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## Penn State Scholar to discuss Indigenous feminists and suffrage at November lecture

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*Lancaster, PA (October 17, 2019) – On Thursday, November 14, 2019, Dr. Cathleen D. Cahill will join LancasterHistory to offer a more diverse view of the history of women’s suffrage and lecture on the topic *Native American Women and The Right to Vote*.*

Dr. Cathleen Cahill will draw on extensive primary research to discuss how Native people were central to the vibrant conversations about U.S. citizenship and woman suffrage in the Progressive Era. From that angle, we will see a more inclusive story of Indigenous feminists who marched in parades calling for suffrage and sovereignty, Native men active in national political parties, and backlash against Native political participation.

**Cathleen D. Cahill, Ph.D.** teaches at Penn State University. She is the author of *Federal Fathers and Mothers: A Social History of the United States Indian Service, 1869–1932* (2011), which won the Labriola Center American Indian National Book Award and was a finalist for the David J. Weber and Bill Clements Book Prize. Cahill is a social historian who explores the everyday experiences of ordinary people, primarily women. She is currently engaged in two book projects. *Joining the Parade: Women of Color Challenge the Mainstream Suffrage Movement* follows the lead of feminist scholars of color calling for alternative “genealogies of

feminism,” using individual biographies to explore the activism of African American, indigenous, Chinese American, and Hispana women before and after the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment. *Indians on the Road: Gender, Race, and Regional Identity* reimagines the West Coast through the lens of indigenous people’s relationships with the transportation systems that bisected their lands, forming corridors of conquest and environmental change while simultaneously connecting them in new and sometimes-empowering ways to other people and places.

**About The Event:** The Regional History Colloquium is a series of lectures and presentations hosted by LancasterHistory throughout the year. Presenters at the Colloquium are historians and scholars who are in the midst of a work-in-progress or who have recently completed a publication. Topics focus on historical issues relating to southeastern Pennsylvania and its wider borders.

**Tickets:** The event *Native American Women and The Right to Vote* will take place on Thursday, November 14, 2019 in Ryder Hall at LancasterHistory, 230 N. President Avenue in Lancaster. A speaker’s reception and book signing by the author takes place at 4pm, followed by the main presentation at 4:30pm. The event is free and open to the public. Due to the popularity of the Regional History Colloquium series, **advance registration is required to guarantee a seat at the presentation**. Visit [www.lancasterhistory.org/lectures](http://www.lancasterhistory.org/lectures) to register online or call (717) 392-4633. Limited tickets still available. Questions and accessibility requests may be directed to [info@lancasterhistory.org](mailto:info@lancasterhistory.org) or (717) 392-4633.

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