

Theresa Mayhew

Theresa (Terri) Mayhew is such a leader and a true Extension Professional. Terri began her Cornell Cooperative Extension career as a resource educator in Columbia County, New York in November of 1990. Terri retired from Columbia and Greene Counties on January 29, 2021.

In her role at the county level, Terri developed and delivered countless programs. She served in numerous leadership positions in her county and at the state level as well including serving as the New York Affiliate President in 1998.

Terri joined NEAFCS in 1991. Since that time, she has been a devoted member of NEAFCS. During her career, Terri demonstrated dedication to NEAFCS in the numerous roles she has undertaken. Terri served as Eastern Region Director (2011-12), Vice President for Public Affairs (2013-15), President-elect (2015-16), President (2016-17) and Immediate Past President (2017-18). Terri's service to NEAFCS did not end with her board time. Terri continues to serve on the NEAFCS Endowment Committee, currently as chair, and is also a member of the Finance Committee. Terri served as a tri-liaison for the 2019 Annual Session in Hershey, Pennsylvania, and was actively involved in helping with this year's Annual Session in Providence, Rhode Island. Terri represented NEAFCS on the Joint Council of Extension Professionals Board from 2015-2018. She served as Public Issues and Leadership Development Conference Chair in 2018.

Terri has also received NEAFCS Awards, including the Distinguished Service Award in 2001 and the Continued Excellence Award in 2003.

Terri's commitment to NEAFCS runs in the family. Her husband, Mark, has tagged along to more NEAFCS Annual Sessions than he can count. You may have seen him carrying heavy things and sitting at the sales table. In fact, he was awarded the Friend of NEAFCS Award in 2021.

Terri has been an NEAFCS Active and now Life Member for over 30 years. She is a positive influence on all. She is a woman of integrity with a wealth of ideas and infinite knowledge to share.

Terri follows the NEAFCS Vision in building future leaders, providing innovative professional development opportunities, and promoting the profession. Terri has served as a mentor to many NEAFCS Board members.

"I could tell how dedicated Terri was to NEAFCS by her actions. Her husband Mark, travelled with her and supported her in all she did. He encouraged her dreams and assisted where needed. It was a joy watching them work together to benefit NEAFCS. During Terri's presidency, the Association searched for and found a new management company. Terri's legacy is Partners in Association Management. Terri goes over and beyond the call of duty to ensure NEAFCS is an association we can be proud of." Provided by Karen Munden, NEAFCS President 2018-2019

There will never be another Theresa Mayhew. Her dedication to her profession and NEAFCS is unprecedented.