

## 2020 OPPORTUNITIES IN CONCORD AND CARLISLE TO CELEBRATE THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT, WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE AND THE FOUNDING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

January 22 *Not for Ourselves Alone (Parts I & II)* -- a documentary by Ken Burns

& Suffrage100 Carlisle

January 29 7:00 pm at Gleason Public Library

22 Bedford Road, Carlisle

January 23 Writing A Suffragist Play

Lecture by Pam Swing and Elizabeth Dabanka

Authors of *I Want to Go to Jail* 

12:30-2:00 pm at Liberman-Miller Lecture Hall

Brandeis University, Waltham

February Carlisle Reads will read

Massachusetts in the Woman Suffrage Movement

by Barbara Berensen

March 14 Women's Suffrage Centennial Celebration

Women's Parish Association Co-sponsored by LWVCC

6:00 pm at the Meeting House of First Parish in Concord

20 Lexington Road, Concord

March Public Screening of *Iron-Jawed Angels* 

Date TBA, Carlisle

April 20 March with LWVCC in the Patriots' Day Parade

There will be sashes, signs and banners. All are welcome!

May 9 **Sojourner's Song** 

Concord Women's Chorus

A program of choral works by women composers

Featuring Sojourner's Song, composed by Mari Esabel Valverde

4:00 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church

81 Elm Street, Concord

May 16 I Want To Go To Jail

& A play by Pam Swing & Elizabeth Dabanka

May 17 Performances on the evening of the 16th and the afternoon of the 17th

Kerem Shalom

659 Elm Street Concord

June 20 **Old Home Day Parade in Carlisle** 

We are hoping to have 100 Marchers join the parade!



## A SELECT CHRONOLOGY OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE IN THE UNITED STATES

1848 *July 19-20* **The Seneca Falls Convention** meets, attracting some 300 attendees, and resulting in the **Declaration of Sentiments.** 

1868 The **New England Woman Suffrage Association** (NEWSA) forms

1878 **Senator Aaron A. Sargent** introduces a women's suffrage amendment in Congress. It fails.

- 1879 The Massachusetts Legislature passes a law allowing women to vote for school committee members.
- 1880 *March* 29 **Louisa May Alcott and 19 other women** voted for the first time at the Concord Town Meeting for school committee members.
- 1918 January 10 Congresswoman Janette Rankin of Montana introduces a Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution extending the right of suffrage to women. The amendment fails twice in the Senate before finally passing.
- May 21 The 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment passes in the House of Representatives.
   June 4 The 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment passes in the Senate.
   June 10 Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan are the first states to vote for ratification.
   June 25 Massachusetts is the 8<sup>th</sup> stated to ratify the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment.
- 1920 January 6 **The League of Women Voters** forms from a merger of the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA), led by Carrie Chapman Catt and the National Council of Women Voters (NCWV), led by Emma Smith DeVoe.

January 16 Indiana votes to ratify, becoming the 26<sup>th</sup> state to do so.

May 27 The League of Women Voters of Massachusetts is organized.

*August 19* **Tennessee** votes for ratification, bringing the total to 36. 3/4ths of the states have now voted for ratification, and so

## August 26 19th Amendment Adopted

1930 The **League of Women Voters of Concord** is organized

## "A Joint Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Constitution extending the right of suffrage to women

The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."