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The Kentucky Section of the MAA was formed in 1917, in association with the "Mathematics Section of the Kentucky Colleges" founded nine years earlier. Thus our section is one of the oldest. The section had a female Chairman (yes, that was the title) in 1923, and many other women served as officers over the years. The annual meetings showcased many distinguished speakers from outside the Commonwealth, as well as presentations from faculty members in public institutions, private colleges, high schools and industry. As Dick Davitt has shown, the section, and especially the University of Kentucky, had a good record in welcoming Jewish mathematicians fleeing Germany in the 1930s. The section continues to flourish, with a dramatic rise in the number and quality of undergraduate and graduate student presentations at the annual meeting, being a noteworthy recent development. (Received September 09, 2011)