

TOASTMASTERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jim Kokocki 2014–2015 International President-Elect

Jim Kokocki is an entrepreneur and business consultant residing in Saint John, New Brunswick, Canada. Kokocki serves as a volunteer with the Saint John Board of Trade where he co-chairs the organization's Business Education Committee. Kokocki previously worked for 30 years at telecommunications provider Bell Aliant and related companies, where he served as manager of business marketing for the Aliant Mobility division and managed the Bell Aliant Innovation Center. He is currently completing a graduate degree at the University of New Brunswick, Saint John, where he previously earned a bachelor's degree in business administration.

A Toastmaster for 27 years, Kokocki's home club is Saint John Toastmasters in Saint John. He has held a number of high-profile leadership positions within the organization, including serving on the Toastmasters Board of Directors from 2002 to 2004, and has attained the Distinguished Toastmaster designation—the highest level of educational achievement in the organization.

"Toastmasters helped me understand the value in communicating widely, clearly and frequently about a team's objectives" he says.

As an officer on the Toastmasters International Board of Directors, Kokocki is a "working ambassador" for the organization. He works with the Board to develop, support and modify the policies and procedures that guide Toastmasters International in fulfilling its mission.

About Toastmasters International

Toastmasters International is a nonprofit educational organization that teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Headquartered in Rancho Santa Margarita, California, the organization's membership exceeds 313,000 in more than 14,650 clubs in 126 countries. Since 1924, Toastmasters International has helped people of all backgrounds become more confident in front of an audience. For information about local Toastmasters clubs, visit **www.toastmasters.org**. Follow **@Toastmasters** on Twitter.