**Toastmasters members elect Seymour corporate manager to International Board**

Richard Peck becomes new director of global educational organization

**RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, Calif., Sept. 16, 2013**—Richard Peck, of Seymour, Connecticut, has been elected to the Board of Directors of [Toastmasters International](http://www.toastmasters.org), the world’s leading organization devoted to communication and leadership skills development. Peck was elected to the 2013-2015 two-year term at the organization’s 82nd annual International Convention, held Aug. 21-24 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

 “In Toastmasters, helping an individual achieve a goal in turn helps you achieve yours,” says Peck. “It’s an honor and a privilege to serve an organization that has the ability to change the world one person at a time.”

As a member of the Toastmasters International Board of Directors, Peck is a “working ambassador” for the organization. He works with the Board to develop and support the policies and procedures that guide Toastmasters International in fulfilling its mission.

Peck is a senior member of the Network Support division at AT&T, where he has worked for 27 years. As a manager, he uses his communication skills to coordinate corporate summits and lead cross-functional teams.

His responsibilities also include updating technical and training documentation and providing project analysis and solutions.

After earning an MBA in International Business at the University of Texas in Dallas, Peck was certified as a Project Management Professional by the Project Management Institute. His volunteer work includes serving as club president and lieutenant governor for Kiwanis International. He also enjoys traveling, photography and studying world cultures.

A dedicated Toastmaster for seven years, Peck has been a member of his home club, Nutmeg Toastmasters in Woodbridge, Connecticut, since 2006. He has held a number of high-profile leadership positions within Toastmasters, and has attained the Distinguished Toastmaster designation—the highest level of educational achievement in the organization.

To access a photo of Peck, go to [www.toastmasters.org/board#RP](http://www.toastmasters.org/board#RP).

To learn more about Nutmeg Toastmasters, the oldest club in Connecticut, visit <http://764.toastmastersclubs.org>. For information about clubs throughout the state, go to <http://d53.toastmastersdistricts.org>.

**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 292,000 in more than 14,350 clubs in 122 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, please visit [www.toastmasters.org](http://www.toastmasters.org). Follow [@Toastmasters](http://twitter.com/Toastmasters) on Twitter.

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