100 Years of AAA Trivia and History (Part I)
Annual Membership dues in 1916 were $3.00.

By December 28, 1917, the Association had 82 members (more than 20 percent were from New York University which had the largest staff in the country.)
The Accounting Review was the first journal published by the Association in March 1926.

The first editor of The Accounting Review was William A. Paton. He was also AAA President in 1922.
By the close of the 1920’s, the association had about 600 members from over 100 United States schools.

Today there are nearly 7,000 paid memberships from over 72 countries and over 1,500 schools and organizations.
The name of the association was officially changed to the American Accounting Association at the 1935 Annual Meeting held in New York.

Full membership was also no longer limited to university accounting instructors.

The membership category of “associate member” was created in 1941 allowing students to join the AAA for $1.00 as opposed to the full member rate of $4.00.
The first monograph published by the AAA was *Principles of Public-Utility Depreciation* by Perry Mason. One thousand copies were printed in 1937.

Perry was also AAA President in 1950.

The first Regional Meeting was held in 1949 when the Southeastern Region held its first meeting at Georgia Tech University in Atlanta, GA.
There has only been one AAA President who has served in that role on two different occasions:

**Eric L. Kohler**

He served as President of the Association in 1936 and again ten years later in 1946.
The first Southwest Region Meeting was held in 1957. The Ohio Region had its first Regional Meeting in 1958, followed by the Northeast and Midwest Regions in 1960. The Western Region held its first meeting in 1966, and the Mid-Atlantic in 1975.

Did you know that there was once a Canadian Region of the AAA?

The Canadian Region was in existence from 1967 until 1984.
The 25th anniversary of the founding of the association was celebrated at the 1940 meeting held in Chicago at the Blackstone Hotel. The Blackstone Hotel is still in existence today and is known as the Renaissance Blackstone Chicago Hotel.

The 50th anniversary meeting of the AAA was held in 1966 in Miami Beach, Florida at The Deauville Hotel (now known as The Deauville Beach Resort). The University of Miami was the official meeting host.