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### **Emerge Tampa Bay Welcomes New Leadership, Honors Young Professionals**

**Tampa, FL – November 7, 2014** – Over 200 local professionals attended Emerge Tampa Bay’s 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Emerging with Influence event, presented by ChappellRoberts, Leadership Tampa Alumni, Northwestern Mutual Tampa Steel Erecting Co., last night at TPepin’s Hospitality Centre. The event recognized young professionals in the Tampa Bay community and announced the organization’s 2015 leadership team.

Leading Emerge Tampa Bay for 2015 will be:

**Program Chair:**

Erin Cassidy, Majesty Title Services, LLC

**Program Vice Chair:**

Trent Kennelly, The Kennelly Law Firm

**Professional Development Committee:**

Chair: Richard Rippey, Synovus Bank

Vice Chair: Alison St. Cyr, Coldwell Banker

**Membership Committee:**

Chair: Jennifer Lawson, HCI Group, Inc.

Vice Chair: Chris Brooker, 21st Century Financial

**Public Policy Committee:**

Chair: Andy Peluso, Hill Ward Henderson

Vice Chair: Leonardo Dosoretz, Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP

**Community Outreach Committee (CONNECT):**

Chair: Daniel Farmer, M.E. Wilson Co., Inc.

Vice Chair: Sarah Schwirian, Baldwin Krystyn Sherman Partners

Debbie Lundberg of Presenting Powerfully and member of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors presented on “The ABC’s of Next Level Leadership.”

Emerge Tampa Bay also presented the *Deanne Dewey Roberts Emerging Leader Award* to Jessica Muroff, Executive Director of Frameworks of Tampa Bay, Inc. for her service and dedication to the Tampa Bay business community. In addition to the award, a \$1,000 donation will be made to the charity of Muroff’s choice, Frameworks of Tampa Bay, Inc., courtesy of ChappellRoberts.

The award’s namesake Deanne Roberts was the co-founder of Emerge Tampa Bay and founder of ChappellRoberts, which is the Founding Sponsor of Emerging with Influence.

**About Emerge Tampa Bay**

Emerge Tampa Bay is the premier young professionals organization in Tampa. A program of the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce, it is designed for emerging leaders, ages 21-35. In an effort to enhance the greater Tampa area, Emerge strives to support, cultivate and attract young professionals by providing access to business resources, educational opportunities and community partnerships. Visit <http://www.emergetampa.org> for more information or contact Emerge Tampa Bay Manager [Catlin Layton](#) at (813) 276-9448.