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HARBOR DISTRICT NEWS

It has been an eventful few months in the Harbor District. We conducted a number of [public tours of the Harbor District](#), we hosted the [Waterfront Innovations Design Charrette](#), and the [Port of Milwaukee](#) has seen a lot of freight - and a few [passengers](#) - come and go. For more info and to meet some of [Harbor District Inc's Board of Directors](#) read on below. Should you have any ideas, suggestions, or questions feel free to contact the Harbor District at info@harbordistrict.org.



Harbor District Tours

This fall Harbor District, Inc and Sixteenth Street Community Health Centers hosted

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seven public bus tours of the Harbor District to give the community an opportunity to learn about our initiative and experience the Harbor District up close. More than 100 tour attendees visited new investments in and around the UWM School of Freshwater Sciences, experienced the Port of Milwaukee's facilities, and learned about current planning activities and future vision for the Harbor District ([Tour Route Map](#)).

While there are no tours planned for the winter season, we will be looking to coordinate tours for spring and summer 2016 (perhaps on alternate modes of transportation). Check back on the Harbor District [website](#), [Facebook page](#), and future newsletters for information on next year's tours.



Waterfront Innovations Design Charrette

The City of Milwaukee and Harbor District Inc. hosted the Waterfront Innovations Design Charrette at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Freshwater Sciences on October 22nd and 23rd to explore ideas for reimagining the water's edge in the Harbor District. Four teams of designers, landscape architects, engineers, and ecologists from across North America developed new ideas for how the water's edge can better serve the variety of current and planned uses in the Harbor District.

A number of local stakeholders and other guests interacted with the teams as they

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worked during the two days of the charrette. The teams presented their final designs to a standing room only crowd of over one hundred people at the end of the day on Friday, October 23rd (photo above).

The teams now have two weeks to refine their designs and concepts for final submission. All of the designs will then be compiled into a final report that will be available in the coming months. Make sure to follow Harbor District on Facebook, our website, and our future newsletters to see the final charrette report. Thank you to our sponsors for making making this event possible: US Environmental Protection Agency, the Fund for Lake Michigan, the City of Milwaukee Office of Environmental Sustainability, and Tri City National Bank.



2015 in the Port of Milwaukee

2015 has been busy in the Port of Milwaukee with a continuous stream of freight and vessels moving in and out all year. Some of the bulk commodities that have come through the port are salt; cement; limestone; grains; soybeans; and steel. The majority of salt arrives on "lakers" from mines around the Great Lakes and is primarily used by various municipalities in our region to salt roads in winter. This year has seen two vessels deliver barley from Denmark into the Port to be used by malting companies working with local breweries in Wisconsin. And just recently, several vessels loaded soybeans from Wisconsin farms at the port and then departed for Russia.

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2015 looks to be another strong year for inbound steel, with sales making scheduled Port calls with material from mills located throughout Europe, supplying raw material to manufacturers in SE Wisconsin and throughout the entire Midwest region served by the Port. A number of manufactured goods have passed through the port this year including [six large steel kilns](#) manufactured in West Allis that were shipped via barge to a cement plant project in Quebec, Canada (photo above). In this instance, the kiln sections were actually made from steel that arrived through the Port.

The Port of Milwaukee also saw passenger vessels visit, highlighted by [the largest cruise ship on the Great Lakes, The Hamburg, which brought 400 European tourists](#) to the Port in the middle of September.

The Port has continued to see traffic this year as a result of being the northernmost Great Lakes port on the Inland River System. On multiple occasions this year, river barges have loaded grain to be transported down the Mississippi River. At the end of October, a barge loaded with locally manufactured assembly parts departed the Port, beginning a 30 day transit through the inland river system to its destination in the Gulf Mexico.

To learn more about the Port of Milwaukee and the role it plays in our regional economy you can visit their [website](#), follow them on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), and check out [this interesting article from Urban Milwaukee](#) with more fun facts about the Port of Milwaukee.

Meet the Harbor District Board of Directors (part 2)

With the formation of Harbor District, Inc. (HDI) we have assembled a board of directors to help guide the organization and ensure that we are focused on our mission to create a resilient waterfront that sets the standard for how waterfronts work - environmentally, economically and socially. You met our first group of board members in [our last newsletter](#) and we are introducing the next group of board members below. The final group will be in our next newsletter.

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JoAnne Anton

JoAnne Anton, Director of Giving for the Herb Kohl Foundation, has spent more than two decades working in key positions of public service to the city of Milwaukee and state of Wisconsin. She holds a bachelor's degree from Marquette University and a master's degree from University of Wisconsin -Milwaukee's School of Social Welfare.



JoAnne began her career in public service at the local level as an assistant to Milwaukee Mayor John Norquist then moved to the federal level in 1994 when she was hired by US Senator Herb Kohl. As Kohl's State Director, she served in a variety of roles from managing a statewide staff and five offices to regularly traveling and staffing the Senator throughout Wisconsin. She also was responsible for running Senator Kohl's re-election campaigns in 2000 and 2006. When Kohl retired from the Senate in 2012 and returned as President to run his NBA basketball franchise, the Milwaukee Bucks, JoAnne joined him as Project Coordinator to the President. There she assisted in the effort to plan for a new sports arena and ultimately, in the sale of the team to new owners.

Today, JoAnne Anton works to advance Kohl's philanthropic goals and community involvement. She serves on the boards of several non-profits including Professional Dimensions, COA, Safe and Sound, Walker's Point Association and the Nature Conservancy and is a Trustee to the Milwaukee Public Library Board. She has been recognized by the Business Journal's 40 Under 40 List and as a Woman of Influence.

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Transla](#)**Gary Ballesteros**

Gary Ballesteros is vice president, law, and general counsel, Latin America, for Rockwell Automation Inc. Responsible for the company's legal affairs in Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America, Ballesteros has been instrumental in managing a wide variety of legal issues in the company's fastest-growing region. With nearly \$700 million in annual sales, and containing six of Rockwell's largest manufacturing plants, the Latin America region for Rockwell represents a challenging array of legal and management issues. Prior to taking his current role, Ballesteros was the company's chief litigation counsel and served as the first director of Rockwell's Global Compliance Office.



Before joining Rockwell in 1997, he was a partner with the law firm of Jenner & Block in Chicago, and also served as an officer in the Judge Advocate General Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve. Ballesteros serves as pro bono counsel for the Immigration Law Clinic at the University of Wisconsin Law School, and has served as an adjunct professor of law at Marquette University Law School and the University of Michigan Law School. He is an adjunct professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Freshwater Sciences, and a past board chairman of the Alliance for Great Lakes. He received his BS, *cum laude*, from the University of Illinois in 1985 and his JD, *cum laude*, from Michigan Law in 1988.

Marvin Bynum II

Marvin is a member of the Real Estate Practice Group at Godfrey & Kahn, S.C Attorneys at Law. At Godfrey & Kahn Marvin serves as chair of the Firm's summer associate committee, is a member of the law school fellowship committee, and has assisted with several special projects and initiatives, including design and planning efforts for the 833 East building project.



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While in law school, Marvin served as Editor in Chief of the Marquette Law Review and authored "Testing the Waters: Assessing Wisconsin's Regulatory Climate for Offshore Wind Projects" (93 Marq. L. Rev. 1533 (2010)), which won the Golden Quill Award for the outstanding student-written article published in the Marquette Law Review. Prior to law school, Marvin worked for six years as a journalist, both as an editor for a Madison-based sports business magazine and as a freelance reporter for daily newspapers in Michigan and Wisconsin.

Anne E. Summers

Anne E. Summers, MBA is the CEO of the Brico Fund located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Anne is responsible for strategic direction, development and management of Brico Fund initiatives, grant making, and impact. Seeking strategic investments that build the collective capacity of people and organizations to actively and sustainably improve the civic, cultural and natural environments, Brico Fund often incubates new ideas and provides early funding.



Previously, Anne held positions as a senior leader in nonprofit organizations as well as in state government. An Illinois native, and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science, Anne also holds a Master's of Business Administration degree from Cardinal Stritch University.

David A. Ullrich

David Ullrich is the Executive Director of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative. His responsibilities include working with over 100 U.S. and Canadian mayors from across the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Basin to advance the protection and restoration of the resource. The Initiative leads many efforts to accelerate the work to become a more sustainable region by integrating the environmental, economic, and social activities to improve



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the quality of life and well-being of its people.

Prior to assuming his current position, Mr. Ullrich served for thirty years at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Great Lakes regional office in Chicago, working on environmental issues in the six states of the upper Midwest. He worked in many capacities over the years, including Acting Regional Administrator, Deputy Regional Administrator, Waste Management Division Director, Deputy Regional Counsel, Air Enforcement Chief, and Water Enforcement Attorney. He was a founding member and chair of the Midwest Natural Resources Group. He currently serves as Chair of the Great Lakes Water Quality Board for the International Joint Commission, Chair of the Great Lakes Advisory Board, and in 2006 and 2012 was appointed by the President to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission where he serves as Vice Chair. In 1986, he completed a six month executive exchange assignment with the German Interior Ministry. U.S. EPA recognized Mr. Ullrich for a number of his accomplishments during his public service career.

Mr. Ullrich graduated from Dartmouth College in 1970 with a degree in English and received his law degree from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1973, with an emphasis in environmental law. He is a runner and outdoor sportsman. He was married for 39 years to the late Polly Ullrich, an art critic, curator, teacher, and ceramic artist, and their son Eric is a 2012 graduate of the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana with a major in environmental science and sustainability.

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About the Harbor District Initiative

The Harbor District Initiative brings together local, state, and federal government efforts, the private sector, and community to catalyze the redevelopment of Milwaukee's Harbor District. Our goal is to create a resilient waterfront that sets the standard for how waterfronts work – environmentally, economically and socially.

Learn more at our website harbordistrict.org.






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