



“Rochester’s Woman of the Week”

A Weekly Column in the Rochester Era Newspaper

Beginning in 1946, the local Rochester Era Newspaper published a column called “Rochester’s Woman of the Week,” which told the story of a local woman and shared one of her recipes. The column was written by Helen C. Swords, who owned the *Rochester Era* newspaper with her husband Oliver Swords. In the inaugural article, Helen provided the following description for her new weekly column:

“Opening this week is a series of articles designed to give credit and proper appreciation to women of Rochester and vicinity. To be known as the ‘Woman of the Week,’ the column will bring you a personality each week from among the women active in the community, who have contributed in an outstanding manner to the development and advancement of various community projects.

In addition to a brief sketch of HER background there will be included one of her favorite recipes, which has proven particularly pleasing to her guests, and helped make her an outstanding hostess.”

Today, Helen’s articles are important resources for learning about the women who lived, worked, and created change in the greater Rochester area. The following list contains links to every *Rochester Era* newspaper issue that features the “Rochester’s Woman of the Week” column. These newspapers belong to a collection of *Rochester Era* newspapers that were digitized and uploaded to the [Oakland County Historical Resources](http://www.oaklandcountyhistory.org) website by the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm.

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