

California Suffragists!

American women gained their right to vote in 1920. But in California, women had already won the right to vote in 1911, nearly a decade earlier.

Out of all the California counties, two killed the initial suffrage attempt in 1896 -- San Francisco and Alameda. The Liquor Dealers League, really the producers, proprietors and patrons of drink, defeated suffrage. After the earthquake in 1906, the suffrage movement began to gain strength. The fight was on.



On October 10, 1911, suffragist precinct workers geared for fraud and mayhem at the ballot boxes in San Francisco and Alameda counties. As anticipated, San Francisco and Alameda counties voted "no." But the small towns and valleys delivered the votes that returned a victory. California women had earned the right to vote.

Our September meeting will be a Suffragists tea on Sharon Schuster's patio. Enjoy tea, sandwiches, and dessert while we learn about our brave California suffragists. Members will tell about prominent California women who helped us get the vote.

Dress up and have fun wearing an old hat, shawl and gloves, so we can pretend we are suffragists of that era. Bring your fanciest tea cup and enjoy your tea.

**** A prize for the best outfit and most beautiful tea cup ****

SATURDAY, Sept 22, 2018

2-4 PM

Home of Sharon Schuster

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From the 101: Take the 101 to Valley Circle Blvd. Go north about 2 miles to Valerie St. Make a left on Valerie St. and a right on Eilat St.

From the North Valley: Go west on Victory Blvd. to Valley Circle Blvd. Make a left. Go ½ mile to Valerie St. Make a right on Valerie St. and a right on Eilat St.

Only \$10 for an elegant tea with scones and sandwiches. RSVP to Grace O'Bryan at 818-772-0679 or msdodgr2@sbcglobal.net by Wednesday, Sept 19.

Twenty-four hour notification is required for cancellations or caller will be billed. In order to avoid delay and congestion in the reception area, please write your check

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