Finding Your Place in ASME (A Great Place to Be)

MARC GOLDSMITH
PAST PRESIDENT
CHAIR, VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP TRAINING (VOLT)
Volunteering creates several benefits for you:

- **You** do something good for humanity

- **You** do something good for you
  - You get new skills, connections, friends, and knowledge

- **You** bring it to work and that is good for your boss

- **You** have fun
Lead with Passion

- Volunteer to do what you are passionate about!
- For me it is Leadership
- For you ..........
- There is lots of opportunity
  - ASK
Growing

- Rarely can you start at the top, ask where help is needed
- Pick a spot where you can learn and grow
- Carry bags for the chair, bale the hay, carry the water AND listen
- Try new things, places and people
- Welcome the new person
Maturing

- Take the program chair, secretary, treasurer job
- Be the “At-large”
- Take the stretch assignment
- Balance is tough and necessary.
Leading

- There is no better place than a professional society to hone one’s leadership skills and style.
- The powers are:
  - Persuasion
  - Inspiration and,
  - Sweat (Example)
- There is no positional power.
- Volunteers do things because they are inspired to do them.
- Make the connections build the network – grow together.
Where’s Your Place

- Where ever you want it to be:
  - Standards and Certifications
  - Technology
  - Public Information and Outreach
  - Student and Early Career
  - Local, National, and International

- ASME needs active volunteers

- You need the benefits