



OHIO COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AGENTS' ASSOCIATION
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Dear Cleo,
After much searching, here is the information I have on the history of the Ohio Extension Home Economists.

Ohio has always had a unified or umbrella association - The Ohio Cooperative Extension Agents Association, with a 1st and 2nd Vice President representing each of the areas, Home Economics, Agriculture and 4-H.

Ohio Extension Home Economists (Home Demonstration Agents) were represented at the initial meeting in 1933 of the group later known as National Association of Extension Home Economists. In 1933, Ohio had 21 Home Demonstration Agents employed at the county level. Since these agents were members of the OCEAA, we assume that they were the charter members of the group later to be affiliated with NAEHE in 1934 when the organization took place. I'm sorry this is late, but we have

Had difficulty trying to piece together
this segment of area of our total or
umbrella organization.

Thank you for sending the History
Books.

Will see you in New York.

Sincerely,
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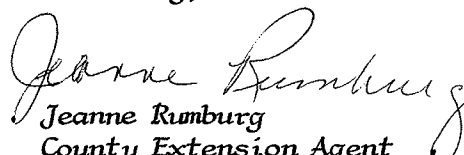
Dear Cleo,

Finally, here is the material I promised to you. Thank you so much for all your help in retrieving the information. I had a problem getting some of the state information. I apologize for this being so late.

Best wishes on finishing up the NAEHE History project.

We trust you have been able to also resume normal activity after all the flood waters.

Sincerely,


Jeanne Rumburg
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HISTORY
OHIO COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AGENTS ASSOCIATION
HOME ECONOMICS SECTION

The Ohio Cooperative Extension Agents Association was organized in 1921. From the beginning, home demonstration agents (county extension agents, home economics) were active in the organization, along with agricultural and 4-H extension agents.

The umbrella organization continues in Ohio with each area, home economics, agriculture, 4-H and CNRD represented on the OCEAA Board with a first and second vice-president.

EARLY HISTORY

In 1900, Mrs. C.W. Foulk was employed as the first Extension worker in domestic science. She taught a course on the Ohio State University campus with 30 women enrolled. In 1916, Mrs. Maude Okey (Johnson) was Ohio's first Home Demonstration Agent and was employed in Montgomery County. In 1919, nine Home Demonstration Agents were employed in Highland, Summit, Lake, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Lucas, Trumbull, Tuscarawas and Columbiana Counties. In 1918, additional Home Demonstration agents were employed in Huron, Ross, Mahoning and Erie counties.

OHIO STATE LEADERS, EXTENSION HOME ECONOMICS
(ASSISTANT DIRECTORS, HOME ECONOMICS)

1917-1919	Mrs. Maude Okey
1919-1923	Lulu Billman, Marie Soyles, Minnie Price
1923-1951	Minnie Price
1951-1955	Nellie Watts
1955-1964	Mrs. Loa Whitfield Davis
1964-1965	Mrs. Vivian Johnson (acting)
1965-1985	Mrs. Naurine Higgins McCormick
1985-	Dr. Ruth Conone

OHIO AGENTS JOIN WITH OTHER STATES

Ohio was represented along with 12 other states at a meeting of Home Demonstration Agents (NHDA) on June 29, 1933 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin during the annual meeting of the American Home Economics Association. The National Home Demonstration Agents Association (NHDA) became a reality on that date.

Ohio was represented by Grace Wagner at the second meeting of the association on June 27, 1934 in New York City.

Nellie Watts represented Ohio at the 1935 meeting in Chicago and was elected vice-president.

She presided at the 1936 annual meeting of NHDAA in Seattle and was elected president to complete the unexpired term of the president who had resigned to become an assistant state leader in Illinois.

Helen Brown of Trumbull County was elected secretary of NHDAA in 1938.

Ohio County home demonstration agents continued to be active in both the NHDAA and the state association of county Extension agents. In 1941, Addis Barthelmeh, Stark County was voted chairman of the Ohio Home Demonstration agents of the Ohio County Extension Agents Association. She presented Ohio's annual report to the NHDAA meeting in June at Purdue. She was recognized as the first Home Demonstration Agent from Ohio to receive the Distinguished Service Award at NHDAA in 1944.

In 1944, Elizabeth Brown was selected as the delegate from Ohio for the 1945 NHDAA annual meeting. In 1945, Rossie Greer received the Distinguished Service Award from NHDAA. In 1945, Harriet Green was selected as Chairman of Home Demonstration Agents in OCEAA. Fifty-three agents belonged to NHDAA at this time.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS (NHDAA) (NAEHE)

1944	Addis Barthelmeh
1945	Rossie Greer
1946	Mabel Fernald
1947	Grace Wagner, Robbie Latta
1948	Helen Brown
1949	Fanchon F. Warfield
1950	Iris Macumber
1951	Imogene Dean, Mabel Spray
1952	Doris Snook
1953	Harriet Green, Pauline Mills
1954	Vivian L. Johnston, Eva Marie Williamson
1955	Leota Leyda, Geneva Nolan
1956	Orena M. Haynes, Betty Jane Fonner
1957	Alice LaMoreaux, Mary Alice Diehl
1958	Florence McBride, Virginia Zirkle
1959	Elizabeth Brown, Mrs. Mary Clingan
1960	Gertrude Adams, Mrs. Virgil Johnson
1961	Alga D. Weaver, Mabel Westervelt
1962	Enid Moore, Helen Terrill
1963	Yvonne Cook, Irma Fitzenrider
1964	Doris Tupps, Pauline Vetter
1965	Delma McCourt, Louise Augenstine
1966	Leona Calvin, Bertha Everhart
1967	Frances Bovard
1968	Leona Markel, Patsy Glass
1969	Daisy Secrest, Myra Philpott
1970	Beulah Converse, Anne Penrod
1971	Edith Anderson, Tynni Hummel
1972	Ila Rae Coe, Katherine Whinnery
1973	Ruth Deval, Pearl S. Mullen
1974	Beulah M. Hill, Frances Hinman
1975	Helen F. Schneider

1976	Margaret N. Hostettler, Liivu Shirley
1977	Hannah H. Beish, Jean McCleaster Swartz
1978	Helen G. Storer, Barbara Wurzel
1979	Bernice C. Hall, Beverly Koenig
1980	Patricia Braden, Patricia J. Long
1981	Mary Jayne Dovenbarger, RuthM. Paine
1982	Janis Hughes, Joyce McDowell
1983	Eleanor Kirsch, Sally Ebling
1984	Janet Graham, Ellen Teller
1985	Jo Jones, Jeanne Rumburg
1986	Barbara Drake, Ann Miller

FLORENCE HALL (established 1953)

1957	Iris Macumber
1966	Enid Moore
1968	Pearl Mullen
1969	Katherine Whinnery
1972	Alga O. Weaver
1973	Sally K. Ebling
1976	Patsy Glass
1979	Barbara Moyer Drake
1981	Nancy Lehman
1983	Jo Jones, Christine Olinsky, Karen Williams
1985	E. Linda Ferris

NAEHE AWARDS

GENERAL FOODS CONSUMER CENTER MEDIA GRANT

1979	Jo Jones - Central Region Winner
1980	Margaret Griffith
1981	Barbara Moyer Drake
1983	Nikki Conklin, Susan Wolff
1985	Nancy Layman - Central Region Winner

GRACE FRIPINGER

1961	Tynni Hummel
1969	Patsy Glass
1980	Jo Jones

PFIZER AWARD

1957	Iris Macumber
1958	Virginia Zirkle

NAEHE FELLOWSHIP

1972 Katharine Whinnery
1981 Betty Potts

NESTLE NUTRITION AWARD

1984 Joan Sells

COMMUNICATION AWARD

1974 Marjorie Sponcil - Newsletter
1978 Donna Ralston - Radio/Tape
1979 Pam Leong - News Column
1986 Nancy Hudson, Christine Olinsky - Slide Set

OUTSTANDING EXTENSION HOME ECONOMIST

1985 Janis Hughes

ECOP SUB-COMMITTEE

1975-1978 Virginia Zirkle

Ohio Extension Home Economists have served in leadership roles in National Association of Extension Home Economists (NAEHE).

1951-1953 Leota Leyda was elected councillor for Central Region
1959-1961 Iris Macumber was elected councillor for Central Region
1976 Virginia Zirkle, secretary of NAEHE
1977 Virginia Zirkle served as President of NAEHE
1986 Virginia Zirkle, Chairman of Past Presidents, NAEHE
1986 Susan Wolff Crusey, NAEHE Chairman-elect, Registration Committee
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