



Bridgeport Regional Business Council's Leadership Greater Bridgeport Unveils Skybox at The Ballpark at Harbor Yard in the Spirit of the Barnum Museum

BRIDGEPORT, March 30, 2015 –Leadership Greater Bridgeport, an affiliate of the Bridgeport Regional Business Council, (LGB), will unveil the newly designed skybox at The Ballpark at Harbor Yard in the spirit of the Barnum Museum.

Each year, LGB recruits up to thirty representatives from the business community to participate in a series of leadership development program days offering the participants a behind the scenes view of the challenges and opportunities facing the Bridgeport region.

Participants in each Leadership Greater Bridgeport class select community service projects from proposals that are submitted by nonprofit member organizations of the Bridgeport Regional Business Council.

On April 12th, the Leadership Greater Bridgeport Class 26 will unveil the results of one of the community support projects undertaken this year, the design and creation of a skybox inspired by Bridgeport's own P.T. Barnum and the Barnum Museum.

The Ballpark at Harbor Yard, located at 500 Main Street in Bridgeport, has partnered with the Barnum Museum and LGB Class 26 to rejuvenate a skybox. The project team devoted time to design and execute a renovation that will provide information about the Museum, and spark interest in the fascinating history of P.T. Barnum's remarkable life and times, and encourage future attendance to the Museum as well as the Ballpark at Harbor Yard. The team also raised money and sought out donations to cover all of the expenses of the project. *"It has been a joy to work with the LGB team and the Bluefish on this project. We are thrilled that this effort has created a new and exciting partnership that will last long into the future. Truly what LGB is all about!"* said Barnum Museum Director, Kathy Maher.

The Leadership Great Bridgeport team that completed the seven month renovation project includes: Eric Cushman, Gilbane Building Company; Jason Gordon, Greater Bridgeport Transit; Truong Khai Ho, Bridgeport Public Education Fund, Inc.; Chris McFadden, The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company; Sarah Monck, UIL Holdings; Erin Santa, Santa Energy, and Brian Silvestro, Brody Wilkinson, PC.

The Leadership Greater Bridgeport is currently recruiting for Class 27, which will kick-off in September. For more information about LGB, contact Executive Director Laura Campbell at (203) 335-3800.

About the Bridgeport Regional Business Council and the Leadership Greater Bridgeport Program

Leadership Greater Bridgeport is an affiliate program of The Bridgeport Regional Business Council (BRBC). Representing 800+ member businesses and organizations in the Greater Bridgeport Region, The Bridgeport Regional Business Council is a voluntary organization that works to promote regional cooperation and economic development via advocacy for the expansion, retention, and recruitment of business, improved transportation/infrastructure, affordable healthcare, and business friendly legislation in pursuit of its goal to increase jobs and tax base growth. The BRBC includes six affiliates: The Bridgeport Chamber of Commerce, the Stratford Chamber of Commerce, the Trumbull Chamber of Commerce, the Bridgeport Economic Development Corporation, Leadership Greater Bridgeport and the Women's Leadership Council. For more information, visit www.brbc.org

Leadership Greater Bridgeport strives to graduate future leaders who will have a positive impact on the region. Classes meet one full day a month from September to June annually. The ten-month program consists of ten daylong workshops, along with an orientation, tour and graduation ceremony. Throughout the course, the participants are trained in leadership skills, including team building, negotiation, coping with conflict, communication, decision-making and listening.