



SOME of the Gals in the Show....

Bella Abzug: Lawyer, Activist, Mother, Congresswoman. Passed Equal Credit Law so women could get their own credit. One of the First Members of Congress to ask for Gay Rights. *A Woman's Place IS In The House...of Representatives!*

Shirley Chisholm: First Black Woman Elected to Congress. Ran for President in 1972. Her campaign slogan was UNBOSSSED AND UNBOUGHT. *Of my two obstacles, being a woman put more obstacles in my path than being black.*

Elizabeth Cady Stanton: Architect of the Women's Movement. Born rich, privileged, and educated. Responsible for the first woman's convention in Seneca Falls, New York 1848, inspired by being the mother of three and "suffering from mental hunger and domestic drudgery"! Drafted *The Declaration of Sentiments* based on *The Declaration of Independence*. Stood alone asking for the right to vote - SUFFRAGE - until **Frederick Douglass** came on board. One half of the greatest partnership in Women's History with Susan B. Anthony. *All Men AND WOMEN are Created Equal.*

Susan B. Anthony: Major Quaker and troublemaker. Arrested for voting for President in 1872. Fined one hundred dollars (which she refused to pay) and told off the judge. Made the speeches that Elizabeth Cady Stanton wrote. Never married or had her own children but *held the babies and stirred the puddings* so Elizabeth Cady Stanton could *ply the pen*. Had her own coin and The 19th Amendment (SUFFRAGE - the right for women to vote) named after her. *Failure is impossible.*

Nancy Pelosi: Elected First Female Speaker of The House in 2007. Two heartbeats away from the President. *From the kitchen to the Congress! For our daughters and our granddaughters, now, the sky is the limit. Anything is possible!*

Pat Schroeder: *I have a brain and a uterus and I use them both.* Her response to getting asked how she would manage as an elected official and a mother when she became the first woman Colorado sent to Congress in 1972.

Gloria Steinem: Feminist/Activist/Author/Co-founder Ms. Magazine. Led the Women's Movement Second Wave in the 60s and 70s with Bella Abzug, Shirley Chisholm and many others. Champions women's rights around the world. Still active in 2013 at the age of 78.

Golda Meir: First Female Prime Minister of Israel in 1968. *When you're at home, you think of the work you've left unfinished. When you're at work, you think of the children you've left at home. Such a struggle is unleashed within yourself. Your heart is rent.*

Margaret Thatcher: First Female Prime Minister of England in 1979. *Any woman who understands the problems of running a home is nearer to understanding the problems of running a country.*

Eleanor Roosevelt: Fabulous First Lady who opened the door to all women journalists when she became the first First Lady to have a press conference. When she learned there needed to be a female reporter in the room, she began having weekly **women only** press conferences. First Blogger with her column *My Day* from 1935-1962. Co-authored the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948 for the United Nations.

Abigail Adams: *Remember The Ladies...do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the husbands.* First Lady and Early Feminist from the 1700s. Saved the family farm, wrote 2,000 "Dear John" letters to her husband John Adams, our second President. Raised five kids, one who became President. Inspired by Mary Wollstonecraft. She and Barbara Bush are the only women to be the wife and mother of a President. *John Quincy! Put down that bough, and stop hitting your brother!*

Mary Wollstonecraft: First Feminist Writer, wrote the first feminist book; *A Vindication Of the Rights of Woman*. Died at the age of thirty-eight in 1797 after giving birth to **Mary Shelley**, who wrote **FRANKENSTEIN**. *It is time to restore women to their lost dignity and make them part of the human species.*

Lucretia Mott: Famous beloved Abolitionist and Quaker Minister – inspired by Mary Wollstonecraft. Started the first Female Anti-Slavery Society in Philadelphia. Mentored, mothered and inspired Elizabeth Cady Stanton.

Malala Yousafzai: Female Pakistani student who was shot at the age of fourteen October 2012, for speaking out for girls education and blogging for the BBC about life under the Taliban. Would not be silenced. *I don't mind if I have to sit on the floor at school. All I want is education.*

Anne Hutchinson: Called **The Mother of The First Amendment**. Banished in the 1600s for speaking/preaching to women about religion.

Alice Paul: Mover, shaker, Ivy League educated Quaker. Brilliant, courageous, militant, hunger striking Nineteenth Amendment passing Suffragist, who stole President Woodrow Wilson's Parade. Thrown into jail and force fed after peacefully picketing the White House asking for the right to vote. Took up where Susan B. Anthony left off. *Iron Jawed Angels* is a great film about her. *How long Mr. President must women wait for liberty?*

Lilly Ledbetter: Goodyear Tire Plant Manager - unequal pay led to The Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act, first bill President Obama passed in 2009.

Sojourner Truth: born Isabella Baumfree in 1797 into slavery. Traveling preacher, author, activist, feminist and the First Black Woman to successfully sue a white man. Her *Ain't I Woman Speech* is iconic and herstoric. *I have born children and seen most all sold into slavery...*

Frances Wright: Scottish heiress, playwright, activist who bought slaves to free them. One of the first women in America to speak in public about women's rights to men and women in 1828. Outspoken, speechmaking, radical called "a female monster whom all decent people should avoid".

Victoria Woodhull: First Woman in America to run for President in 1872 on the The Equal Rights Party which she paid for. Grew up poor and uneducated. Married at fifteen to escape from her crazy family. Ran her own newspaper with her sister, opened the first female stock brokerage firm on Wall Street, supported her whole family from the age of 16, and divided the women's movement with her free love philosophy. Called Mrs. Satan.