About Women Winning the Right to Vote

Do You Know . . .

1) In what year did women in the United States win the right to vote?

2) How many years of constant effort had supporters devoted to the woman suffrage campaign?

3) What suffrage leader was arrested, tried, and fined for voting in the 1872 election?

4) Which was the first state to grant women the vote in presidential elections?

5) Why were women arrested and force-fed in prison in 1917?

6) What was the margin of victory when the 19th Amendment was finally passed by the U.S. Congress?

Answers:

1) Wyoming in 1890
2) Susan B. Anthony
3) 1885-1920=72 years
4) They were arrested for peculation
5) (5)
6) Two votes in the Senate and Forty-two suffrage

Visit our website at nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org for information about a vast array of topics related to women's history.

For specific information related to the Women's Rights Movement, visit the Resources section of our website where you will find detailed information about the Women's Rights Movement.

For a full array of posters and resources, click on NWHA Store on the home page to access our on-line catalog filled with engaging women's history materials.

The National Women’s History Alliance is committed to recognizing and celebrating the diverse and historic accomplishments of women.

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Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories

Always Realize the Urgency of the Vote

The NWHA is moved to make an urgent call for persistent determination to ensure that women’s democratic rights are secure for the future. From before the time that women first publicly demanded the rights of full citizenship almost 175 years ago at the Seneca Falls Convention, women have been denied the benefits and power of citizenship. We have to keep challenging that historic prejudice against women.

Begin today to emphasize the importance of voting as the cornerstone of our democracy. Plan events, parades, and educational webinars and focus not only on what it took to win the vote, but what is going to take to secure that right for everyone. Begin your planning to take action for extraordinary events before and after Women’s Equality Day on August 26, the day the 19th Amendment was ratified. The 19th Amendment needs to not only recognize women’s successful movement to win the vote, but it needs to call out for equality on all fronts. The National Women’s History Alliance encourages local events – receptions, gatherings, panels and more. This summer let’s celebrate the perseverance of the hundreds of thousands of individuals who have and are working for justice.

Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories

From the earliest story tellers through pioneering journalists, our experiences have been captured by a wide variety of artists and teachers. These include authors, songwriters, scholars, playwrights, performers, and grandmothers throughout time.

Women have long been instrumental in passing on our heritage in word and in print to communicate the lessons of those who came before us.

Women’s stories, and the larger human story, expand our understanding and strengthen our connections with each other.

Pictured at right: Toni Morrison, Maxine Hong Kingston, Jovita Idar, Maya Angelou Gerda Lerner, Gloria Steinem, Winona La Duke, Lillian Hellman, Betty Soskin, Willa Cather, Gertrude Stein, Marjory Stoneman Douglas