## Korporatsioon Filiae Patriae Vancouver'i koondis / Academic Sorority Filiae Patriae, Vancouver Chapter

## **Archivist's Description**

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English Name	Academic Sorority Filiae Patriae, Vancouver Chapter
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Activity	27.11.1959
Status	Not-For-Profit Organization
Tasks and Areas of Activity	Having been forced to restart life for the second or third time in a foreign country after fleeing a war-torn homeland, there became a need to create social contacts with similar people. Although members of different chapters, three Filiae Patriae vil! (alumni) met at Siiri Soodla Muna's home in Vancouver on November 27, 1959. It was decided to assemble all Filiae women who arrived to create a new home in the city of Vancouver or its surroundings. Another goal was set to introduce the former Korp! Filiae Patriae principles and activities to young university students of Estonian heritage in Vancouver. The first new members were accepted in the spring of the following year, 1960. Meetings took place once a month at members' homes and consisted of lectures on Estonian history and culture. Well known songs were also studied and sung. These meetings allowed students living in the Canadian community to create friendships with other Estonians and communicate in Estonian. To this day this has been the main goal of this chapter.  Aside from the chapter meetings, many national and organizational anniversaries were celebrated together with fraternities, sororities and other student societies. In 1960 korp! Filiae Patriae celebrated its 40th birthday with many guests and a programme at the University of University of British Columbia's Faculty Club. The successful event was followed by the University of Tartu anniversary balls. The Vancouver chapter was most active 1960-1980. Sister chapters were visited once a year in Victoria and Seattle.  Currently, the chapter is an active alumni association.  Meetings are held at members' homes 8 times a year or more often as needed.
Structure	The founding members of this chapter were: vil! Hermiide Rebane Kangro, Livia Martna Kivisild and university vil! Siiri Soodla Muna.  Over the years there have been 44 members on the Vancouver chapter list. Some members have moved to different cities or have passed away.  The chapter is directed by the Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and the Membership Chair.
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