

AAUW celebrates 100th year of women's voting rights

By SEASIDE AAUW

Aug. 26 marks the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment. The amendment guarantees and protects women's constitutional right to vote.

This is much more than an anniversary celebration, Denise Mitchell of Seaside American Association of University Women said.

"It is a call to get everyone out to vote. AAUW acknowledges how far we have come, but there are still so many voting challenges," Mitchell said. "AAUW is committed to working towards access and equity for all voter."

AAUW came together for this picture to celebrate the women who fought for decades, for the women of color who struggled decades longer to achieve these same right, and for the future generations of girls who we encourage to know that their vote is their voice.

We owe it to the women who fought so hard to be informed and participate in the electoral process. AAUW is focused on continuing to uplift all women.

In Oregon, it's impossible to talk about the women's suffrage movement without discussing Abigail Scott Duniway. She is



Members of the Seaside chapter of AAUW at City Hall dressed in period clothing to celebrate 100 years of women's suffrage.

R.J. Marx

remembered as the state's "mother of equal suffrage."

Duniway was a pioneer in the Pacific Northwest. She devoted 40 years to the cause. Oregon can look back knowing women in

the 33rd state won the right to vote eight years before most other states.

The state was one of the few states to recognize women's voting rights before the passage of the

19th Amendment.

The efforts of Duniway and Oregon women and men to secure women's voting rights included the issue being placed on the ballot a record 6 times

— 1884, 1900, 1906, 1908, 1910.

The Oregon Equal Suffrage amendment was passed when a majority of men voted yes in November 1912.

SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT TIMELINE

- Pre-1848 — Women have pushed for the right to vote, to no avail.
- 1848 — The Seneca Falls Convention is credited with the beginning of the organized suffrage movement.
- 1848-1912 — Decades of advocacy, letter-writing, conventions, marches, protests, arrests, hunger strikes as those who support suffrage face enduring abuses.
- 1912 — Oregon women get the right to vote.
- 1920 — The 19th Amendment, giving the right to vote for women, is ratified and becomes part of the U.S. Constitution.
- 1965 — Women of color finally get the right to vote with the Voting Rights Act.
- 2020 — There still remain challenges with voter access and voting suppression.

On Dec. 18, 1912, voters in Warrenton chose Clara "Callie" Munson as their mayor over her rival male by a margin of 16 votes, making Munson the first woman to hold elected office in Oregon following the passage of the Equal Suffrage Amendment the previous month.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sentiments were repugnant

Re: "You are moving here for a reason"

Who are you to tell people how to vote? Your letter is offensive. Your letter reads like a threat.

This is the United States of America and in this nation and in this state no one tells other people who to vote for or how to vote.

You are entitled to vote for whomever you

please. So is everyone else, no matter from where they are moving or why.

You make a lot of assumptions about who is moving here, from where, and why. You also make a lot of assumptions about the people who currently live here.

You clearly believe that everyone who currently lives here and has been living here thinks, believes, feels and votes the same way you do.

Telling people to vote to "protect the reasons that attracted you to move here by voting for candidates that clearly demonstrate loyalty to protecting our way of life" is appalling and repugnant.

Voting is a personal and private endeavor and one of our most precious rights in this country.

As demographics change, so do the demographics of those who are voted for as representatives.

That is the beauty of democracy.

Christina Buck
Seaside

Posalski to run for City Council

My name is David Posalski. My wife and I moved to Seaside in 2010 to open Tsunami Sandwich Company.

Seaside has done amazing things for our family. Our son graduated from Seaside High School and

has gone on to Oregon State and is completing his degree this year.

The opportunities provided by Seaside have blossomed into five local businesses for us.

We employ over 50 local employees in the restaurant industry.

Upon arriving in Seaside, we were thrilled by the community here and immediately became involved. I have served six years on the Seaside Chamber of Commerce board of

directors. I have served on the Seaside Transportation Commission, and have provided almost three years of service on the Seaside Planning Commission.

My desire is to continue serving our community through the City Council as your commissioner for Ward 4.

I hope to be an open ear and your voice on the council as I serve our entire community.

David Posalski
Seaside

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