

AN OCTM HISTORICAL NOTE

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As one of the dwindling number of Charter Members of the Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics who are still able to be active in the organization, I am concerned that much of the history of the organization may not be available to those who are currently active in the work of OCTM. This note is intended to pass along only a very little bit of information, but hopefully you will receive more later.

The organizational meeting was held on November 4, 1950, in the Blue Room of the Faculty Club at Ohio State University. Thirteen mathematics teachers attended that meeting and plans were made to hold the first general meeting in Columbus on Saturday, April 21, 1951. Mr. H.E. Grime of Cleveland was elected as temporary president to serve until the time of the 1951 meeting

Out of that humble beginning has come the fine organization of approximately 3000 members to which you now belong. While the growth in size and influence on mathematics education in Ohio of OCTM has been the result of the work of many people, certainly those who have served as its president have had much to do with it. Those people are as follows:

1951 - 1952	Ona Kraft
1952 - 1954	H. C. Christofferson
1954 - 1956	Mildred Keiffer
1956 - 1958	Eugene Smith
1958 - 1960	Clarence Heinke
1960 - 1962	J. V. Naugle
1962 - 1964	Kenneth Cummins
1964 - 1966	William lantz
1966 - 1968	Coleman Knight
1968 - 1970	Harold Shurlow
1970 - 1972	Harold Brockman
1972 - 1974	Roy Matthews
1974 - 1976	Richard Little
1976 - 1978	Emalou Brumfield
1978 - 1980	Earl Tharp
1980 - 1982	William Kern
1982 - 1984	Len Pikaart
1984 - 1986	William Hunt
1986 - 1988	William Steer

There were 172 Charter Members of OCTM with 115 of those members present at the first regular meeting on April 21, 1951. Thirty-one more members were obtained during the following year.