



Dr. Dan Thoma's participation within TMS has been an active part of his professional career over the past 18 years. He has been a member of TMS for 23 years, and his active involvement originally started as a member of the Solidification Committee in 1987. Since that time, he has been a member of the Education Committee, Powder Materials Committee, Phase Transformation Committee, Nuclear Materials Committee, Public and Government Affairs Committee, Information Technology Committee and Program Committee. He has served on the MPMD Council as the Programming Representative, Solidification Committee Chair, and Education Committee Representative. In addition, he has served two terms as Programming Director, and three years in the Presidential term (Vice-President, President [2003], and Past-President). Currently, Dr. Thoma serves on the MPMD Council (as the liaison for the Education Committee) and the SMD Council (as the liaison for the Information Technology Committee). Dan is also the Founding Editor for TMS Letters, a new electronic publication format offered through the Society. Finally, he served as the TMS Representative to the AIME Board of Trustees from 2002-2005, and he is currently the President Elect, Designate for AIME (a four year rotation). Within this extensive service, Dan has initiated, led, or actively participated in many major Society activities. Some of his major contributions include the Conference Management System, Committee Homepages, Strategic Planning, and TMS Letters.