# Ham Radio – Now What?

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## Golden Age of Ham Radio

## Ham Radio 1.0 100 Years of Radio Goodness

"If I'd known I was going to live this long, I'd have taken better care of myself."

**Eubie Blake at 103** 

# Strategic Point of Inflection

## Ham Radio 2.0 The BIG Pivot

"Without accepting the fact that everything changes, we cannot find perfect composure. But unfortunately, although it is true, it is difficult for us to accept it. Because we cannot accept the truth of transience, we suffer."

D. T. Suzuki

# What Do We See through the Windshield?

## Who Do We See in the Windshield?

# Why Would They Become Hams?

## What Will These New Hams Do?

"It is not necessary to change. Survival is not mandatory."

**Edward Deming** 

### The Good Arrow

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- Understand radio's physical environment
- Improve efficiency, accuracy, and breadth of expertise
- Encourage technical learning about communication
- Develop new radio services and techniques
- Create new opportunities for building and innovation
- Build a worldwide community of hams

# Outreach, Outreach, Outreach

### Go To Where People Are!

## Build Bridges, Open Doors

"The more you do anything that don't look like advertising the better advertising it is."

Will Rogers

### Ham Radio's Uniqueness

## Lifetime Hams Recruit, Train, Retain

### Balance, Balance, Balance

There is no greater threat to Amateur Radio than demographics and complacency.

### Get On With It

"The future is already here; it's just not very evenly distributed."

William Gibson

### Thank You!!