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Women of the Green Mountain State: 25 Vermont Women You Should Know

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The Green Mountains lay claim to the heroines of the past and the leaders of the present. These women have championed their causes as icons in the arts, politics, medicine, and education and laid the framework for today's Vermont.

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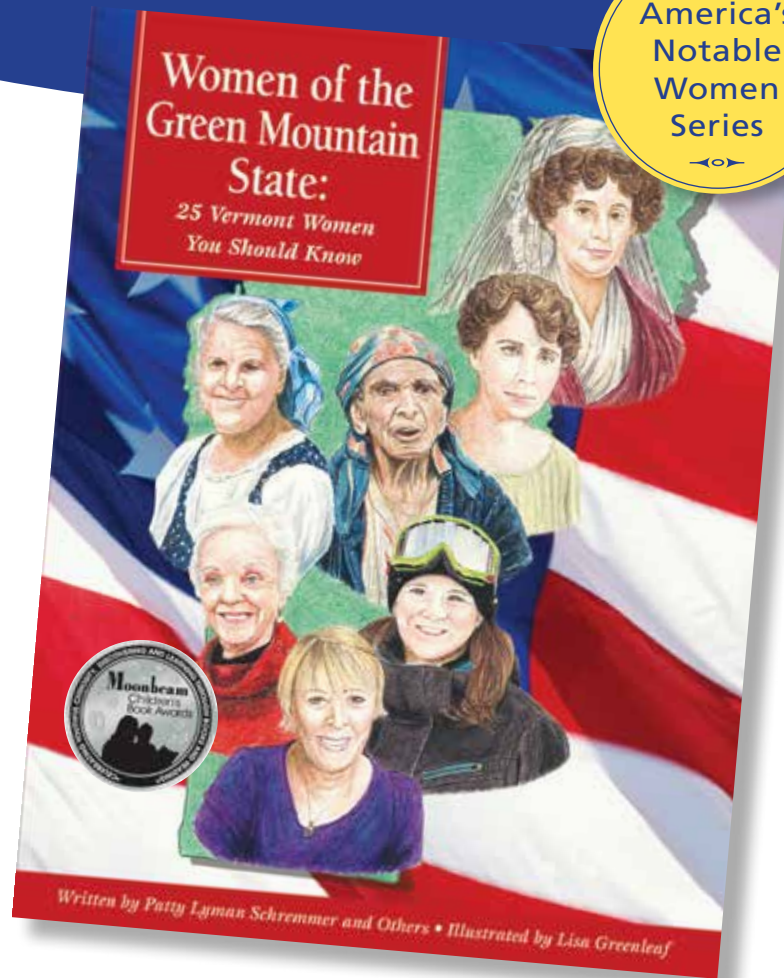
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Tidbits from the Women of the Green Mountain State: Vermont



Ann Story, an early Vermont pioneer, opened her home to the Green Mountain Boys while they fought during the American Revolution.



Emma Hart Willard founded the Middlebury Academy for Young Ladies in 1807.



Clarina Howard Nichols, suffragist, fought for the rights of women.



Linda Richards was not only America's first trained nurse, she also trained others in several states and Kyoto, Japan.



Katherine Ide Gray and her daughter, Helen, founded Maple Grove Candies in 1915.



Because of her love of the sport, **First Lady Grace Goodhue Coolidge** was also called "The First Lady of Baseball."

Dorothy Canfield Fisher's most famous book was written for children. It was called *Understood Betsy*.



Painter Hilda Belcher had 28 solo exhibitions from 1921 to 1960. They were held in cities all over the East Coast.



In 1987, African American storyteller **Jessie Daisy Turner** appeared in Ken Burns' documentary *The Civil War*. She was over 100 years old when she was filmed.



Consuelo Northrup Bailey became the first woman lawyer to try a murder case in Vermont and the first woman Lieutenant Governor in the United States.



Maria von Trapp's life story became a Broadway musical and popular movie called *The Sound of Music*.

Illustrator **Tasha Tudor** preferred to live as people did in the 1800s.



Madeleine May Kunin was Vermont's first woman governor and later became the U.S. Deputy Secretary of Education and Ambassador to Switzerland.



Shirley Chevalier overcame her fear of flying to become a licensed pilot and aerial photographer.



Kelly Clark won gold in the women's half-pipe snowboarding competition at the Salt Lake City Winter Olympics in 2002.