

# 10 Reasons to Volunteer with NEO STC

1. **Have fun!** When the committees and board meet, there is often food, side conversations, and almost always laughter. Getting to know people who do what you do, connecting with them on a personal level, is fun and rewarding.
2. **Give back.** If you have benefitted from STC in your career, how about paying it forward?
3. **Advance your career.** Add your volunteer service to your resume. Network with other professionals. Build assets for your portfolio (like web pages, brochures, advertisements, etc.)
4. **Gain Experience.** Want to learn leadership, event planning, advertising or promotions? We will give you training, give you guidance, and give you freedom to test your own ideas.
5. **Express yourself.** We have opportunities for many creative outlets (like web site, brochures, advertising, and other activities). And you can add these to your portfolio!
6. **Earn recognition.** If you'd like professional validation, maybe a 'feather in your cap' to post on your LinkedIn profile, or to simply be thanked for helping (because you don't often get thanked in your day job), then this is the place for you!
7. **Make a difference.** There's nothing more satisfying than helping others learn and grow, and leaving your legacy on the chapter's record books.
8. **Get involved.** Being a part of something bigger than yourself helps give you purpose. The act of volunteering gives you satisfaction that regular work and everyday life cannot.
9. **Build confidence.** You can practice your leadership skills in a low-risk volunteer environment.
10. **Take ownership.** You might think 'someone else' will keep the chapter running. This is YOUR chapter. Isn't it time you YOU step up and help the chapter maintain a positive and friendly environment where all members can learn and grow? We need you!!

"You may think you are too busy to take a leadership role. Work and family responsibilities may leave little room in your schedule. Consider this: volunteering can have an exceptional impact on your career." *Jill J. Johnson*. You can't afford NOT to volunteer.