Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion

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

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:

(6) 1918-1920, 72 years
(5) Wyoming, in 1890
(4) Susan B. Anthony
(3) They were arrested for peacefully picketing the White House for women's suffrage
(2) Two votes in the Senate and forty-two in the House of Representatives
(1) 1869, the year she was arrested for the first time.
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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.

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This theme recognizes women throughout the country who understand that, for a positive future, we need to eliminate bias and discrimination entirely from our lives and institutions.

Women from every background have long realized that an uneven playing field will never bring equality or justice. Many feel the critical need to speak up and work harder for fairness in our institutions and social interactions.

During 2024, we recognize the example of women who are committed to embracing everyone and excluding no one in our common quest for freedom and opportunity. They know that people change with the help of families, teachers and friends, and that young people in particular need to learn the value of hearing from different voices with different points of view as they grow up.