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**DIVERSITY MBA's SECOND ANNUAL
LEADERSHIP FORUM AND GALA A SMASHING SUCCESS!**

On Thursday September 11, 2008, Diversity MBA Magazine, the single resource for diversity needs, held its second annual Leadership Forum and Gala at the Marriott - Magnificent Mile, in Chicago, IL. The event played host to over 450 corporate executives and diversity experts from Fortune 500 companies around the nation. The event included one full day of interactive best practice sessions and executive leadership training and provided a format for frank dialogue and business building relationships. Here's what attendees had to say:

"The Second Annual Diversity MBA Leadership Forum and Awards Gala provided a unique opportunity to learn about diversity best practices in other corporate environments and as a business leader, what I can do to further support Pitney Bowes' commitment to a diverse workforce," says Jennifer Bonilla, President/West Region, Pitney Bowes Management Services.

"It was an honor attending the Second Annual Diversity MBA Magazine Leadership Forum and Gala Event, to celebrate a shared vision and determined focus on diversity success. It provided a unique professional development opportunity and a chance to network and share best practices on relevant business issues. The demonstrated commitment by business leaders, honorees and invited guests was both evident and inspirational," says Mike Millegan, president, Verizon Partner Solutions.

"I wanted to ... thank Diversity MBA Magazine for the recognition I received at the awards gala. The Leadership Forums were very informative and pertinent to the challenges faced daily in corporate America. I especially enjoyed the session presented by Keith Wyche. [It was]...a night that was definitely a high point in my career," says Crystal Tucker, Audit Manager, Vanguard.

"The conference and gala provided an excellent opportunity for networking and learning about other companies' diversity practices," says Robert Perkins, Vice President, Inclusion and Talent Management, Burger King Corporation.

"Harley-Davidson was honored to be recognized amongst the top ten companies for diverse managers at the 2nd Annual Diversity MBA Magazine Leadership Forum and Awards Gala. The Harley-Davidson and Buell leaders, who participated in the forum, described the speakers and panel discussions as 'phenomenal'--both practical and inspirational," says Deborah P. Ashton, Ph.D. Director of Diversity, Human Resources Organization, Harley Davidson.

The elegant affair that honored the "Top 100 Under 50 Diverse MBA Corporate Executives and Emerging Leaders" and the "50 Out Front Top Companies for Diversity" was co-hosted by Jessica Priego-Lopez director of advertising, multi-cultural marketing and sales for the Chicago White Sox and nationally known immigration attorney Brenda Boudreaux. During the opening remarks, Diversity MBA Magazine Publisher, Pamela McElvane greeted the audience in seven languages. This year's top 100 honorees were a diverse group of professionals, both

Executive Management and Emerging Leaders, with a common goal of excellence. Each received a custom award to commemorate the occasion.

The 50 Out Front Top Companies for Diverse MBAs were also recognized for their commitment to diversity, leadership and development of diverse managers. Bank of America was honored as the #1 ranked company for its long-standing commitment to global diversity over the last year.

Geri Thomas, Bank of America's senior vice president of human resources and global diversity and inclusion, gave the keynote address. She detailed the bank's diversity history and approach to inclusion and how diversity practices are integrated across the enterprise. She also highlighted how diversity supports the bank's community development strategy, recruitment and retention efforts and supplier diversity, and its ability to meet the diverse financial product and service needs of its customer and client base.

Other top 10 companies that sent executive level representatives include Verizon, Wal-Mart, Allstate, J P Morgan-Chase, Metropolitan Life, Burger King, Harley Davidson and Citigroup.

A drawing for 3 nights and 4 days at Walt Disney World, and two airline tickets capped off the evening. The give-away was provided courtesy of The Walt Disney Company and American Airlines.

About Diversity MBA Magazine

Diversity MBA Magazine provides companies with a single source for all of their diversity solutions. In addition to covering the diverse leadership niche, Diversity MBA Magazine provides continuous research on the demographics of the workforce, 'the top' industries, companies and leaders that are important to career talent seekers.

Diversity MBA Magazine also serves the needs of multicultural professionals in corporate America, business students and entrepreneurs. Successful multicultural professionals are highlighted in addition to research reports on industry diversity programs and performance, continuing education, networking opportunities, and business and professional-development advice from some of the world's most enlightened thinkers.

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