

## Remembering Florence Peshine Eagleton



November 22nd marks the anniversary of the death of [Florence Peshine Eagleton](#), the Institute's founding donor and namesake.

A New Jersey high school student, Anna Baird-Hassell, learned about Florence Peshine Eagleton's legacy as a suffragist during her internship at a local New Jersey chapter of the League of Women Voters. After learning more about Florence Peshine Eagleton, Anna created a project to recognize the suffragist's legacy and leadership by installing a commemorative plaque to mark one of Florence Peshine Eagleton's former homes in the Forest Hill neighborhood of Newark.

Learn more about how Anna is working to recognize Florence Peshine Eagleton in the following Q&A.

[Learn more](#)

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## Upcoming Events

### Trans Visibility and Empowerment 2020



A conversation with Minneapolis Council Vice President Andrea Jenkins, the first African American openly trans woman to be elected to office in the United States.

**Wednesday, Nov. 18th at 7pm EST via Zoom**

This Program is Sponsored by: Eagleton's [Louis J. Gambaccini Civic Engagement Series](#), the [Rutgers University Center for Social Justice Education and LGBT Communities](#), the [Princeton University LGBT Center](#), Eagleton's [Center for American Women and Politics \(CAWP\)](#), and [CAWP's NEW Leadership® National Network](#).

**Register**

## **November 19: Exercising Political Courage**

Join Eagleton and the New Jersey League of Municipalities (NJLM) for a conversation with Lieutenant Governor Sheila Y. Oliver, Rutgers University President Jonathan Holloway, and Eagleton director John J. Farmer, Jr. The discussion will examine political decisions and actions that can preserve or strengthen democratic institutions at the state and local level- and the personal sacrifice or fortitude they demand. Topics will include police reform and the attempted reorganization of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. The exchange will be followed by an open Q&A session with League participants.

The virtual conversation is part of Eagleton's [Arthur J. Holland Program on Ethics in Government](#). **Thursday, November 19th at 1:30PM EST.**

This program is accessible to NJLM members participating in the conference. Pre-registration for this event for non-NJLM members has closed.

**Register**

## **November 30: Eagleton Alumni Panel**

Connect with alumni of the [Eagleton Graduate Fellowship](#) and [Undergraduate Associates Programs](#). Panelists will discuss their current positions, career paths, and advice for students. The event is free and open to current Rutgers students and Eagleton alumni.

**Monday, November 30, 2020 at 6:30pm EST via Zoom**

Panelists Include:

- [Davon McCurry](#): Director of Legislative Affairs, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
- [Elie Honig](#): Legal Analyst, CNN
- [Henal Patel](#): Director of Democracy & Justice Program, New Jersey Institute for Social Justice
- [Keith Davis](#): Managing Partner, Nehmad Perillo Davis & Goldstein

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## CAWP Announces the 2020 Lipman Chair: ABC News's Linsey Davis



Join CAWP for its annual Senator Wynona Lipman Chair in Women's Political Leadership Lecture, featuring this year's Chair, *ABC News* Correspondent Linsey Davis. Davis joined *ABC News* in 2007 and contributes reports to programs across the network's lineup of news shows; she has reported on major news stories spanning the globe and co-moderated

one of the Democratic presidential primary debates in 2019. **Wednesday, December 2nd at 1pm EST on Webex.**

The [Lipman Chair](#) honors the legacy of Wynona Lipman, the first Black woman in the New Jersey State Senate, and is made possible through generous support from the New Jersey Legislature.

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## CAWP Election Results

### Vice President Kamala Harris



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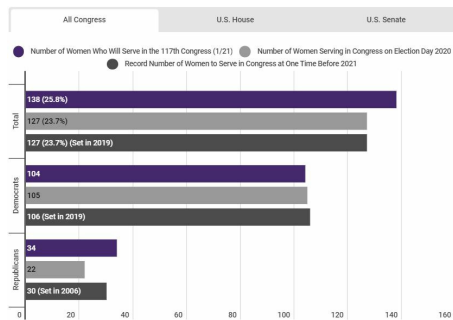
Eagleton's [Center for American Women and Politics](#) (CAWP) released the following statement about Kamala Harris becoming the first woman and first woman of color to be elected as vice president.

"This is an enormously significant moment in the story of women's participation in American politics and in the history of our country. That it happens during the centennial of the 19th Amendment, which expanded some women's political participation while

women like Kamala Harris remained excluded, is all the more symbolic... To women and girls of all walks of life, of every political persuasion, Harris's ascension to the vice presidency broadens the horizons of the possible." - CAWP director [Debbie Walsh](#)

[Learn more](#)

# Updated Election Results



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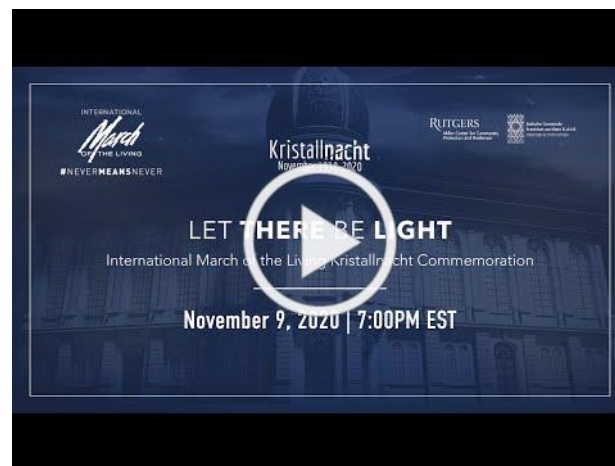
There are some House races featuring women candidates that remain too close to call, but CAWP is continuously updating its election results tracker as outcomes are determined.

So far, there are already a number of notable milestones women candidates achieved in the 2020 elections.

- At least 141 women will serve in the next Congress, a new record.
- At least 117 women will serve in the U.S. House of Representatives, also a new record.
- Republicans have set a new record for the number of women in Congress, with at least 36 Republican women set to serve next year. The previous record, set in 2006, was 30.
- In total, 26 non-incumbent women have won House races thus far this year.
- Thus far, 48 women of color will serve in the U.S. Congress next year. The previous record, set in 2019 was 44.

[Learn more](#)

## Let There Be Light: 2020 Kristallnacht Commemoration



The [Miller Center for Community Protection and Resilience](#) partnered with the International March of the Living and the Jüdischen Gemeinde Frankfurt to host the 2020 Kristallnacht Commemoration [Let There Be Light](#).

The virtual commemoration included a video tribute and Kristallnacht messages projected on Jerusalem's old city walls.

"Kristallnacht was the event that brought the dagger fully out from under the robe. It was the event in which hatred migrated permanently across the brain blood barrier of extremism and became open state sponsored violence... The Nazis unleashed a storm of destruction and murder on November 9, 1938 - a signaled and decisive turn to state sponsored violence... After Kristallnacht the course was set," said John J. Farmer, Jr., director of both Eagleton and the Miller Center.

"That history also urges us to look closely at the world we confront today - the way vulnerable populations are treated, the persistence of hate and its many forms of expression, the efforts of extremist groups to move from marginal players to mainstream actors. For just how Kristallnacht and what followed resulted from intensely controlled and intensified messaging of hateful propaganda, so is the extremism of today a product of the social media environment that reinforces every form of prejudice that converts general proclivities to fixed convictions. Our work has shown that when our messaging of hate has reached a peak of intensity, murderous violence erupts... The only answer to such hate is light. The light of truth - the truth that shames every form of hate." said Farmer.

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## President Holloway Spoke with Eagleton Fellows



Rutgers University President Jonathan Holloway spoke with [Eagleton Fellows](#) about his path to becoming Rutgers president during the Fellowship November monthly session.

Thank you to President Holloway for taking the time to speak with Eagleton graduate students from all three campus locations about important social and political issues facing our country as well as answering their many questions!

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## Eagleton Election Analysis Videos

### Eagleton Post-Election Analysis



Eagleton hosted a post-election analysis last week. Watch the video to hear from political experts from both sides of the aisle and reporters covering New Jersey elections.

[Watch  
Video](#)

## The Litigated Presidential Election: How to Prepare for the Unexpected



Prior to the presidential election, Eagleton and the NJ State Bar Association hosted a virtual panel of election experts and lawyers to analyze the state of election lawsuits at that time and how lawsuits may evolve leading-up to and after the 2020 election.

[Watch  
Video](#)

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## Eagleton in the news



### Do Trump's legal challenges have any merit?

[NJ.com](#) published an op-ed written by [John J. Farmer, Jr.](#), Eagleton director, about whether President Trump's legal challenges have merit. "Of all the legal challenges mounted by supporters of President Trump to reverse his apparent defeat by Joe Biden, the one most likely to reach the United States Supreme Court is Republican Party of Pennsylvania v. Boockvar. That case challenges the decision of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court to allow certain ballots received after Nov. 3 - and up to Nov. 6 - to be counted... The Court should walk away from this fight," wrote Farmer.



### Overcoming 'the appalling silence of the good people'

[The Hill](#) published an op-ed written by [Debbie Borie-Holtz](#), special projects manager at the [Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling](#) and an assistant professor at the Bloustein School for Planning and Public Policy.

"To study the intersection of gender and race, we surveyed more than 500 women in five battleground states (Fla., Ga., Nev., N.C., and Pa.) in the 10 days leading up to the election.

We found an equal proportion of women said Biden's choice of Kamala Harris for vice president influenced their decision to vote for the Democratic ticket this year compared to those who said it made no difference," said Borie-Holtz.



## **WRSU Interviewed CYPP Staff About Youth Political Participation in the 2020 Election**

[WRSU](#) interviewed CYPP program coordinator [Jessica Ronan](#) about youth political participation in the 2020 election.

When asked if the youth voter turnout will continue to increase in future elections, Ronan answered, "I am very hopeful that the youth will continue to turnout... We've seen that people who vote at a younger age will continue to vote for years to come... creating a lifelong pattern of voting."

"This year has proven that every vote does really matter," concluded Ronan.



## **Democrats Have a Republican-Women Problem**

[The Atlantic](#) interviewed CAWP scholar [Kelly Dittmar](#) about Republican women voters.

"Some suburban Republican women may well return to the GOP once Trump leaves office in January. Their 'shift away from the Republican Party was happening already due to the shift in the party' toward Tea Party politics, Kelly Dittmar, the director of research at the Center for American Women and Politics at Rutgers University, told me. Trump's election just pushed them over the edge."



## **Experts weigh in on election results at Rutgers Eagleton Institute of Politics event**

[The Daily Targum](#) covered Eagleton's "The Tuesday After" post-election analysis event. The article quotes experts who were on the panel as well as Eagleton associate director [John Weingart](#) who moderated the discussion.

"Weingart said overall, the historic nature of this year's general election will likely impact the future of American politics. 'The fact that turnout (was) so much higher than it's ever been is noteworthy, both in terms of civics and in terms of strategizing for candidates and parties that want to move forward,' he said."

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## **On Social**

ICYMI: A Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling student intern took over Eagleton's Instagram account for the day and ECPIP director Ashley Koning answered student questions on Eagleton's Instagram Story. Watch the Instagram highlight:



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**NOVEMBER 10TH**

# POST-ELECTION ANALYSIS WITH

**THE DIRECTOR OF THE EAGLETON CENTER FOR PUBLIC INTEREST POLLING**



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**Ashley Koning**

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