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# Massachusetts Association of Extension Home Economists Records

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Read collection overview

An outgrowth of the extension movement in Massachusetts aimed at assisting rural women in domestic work, the Massachusetts Home Demonstration Agents' Association (later the Massachusetts Association of Extension Home Economists) was formed in 1930. Offering an opportunity for the sharing of resources, approaches, and information, the organization provided encouragement for its members to improve their skills as home economists and adult educators.

The MAEHE collection includes award applications, minutes, correspondence, newsletters, and membership files.

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## Background on Massachusetts Association of Extension Home Economists

At the turn of the twentieth century, the Cooperative Extension Service in Massachusetts began as a means of spreading agricultural research and practice from the academy to the people of the Commonwealth, but early on, extension agents recognized the need for a comparable support for farm homes. By 1915, extension agents in Massachusetts began to offer County Home Demonstrations to provide up to date information on home management and nutrition, and by 1918, the Extension Service had appointed agents to every rural county in the state, a process propelled by the food emergency of World War I.

At the annual conference of Extension Service Workers in December 1929, a group of agents met to consider forming an organization to support these home demonstration workers, leading to formation of the Massachusetts Home Demonstration Agents Association (MHDAA) in June 1930. Offering agents an opportunity to exchange information, plan collaboratively, and eventually, to set standards for evaluating home extension work, the MHDAA adopted a mission of providing encouragement for members to improve their skills as home economists and adult educators.

Over the years, the MHDAA has continued to evolve as the need for broader and more effective communication became more acute and as the profession responded to social and cultural changes in the status of women and the home. The MHDAA joined the National Home Demonstration Agents' Association (NHDAA), which had been formed in eight years earlier, and after the NHDAA changed name in 1965 to the National Association of Extension Home Economists (NAEHE), the Massachusetts group followed suit, becoming the Massachusetts Association of Extension Home Economists (MAEHE). Reflecting further evolution of the profession, the NAEHE changed its name in 1995 to the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Science.

## Scope of collection

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## Series descriptions

Series 1. National Association of Extension Home Economists Affiliation

1939-1990

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Materials relating to the NAEHE, including issuance of awards and fellowships.



Sign welcoming MAEHE members to their annual convention, 1967

## Series 2. Massachusetts Association of Extension Home Economists: Administration

1962-1990

1 box

Organizational and administrative documents pertaining the MAEHE, including annual reports and minutes of meetings (1962-1990), some correspondence, handbooks, and by-laws.

## Series 3. Membership Records

1950-1990

1 box

Records of membership in the MAEHE, including past members and honorary members.

## Series 4. Special Events and History

1929-1990

1 box

Miscellaneous materials relating to

## Series 5. Treasurer's Records

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# Inventory

## Series 1. N.A.E.H.E. Affiliation

1939-1990

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Award applications

1980-1989

Box 1: 1

Award applications: Continued excellence

1987-1990

Box 1: 2

Award applications: Distinguished service

1950-1959

Box 1: 3

Award applications: Distinguished service

1960-1969

Box 1: 4

Award applications: Distinguished service

1970-1979

Box 1: 5

Award applications: Distinguished service

1980-1987

Box 1: 6

Award applications: Distinguished service

1988-1990

Box 1: 7

Award applications: Recipients, Distinguished service

ca.1950-1990

Box 1: 7A

Award applications: Florence Hall

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Box 1: 8

Award applications: Florence Hall: Applications

1968

Box 1: 9

Award applications: Florence Hall: Applications

1970-1979

Box 1: 10

Award applications: Florence Hall: Applications  
1980-1984

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Award applications: Florence Hall: Applications  
1988-1990

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Award applications: J.C. Penney Fellowship, applications  
1985

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Awards: Grace Frysinger Fellowship (report)  
1965

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1977

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Boston: Professional Tours  
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Eastern region

1980-1989

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1984

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Honorary membership  
1939-1982

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1961  
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Meeting agendas  
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Meeting minutes: Annual  
1962-1989  
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Meeting minutes: Executive Board  
1962-1969  
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Meeting minutes: Executive Board  
1970-1979  
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Meeting minutes: Executive Board  
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Meeting minutes: Executive Board  
1990  
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Meeting minutes: M.A.E.H.E.  
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Meeting minutes: M.A.E.H.E.  
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Professional improvement

1974-1990

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Series 3. Membership Records

1950-1990

1 box

Directory of members

1962-1990

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Honorary memberships: Deceased and retired

ca.1950-1969

Box 3: 2

Honorary memberships: Alden, Anna (Carey)

1950-1969

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Honorary memberships: Gates, Florence I.

1950-1969

Box 3: 4

Honorary memberships: Bolas, Muriel

1950-1969

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Honorary memberships: Brightman, Phyllis

1950-1969

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Honorary memberships: Gloss, Marie L.

1950-1969

Box 3: 7

Honorary memberships: Higgins, Molly

1950-1969

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Honorary memberships: Marshall, Katherine (Lawler)

1950-1969

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Honorary memberships: Muller, Diana

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Honorary memberships: O'Brian, Barbara

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1950-1969

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1950-1969

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Past members: Andrews, Peg

1950-1969

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Past members: Backus, Donna

1950-1969

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Past members: Banerjee, Teresa Maria

1950-1969

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Past members: Bennett, Carol

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Past members: Cappuccio, Jane

1950-1969

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Past members: Corso, Carol

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Past members: Desmarais, Jill

1950-1969

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Past members: Doncor, Debra

1950-1969

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Past members: Earley, Helen

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Past members: Gulezian, Andrea

1950-1969

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Past members: Hathaway, Bonita

1950-1969

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Past members: Holsinger, Ann Marie

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Past members: Houghteling, Fiora

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Series 4. Special Events and History

1929-1990

1 box

Anniversary celebration, 50th

1980

Box 4: 1

Anniversary celebration, 50th

1980

Box 4: 2

Anniversary celebration, 50th

1980

Box 4: 3

History of Home Demonstration work in Massachusetts

1929-1964

Box 4: 4

History: M.A.E.H.E.

1965-1980

Box 4: 5

History: M.A.E.H.E.

1980-1990

Box 4: 6

History: M.H.D.A.A.

1946-1965

Box 4: 7

History: M.A.E.H.E.

1930-1971

Box 4: 8

History: M.A.E.H.E.

1933-1975

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Photographs, newsclippings, miscellaneous

1959-1969

Box 4: 10

Photographs, newsclippings, miscellaneous

1970-1979

Box 4: 11

Photographs, newsclippings, miscellaneous

1980-1990

Box 4: 12

Washington, D.C. tour



1978  
Box 4: 13  
Washington, D.C. trip (34 slides)  
1973  
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1939-1964  
Box 5: 1  
Annual reports: M.A.E.H.E.  
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Correspondence  
1984-1988  
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Interim reports: M.A.E.H.E.  
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Box 5: 5  
Membership records, dues paid: M.H.D.A.A.  
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Membership records, dues paid: M.A.E.H.E.  
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## **Administrative information**

### **Access**

The collection is open for research.

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