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OCTOBER IS NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

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WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE

WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE HAD THE RIGHT TO VOTE FOR LESS THAN 100 YEARS. EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012.

On November 6, 2012 voters in the United States will be choosing many of the people who will be in charge of governing our nation for at least two years. For 80 years dedicated groups of women worked and sacrificed to get you the right to vote. They chained themselves to fences, were incarcerated, went on hunger strikes, were force fed and organized protests and picket lines. Beginning with Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton in 1840 and ending with Alice Paul and Lucy Burns in the early 1900s many women sacrificed much to gain women the right to vote. (Alice Paul's degrees included M.A., PhD and LL.B degrees. An educated woman is a force to be reckoned with.) Both these women are described as extremely intelligent.

For an interesting DKG chapter program about women, consider getting information from the National Women's History Museum's web site at http://www.nwhm.org/online-exhibits/votesforwomen/tour_1.html.

CHECKING POLITICAL FACTS

Here are some web sites which evaluate the truth of statements made by politicians.

<http://www.politifact.com/>

<http://www.factcheck.org/> for members of the House of Representatives <http://www.senate.gov/> for members of the U.S. Senate

White House [1-202-456-1111](tel:1-202-456-1111)

STATE GOVERNMENT CONTACT INFORMATION can be obtained through

<http://www.emailyourgovernor.com/> Information available at this site allows contact with governors, members of the state legislature, state supreme court, congressional delegation and state agencies such as the Education Department, Attorney General, Motor Vehicles Department and Voter Registration. PLEASE NOTE THAT SOME OF THIS INFORMATION MAY BE OUT OF DATE

INFORMATION ON HOW YOUR CONGRESSMAN VOTED ON KEY

BILLS <http://projects.washingtonpost.com/congress/111/bills/>

FIVE CONSTITUENT CONTACTS WILL CAUSE A LEGISLATOR TO PAY SERIOUS ATTENTION TO A GIVEN ISSUE.

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