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SEM has a long and rich history. Here are some milestones from the past 61 years of SEM history.

## **Sixty Years Ago - 1945**

Miklos Hetényi was the SESA President.

Bill Murray was the SESA Secretary-Treasurer.

1945 Spring Meeting was not held because of wartime travel restrictions.

1945 Annual Meeting was held at the Hotel Astor in New York City, November 26-28.

## **Fifty Years Ago - 1955**

Joe Marin was the SESA President.

Bill Murray was the SESA Secretary-Treasurer.

1955 Spring Meeting was held in Los Angeles, CA in April. Clarence Smith was the meeting chairman.

1955 Annual Meeting was held at the Hotel Sheraton in Chicago, IL, November 15-17. L.D. Gilmore was the meeting chairman. Arthur Ruge presented the Murray Lecture.

## **Forty Years Ago - 1965**

John New was the SESA President.

Bonney Rossi was the Executive Secretary.

1965 SESA Spring Meeting was held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel in Denver, May 4-7. Attendance: 300. Dale Fietz was the meeting chairman.

1965 SESA Annual Meeting, called "The Second International Congress on Experimental Mechanics", was held at the International Inn in Washington, DC, September 28 - October 1. Attendance: 400. Mike Lunchick was the meeting chairman. A.J. Durelli presented the Murray Lecture. U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson sent a greeting to the SESA Congress.

## **Thirty Years Ago - 1975**

Bonney Rossi was the Managing Director.

1975 SESA Spring Meeting was held at the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel in Chicago, IL May 11-16. Emmett Day was the SESA President. Ron Rudolph and Jim Hooker were the meeting co-chairmen. N.M. Newmark presented the Murray Lecture.

1975 SESA Fall Meeting was held at the Ramada Inn in Schenectady, NY, October 15-16. Winn Dalley was the SESA President. Ros Guernsey was the meeting chairman

## **Twenty Years Ago - 1985**

Ken Galione was the Managing Director.

1985 SEM Spring Meeting was held at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, NV, June 9-14. Attendance: 400. Bill Sharpe was the SEM President. Erwin Sommer presented the Murray Lecture.

1985 SEM Fall Meeting was held at the Grenelefe Resort in Florida, November 17-20. Attendance: 180. Bob Rinn was the SEM President. Bob Telische was the meeting chairman.

## **Ten Years Ago - 1995**

Ken Galione was the Managing Director.

1995 SEM Spring Conference was held at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids, MI, June 11-15. Dixon Dudderar was the SEM President. Wolfgang Knauss presented the Murray Lecture ■