

# SfN Milestones: 40 YEARS of Evolution

## 1960s

- 1969**
  - SfN founded. Letters of incorporation signed July 11, 1969

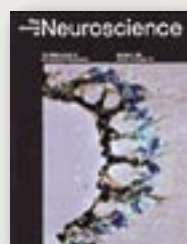
## 1970s

- 1970**
  - Membership reaches 1,100
- 1971**
  - First annual meeting held (Washington, DC) with 1,396 attendees
- 1973**
  - Grass Traveling Scientist Program launches
- 1976**
  - First Sustaining Associate Member joins SfN



## 1980s

- 1981**
  - The Journal of Neuroscience founded
  - SfN receives its first grant from NIH's National Institute for Neurological Disorders and Stroke to support diversity in science.
- 1985**
  - Annual meeting abstract submissions pass 5,000
  - Membership reaches 10,000
  - SfN elects first female president



## 1990s

- 1990**
  - Brain Facts is introduced as a primer on the brain and nervous system
- 1991**
  - Annual meeting attendance reaches 15,000
  - The Journal of Neuroscience goes online
- 1993**
  - 100<sup>th</sup> SfN chapter is established
- 1994**
  - First video filmed for The History of Neuroscience in Autobiography series
- 1996**
  - SfN joins Brain Awareness Week campaign, launched by the Dana Alliance

## 2000s

- 2002**
  - Membership reaches 30,000
  - First Strategic Plan developed by Council
  - Annual meeting Program divided into daily books to accommodate growing size of meeting
- 2003**
  - The Journal of Neuroscience begins publishing weekly



- Translational Neuroscience Accomplishments highlights impact of animal research
- Neuroscience Database Gateway launched
- First SfN chapter outside North America is established

- 2005**
  - Women in Neuroscience (WIN) becomes part of SfN
  - 35<sup>th</sup> annual meeting draws a record 34,815 attendees
  - Dialogues Between Neuroscience and Society Lecture is initiated at the annual meeting, featuring the Dalai Lama

- 2006**
  - SfN purchases and moves into new Washington, DC, headquarters building



- 2007**
  - International members (non-U.S.) comprise 36 percent of total membership

- 2008**
  - Neuroscience Core Concepts created
  - Membership reaches 38,761

- 2009**
  - Members generate 19,000 advocacy letters in six weeks to support historic science funding

- SfN welcomes its 138th chapter
- Association of Neuroscience Departments & Programs (ANDP) becomes part of SfN
- Neuroscience Wikipedia Initiative launched
- SfN Facebook page created

