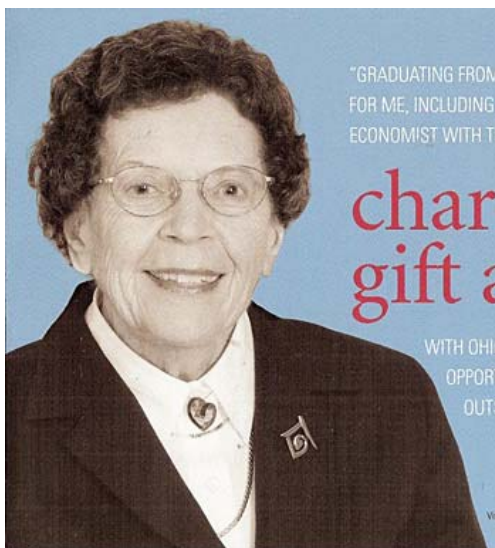


Remembering Virginia Zirkle

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It is with deepest regret that we note the passing of Virginia Zirkle. Virginia failed to attend a family function for Sunday lunch and was discovered at home. She did not respond to medical efforts and passed at 3:30 Sunday afternoon January 18, 2010. Memorial services were held both in Van Wert and Ottawa, Ohio.

Virginia was President of NAEHE in 1977. In 1986 she was Chair of the Past Presidents, NAEHE. Virginia was also Secretary of the National Home Demonstration Agents Association. She received her DSA in 1958 and received the Pfizer Award in 1958. Noteworthy is that she was the first female president of Ohio Cooperative Extension Agents Association (OCEAA), elected in 1974. Virginia was an active Life Member and attended Annual Session through the last couple of years. She was very dedicated to NEAFCS, and also supplied many great memories to the 75th Anniversary Committee.



A lovely tribute to Virginia, entitled "Goodbye, Virginia. We Will Miss You" is available at her hometown newspaper and you can [link to it here](#).

NEAFCS has made a \$100 donation to the Endowment in Virginia's memory.