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News for Members

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Economic Impact Awards Finalists Deliver 1-Minute Pitches!

Eighteen companies from across the state delivered 1-minute pitches on why they should be chosen for a 2016 Team Massachusetts Economic Impact Award. The finalists were selected from a pool of 100+ companies, and the winners will be announced in October. For the full list of finalist companies, click [here](#). Stay tuned for photos and videos.

Interested in joining the Awards Committee?
Email [Annie](#)

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Get involved in supporting economic growth in Massachusetts by sponsoring the 2016 Economic Impact Awards. Click [here](#) to learn about the different benefits and sponsorship opportunities that are available. Thank you to **Citizens Bank, WPI, Transwestern | RBJ, CBRE/New England, Santander, NAI Hunneman, MassDevelopment, VHB, Dacon, Cutler Associates, Janitronics Building Services, Sasaki Associates, SGA, and Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP** for stepping up as sponsors to date.

MassEcon and LStar Communities in the News

MassEcon Executive Director Susan Houston was quoted in [this recent Boston Globe article](#) about MassEcon helping Dutch robotics company Prodrive Technologies with its site selection in South Weymouth at the newly-dubbed Union Point. **LStar Communities**, a new MassEcon member, is the developer, and member company CBRE is representing Prodrive. Prodrive plans a 300,000 SF complex over the next two years, with as many as 300 people working there by 2020. This location marks Prodrive's first major campus in the U.S.

Welcome New Fall Interns!

MassEcon recently welcomed Fall interns Liza LaBossiere and Alison Klemencic. Liza is a senior studying Communications: Media Arts and Public Relations at Simmons College, and Alison is a senior at Tufts University studying Economics, International Relations, and German. They will both be helping to plan Fall/Winter events including members meetings, a lunch & learn, Economic Impact Awards, and Holiday Lunch.

Change in Date and Location for Economic Development Summit in Worcester

MassEcon members are invited to attend an Economic Development Summit with Governor Charlie Baker, Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito, and



Congratulations to the 13th Annual Economic Impact Awards Finalists



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Thank you to
Secretary Jay Ash
Featured Speaker
at Finalists
Reception



Thank you to Nutter McClennen
& Fish LLP for hosting the
Finalists Reception on
September 14



Stephen Crosby - MA Gaming
Commission Chair
September 23 Members
Meeting Featured Speaker



Housing & Economic Development Secretary Jay Ash at the DCU Center: 50 Foster Street in Worcester on October 19 from 1 -4 p.m. **NOTE NEW DATE AND LOCATION**

2017 MassEcon Calendar Released!

It's not too early to save the date and plan for exciting 2017 MassEcon events. Click [here](#) for the 2017 MassEcon calendar.

Upcoming Events

September Members Meeting

When: Friday, September 23

Featured Speaker Stephen Crosby, Massachusetts Gaming Commission Chair

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.: Registration and Networking

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.: Featured Speaker and Discussion

9:30 - 10 a.m.: Members Meeting

Where: 200 Friberg Parkway, Westborough

To register, contact [Annie](#)

Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

When: Tuesday, November 22

Where: Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel - 606 Congress Street, Boston, MA

Watch for registration!

Annual Meeting and Holiday Lunch

Featured Speaker Bruce Stewart, Chief Marketing Officer, GE Current

When: Thursday, December 15

11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.: Members Meeting

12:30 - 2:00 p.m.: Holiday Lunch

Where: UMass Club - 1 Beacon Street, Boston, MA

Thank you to event sponsor [WPI](#)

To register, contact [Annie](#)

Member News

A Better City: Norman B. Leventhal Excellence in City Building Awards will be given to two MassEcon members on October 4. **Thomas Glynn, CEO of Massport**, will receive the Transportation Award, and two professors within the **UMass Boston School for the Environment** will receive the Environment Award. Congratulations!

JM Coull recently hired Jim Bourgeois as a senior project manager and Scott Kirouac as a an assistant project manager. Both new hires are involved in several of the firm's healthcare and education projects.

Congratulations to **Meredith Harris** who recently became the Executive Director of the [Marlborough EDC](#).

Newmark Grubb Knight Frank released the [2017 Global Cities Report](#), focusing on the future of real estate in the world's leading cities.

Jones Lang LaSalle has launched **Building a Better Tomorrow**, a comprehensive global sustainability program that can develop industry-leading strategies, tools and technologies that significantly improve energy efficiency, societal impacts, and costs.

Transwestern and Connect Media are hosting a live Twitter chat on new lease accounting standards and



Bruce Stewart Chief Marketing Officer, GE Current Annual Holiday Lunch Featured Speaker



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Thank you to Annual Holiday Lunch Sponsor WPI

Committee Meetings

Government Relations Committee

November 4
TD Bank, 200 State Street, 10th Floor, Boston
8 - 9:30 a.m.

Program & Events Committee

October 19
Perkins + Will, 225 Franklin Street, Suite 1100, Boston
8:30 - 10 a.m.

Membership & Marketing Committee

October 7
Middlesex Savings Bank, 36 Summer Street, Natick
9 - 10:30 a.m.

Location Support Committee

December 1
Dacon Corporation, 16 Huron Drive, Natick
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Click [here](#) to learn more about the Committees

To Join a Committee, please email [Annie](#)



2016 Calendar Highlights

Friday, September 23, 2016
Members Meeting

Thursday, October 6, 2016
Board Meeting

their impact on commercial real estate on **September 21**. Follow **#TWTalks** at **4 PM EST** to join.

The **South Shore Chamber of Commerce** released a new [Regional Development Plan Report](#), focusing on opportunities for economic development and growth.

Please send Member News to [Annie](#).

Projects

#2790: "Project Boxer" MassEcon, MOBD, and the EDC of Western MA are working with an out-of-state site location consulting firm representing a multi-billion dollar U.S.-based publicly traded corporation. The consulting team is considering sites 100-115 acres in Western MA for a 1.1 million SF distribution facility representing 400 total jobs. Preferred location decision is expected at the end of 2016. A site in Westfield is under consideration. Site options in New York, Connecticut, and New Jersey are also being evaluated.

#2791: MassEcon, MLSC, MOBD, MassBio, and MassDevelopment recently met with a mid-sized German pharma company considering a first-time office presence in Cambridge. The company will hire 10 new people initially and lease a small amount of office space to establish a presence in this market. Potential future expansion will be considered.

Please contact [Doug](#) for more information.

Staff in Action

Invited by the UMass Boston Provost, **Susan Houston** was hosted for a half-day at the UMass Boston campus to learn about the campus's economic development assets. Susan, as a member of the MA Marketing Partnership Board, also met with the executive team of the MA Convention Center Authority (MCCA) about coordinating MCCA industry shows with MA business development efforts; met with leaders of the MetroWest's Tech Sandbox to brainstorm on growing the Hopkinton-based incubator; and secured speakers for fall programs.

Doug Kehlhem recently organized a consultation session for the Town of Framingham, Calare Properties, and CBRE. Thank you to MassEcon member Russ Burke with BSC Group who shared expertise regarding future site use options for a large but challenging development opportunity just outside Downtown Framingham.

Annie O'Connell participated in the Awards Committee and Program Events Committee this month, supported the five Economic Impact Awards judging teams, and executed the Finalists Reception. She has also on-boarded Liza and Alison for their fall semester internships.

Tuesday, November 22, 2016
Team MA Economic Impact Awards Luncheon

Thursday, December 15, 2016
Annual Meeting & Holiday Lunch

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