

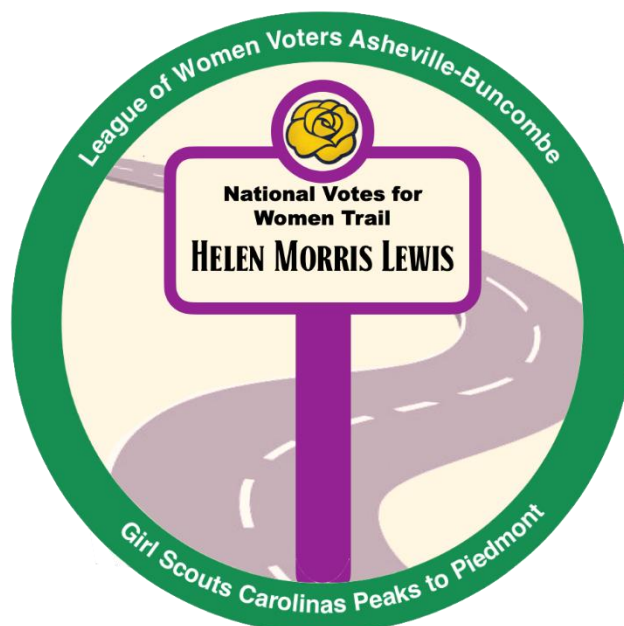
Helen Morris Lewis Girl Scout Patch Program

The League of Women Voters, in partnership with the National Collaborative for Women's History and the William G. Pomeroy Foundation, invite you and your Girl Scout troop to help us celebrate the unveiling of the highway marker honoring Helen Morris Lewis, a pioneer of the women's suffrage movement and president of the NC Equal Rights Association, the first women's rights association in North Carolina. You will also have the opportunity to learn about other important suffragettes, hear speakers, meet Lewis's family and speak to women who are dedicated to ensuring the suffragettes are remembered.



The event will be held Sunday, May 22, 2022, 1 – 3 p.m. at the historic Parker-Patton House in Asheville. This event is free and open to the public.

OBJECTIVE: To earn your free patch, you will find out about Helen Morris Lewis's life and contributions, learn more about the suffragist movement and learn about the Equal Rights Amendment. Complete at least one activity from each category (Discover, Connect and Take Action).



DISCOVER: Learn about Helen Morris Lewis, the suffragist movement and the Equal Rights Amendment.

1. What is most important for us to remember about Helen Morris Lewis? What contributions did she make in the fight for women's equality?
2. What is the 19th Amendment of the US Constitution? When was it ratified?
3. Who were some of the leaders in the fight for women's equality in the early 1900s? What leaders support women's equality today?
4. What, exactly, does the Equal Rights Amendment say? Would you vote to ratify this proposed amendment?
5. What is the current status of the Equal Rights Amendment in the U.S. Congress?

CONNECT: Talk to your community.

1. Interview an older woman in your community. Has she had any personal experiences with gender discrimination? What changes concerning rights and roles for women has she seen since she was a girl?

TAKE ACTION: Share your knowledge with others. (Complete one activity from the following list.)

1. Using the attached template, design a highway marker to honor a woman you know who believes in equality for women. Why did you choose this person? What traits does she have that inspire you? Share your marker with your family and friends.
2. Find out who your senator or representative in Congress is, write a letter to them outlining what you have learned about the Equal Rights Amendment and ask them to let you know where they stand. (See "Nine Essential Tips for Writing your Congressperson" at <https://www.apa.org/advocacy/guide/letter-email> for some excellent suggestions.)



When you have completed all three activities above, please visit <https://forms.gle/XqcUnXZSApVXnGXE6>. You'll answer a quick question and provide your mailing address so we can get your patch in the mail to you.

Thanks from the League of Women Voters for completing this patch!

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