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Legislators and transportation experts present at 20th Annual Port of Green Bay Symposium

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(Green Bay, WI) Over ninety attendees including shipping industry leaders, state agencies and elected officials gathered on April 4 to “Come Sea, Listen and Learn” during the 20th Annual [Port of Green Bay](#) Symposium. A wide range of guest presenters spoke about current and upcoming topics involving the Great Lakes and the Port of Green Bay.

Dean Haen, Director of the Port of Green Bay, explained the significance of the event, “The Port Symposium began in 1999 as a way to provide information on larger state and federal issues that affect the Port and subsequently many people and businesses in this region. The Symposium also brings many stakeholders into one room and gives them the opportunity to network, while providing port industry employees the chance to discuss legislation with their state and federal legislators.”

Representatives from the Great Lakes Cruising Coalition and Victory Cruise Line were present to share their plans for cruising in Green Bay in 2019 and beyond. Plans to stop in Green Bay this summer were halted due to repairs taking longer than expected on the Victory II cruise ship. Victory Cruise Line currently has seven ships under construction that will be coming to Lake Michigan in the next 18 months. In total this year, there will be 11 ships on the Great Lakes and the St. Lawrence River that will take 200 voyages and bring 100,000 people to port cities.

On behalf of the Port of Green Bay, Haen presented Congressman Mike Gallagher with a model *S.S. Cliffs Victory* ship in memory of his grandfather, Captain Cornelius Gallagher, and his role in the history of Great Lakes shipping. Congressman Gallagher also shared that in the next two decades, global shipping will increase by 40 percent. He recognized the duty to preserve and protect one of the most important bodies of water in the world.

Looking to 2018, the Port of Green Bay has plans to release a new economic impact study and continue to study end use opportunities for Renard Island. County Executive Troy Streckenbach discussed the importance of long-term planning for the Port of Green Bay and his excitement to welcome tourists from cruise ships into our community.

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The Port of Green Bay has 14 active terminal operators involved in shipping commodities:

- ACE Marine, LLC
- The C. Reiss Coal Company
- Construction Resources Management
- Flint Hills Resources
- Fox River Terminals, LLC.
- Georgia-Pacific Corporation
- Graymont
- GLC Minerals, LLC
- KK Integrated Logistics, Inc.
- Lafarge North America
- RGL
- Sanimax
- St. Marys Cement Company
- US Venture

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