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Leadership Donelson-Hermitage Heralds Class of 2008 Celebrates Decade of Developing Leaders for a Lifetime

Nashville, TN (August 23, 2007) On Tuesday evening August 21, Leadership Donelson-Hermitage (LDH) alumni formally heralded members of the LDH Class of 2008 with an official orientation and reception held at the Donelson Senior Center. The annual event included a catered reception featuring opportunities to meet, greet and become acquainted with fellow classmates and alumni, while receiving a brief overview of LDH history and the 2008 class agenda, slated for the upcoming year.

The comprehensive LDH program focuses on major community concerns, possible innovative solutions and provides monthly presentations by city leaders on subjects of interest, culminating in a formal spring graduation.

The newly formed class, selected via merit and a formal interview process, consists of 24 diverse and dedicated individuals preparing to embark on a year long journey of development and discovery; ultimately emerging as enhanced leaders, devoted to elevating quality of life through awareness of vital issues and cognizant connections, with not only the burgeoning Donelson-Hermitage community, but Music City as well.

The Class of 2008 includes: Michael Bazydola-Dell; Stephanie Breiwa-Hermitage Imaging; Bob Budesa-Hermitage Collision; Randy Coleman-Artistry in Motion; Holli Dunbar-Henry C. Maxwell Elementary; Julie Festa-SmartSpace; Kelly Field-Opry Mills; Tinita Haley-Bowers-Deloitte; Paula Hankins-The Hermitage; Deb Haus-Montage Music Group; Kim Johnson-Scarritt-Bennett Center; Kirk LaVeck-Donelson Christian Academy; Larry Lovelace-Green Bank; Linda McClanahan-YMCA; Kent McNish-McKendree Foundation; Tom Ozburn-Summit Medical Center; Alexia Poe-Gaylord Entertainment; Robert Ramsey-Metropolitan Nashville Airport Authority; Susan Sizemore-Bridgestone America's Holding; Amanda Stephens-Healthcare; Daniel Strobel-Nashville Shores; Ashley Stucks-HCA; Ken Wood-International Academy of Design Technology; Clarissa Wyatt-Wilson Bank & Trust

Since its inception in 1998, LDH was designed to groom and grow leaders, while simultaneously expanding altruism and volunteerism. Serving as a banner year for LDH, 2008 will also commemorate a significant ten-year milestone in the history of an institution which values visionaries who not only pilot, but propel efforts for an improved metropolis.

This year's orientation was indeed a dual celebration, as LDH kicked off flagship festivities in honor of one dynamic decade, living true to its mantra ... *Developing Leaders for a Lifetime.*