

eNews - September 2025



Preserving the History of California!



September is Membership month
AND

Labor Day (Sept. 1),
Admission Day (Sept. 9),
Patriots Day (Sept. 11),
Founder's Day (Sept. 25)

What is your Parlor doing to celebrate?



Membership Month

It's Free to do one of the following...

- Invite a prospective new member to an upcoming meeting.
- Carry applications
- Hand out purse packs
- Give free business cards with a QR code

Materials are available from the Grand Parlor office, email
grandparlor@ndgw.org

California Admission Day Happenings...

September 5th

Don't miss out on the NDGW and NSGW California Admission Day luncheon on September 5th at the Basque Cultural Center in South San Francisco! We're thrilled to have PGP Dawn Dunlap share the fascinating history of the Golden Gate Bridge. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow members and deepen your appreciation for California's rich heritage.

If you need more details, contact your Recording

Secretary or reach out to PGP Suzi Riley, State Chair, California Admission Day.

Let's bridge the gap between history and community together!



California's 175th Birthday Block Party

Join us on September 9th between 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM as we come together in our **NDGW t-shirts** on the steps of the Capitol Building in Sacramento, 10th Street and N Street, to celebrate California Admission Day! Consider taking light rail for an easier trip to the Capitol. It's not just a gathering; it's a heartfelt tribute to our Golden State, featuring the joyful singing of "I Love You California" as we serve delicious cake and ice cream to our legislators. There will be food trucks, California treats, family-friendly activities and a FREE Laser Show! If you have one, **bring a small California Flag to waive**. Let's show our pride and make this day memorable!

For questions, feel free to reach out to PGP Debi Stalder, State Chair of Public Relations and Community Outreach.

Check out the State website at <https://www.celebrate.ca.gov> click on "**Stay in Loop**" or sign up for "**Events**".

Celebrate with Cards

Are you unable to attend California Admission Day events but still want to make a difference? Here's a delightful way to spread some joy and strengthen our community ties! We invite our members to print and mail heartfelt birthday cards to local Legislators. This simple act not only brings a smile to their faces but also fosters connections that enhance civic engagement. Let's celebrate the spirit of friendship and community while supporting our representatives! You can find the cards on the **Members Only** page of our website—let's get those cards rolling! Find the address of your local Legislators, use [this Link](#)



SEPTEMBER 11th
PATRIOTS DAY
Fly the Flag



FOUNDER'S DAY - SEPTEMBER 25th

HOW I ORGANIZED THE NATIVE DAUGHTERS

By Lilly O. Reichling, founder of the NDGW Order
September 9, 1901

"Miss Jones is most cordially requested to be present at the NSGW reading- room at precisely 1:30 P.M. on Saturday, September 11, 1886...

That is exactly the working of the twenty-four notes that I sent out when I had the founding of the Native Daughters in mind."

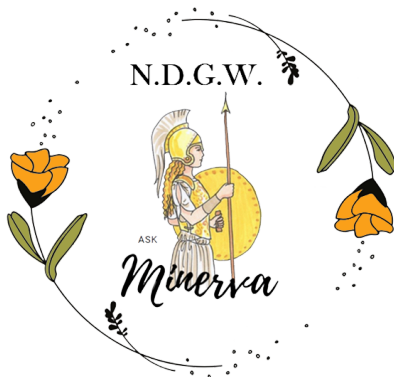
The second meeting was held on September 25th, now known as Founder's Day honoring Lilly O. Reichling.

WELCOME BACK!

As we enter the back-to-school season, we would like to remind you that the NDGW Essay and Art Talent Contests are now under the Public Relations and Community Outreach Committee (PRACO). This is a fantastic opportunity for students to showcase their talents at the Grand Parlor Annual Meeting in June 2026.

Additionally, the Education and Scholarships Committee encourages you to submit applications to the State level through your local Parlors. There are several scholarships available, including the Sharon M. Johnston Music Scholarship, which provides valuable support for aspiring musicians.

For more details, please reach out to PGP Dawn Dunlap, State Chair of Education and Scholarships. Be sure to keep an eye on the monthly mailing for further information.



ASK MINERVA

Question: What does the "O" stand for in our founder's name: Lilly O. Reichling Dyer

Answer: According to *Find a Grave*, the "O" stands for Otilie.

Submit questions to "ASK MINERVA" by emailing webmistress@NDGW.org

Labor Day Holiday - September 1st

We celebrate Labor Day to honor the economic and social achievements of American workers and the labor movement, which fought for better working conditions, rights, and a higher standard of living during the late 19th century. The holiday, established in 1894, serves as a tribute to the struggles and contributions of workers who helped build the nation's prosperity and also traditionally marks the end of summer with parades and picnics. Enjoy the holiday and remember to Fly the Flag!



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