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Foundation for MetroWest to Honor Wellesley resident, Ben Fischman with Young Philanthropist Award at 2015 Community Leadership Breakfast

August 25, 2015 (Natick, MA) — Foundation for MetroWest is pleased to announce their fourth annual Community Leadership Breakfast featuring Gary Hirshberg of Stonyfield Farm and ‘Just Label It’ as the Keynote Speaker. The Breakfast will be held on Friday, October 23, 2015 from 7:30 AM – 9:30 AM at the Boston Marriott Newton at 2345 Commonwealth Avenue in Newton, Massachusetts. Tickets are now available and can be purchased at www.foundationformetrowest.org/clb2015

The event will honor Ben Fischman with the Young Philanthropist Award. Ben Fischman, the serial entrepreneur and business executive, is Founder and Chief Executive Officer of LAUNCH, a new business devoted to building companies that change the way people shop, think and live by focusing on maximizing consumer engagement through immersive digital experiences and powerful branding. With the promise to launch one to three businesses a year, M.Gemi, the high-end, Italian-made women’s shoe website, is the first business created under the LAUNCH platform.

A long time resident of Wellesley, Ben serves on the Board of The Rivers School and Boston Children’s Hospital Trust. His spirit of volunteerism and philanthropic engagement in a wide-range of local charitable causes including Facing History and Ourselves, the Pan-Mass Challenge, and many others is an inspiration and exemplifies what it means to be a young philanthropist.

As the only community foundation for the MetroWest region, the Foundation for MetroWest represents one of the fastest growing types of philanthropic organizations in the country. Grants distributed through the Foundation for MetroWest help build economic security, create vibrant and safe neighborhoods, foster academic achievement, support human wellness, protect the environment, and enhance the overall quality of life. Past Community Leadership Breakfast speakers have been Raj Sisodia, thought leader of the Conscious Capitalism Movement, Ron Shaich, Founder and CEO of Panera Bread, and Len Schlesinger, former President of Babson College and faculty at Harvard Business School.

The Foundation for MetroWest connects philanthropic opportunity with demonstrated need in MetroWest. The Foundation promotes philanthropy in the region, helps donors maximize the impact of their local giving, serves as a resource for local nonprofit organizations, and enhances the quality of life for all of our citizens. For more information, visit www.foundationformetrowest.org

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