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A Century of Struggle Remembered

AARP helps celebrate the women's suffrage movement

WITH THE RECENT wave of women elected to Congress, and others declared as presidential candidates for 2020, we can forget that it was just a century ago—June 4, 1919—that Congress approved the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which allowed women to vote. That followed a long, at times violent struggle.

Now the National Archives in Washington is documenting the trials and ultimate triumph of the women's suffrage movement in an exhibit called "Rightfully Hers—American Women and the Vote." AARP is a major sponsor; the exhibit features rarely seen photographs and documents from the mid-19th century through the ratification of the 19th Amendment in 1920.

Across the river from Washington, in Fairfax County, Virginia, a nonprofit

group is constructing a national monument to the suffragists on the grounds of a former prison where women were jailed and in some cases assaulted after picketing the White House in 1917. The Turning Point Suffragist Memorial will be dedicated on August 26, 2020, the centennial of the day the amendment was formally certified. Pat Wirth, executive director and CEO of the project, says the memorial will cost about \$2.5 million. To donate, or to learn more, visit suffragistmemorial.org.



GENERATIONS FIND COMMON GROUND IN AARP'S NEW VIDEO SERIES

AARP STUDIOS wanted to find common ground between people in their 50s, 60s and 70s, and those in their last two years of high school. So we paired up adults ages 51 to 75 with juniors and seniors, then filmed them talking to each other in high schools.

The result is a series of videos in which jocks, geeks and class clowns connect across generations. The conversations range from the mundane—what is and once was considered cool—to the profound, such as how different generations view aging.

"I'm always thinking [young people] want something done now and quick, but I've definitely changed my mind about that," says Mark Silva, 65. Evan Dyer, 16, told an older chat partner, "You made it sound like growing old isn't that bad.... You still seem like a fun guy."

Check out the videos at youtube.com/aarp.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY
Joan Ruff, chair of AARP's board, testified before the Social Security Subcommittee of the House Ways and Means Committee in March, regarding the need to protect the program.