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The major work for the year has been to update the catalog of materials in the AAAE archives. Issues of the Agricultural Education Magazine from 1929 to 1962 were re-cataloged, the *Journal of Agricultural Education* was added to the list of archival subjects, and the archive now includes some of the earlier published texts in the agricultural and extension education and communications. The re-cataloging work is slow and depends upon the availability of my time to review materials.

I have begun to collect information from individual members of the association for inclusion in the archives. For instance, those members of the profession who are AAAE Fellows have a file in the archives that includes their curriculum vita and other documents pertaining to their work. I am contacting Fellows for their dossiers and other information.

There is a great need for the profession to preserve the institutional memory of the organization, and for the profession in general. I encourage you to collect oral histories from emeritus faculty for inclusion in the archives. Collecting and transcribing these oral histories would be an excellent project for graduate students in your programs.

I also need the regional research conference directors to send me a copy of the proceedings for the 2009 conferences. Those are archived in addition to national conference proceedings. I also ask that if you have old copies of textbooks that you think should be in the archives, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,

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