

Daughters of Norway Grand Lodge
Records, 1908-2013
SIE 1.1.1

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HISTORICAL NOTE:

The Grand Lodge of the Daughters of Norway was founded as “Daughters of Norway of the Pacific Coast” (DNPC) on February 20, 1908, by the three independent lodges existing at that time: Valkyrien Lodge #1 of Seattle (1905-), Embla Lodge #2 of Tacoma (1907-), and Freya Lodge #3 of Spokane (1907-1923), all in Washington State. The Grand Lodge held annual conventions and conducted administrative business, and in 1926, the DNPC conventions became biennial. At the 1930 convention, membership was opened to women married to men of Norwegian ancestry. In addition, a proposal passed that would allow translation of installation ceremonies into English in cases where the candidate did not understand Norwegian. The publication *Døtre av Norge* was written in Norwegian and first published on Dec 15, 1936. *Døtre av Norge* has been continuously published since then, and during the 1950s the magazine transitioned from Norwegian to English. During both World War I and II, the organization coordinated with and supported the Red Cross. In 1956, the organization officially changed its name from Daughters of Norway on the Pacific Coast to Daughters of Norway. Also during the 1950s, death benefits for older members ceased, meaning the group became strictly a cultural and social organization (and not fraternal). Since 1985, in response to a growing interest, the Grand Lodge of the Daughters of Norway has formed many new lodges in California, Nevada, Western Washington State, Iowa, Idaho, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Oregon. The Grand Lodge is still active, hosting conventions and publishing *Døtre av Norge*, as of 2024.

COLLECTION OVERVIEW:

This collection contains the records of the Daughters of Norway Grand Lodge cultural organization, including treasury books, minutes, correspondence, convention information, song books, and other administrative records. Audiovisual materials are housed in the SIE AV Collection. The material is in Norwegian and English, and dates 1908-2010. Previously MSS 272.

EXTENT: 2.5 linear feet (5 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English; Norwegian

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Daughters of Norway (U.S.)
Døtre av Norge
Norway—Emigration and immigration
Norwegian Americans
Scandinavian Americans

RELATED MATERIALS:

Døtre av Norge, SIE HS1923.D6

BOX LIST

Box 1:

- Folder 1: Historical Information, 1926-2000
- Folder 2: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book) Copy 1, 1908-1915
- Folder 3: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book) Copy 2, 1908-1915
- Folder 4: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book), 1911-1914
- Folder 5: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book), 1914-1924
- Folder 6: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book), 1915-1944
- Folder 7: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book), 1919-1924
- Folder 8: *Kaserer Bog* (Treasury Book), 1924-1932
- Folder 9: Membership Ledger of the Grand Lodge Secretary, 1909-1924

Box 2:

- Folder 1: Harmony Lodge No. 244: Treasury Book, Receipts, and Disbursements, 1938-1963
- Folder 2: Treasurer's Reports, 1992-2010
- Folder 3: *Direktions* (Meeting Minutes), 1913-1925
- Folder 4: *Direktions* (Meeting Minutes), 1926-1940
- Folder 5: Flyke Lodge No. 6: Meeting Minutes, 1918-1926

Box 3:

- Folder 1: *Styre* (Meeting Minutes), 1940-1958
- Folder 2: Meeting Minutes, 1958-1964
- Folder 3: Meeting Minutes, 1987-2003
- Folder 4: Book of Convention Minutes w/ Translation Copy 1, 1912-1950
- Folder 5: Book of Convention Minutes w/ Translation Copy 2, 1912-1950
- Folder 6: Correspondence, 1924-1930
- Folder 7: Correspondence, 1942-1956
- Folder 8: Correspondence, 1988-2013

Box 4:

- Folder 1: Convention Materials, 1990-1996
- Folder 2: Convention Materials, 2002
- Folder 3: Song Books, 1923
- Folder 4: *Storlogen Døtre av Norge*, 1926-1950
- Folder 5: News Articles and Letters, 1955-2006
- Folder 6: Constitution and Proposed Amendments, 1927-2006
- Folder 7: Rituals and Procedures, 1930-2000
- Folder 8: Inventory, Services, Endowment Fund, and Dues, 1992-2010

Folder 9: Scholarship Information, 1998-2012
Folder 10: Daughters of Norway Officers, 2000-2010
Folder 11: Events, 1980-2009
Folder 12: Convention, 2004
Folder 13: Convention Delegates, 2004
Folder 14: Centennial Convention, 2008
Folder 15: Crown Princess Martha Lodge, 1956-2005

Box 5:

Folder 1: Burial Fund, 1911-1913
Folder 2: Burial Fund, 1915-1926
Folder 3: Burial Fund, 1932-1947
Folder 4: Membership Book, 1918-1926
Folder 5: Newspaper Ledger, 1936-1947
Folder 6: Valkyrie Lodge No. 1: Finances, 1934-1950
Folder 7: Finance Book, 1947-1959
Folder 8: Finance Book, 1950-1958
Folder 9: Grand Lodge Treasurer's Book, 1976-1983

AV Material

SIE.AV.022: Døtre av Norge March issue files, 2010
SIE.AV.023: Døtre av Norge May issue files, 2010
SIE.AV.024: Døtre av Norge July issue files, 2010
SIE.AV.025: Døtre av Norge September issue files, 2010
SIE.AV.026: Døtre av Norge November issue files, 2010
SIE.AV.027: Døtre av Norge January issue files, 2011
SIE.AV.028: Døtre av Norge March issue files, 2011
SIE.AV.029: Døtre av Norge May issue files, 2011
SIE.AV.030: Døtre av Norge July issue files, 2011
SIE.AV.031: Døtre av Norge September issue files, 2011
SIE.AV.032: Døtre av Norge November issue files, 2011
SIE.AV.033: Døtre av Norge January issue files, 2012
SIE.AV.034: Døtre av Norge March issue files, 2012
SIE.AV.035: Døtre av Norge May issue files, 2012
SIE.AV.036: Døtre av Norge July issue files, 2012
SIE.AV.037: Døtre av Norge September issue files, 2012
SIE.AV.038: Døtre av Norge November issue files, 2012
SIE.AV.039: Døtre av Norge January issue files, 2013
SIE.AV.040: Døtre av Norge March issue files, 2013
SIE.AV.041: Døtre av Norge May issue files, 2013
SIE.AV.042: Døtre av Norge July issue files, 2013
SIE.AV.043: Døtre av Norge September issue files, 2013
SIE.AV.044: Døtre av Norge November issue files, 2013

SIE.AV.045: Døtre av Norge January issue files, 2014

SIE.AV.046: Døtre av Norge March issue files, 2014

SIE.AV.047: Døtre av Norge May issue files, 2014

SIE.AV.048: Daughters of Norway 2012 Convention Photos (1 of 3), 2012

SIE.AV.049: Daughters of Norway 2012 Convention Photos (2 of 3), 2012

SIE.AV.050: Daughters of Norway 2012 Convention Photos (3 of 3), 2012

Photos

Slides housed in the SIE Photo collection, SIE00235-SIE00256. These slides include photos from a visit to PLU in 1983.

Scrapbooks