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The Town Manager's Corner

It is My Honor!

It is my honor to serve as Clinton's first Town Manager. I appreciate the support and confidence that the full Town Council has placed in me to lead Town Hall into an era of professional public management. Public service has been an important element in my life and shaped my career as a professional public manager. I am pleased that I will be able to bring over 20 years of local government expertise gained from a variety of communities to Clinton.

Our chosen form of government has a Town Council that enjoys all the importance of a Board of Directors (legislating and policy-making) and a Town Manager that is appointed by the council to serve as Clinton's chief executive officer overseeing the day-to-day management of town business and fulfilling the policy direction of Town Council. The Town Manager is responsible for policy implementation and administration, the development and execution of the annual operating and capital budget, and directing municipal operations.

I view public service as a noble profession, performing work that is important which influences critical community decisions addressing opportunities and challenges. In the council-manager form of government, the Town Manager bases decisions on serving the long-term interests of Clinton, promoting equity and

fairness, and seeking continuous improvement.

As I write this, 2020 is shaping up to be both an exciting and busy year. There are opportunities to build on the progress that Clinton has been steadily making. We all should see activity on the old Morgan School site as it starts its transformation into



Karl Kilduff Town Manager

Indian River Landing bringing new economic activity to town. New life should also be seen at Station's Landing at Clinton, with private investment creating a new use for the former Unilever site. Redevelopment of this nature allows the Town to chart its own future and maintain a dynamic local economy.'

Other opportunities for 2020 may not be as visible but are an important foundation to guide Clinton forward under the council-manager form of government. I am working on a management agenda to identify opportunities for improved efficiency and cooperation in town operations. The only reason local government exists is to provide services to the public. Those services should be provided with quality and kept at the lowest price possible.

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The Town is also working to increase public awareness and provide more opportunities for public engagement. The Town launched its own official Facebook page to keep the public altered to significant events and resouces. We hope you will watch "The Town of Clinton, Connecticut" on Facebook for regular updates. Working in concert with the Town's website, our social media presence will help connect the public with our existing online resources and tools.

I would like to thank the many residents that have warmly welcomed me to Clinton and I am optimistically looking forward to 2020, working with the Town Council, staff and all of Clinton's volunteers to move the community forward.

Karl Kilduff, Town Manager

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The Clinton Education Foundation /Clinton Lions Club Family Gold Classic

Frigid temperatures and snowy weather may have made golf the furthest thing from our minds. The Clinton Education Foundation and the Clinton Lions Club, however, have been anticipating the return of spring by getting ready for their golf tournament, the Clinton Education Foundation/Clinton Lions Club Family Golf Classic.

This year's annual tournament will be held on Monday, June 22 at the Clinton Country Club. The tournament serves as a means to raise money to support the work of these two community service organizations. The Clinton Education Foundation, a non-profit 501(c)3 organization launched in 2006, has as its mission "to enhance public school education" in the town of Clinton. The foundation accomplishes its mission by providing financial support for initiatives that create educational opportunities for the children of Clinton, opportunities that are not funded by the town or other public-funding sources. We annually award grants and scholarships to public school students and teachers which enable them to pursue their dreams and passions. The Clinton Lions

Club is a community service organization that offers scholarships and sponsors youth activities, funds the DARE program for the school district, and helps supply our police officers with life-saving Narcan.

In the months preceding the tournament, members of both organizations will be soliciting donations of goods and services for raffle and auction at the tournament. These donations are a great way to support these organizations and to get your name out into the community. Sponsorships are also available at a variety of levels. In addition to golf, there are a limited number of dinner tickets available for non-golfers. If you would like to become a sponsor or make a donation of a raffle or auction item, please visit the CEF website at https://sites.google.com/site/clintoncef or contact the Clinton Education Foundation/Clinton Lions Club at P.O. Box 684, Clinton, 06413.

Both organizations are looking forward to June 22, when summer returns to Clinton and the greens are free of snow and open once again.

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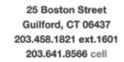
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Our goal in presenting the Wild & Scenic Film Festival is to engage our communities, to increase environmental awareness and to inspire people to become active in protecting and preserving our beautiful shoreline habitats.

Last years event was a SOLD OUT success so don't delay! For more info and to purchase tickets go to filmfestival. madisonlandtrust.org.

The Little Mermaid

The Morgan Musical Theatre presents "The Little Mermaid" on March 20, 21 at 7 pm and March 22 at 2:30 pm at the Morgan School auditorium at 71 Killingworth Tpke. Clinton. Tickets can be reserved by calling 860-663-0470 after March 1st or from a cast member.

From the Town Clerk's Office

2020 Shellfish licenses are now available for purchase in the Town Clerk's Office.

Please note we only accept cash or checks.

Opening Day for Fishing is April 11th Sports licenses are available in the Town Clerk's Office.

Presidential Preference Primary April 28th

Polls are open from 6 am to 8 pm. Absentee Ballots are available starting April 7th.

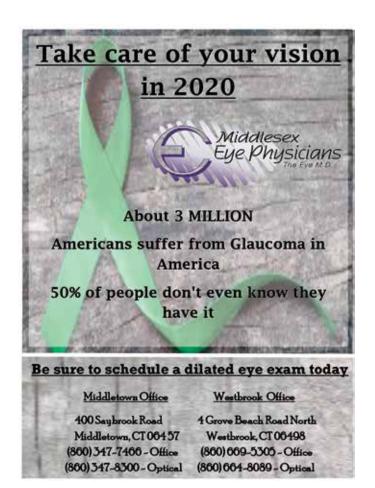
Important Dates to Remember

Early April Budget Public Hearing May 6th Annual Budget Meeting May 13th Budget Referendum 6 am to 8 pm

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Our Town Trees

Every tree has a humble beginning. The majestic white oaks that you see throughout Connecticut started from a small acorn. Did you know that the Charter Oak, Connecticut's state tree was a white oak? Last November the Clinton Tree Warden Kim Syrel



along with members of the Clinton Tree Committee planted a small but very mighty white oak on the front lawn of the Town Hall. This spot was chosen so that all the residents of Clinton can appreciate its strength

and beauty as it grows. With proper care, this tree should last for many generations to come, as it is a long lived oak. The white oak that was planted in front of Town Hall was one of among 169 trees that were donated to each town in Connecticut by the Connecticut Tree Protective Association, Inc, in honor of the 100th Anniversary of the passage of the state's Arborist Law.

This law requires that arborists in the state are licensed. It also establishes the foundation for proper tree care. The first Arborist Law required anyone who sold their services as a tree expert to demonstrate their knowledge of trees and of tree care through a rigorous examining process. When you need to hire a tree service for maintenance or removal of a tree on your property, it is important to ascertain that a licensed arborist will be responsible for the work.

The mission of the Tree Committee is several-fold. Of primary importance is to educate the public about the importance of trees. Additionally, we seek to teach proper planting and care of trees. Through the annual Arbor Day celebration and participation in local school and business events, the committee has provided opportunities for the public to learn about the great variety of trees in town and their important role in the future health of our planet. This April look around town for trees marked by our Arbor Day planting signs. Plans are already in the works for this year's celebration which will be held on April 24. Further information about a ceremony and tree planting can be found on our Facebook page, Clinton Tree Committee.

Middlesex Health - Finding Lung Cancer

While lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States, it's important to understand that it can be treated successfully when found early. Lung cancer often has no symptoms, making it difficult for people to realize that something

is wrong. Most often, early stage lung cancer can be best detected through lung screenings. Lung screenings are ordered by physicians and recommended for those aged 55 to 80 who have a 30-pack year history of smoking. You must also be a smoker







or former smoker who quit within the past 15 years and not be exhibiting lung cancer symptoms.

Middlesex Health is a Lung Cancer Screening Center of Excellence. This means that Middlesex demonstrates responsible, high-quality screening practices, and it ensures that the low-dose CT scans used to screen for lung cancer are carried out safely, efficiently and equitably.

Early lung cancer can also be detected through "incidental findings," meaning that a suspicious lesion was detected during the reading of a diagnostic test that a patient was having for another medical issue. It is critically important that lesions, regardless of how they are detected, are followed up on as recommended.

The Total Lung Care Center, part of Middlesex Health Cancer Center, works with primary care physicians, radiologists and nurse navigators to coordinate expedited care plans. The goal is to always always get you an appointment with a pulmonologist as soon as possible.

A timely diagnosis is very important because it allows lung cancer to be treated at an earlier stage. If your lesion is determined to be cancerous, you may need additional care and treatment. The Total Lung Care Center's nurse navigator will guide and support you through all aspects of lung cancer care, from diagnosis to survivorship.

For more information, visit MiddlesexHealth.org/lung.



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Clinton Economic Development Commission

The Clinton Economic Development Commission (EDC) has a priority focus on: our local businesses, instituting a standardized tax incentive process for investment and development and gaining greater awareness and support in Hartford and Washington DC.

The Clinton Manufacturing Coalition (CMC) of Clinton's manufacturing companies was developed and composed of: Tower Laboratories Ltd., Argo EMS, Roper Thermals, NSA, Bausch Advanced Technology Group and Kenyon. CMC members were introduced to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology (CCAT), the CT Department of Economic Community Development (DECD) as well as Senator Chris Murphy's office to gain a deeper understanding of what is needed, where we could get assistance and how better partnership could result in improved competitiveness.

The CMC has also begun a partnership with the Clinton Board of Education and Town Council to train Clinton students for great careers right here in Clinton; a win for our children, our businesses and our entire town. Our great hospitality businesses (restaurants, marinas, galleries, B&B's, recreational locations, etc.) also met regularly. The CT Director of Tourism visited Clinton to gain perspective of our assets and provide assistance in marketing them. The Clinton Summer Trolley was developed and supported by this group last spring. The Trolley will operate again this summer.

A standardized tax-incentive process was created and instituted to help both current businesses and new development. It is now the standard for any Town Council decisions regarding tax agreements.

Redevelopment at the old Morgan School and Unilever sites will be transformative and will gain attention from our neighbors and the entire state. The Town Council and a professional Town Manager positively enhance our attractiveness to increased economic development.

While the future looks promising, much is yet to be done to realize the full potential of our great town.

John V. Allen, Chairman





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Henry Carter Hull Library

A note from Adult Programming Coordinator Sarah Borgnis-Tobin / sarah@hchlibrary.org / 860-669-2342

Good News! Henry Carter Hull Library is going fine-free in 2020. That means if you have an overdue, what you pay is up to you! How does it work? Come in, return your items, and we'll clear your late fines on standard lendables like books, movies, CDs, and audiobooks - Fines continue to apply to special items like WiFi Internet Hotspots, Roku Streaming Devices, Nook eReaders, musical instruments, etc. Why are we doing it? We found that due to modern advancements in notification technology, such as email and text reminders, patrons of all ages are getting better and better about returning their library items on time. When reviewing finances, we also realized that lates fines make up less than 1% of our budget. As a thank you to our patrons for their responsible borrowing, we're optimistic about this opportunity to eliminate late-fines and create an even more welcoming community environment.

Other sources of support, such as charitable donations from patrons and generous sponsorships from local businesses, fully fund our events and programs for guests of all ages.

Thanks to the support of Clinton residents during the most recent Town Budget Referendum, we are excited to announce the return of Sunday hours this winter. Visit from 12 pm - 4 pm in January,



Henry Carter Hull Library: Where pigs fly and fines are free.

Stop by for more information!

February, and March to browse our collection, find fun activities in the Children's Room, hang out in the Teen Space, get some work done in our Business Center, and more. We'll have the coffee ready! As always, thank you for your support. We're so glad to be YOUR library!

Did you know? If you're not receiving our events email, you're missing out on valuable library updates and announcements. continued on page 14

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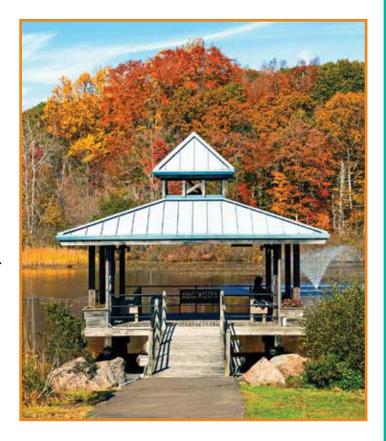
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UPCOMING WEEKLY ADULT EVENTS

- Itch to Stitch: Mondays, 6:30 pm 8:00 pm
- Scrabble Club: Tuesdays @ 1:00 pm
- Intermediate Tai Chi: Wednesdays @ 9:30 am
- Tech Wednesdays: Wednesdays, 10:00 am 11:00 am
- Gentle Yoga: Thursdays @ 10:15 am
- HCH Quilters: Fridays, 9:00 am 12:00 pm
- Beginner Tai Chi: Fridays @ 9:30 am

MONTHLY ADULT EVENTS

- New Movie Matinee: 1st Monday @ 1:00 pm
- Creative Writing Group: 1st Monday @ 6:00 pm
- Get Real! Nonfiction Book Club:
 2nd Tuesday @ 1:00 pm *Please register
- TEDxHCHLibrary Talks: 3rd Tuesday @ 9:30 am
- Book Chat: 4th Tuesday @ 9:30 am
- Business Basics: 1st Wednesday @ 6:00 pm
- The Atlantic Discussion Group: 4th Wednesday
 @ 9:30 am (No meeting in Feb.) *Please register
- Wellness Wednesday: Last Wednesday @ 6:00 pm
- Special Needs Caregiver Support Group: 1st Thursday
 @ 6:30 pm

• Senior Caregiver Support Group: 2nd Thursday @ 5:30 pm

SPECIAL EVENTS / ADULTS

- Wellness Wednesday: Holistic Health: Wed. 2/26 @ 6:00 pm
- New Movie Matinee Knives Out: Mon. 3/2 @ 1:00 pm
- Wellness Wednesday Colon Health 101: Wed. 3/25
- The Kerry Boys in Concert: Sat. 3/29 @ 2:00 pm

Visit www.hchlibrary.org or stop by for information about more upcoming events for adults.

Greetings from the Children's Room!

Be sure to check out our 17 Museum Passes which offer discounts at a variety of art and science museums, zoos, The Mystic Seaport and Mystic Aquarium. Reserve yours today! Stop by and grab a brochure and check out our website for more details about our museum passes, weekly programs, special events, and Nutmeg Book Club. "Like" us on Facebook for additions and updates.

From Coralie Williams, Head of Children's Services Upcoming Children's Events through June 5th

All weekly classes are first come, first served. No registration required. For descriptions of each program, upcoming events, and information about our museum passes, please visit: www. hchlibrary.org.

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TUESDAY

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- ABC Amigos: 10:15 am -10:45 am (Birth 6 years)

WEDNESDAY

- Kids: 9:30 am 10:00 pm (Older toddlers & preschoolers)
- Kids In Motion: 4:00 pm 4:45 pm (Family fun)
- Lego Club: 4:00 pm 5:00 pm (All ages)

THURSDAY

- Yoga & Mindfulness: 9:30 am 10:00 am (Family fun)
- Rainbow Music: 4:00 pm 4:45 pm (All ages)
- KEVA Plank Club: 4:00 pm 5:00 pm (School-aged)

FRIDAY

- Stories & More: 10:00 am 10:30 am (Toddlers & preschoolers)
- Stay & Play: 10:30 am 11:30 am (All ages)

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Tween Crafts: All day, every day in the Tween Space
- Read to Bee the Therapy Dog: 1st Tuesday of each month,
 4:00 pm 5:00 pm
- Half-Day Hooray! Tween Fun & Games: Thursday, March 26th & Thursday, May 14th, 1:00 pm (4th-7th grade)
 *Please register

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- Tween Movie & Popcorn: Thursday, March 19th & April 9th, 1:00 pm (4th-7th graders)
- Kindness Club with Pizza, Story, & Crafts: 2nd Tuesday of each month, 5:00 pm (K-5th grade)
- LEGO WeDO Robotics & STEM FUN: Tuesday, March 3rd & April 7th, 3:45 pm (Ages 8-12) *Please register
- Creative Movement: Tuesday, March 24th, 4:30 pm (Ages 3-6) *Please register
- Tween Craft: Earth Day Terrariums: Tuesday, April 21st, 3:30 pm (4th-7th grade) *Please register
- Goats 'n Pajamas Storytime: Saturday, March 7th, 10:30 am (All ages)
- Bedtime Stories & Craft: Wednesday, April 8th, 6:30 pm (Pre K-2nd grade)
- Animal Embassy: Wednesday, April 22nd, 5:30 pm (Ages 5+)
- Spring Gardening: Saturday, April 25th, 10:30 am 11:30 am (All ages)

Call or check our website for updated weekly program information!

A note about digital media resources available at the Henry Carter Hull Library and on www.hchlibrary.org

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Foundation, and thousands of independent filmmakers. Kanopy also provides popular adult fiction movies and children's video selections. Use this free streaming digital video service on your smartphone, tablet or computer! Visit www.hchlibrary.org and click on Kanopy or visit directly at www.hchlibrary.org/kanopy.

If you need assistance please ask us!

Families Helping Families

We wanted to thank the entire Clinton community for their continued support of our mission in the Clinton community. That support has enabled us to continue to fund and operate five community outreach programs in the Clinton community.

As we begin our 14th year of serving our community we are excited about our up-coming springtime events.

Our first food drive of the year will take place on Saturday March 28 and Sunday March 29 at Stop & Shop from 10-2. We will be partnering with The Clinton Police Department on this "Stuff The Cruiser" Food Drive. This will be the first town wide food drive in four months our goal is to collect needed food for the pantry and dollars to ensure we can fund our outreach programs.

We have two programs scheduled for the month of April. The first one is Saturday April 25 from 10-2 at the Clinton Police Station. We will be having a Bike Giveaway/ Swap/.Repair day. We will be giving away almost new refurbished bikes, swapping a bike someone might have grown out of, and doing repairs on someone's bike. On the same day we are having a special event at Clinton Town Hall with the Kidz Konnection folks. We will have refreshments starting at 6:00 pm and then you will get to see and meet these incredibly talented young people. If you have been to any of their wonderful performances here is a chance to see them and enjoy a program which will showcase their talents.

You can see up-coming FHF events at our website (fhfclinton.org) and if you are unable to make one of our events and you would like to donate you can also do that through the website.

Miner T. Vincent ~ President, Families Helping Families

Food For All Garden

Make new friends this year! Discover a new skill this spring! Make a difference in the lives of people in Clinton. Join the group of volunteers who meet on Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Food for All Garden. We are excited about starting our 8th season of growing vegetables for our neighbors in need along the Connecticut Shoreline, and would love to share our enthusiasm with new volunteers.

The Food for All Garden is a non-profit garden located behind the Holy Advent Church on Route 1. Over the last 7 years, the all-volunteer crew at the garden has provided over 47,000 pounds of organic produce to a network of food pantries along the Shoreline. Think about that in tons of vegetables! Nearly 24 tons! Days spent working together in the garden foster new friendships among the groups of volunteers, young and old. It takes more than garden know-how to keep this project going, so we welcome volunteers of all interests and abilities, those new to gardening or new to volunteer activities. New skills can be learned; you don't have to be a gardener to volunteer. There is always an opportunity to learn from an experienced volunteer. People say, "This is more than a garden." Wouldn't you like to be part of it? Come visit any time. Volunteers are in the garden April through November, on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

What else can you do to help? Sponsor a garden bed. If you would like to support this all-volunteer effort with financial or in-kind donations, please contact us by email, food-forallgarden@gmail.com, through the Food for All Garden Facebook page, or our website, www.foodforallgarden.org. Help is always needed, and very much appreciated. We couldn't do this without the support of the entire Clinton community.



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Women's Suffrage 100 Years Later by Sigrid Kun

Honoring the Hard Fought Battle for Women's Voting Rights



The year 2020 marks 100 years since the passage of the 19th Amendment, which was ratified on August 18, 1920. The 19th Amendment reads as follows:

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States

or any State on account of sex. Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

Two simple sentences, it seems. Today, it is unimaginable that this basic right would not exist for women. Yet, the 19th Amendment resulted from a long, incredible struggle for equality and it represents a true turning point in United States history. It is only fitting to take a moment to reflect on this centennial. This brief segment can only present a few historical snippets surrounding the fight and can only point out some of the organizations commemorating the centennial.

THE BEGINNINGS

The first women's rights convention was held in Seneca Falls, New York in 1848. It marked the beginnings of what would become a national movement for women's suffrage. The first National Woman's Rights Convention was held in 1850 in Worcester, MA. Other conventions followed. The Civil War (1861-1865) effectively halted the women's suffrage movement

with activists focused on the abolition movement. While the movements for the abolition of slavery and women's rights, respectively, were often entangled, the constitutional amendments following the Civil War created rifts.

By 1869, there were two main groups advocating for women's

"There never will be complete equality until women themselves help to make laws and elect lawmakers."

Susan B. Anthony

suffrage. Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony formed the National Woman Suffrage Association (NWSA). Lucy Stone and others founded the American Woman Suffrage Association (AWSA). While each entity had the same ultimate goal of winning woman suffrage, their philosophies differed. The NWSA sought change through constitutional amendment while the AWSA focused on gaining rights via individual states.

There were also differences between the AWSA and NWSA when it came to the constitutional amendments following the Civil War. The NWSA opposed the 15th Amendment (the right of a U.S. citizen to vote not to be abridged by race, color or previous condition of servitude) due to the exclusion of women. The AWSA supported the amendment, believing that voting rights for women were not far away. The two organizations ultimately united in 1890 as the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA).

AN ARDUOUS STRUGGLE

Progress for the women's suffrage movement was painfully slow and rights were garnered state by state. Women achieved voting rights in Wyoming first in 1869. Colorado followed in 1893. In 1896, Utah and Idaho were added. Fifteen states granted women the right to vote prior to the adoption of the 19th Amendment.

The 19th Amendment itself languished for many decades. Drafted by Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton in 1848, the 19th Amendment was not introduced in Congress until 1878 (30 years after the Seneca Falls convention). It was not until 1919 - 41 years after the amendment's introduction and 71 years following Seneca Falls - that Congress submitted it to the states for ratification. The successful struggle capped heroic efforts by a multitude of women

- including pickets, petitions, marches, and speeches. The suffragists endured mockery, arrests, jail, and even forced feeding after hunger strikes.



One of "Hartford's Mothers" Josephine Bennett.

CONNECTICUT'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Numerous events in 2020 around the country are celebrating the centennial of women's suffrage. Here in Connecticut, the Centennial Commission on Women's Suffrage (co-chaired by Secretary of State Denise Merrill, Lieutenant Governor Susan Bysiewicz and Connecticut's First Lady Annie Lamont) was launched to celebrate the 19th Amendment. Merrill calls the 19th Amendment "the largest expansion of democracy our

nation has ever seen." The Commission she adds "celebrates the women who made this victory possible, and take[s] a thoughtful look at the work that is left to be done."

"The moment of achieving a woman's right to vote was a turning point for our country and for our world, that one of the most powerful nations on earth was sending a message that women have the right and responsibility to contribute to our government," stated First Lady Lamont. "That moment opened the door for women to hold positions of power in government, education, healthcare, and of course, in business."

Please see www.votesforwomenct.com for some of the Connecticut events commemorating the centennial of the 19th Amendment. The website also provides insightful biographies of some of Connecticut's women suffragists, including Josephine Bennett pictured above.

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