

Our Mission

"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."



We invite you to join us!

Individuals who are born in California and are at least 16 years of age are welcome to join a Parlor. Through participating in local community activities and projects Members forge lasting friendships.

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Preserving the History of California



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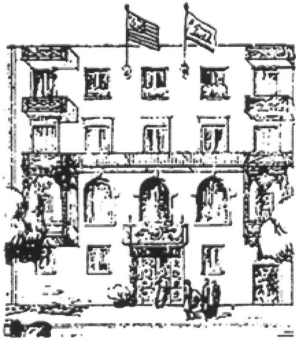
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PRESERVING THE PAST
MEETING THE CHALLENGES
OF THE PRESENT
FULFILLING THE DREAM OF
THE FUTURE**

About us

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
- Faith in the existence of God

N.D.G.W. Home



Native Daughters of the Golden West Home

Enjoying the N.D.G.W. Home is a privilege of membership. Designed in 1928 by famed California architect Julia Morgan and located near Golden Gate Park, the four story structure houses a museum, meeting facilities, Pioneer Roster and California resource library, and guest rooms for Members and their friends visiting beautiful San Francisco.

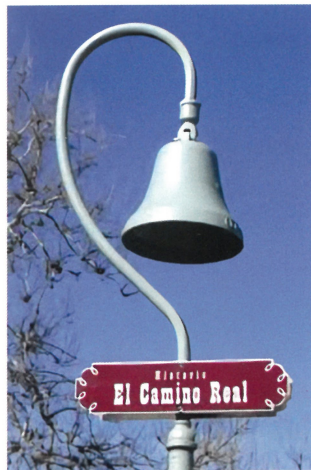
Our Projects



Native Daughters promote and participate in many local and State-wide activities and programs. The Childrens Foundation aids California children by offering funding assistance for their medical and dental needs.

Members fund the continuing maintenance of a redwood grove in Humboldt State Park and fields of golden poppies in the Antelope Valley Poppy Preserve.

Through the Charitable Foundation, Native Daughters also provide scholarships, provide aid to Veterans and work to restore and preserve California's historic Missions and Lighthouses.



In an effort to instill in future generations an appreciation of California's rich history, the Native Daughters place commemorative markers at historic sites and routes including the bells along El Camino Real (Highway 101).

Our History

The historic mining city of Jackson in the foothills of Amador County is honored as the birthplace of the Order of the Native Daughters of the Golden West.

On September 11, 1886, Lilly O. Reichling, invited twenty California-born women to meet and plan the formation of a womens' organization. The first chapter, Ursula Parlor was established. The founding Members chose this distinctive name because it's meaning "bear" symbolized both strength and courage.



Lilly O. Reichling Dyer
Founder

