

Finish Her Story

Preserve the Herstories of Allegany County Women and the History of the Suffrage Movement

You can help ACM bring attention to the actions and achievements of women involved in the suffrage movement (1900-1921) whose stories have been lost to time. Please look over the WANTED lists below and see if you recognize names, events, and places – then start digging!

Bring anything you find to or schedule an alternative scanning appointment:

FINISH HERSTORY COMMUNITY ARTIFACT DAY

March 13, 2021, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Donald L. Alexander Library, Allegany College of Maryland

In concert with a recent Votes and Voices Electoral Engagement Grant from **Maryland Humanities**, Tawnisha Arthur, Keaira Thomas, and Tabatha Vassar began researching prospects and suspects within our community. These ACM Human Resource Associate program students (seen here with ACM Reference Librarian Barbara Browning, far left), started profiles of local women and ventured down the rabbit research hole as far as they could go.

Maybe there is a diary or photos or newspaper articles or other memorabilia from 1900-1921 you can dig up and bring to complete these histories? Your artifacts will be carefully scanned for further research and sharing as part of an upcoming Votes and Voices exhibition through the Allegany Museum.



Questions? Contact Human Service Professor Cherie Snyder at csnyder@allegany.edu or 301-784-5556, or Barbara Browning at bbrowning@allegany.edu or 301-784-5269.

WANTED: INFO ON THESE WOMEN AND MEN

Mrs. William Troxell (Anna Belle Darr)
Mrs. Robert (Florence) Henderson
Mrs. Mervin McKaig
Isabel Wheeler
Colonel George Pearre
Mrs. Fowler
Mrs. J.W. Cochran
Mrs. William Pearre
Mrs. C.O. Roener
Mrs. Robert Henderson
Mrs. Edward (Ellen) Harris
Mrs. Ray Herron
Mrs. Garret Smith
Mrs. William Menefee
Mrs. James Cook

WANTED: INFO ON LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS & CONNECTIONS TO SUFFRAGE (1900-1921)

Allegany County Women's Suffrage Association, founded in 1917

Women's Civic Club, founded in 1909
Allegany County Federation of Women's Club, founded in 1913 as a merger of several clubs

Allegany Trades Council, first Allegany County organization to endorse women's suffrage

Just Government League

WANTED: INFO ON LOCAL SUFFRAGE EVENTS

June 16-27, 1914: National Just Government League Women's events in Allegany County

July 2, 1915: Suffrage meeting with Congressman David Lewis in his Cumberland office; also a parade

Summer of 1915: Just Government Garden party held at 138 Maryland Ave in Cumberland with dancing, a palmist, ice cream booth, punch, and speakers on "why should not women vote"