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The Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) is a non-profit organization that supports and promotes female students, teachers and researchers. Even though the very early beginnings of the AWM are connected to gatherings in Boston in the late 1960s, the organization officially formed out of the 1971 Joint Mathematics Meetings in Atlantic City. Today, with more than 3000 members (women and men), the AWM represents a broad spectrum of the mathematical community - from the United States and around the world.

While the AWM was celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2011, I was beginning to research the history of the organization through the lens of the AWM Newsletter archives. Past President Jean Taylor graciously donated the funds that enabled the AWM to make the archives public and I have been working on a searchable database for them. The volumes provide fascinating insight into the organization and a wealth of information about women in mathematics in general over the last 40 plus years. In this talk, I will discuss the history of the organization, focusing on how the AWM formed and has continued to adapt in response to societal needs and concerns as well as how the organization in turn impacted both mathematics and the mathematical community. (Received August 20, 2013)