutter's Mill in the background. PGP Noel highlighted the 125-year cooperation between Native Sons and The California State Parks that preserves and allows history to be displayed for all to enjoy.

Speaking of [#OnTheCaliforniaTrail](#), several Grand Officers traveled in early January to El Centro for the De Anza Trek In mid-February we have Weekend in the Redwoods in Fortuna/Eureka.

All Grand Officers are excited to get prepared for the 146th Grand Parlor to be held this May in beautiful South Lake Tahoe. As Grand President I look forward to a successful convention and gathering filled with brotherhood, comradery and good times. I am asking you to note how important it is for all delegates and guests to book at and utilize services at the host hotel when registration opens. Only with your help and support can we together make this 146th Grand Parlor an overwhelming success.

For consideration, later in 2023 we will announce a Grand Presidents' Cruise for Native Sons and Native Daughters. Look for information in your delegate packet in May.

In closing it is my sincere honor to be associated with each and every one of you, to take your hand and call you my friend and fraternal brother.

I'll see you [#OnTheCaliforniaTrail](#)
In Friendship, Loyalty and Charity
Jeff Schmidt

MARSHAL MITCH LAING

Brothers:

I have addressed the importance of communication in prior issues of *The Native Son*, and would like to touch on this again.

Remember that spreading the word from your parlor is useful in many ways, not only to your members but to brothers from nearby parlors and the Order in general.

There are three resources available that will reach out to brothers be they near, far or wide. *The Native Son* newsletter, the Monthly Mailer and [NSGW.ORG](#) Calendar of Events.

Remember—you can use these tools to announce your meetings, dinners and special events in a timely manner.

With St Patrick's coming up, if your parlor has a big dinner just open to brothers or available for families, you can draw from other parlors and please some hungry Native Sons.

Be sure to promote your future special dinners and upcoming events there and continue to draw from outside your parlor.

As Grand Marshal and as a Brother I look forward to seeing you at a Native Sons event or dinner sometime soon.

Be sure to send your information to:

- The Native Son* - nsgwfpc@comcast.net
- Monthly Mailer - grandparlor@nsgw.org or grandsecretary@nsgw.org
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In Friendship, Loyalty and Charity
Mitch Laing
Grand Marshal, Santa Rosa Parlor #28

OFFICIAL

The following changes have been approved by the NSGW Board of Grand Officers:

- John C. Bidwell #21 and Argonaut #8 merged.
- University #272 and Rio Hondo #294: Merged, changed parlor name to Los Angeles #45.
- Nicasio #183: Changed name to Petaluma-Nicasio #183
- Sea Point #158 and Cambria #152 are in the process of dissolving.

Grand Secretary Tom Perazzo is continuallyThe Official Directory; check on line to make sure you have the latest edition.

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Fred Codoni, Managing Editor

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RETRO RAMBLINGS

By **DOUGLAS LOVE, Grand Trustee**
Napa Parlor #62

Nestled on the eastern edge of Novato, along the Marin County shore, is a bit of aviation history. During the First World War it became apparent that not only did nations need to have navies and armies to win wars, they were also going to need air forces. Since the Civil War, the United States Army had used balloons for artillery spotting and reconnaissance but, with the advent of heavier than air flight, the role of military aviation began to rapidly change. The US Army Signal Corps established an Aeronautical Division in 1907. At that time, the Army only had eight balloons, used for observation and reconnaissance. During that year, the Signal Corps purchased two more balloons and, in 1908, a small dirigible, bringing the total number of Army aircraft to eleven.

Army's First Airplane

In 1909, the Army acquired its first airplane from the Wright Brothers and in 1910 it made its first flight. In 1911, Congress appropriated \$125,000 for the Army's Aeronautical Division. By the end of 1911, the Army Signal Corps had a total of six aircraft, and had conducted trials to prove the feasibility of aerial bombing. Still, the fledgling Air Corps only had a handful of pilots including 2nd Lt. Henry "Hap" Arnold, who was one of the Army's first flight instructors. In 1913, the "1st Provisional Aero Squadron" was created, later renamed the "1st Aero Squadron" and saw service in Mexico in 1916, becoming the first United States air combat unit. It still exists as the 1st Reconnaissance Squadron and is headquartered at Beale Air Force Base. With the outbreak of World War I, the European powers rapidly increased the size of their air forces and aeronautical technology rapidly advanced.

World War I

By the time the United States entered the war in 1917, it was far behind the other warring nations in air strength. By the end of the war, the US Army Air Service only made up 10% of the aeronautical strength of the Allied Powers and, after the war, the Air Service, like the rest of the United States military, was rapidly reduced in size from 19,168 officers and 178,149 enlisted men in November 1918 to just 1,168 officers and 8,428 enlisted men by the end of June 1920.

During the late 1920s the Army Air Corps began looking for

a suitable location on the West Coast for an air base. The Army settled on a location known as "Marin Meadows", and Marin County transferred the 937-acre site for \$1. Originally known as "Air Corps Station, San Rafael", construction began on the airfield in 1932. The airfield was renamed "Hamilton Field" after 1st Lt. Lloyd Hamilton, who received the Distinguished Flying Cross posthumously during World War I, and it was completed in 1935. Upon completion, the airfield was officially dedicated on May 12, 1935 and ceremonially "handed over" to Brigadier General Henry "Hap" Arnold who commanded the Army Air Corps' 1st Wing. Hamilton Field was to be primarily a bomber base and it was before the addition of pursuit (fighter) units.

World War II and After

During World War II, Hamilton Field was part of the Western Defense Command and served primarily as a training and transshipment base. It was on December 7, 1941 that the six B-17 bombers of the 38th Reconnaissance Squadron from Hamilton Field arrived at Hickam Field in Hawaii while the Japanese attack was ongoing. The personnel at Hickam were expecting the squadron and early in the attack radar operators confused the Japanese attack with the incoming squadron.

After the war was over and the Air Force created in 1947, Hamilton Air Force Base remained in service, serving as the home for several units of the Air Defense Command stationed at Hamilton, including the 325th Fighter Wing, the 78th Fighter Wing, the 556th Air Defense Group, the 1st Fighter Wing and the 26th Air Division, all of which called Hamilton Air Force Base home. NORAD's Western Region Command was stationed at Hamilton until 1969.

Civilian Use

By the early 70s, the usefulness of Hamilton Air Force Base was declining. Urban encroachment, lack of land to expand and an increasingly ambivalent, if not hostile, political climate all led to the deactivation of Hamilton as an active base in 1973. In 1973, the base was transferred to the Army; the Navy used some of the housing and the Coast Guard used two of the hangars. In 1976, the base was closed and placed in "caretaker status". From 1980 to 1983 a few of the barracks and other buildings were used as a refugee processing center. From 1983-1990, Hamilton Field was the venue for the "Wings of Victory" air show, an annual event produced by the non-profit Hamilton Field Association. In 1993, the Army transferred its

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Original Spanish Revival Main Gate as it looks today.

Great Crab Feed, Cioppino Next

Chispa Parlor advises the parlor had a fabulous crab feed in January and is now going to have a cioppino feed on February 18. It has been three years since they have had both of these events and it is good to see things returning to a more normal status. This has always been one of the parlor's most popular events.

The cioppino was started many years ago by Brother Bob Koopmann's father.

Price will depend on the cost of the ingredients but estimate is \$60. Please call for reservations before February 15 to 209-728-8902 and leave your name and the number in your party because that is the deadline for ordering.

Napa's Irish Night is March 20

Long gone to the Grand Parlor on High, but fondly remembered by old timers in Napa Parlor, is Pappy Flanigan, a short but mighty Son of the Olde Sod (born in California), who dressed like a leprechaun and appeared at the parlor's Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner.

His tradition lives on, with this year's Napa Parlor Annual Irish Night memorializing his memory.

The dinner will be held on March 20, 2023 at Napa's Hall, 937 Coombs Street, Napa.

Cocktails will be at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Please call the Hall at (707) 224-3213 for reservations.

Fairfax Lists Events

[All the following events are at the parlor hall at 135 Mitchell Drive in Fairfax unless otherwise indicated. All (except as noted) require reservations from Kevin Courtz, kcbscourt@aol.com, 415 717-4018.]

Fri, March 17. Corned Beef and Cabbage Feed, St. Rita Hall. Open to everyone.

Wednesday, April 19 - Famous Lamb Feed at parlor hall. Open to Native Sons and prospective members only.

Wednesday, May 3 - Visiting Brothers Night at parlor hall. Open to Native Sons and prospective members only.

Most Second and Third Tuesdays. Each month, Fairfax Parlor has a lunch for members and prospective members. Menu varies, but it's always great. Price is just \$10 per person. Water, beer and wine are available at no-host bar. Reservations from Fred Codoni, nsqwfpc@comcast.net / (415) 459-7082. Be sure to check as there are no lunches on a few second and fourth Tuesdays a year.

Vallejo Serving Crab!

Vallejo Parlor #77 is hosting its annual Crab Feed on March 25, 2023 at the Veterans Memorial Building

420 Admiral Callaghan Lane, Vallejo. No-host bar opens at 5:30 p.m., with all-you-can-eat Dungeness crab to follow. Price is \$70 per person. There will be no take outs. No outside alcoholic beverages are allowed on site. Seating is limited. There will be a raffle.

Please contact Mike Kollar at vjopal@aol.com or (707) 315-7551 for tickets.

Hamilton from page 5



Model in the Hamilton Field History Museum

remaining portion of the base to the "New Hamilton Partnership" and redevelopment began. In 1996, the Navy vacated the housing on base and the military presence on Hamilton Field ended, nearly sixty years after it began.

Today, several of the historic Spanish Revival-style buildings and hangars have been restored and repurposed. The developer had built several housing developments on the former base. The former runway is no more, the levee that protected it having been intentionally breached and the area allowed to revert to marshland. The Hamilton Field History Museum, a small but impressive museum housed in the former base fire station, is staffed by volunteer docents who are

more than eager to spend time explaining the history of the base to you is worth a visit; there are excellent displays covering the entire history of the base.

GETTING THERE: Take US101 N to exit 458 Nave Drive in Novato. Merge onto Nave Drive. Turn right onto Main Gate Road, and continue on to Palm Drive and make a slight right onto South Palm Drive. Then turn right onto Hangar Avenue. The museum will be on your right at 555 Hangar Avenue. The museum is open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. Telephone (415) 382-8614.

100 YEARS AGO — 1923

Our Order is often mentioned as “racist” because of our opposition to settlement of Japanese in California. We *were* “racist” in the same way as virtually every fraternal organization in the United States—they accepted whites only. That was long, long ago—now every organization, including the Native Sons is open to everyone. There are almost no Native Sons who were members before our organization removed all race restrictions from our Constitution in 1967.

Here’s an interesting article from the Madera *Tribune* of September 8, 1923, concerning our Order’s response to that year’s disastrous Japanese earthquake.

N. S. G. W. TO AID STRICKEN JAPANESE

The Native Sons of the Golden West, through Wm. J. Hayes, grand president, and the board of grand officers, started the raising of funds for the aid of the stricken people of Japan. An appeal for funds was mailed to all the subordinate parlors throughout the state asking for immediate aid and requesting that their members be invited to contribute liberally to the cause, and a quick response is expected. “We, as an order,” said Grand President Hayes, “feel that the true spirit of the Native Sons of the Golden West can be exemplified by prompt and generous contributions to this cause, and it is an opportunity to demonstrate to the world that our position in opposition to the Japanese settlement in California is not based upon any petty antagonism to the Japanese people, but solely for the welfare of our state.”

Members of the order desiring to make contributions are requested to make checks payable to N. S. G. W. Japanese Relief Fund, and forward to John T. Regan, Grand Secretary, 414 Mason Street, San Francisco, California.

Record Crowd Expected For

Native Son’s Day at Pacific City Resort

[San Mateo *Daily News-Leader* August 17, 1923]

One of the greatest crowds of the year is expected at the great outdoor jubilee to be staged at Pacific City next Sunday under the direction of the Native Sons and Native Daughters of the Golden West. Pacific City has undergone a change in management, apparently, as arrangements for next Sunday’s festivities are under the direction of J. D. Lesperance, who has been at the big resort as the representative of Messrs. Lissner & Iverson, who operate the dancing pavilion. Mgr. Wooster Taylor stated today that some of the headliners for next Sunday will be a Pony Express race and a baseball game between Castro Parlor and Twin Peaks Parlor of the Native Sons. This game will be for the championship of the Native Sons’ League and is expected to draw a large patronage. The last time these teams met, at Recreation Park in San Francisco, 10,000 people attended the game. A San Francisco police exhibition of tricks of the trade will also be one of the features. There will be races for all classes, sexes and ages, in running and swimming. There will be a prize-winning fox trot in the evening, open to all, and a prize winning waltz, open to Native Sons and Daughters only.

NATIVES PLAN TREE PLANTING

Committee Named to Outline Plans; To Invite Grand Officers

[Stockton *Independent* October 8, 1923]

Tom Luke, Martin Foley and Ray Friedberger were named as a committee by Stockton Parlor No. 7, Native Sons of the Golden West, to lay plans for the parlor’s participation in the tree planting along the Lincoln highway on Arbor Day at a meeting of the parlor last night. According to present tentative plans, the parlor will invite the grand officers of the order here on that date. The officers will give the ceremony which the Native Sons’ ritual provides for such occasions. The Native Sons were apportioned 108 trees to plant. Following the business meeting two candidates were initiated into the parlor. The initiatory work was exemplified for the first time by the newly installed officers under the direction of President Lee Shepherd.

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Dedicate Native Sons’ Home at Palo Alto Tomorrow Afternoon

[San Mateo *Daily News-Leader*, June 23, 1923]

Several delegates from San Mateo and Burlingame will attend the dedication exercises at Palo Alto tomorrow of the new \$54,000 home of the Native Sons of the Golden West. Grand officers of the organization will officiate, assisted by officials of Palo Alto. The ceremony is to begin at 4 p.m. with an address of welcome by the mayor of Palo Alto. Grand President William J. Hayes of Berkeley will conduct the dedicatory ceremonies. Other speakers will be: Grand First Vice-President Edward J. Lynch, San Francisco; Grand Second Vice-President Fletcher A. Cutler, Eureka; the Rev. Father Gleason, of Palo Alto Catholic church; Assistant District Attorney Fred L. Thomas of San Jose. At 8:30 p.m. a class initiation will be held with more than fifty candidates.

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THE NATIVE SONS AND THE DRUG RING

[Colusa *Herald*, March 3, 1923]

SANTA BARBARA. —The death penalty for “persons, corporations or rings,” engaged in the illegal sale of narcotics was demanded in a resolution adopted and forwarded to the California legislature here today by The Santa Barbara parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West.

The existence of a strong drug ring is charged in the resolution, which characterizes the crime of selling narcotics more reprehensible than murder. Santa Barbara parlor is hereby commended, yet of course it is wrong in its violent demand. That the drug industry must be broken up is a foregone conclusion. That it cannot be broken by hundred dollar fines is certain. This evil must be taken seriously by the people.

For taking it seriously the Native Sons deserve the thanks of everyone. At the same time, the death penalty for drug sellers would be too severe at the start. It can scarcely be said we have made a genuine effort to curb them. Until we try every reasonable way, it would be wrong to start hanging them. Before the drug business can be broken up, the people must sincerely come to feel that they want it broken and that they will go the limit to break it.

While we think the Native Sons of Santa Barbara are too abrupt in their demand for the death penalty, at the same time we must thank them for having strong feelings against the despicable criminals who live off the destruction of others.

Placerville's Long Coloma History

BY PGP BARNEY NOEL

Director of Historical Research

Did you know? After James Marshall's death on August 10, 1885, Placerville Parlor #9 began preparations to have Marshall buried in Coloma. Marshall had mentioned a few times in his later years that he desired to be buried on the hilltop that had been a part of the 15 acres where he had his vineyard, which had a clear overlook of the spot where he discovered gold.

While the members of Placerville Parlor were leading the way to have Marshall buried in Coloma as was his well-known request that was local knowledge, the Society of Pioneers of Sacramento and San Francisco were planning to have the body brought to Sacramento to be buried in the pioneer section on the old city cemetery. Members of Placerville Parlor rented a freight wagon and purchased ice from Pearson's soda works in Placerville and brought Marshall's remains to Coloma. Marshall was buried there on August 12, 1885 at 2:30 in the afternoon.

So if not for the efforts of Placerville Parlor he would be in Sacramento and Coloma might look very different today. Besides his coffin, which was redwood and ornamented with iron work at a cost of \$70, there is also a receipt for a redwood box that was built at the cost of \$8 to contain his personal effects to also be buried with him. The Native Sons and representatives of the Society of Pioneers officiated at the funeral of their long-time friend.

At the Placerville Parlor meeting held August 15, 1885, a committee was appointed, consisting of Brothers Prentiss Carpenter, George Hofmeister, James T. Bailey, John N. Waters and George C. Roller, to make preliminary arrangements for the erection of a monument to the memory of James Wilson Marshall. The committee set to work and made arrangements to purchase an acre of land and which resulted in the State Legislature appropriating \$5,000 to carry on the work on March 8, 1887; Governor Bartlett signed the bill, and afterwards \$4,000 additional was voted upon for the

improvement of the grounds, all work to be under the supervision of three commissioners to be appointed by the governor. Under this Act, Governor Bartlett appointed Senator Caminetti of Amador County, Senator Gesford of Napa County, and John H. Miller of Sacramento, all members of the Native Sons of the Golden West. Subsequently Senator Gesford resigned from the commission, his place being filled by the appointment of George Hofmeister, charter member of Placerville Parlor #9. Shortly after the monument was completed Placerville Parlor began another fund-raising campaign to purchase approximately 15 acres adjoining the monument in honor of Hofmeister, which property was also turned over to the state and Native Sons began the movement to have the land designated as the Coloma Gold Discovery Park. That was the beginning of Placerville Parlor's long involvement with preserving the history of Coloma.

Discovery of Gold Celebration

By STEVE WONG, Placerville #9

It has been a long, cold, wet and windy winter, but on January 22 the Native Sons celebrated the Discovery of Gold in Coloma at Sutter's Mill site where gold was discovered on January 24, 1849.

About fifty Native Sons and guests were in attendance and were welcomed by spring-like weather of clear skies and 55-degree temperature.

The Director of California State Parks invited Past Grand President Barney Noel to present a talk about the history of the area and how Sutter's sawmill gold discovery site became Coloma State Park. His speech captured the interest of many of the public, State Parks individuals in attendance and especially of one college student who was working on a thesis for a postgraduate degree.

Much of the land where the park is located had been purchased by Placerville Parlor #9, restored with help from other parlors and eventually turned over to the state of California. Placerville Parlor members Steve Wong, Editor Paula Wong, C. J. Smith and wife Terry attended the event. If you have not visited this area, it is a place to put on your list as it is steeped in much of history in the development of California.



Photographer Doug Love needed a wide-angle lens to portray the Native Sons and guests lined up at Sutter's Mill in Coloma celebrating the 175th anniversary of the Discovery of Gold by James Marshall.

A Busy Few Days for Fairfax Parlor

Between January 24 and February 4, Fairfax Parlor had several events, beginning with a January 24 lunch at its clubhouse attended by forty Native Sons and guests.

Almost at the same time, they received transfers from other parlors: two from Sea Point #158, which is closing, and two from Mt. Tamalpais #64.

On January 28, members of the parlor joined with grand officers dedicating the historic B Street railroad station in San Rafael.

On February 1, its regular business meeting included a grand officer initiation for ten members.

On February 4, the parlor hosted a crab feed for 100 attendees.

Upcoming events at the parlor include a Parlor Scholarship Fund Benefit Dinner on February 18 and lunches for Native Sons and prospective members on most second and fourth Tuesdays through June.



Fairfax Parlor Past President Joe Allen reads part of the dedication ceremony at San Rafael's historic B Street Depot, now serving as a barber and beauty salon. The structure served railroad passengers from 1930 to 1941.



Members of the initiatory team are intermingled with ten candidates receiving the ceremony February 1.

Steve Faessel Helps Govern Anaheim

As well as serving his second term on the Anaheim City Council, Brother Steve Faessel has additional civic duties and history duties.

Re-elected to the City Council in November 2020 representing District 5, in east-central Anaheim, he serves as Anaheim's representative on the board of directors of



the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, a regional supplier of water for Southern California. He also serves as chair of the Santa Ana River Conservancy Advisory Committee, part of

the California State Coastal Conservancy. Since 2003, Faessel has served on the board of directors of the Anaheim Community Foundation.

Along with civic involvement, Faessel has contributed his interest in preserving local history by serving on the board of trustees of the Anaheim Museum Inc. since 1990 and as president of the Anaheim Historical Society Inc. from 1999 to 2004. Faessel continues to serve the Anaheim Historical Society as corresponding secretary.

Faessel is a founding member of the Museo Museum and Cultural Center, where he currently serves as secretary of the board.

Since 1975, Faessel has been a continuing education instructor for the North Orange County Community College District in the field of electricity, electrical codes and utility systems.

He was born in Anaheim in 1950 to parents active in the Orange County citrus industry. Faessel attended Anaheim's St. Boniface Elementary School, Mater Dei High School in Santa Ana and graduated from California State University, Fullerton, with a degree in marketing. Faessel is retired from a 50-year career in the retail hardware industry as merchandise manager for the 16-store Crown ACE Hardware chain.

His wife of more than 40 years, Susan, is a retired career educator and previously served as vice chair of the Anaheim Public Utility Board and on the Library and Community Services board. She also is past president of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Anaheim. The Faessels have one son, a daughter-in-law and three grandsons.

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NEW MEMBERS

November 2022
Arrowhead #110
 Nanille Root
 Richard Sierra Jr.
National #118
 Thomas Kassimos
Chispa #139
 Shawn Connelly
Elk Grove #41
 Darren Entrican
 Kevin Barnes
 Jeffrey Tooker
Gabilan #132
 Corey Woods
December 2022
Ramona #109
 Yolanda Flores
Sonoma #111
 John Sullivan
Pebble Beach #230
 Linda O’Sullivan
 Daniele Chrisman
 George Chrisman
Columbia #258
 Lexie Gee
 Jeremy Gee
 Sean Yendes

Columbia #258 (Continued)
 Brooke Donathan
Fairfax #307
 Kathleen Flores
January 2023
Humboldt #14
 Trenten Emmons
John C. Bidwell #21
 Jennifer Roger
 Jason Ross
Halcyon-Alameda #47
 Randall Sanchez
 Richard Brophy
Auburn #59
 Bryan Remington
Watsonville #65
 Becky Ybarra
Ramona #109
 Austin Krause
Sonoma #111
 Gary Edwards
Chispa #139
 Howard Lyon
 David Lazzari
Fairfax #307
 Stephen Hunt
 Ethan Geary

DECEASED MEMBERS

May they rest in peace in the Grand Parlor on High.

November 2022
Amador #17
 Joseph Lagomarsino
Eden #113
 George Valentine
National #118
 Shaun Patrick Bowler
SLO #290
 Stan Mello
Sonoma #111
 William Geisner Jr.
Twin Peaks #214
 Antony Marotto
December 2022
Solano #39
 Elwood Youman
Napa #62
 Edgar Henderson
Santa Cruz #90
 Gary Nickel
Sonoma #111
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 George Langland
Humboldt #14
 Gary Albee
Napa #62
 Carlo Galantino
 Edwin Clerici
Ferndale #93
 Frank Luz
Chispa #139
 Donald St. Claire



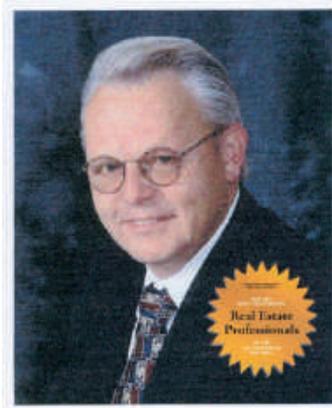
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In Memory of Ted Deeming

Joe Neitzel

In Memory of Olga Ferro

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In Memory of David Gravea

Joe Neitzel

In Memory of Jerry Miller

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In Memory of PGP William Hargis

John Urbanik

In Memory of Bill Geisner

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In Memory of Barbara Dutell

Ronald & Rita Holliday

In Memory of Ed Madsen

Frank & Kathy Madsen

To Cleft Palate Fund

Network for Good
Piedmont Parlor # 120
Woodland Parlor # 30

On December 8 GP Jeff Schmidt, 1st Vice Adams and Grand Trustee Love met with Charitable Foundation Directors Lapachet, Santos, Willmarth and Linn to give Sutter Health's Dr. Workman a check for \$65,000, an increase of \$5,000 from previous year.

Included guests were Director Mike Linn's mother Mary Foulks Mauger and Jake Linn Mike's son. Mike, his mother and his son all have had very serious cleft lip and palate anomalies when they were



At Sutter Memorial donation, from back to front are Director Jim Wilmarth, Grand President Jeff Schmidt, Dr. Workman, 1stVP-George Adams 1st Vice and CF Director and Chairman Paul Lapachet.

born. Mike said this is very rare to be carried down three generations. Mother was born in 1941, Mike 1966 and Jake in 1999. The whole Sutter Health staff was present for the presentation and a gave tour of the clinic after the presentation.

Doctor Workman and the staff expressed their appreciation for Native Sons support for the last thirty years. To date the NSGWCF has given over \$1 million to the Sutter Health Cleft Palate Clinic.

The check presentation at UCSF has been canceled because COVID pre-cautions at UCSF and will be scheduled at a later date. Dr. Vargerik of UCSF said "every penny of your gift is used to provide team care for our needy patients, and we adhere to our promise of not turning any child away."

Mission Statement. The Native Sons of the Golden West Charitable Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation dedicated to helping children who are born with a cleft lip and palate and other craniofacial birth defects.

If you have any question's please contact the Grand Secretary's Office or e-mail Robert Santos at rrsantos@sbcglobal.net. Thank you for all your support NSGWCF.

AmazonSmile Discontinued

AmazonSmile, created by Amazon to donate 0.5% of each Amazon purchase using it, will be discontinued. Our two 501(c) (3) groups, the Charitable and Historic Preservation Foundations, have received funds from AmazonSmile.

In a published statement, Amazon said "In 2013, we launched AmazonSmile to make it easier for customers to support their favorite charities. However, after almost a decade, the program has not grown to create the impact that we had originally hoped. With so many eligible organizations—more than 1 million globally—our ability to have an impact was often spread too thin.

"We are writing to let you know that we plan to wind down AmazonSmile by February 20, 2023...To help charities that have been a part of the AmazonSmile program with this transition, we will be providing them with a one-time donation equivalent to three months of what they earned in 2022 through the program, and they will also be able to accrue additional donations until the program officially closes in February."

Deadline for editorial and advertising material for the April-May issue of *The Native Son* is March 15, 2023. This includes advertisements for candidates for Grand Parlor office at the Grand Parlor in May.

HELP STRENGTHEN YOUR PARLOR SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER TODAY!

Scholarships Available

The Native Sons of the Golden West Scholarship Foundation is awarding one \$2,000 and two \$1,000 merit-based grant awards to a California junior or senior high school student or one enrolled in a California Junior College or who is a freshman in a 4-year institution of higher learning. There will also be a Vocational Skills Scholarship in the amount of \$1,200 awarded.

The scholarships will be awarded to students who demonstrate achievements in academics, participation in school activities, leadership and personal development. They are awarded without regard to race, gender, age, physical abilities or financial status. Funds will be sent to the institution of higher learning upon proof of acceptance. Applicants must be a relative of a Native Son of the Golden West or a Native Son.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Be a Junior or Senior in a California high school or enrolled in a junior college or a freshman in a 4-year institution of higher learning.
2. Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 (C+ average).
3. Meet graduation requirements of that particular school.
4. Must be a relative of a Native Son of the Golden West or a Native Son.
5. Must be accepted in a school of higher education or a Vocational Skills institution and submit proof of acceptance.
6. If attending a junior college or a freshman in college, must send transcript and SAT scores.
7. Previous applicants may reapply if they meet all requirements.

Selection is based on academic performance, statement of desire to pursue a higher education, community involvement, extra-curricular activity in high school, writing ability and employment.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Submit high school or junior college transcript and SAT scores
 2. Submit two (2) letters of recommendation
 - a. Teacher or Counselor
 - b. Native Son connection
 - c. Leader in the community
 - d. Letter of support from the recommending NSGW Parlor
 3. Complete, sign and submit completed application to NSGW Grand Parlor Office at below listed address or by email to grandparlor@nsgw.org by MARCH 15 – Award selection will be made on MAY 1.
 4. Monetary award will be sent to the Admission Office at the school of student’s choice
- Applications are available at nsgw.org or from the Grand Parlor office (415) 392-1223.



Welcome, Mr. Mayor!

Grand Second Vice President Steve McLean is now serving as mayor in the City of Jackson. Jackson, the seat of Amador County, has a population of 5,010 people and is the home of Excelsior Parlor #31. Excelsior Parlor has 172 members and owns a large hall in town. Brother Steve lives in Jackson with his wife, Karen. Congratulations, Mr. Mayor!

Native Sons Fill Mother Lode Offices in Amador County

From the very start of the Native Sons of the Golden West, its members have proudly serve their communities by taking public office. Our founder, General Winn, was mayor of Sacramento. Since then, Native Sons have been California governors and legislators, chief justice of the U. S. Supreme Court (Earl Warren) and even president of the United States (Richard Nixon).

Rarely, if ever, has there been an area with more public servants than Amador County. Here are eleven Native Sons currently holding office in the area.

Amador #17

James Swift, Sutter Creek City Council
Gary Redman, County Sheriff

Excelsior #31

Steve McLean, Mayor City of Jackson. Serves on: Amador County Transportation Commission, Amador County Chamber of Commerce, Amador County Airport Land Use Commission.
Chad Simmons, Vice Mayor City of Jackson. Serves on Recreation Agency, County Solid Waste Management, City Finance & Budget.

Bob Stimpson, Jackson City Councilmember (Prior Mayor). Serves on Amador Air District Board Member, Local Area Formation Commission (LAFCO).

Max Godde, Jackson City Councilmember. Serves on Amador County Tourism, Kennedy Mine Foundation, City Cemetery Committee.

Pat Crew, County Supervisor
Brian Oneto, County Supervisor

Ione #33

Stacy Rhodes, Ione Mayor
Richard Forster, County Supervisor
Jim Rooney, County Assessor

Belt Buckle for Recruiters

Grand President Jeff Schmidt will award this handsome belt buckle to any member who brings in two or more new or reinstated members during his term of office.

On the back of the buckle is the wording of the dedication plaque at the Native Sons’ Cemetery and Memorial Park near Georgetown:

“This park is dedicated as a final resting place, monument and proper garden of remembrance to those whose membership in this Order bespoke their love of the State of California. ‘Loving and kind in all their ways, Upright and just to the end of their days, sincere and true in heart and mind, what a blessed memory they left behind.’”

LUCKY CALENDAR WINNERS

NOVEMBER WINNERS

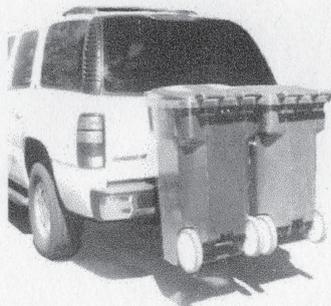
\$20	D. Sangiacomo	American Cyn	Nov 1
\$20	Austin Corsaletti	Ione	Nov 2
\$20	Lydia Adams	Carlotta	Nov 3
\$20	Dave Blalock	Lodi	Nov 4
\$75	Carol Robb	Grand Ter	Nov 5
\$20	Javier Chavarin	Fremont	Nov 6
\$20	Bill Montini	Sonoma	Nov 7
\$20	Bailey Zellers	Sonoma	Nov 8
\$20	Mark Madonna	Cayucos	Nov 9
\$20	Dean Simmons	Santa Rosa	Nov 10
\$20	Rich Lopez	Fremont	Nov 11
\$75	Fairfax Parlor #307	Fairfax	Nov 12
\$20	Charles Bartlett	Fremont	Nov 13
\$20	Thomas Schmidt	Eureka	Nov 14
\$20	Craig Medeiros	San Leandro	Nov 15
\$20	Jim Steward	Modesto	Nov 16
\$20	Paul Berlin	Castro Valley	Nov 17
\$20	Mark Curtis	Sonoma	Nov 18
\$75	Arthur Kimball	Indio	Nov 19
\$20	Nancy Cort	Petaluma	Nov 20
\$20	Paula Robles	Sonoma	Nov 21
\$20	Santa Lucia #97	Salinas	Nov 22
\$20	James Hartman	Eureka	Nov 23
\$20	Alexis Pacheco	S. Francisco	Nov 24
\$20	Edgar Keim	Marina	Nov 25
\$75	Diib Mitaro	Mountain View	Nov 26
\$20	Barney Noel	Diamond Spgs	Nov 27
\$20	K. Loeffler	Ladera Ranch	Nov 28
\$20	R. Pedranzini	Sonoma	Nov 29
\$150	Danny McLean	Oakland	Nov 30

DECEMBER WINNERS

\$20	Bobby Mantini	Sonoma	Dec 1
\$20	Piper Davis	Salinas	Dec 2
\$75	Otto Kramm	Sprekels	Dec 3
\$20	Piper Davis	Salinas	Dec 4
\$20	Napa Parlor #62	Napa	Dec 5
\$20	Michael Pulciano	S. Gabriel	Dec 6
\$20	Joe Reynaud	Castro Valley	Dec 7
\$20	Dick Kuykendall	Calistoga	Dec 8
\$20	Bill Segale	Forestville	Dec 9
\$75	Robert Bright	Folsom	Dec 10
\$20	Michael Alves	Fremont	Dec 11
\$20	Meggan Mahajik	Georgetown	Dec 12
\$20	Tony/Tonyia Karbowski	Applegate	Dec 13
\$20	Paula Robles	Sonoma	Dec 14
\$20	Ken Habeeb	Half Moon Bay	Dec 15
\$20	Bill Segale	Forestville	Dec 16
\$75	Rob Samson	Sonoma	Dec 17
\$20	Kara Brown	Walnut	Dec 18
\$20	Gini Rowan	Fairfax	Dec 19
\$20	Harold Matzen	Petaluma	Dec 20
\$20	Josh Smith	Rodeo	Dec 21
\$20	Charles Moore	Wendel	Dec 22
\$20	Jim McCoy	Pacifica	Dec 23
\$75	Dean Zellers	Sonoma	Dec 24
\$20	David Wulff	San Leandro	Dec 25
\$20	Brian Ferdani	Sutter Creek	Dec 26
\$20	Robert Amara	Novato	Dec 27
\$20	David Brown	Sonoma	Dec 28
\$20	Dave Blalock	Lodi	Dec 29
\$20	Jeremy Davis	Tracy	Dec 30
\$1,000	Roger Kucich IV	Chico	Dec 31

JANUARY WINNERS

\$250	Barbara Wysocki	San Leandro	Jan 1
\$20	Martin Winston	Meadow Vista	Jan 2
\$20	Ron Rivera	Angels Camp	Jan 3
\$20	Craig Lorence	Fortuna	Jan 4
\$20	David Fyfe	San Leandro	Jan 5
\$20	Rich Pharo	Sonoma	Jan 6
\$75	Dave Slade	Livermore	Jan 7
\$20	NSGW #62	Napa	Jan 8
\$20	Mayra Rivas	Fremont	Jan 9
\$20	Alfred Mendes Jr.	Vacaville	Jan 10
\$20	Duane Carroll	Sacramento	Jan 11
\$20	Dennis Zwicker	San Lorenzo	Jan 12
\$20	Craig Lorenc	Fortuna	Jan 13
\$75	Jody Monahan	Sonoma	Jan 14
\$20	Wayne Shellcross	Rocklin	Jan 15
\$20	Ron Drapinski	Napa	Jan 16
\$20	Ed Robles	Sonoma	Jan 17
\$20	Ed Robles	Sonoma	Jan 18
\$20	Zellers	Sonoma	Jan 19
\$20	Ron Billington	Sacramento	Jan 20
\$75	Allan Baird	Fortuna	Jan 21
\$20	Carl von Bargaen	Oroville	Jan 22
\$20	Sonoma #111	Sonoma	Jan 23
\$20	Mark Lucas	Sonoma	Jan 24
\$20	David Natsch	Pleasanton	Jan 25
\$20	Lilly Perazzo	Sacramento	Jan 26
\$20	Sonoma #111	Sonoma	Jan 27
\$75	Susan Hartmann	Belmont	Jan 28
\$20	NSGW #62	Napa	Jan 29
\$20	Joan Peterson	Hayward	Jan 30
\$150	Dennis Zwicker	San Lorenzo	Jan 31



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OBITUARY

Frederick Knight Schram

Frederick Knight Schram, 90, passed to the Grand Parlor on High December 4, 2022.

Fred was born to Richard P. and Anne Elizabeth Schram, as a fourth-generation San Francisco native. He was a 53-year resident of Petaluma and former Petaluma "Good Egg" recipient and published poet.

Fred had fond memories of his childhood in San Francisco, including viewing the construction of the Golden Gate Bridge from his neighborhood Baker Beach. As a young man his love for nature and the outdoors began as he volunteered during the summer of 1949 at Yosemite National Park. Fred attended CCSF, USF, and the University of Denver, studying Business /Transportation.



A proud Veteran, Fred served in the U.S. Army 25th Infantry Division in Korea. In 1955, he returned after his duty in Korea to work for Southern Pacific Railroad. Fred held positions with multiple logistical world trade companies including Matson Navigation,

Interpol and Foremost. After moving his family to Petaluma in 1969, Fred was appointed Executive Director and General Manager of the Petaluma Chamber of Commerce.

His main love, aside from spending time with his family and myriad of friends, was working with his multiple service groups. For many decades, Fred and his wife Deb attended several meetings a week and donated their time to help preserve historic buildings in Petaluma and run the annual Old Adobe Fiesta. Fred held the position of President of the Old Adobe Association and Heritage Homes of Petaluma for many years in the early 1970s and was an active member through the 1980s. He was also very involved with and held numerous positions with the VFW Petaluma Chapter over the years, including Post Commander 2003-2006 and Post Chaplain 2019-2022.

A 48-year member of the Native Sons, joining in 1974 and transferring from Redwood #66 to Nicasio Parlor #183 in 1981. He served his parlor and Order in many capacities, including delegate to Grand Parlor, Grand Outside and Inside Sentinels, Grand Marshal and Grand Trustee. Following his time on the Board he served on the Statehood Day Committee and was a delegate to Grand Parlor 2008-2019.

Fred was a 40-year member of the 7-11 Lion's Club and a long-time member of the Board of Trustees for Sons of Italy. Other hobbies included painting, camping, fishing and playing golf at the Olympic Club where he was a lifetime member.

Fred was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 51 years, Deborah A. Schram and sister Diane Jones (Prescott). Survived by brother Richard Schram (Connie); daughters Lauren Schram-Clyde and Doris Watson (Doug); grandchildren Justin, Jordan, and Jacob Watson and Joshua Clyde; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

A well-attended Celebration of Life was held in Petaluma January 21.

HPF REPORT

No report of the NSGW Historic Preservation Foundation was available for this issue.

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Dates to Remember

FEBRUARY

- 15 - 146th Resolutions and Proposed Budget due to Parlors
- 18 - Auburn #59 Annual Crab Feed
- 25 - Ione #33 Annual Crab Feed, RSVP Jim Brazil (209) 245-3694

MARCH

- Election of Grand Parlor Delegates at parlor meetings
- 3 - Petaluma-Nicasio #183 Corned Beef and Cabbage, Hermann Sons Hall.
- 8 - SF #157 St. Patricks Dinner, at Janet Pomeroy Center, SF
- 13 6/7 p.m. Eden #113 Corn Beef & Cabbage at Vet's Bldg., Hayward
- 15 - Ads for Grand Parlor Offices due to Native Son Editor
- 15 - Solano Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner
- 16 - Advance Reports of Grand Officers, SDDGPs, and Committees due in Grand Parlor Office
- 17 - Fairfax Parlor Corned Beef and Cabbage, St. Rita Hall
- 18 6:00 pm. Pebble Beach #230 Crab Feed,
- 20 6/7:00 p.m. Napa #62 Pappy Flanigan Corned Beef & Cabbage, Napa Hall, RSVP 707-224-3213
- 24-26 - 49er Days in Murphys
- 25 - 5:30 p.m. Vallejo #77 Crab Feed, Vallejo
- 31 - Advance Reports Due to Parlors

APRIL

- 15 - Board of Grand Officers Meetings in Oroville
- 19 - Fairfax Parlor Lamb Feed, Fairfax Parlor Clubhouse
- 22 - Grand Parlor Dedication of Sutter Statue at NSGW Cemetery

MAY

- 3 - Fairfax Parlor Visiting Brothers Night, Fairfax Parlor Clubhouse
- 15 - 10 a.m. 146th Grand Parlor Opening Session, Lake Tahoe

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Halcyon-Alameda #4 7-7PM	Amador #17 6:30PM Guadalupe #231 11:30AM San Jose #22 6:30PM Santa Lucia #97 7PM Business	Argonaut #8 7PM Chispa #139 7PM Fairfax #307 7:30PM Business Ione #33 7PM Lodi #18 7PM Santa Cruz #90 6PM Solano #39 7PM Business Twin Peaks #214 7PM Washington #169 Sept-June Woodland #30 6PM	Excelsior #31 6:30PM JC Fremont #293 6:30PM National #118 11:30AM St Helena #53 Meeting Sunset #26 7 PM		Santa Ana #74 11:30AM	
Eden #113 7PM Elk Grove #41 7PM Humboldt #14 7:00PM Napa #62 6PM Business Sonoma #111 7PM Quartz #58 Sept-June	Auburn #59 7PM Fairfax #307 Luncheon Placerville #9 7pm San Luis Obispo #290 7PM Vallejo #77 7pm Yuba #55 6 pm	Byron #170 7pm Columbia #258 7PM Dolores #1 11:30AM Estudillo #223 5PM Business Ferdale #93 6 PM Dinner Hydraulic #56 6PM Los Banos #206 7PM Modesto #11 6:30PM Nicasio #183 7PM Pebble Beach #230 6:30pm Santa Rosa #28 6:30PM Dinner South SF #157 7PM	Benicia #89 (Dark July, Aug) Col. Holderman #316 Gabilan #132 6:30pm Georgetown #91 6:30pm Las Positas #96 7PM Mt Tamalpais #64 6PM Piedmont #120 6PM Ramona #109 7PM Meeting Redwood #66 7:30pm		Konocti #159 12 PM (When Able)	Los Angeles #45 (Rio Hondo + University) 10AM Juan Sanchez Adobe in Montebello
Napa #62 6pm Social Santa Ana #74 8PM Santa Lucia #97 6:00PM Dinner Sutter #261 Sept-June	Watsonville #65 1PM	De Anza #312 6:15PM Fairfax #307 7:30PM Dinner Ferdale #93 7PM Business Golden Gate #29 7:30PM Humboldt #14 7:30PM Ione #33 7PM Lodi #18 7PM Observatory #177 5:30PM Solano #39 6PM Social Twin Peaks #214 7PM Washington #169 Sept-June	Monterey #75 6PM Silver Star #63 7PM (Dark July, Aug. June & Dec Dinners 6PM)	Chispa Social Dinner	Redwood #66 Bear Lodge (May-Oct)	
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