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Shawnee Tomorrow Leadership Program Hosts Graduation Luncheon for 2008 Class

The 2008 class of Shawnee Tomorrow culminated with a luncheon celebration at Parkway West on Friday, June 13, 2008. The group consisted of twenty three members. The 2008 class joins more than 200 previous graduates as alumni of Shawnee Tomorrow. The graduation marks the end of a five-month leadership experience. Eight sessions focused on city, county and state government, economic development, business and industry education, finance and more.

The class was addressed by **Carol Gonzales, City Manager, City of Shawnee**. The graduates were recognized by **Phil McAnany, McAnany Construction, Inc.**, 2008 Chairman of the Shawnee Chamber Board of Directors and **Linda Leeper**, President, Shawnee Chamber of Commerce. The class was addressed by class speakers, Gus Lind, GBA-George Butler & Associates and Ken Henton, Hoefler Wysocki Architects.

Please congratulate these class members for their commitment to the community and interest in leadership: **Jeff Belgum**, *Porter Funeral Home and Crematory*; **Courtney Berry**, *Media On.*; **Andrew Biehl**, *Great Western Bank*; **Ryan Cipolla**, *Courtyard by Marriott*; **Vicki Denk**, *Water One*; **Jeanine Giersch**, *Bank of Blue Valley*; **Kelly Grisnik**, *The Sweet Life*; **Ken Henton**, *Hoefler Wysocki Architects*; **Ann Hoelting**, *Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City*; **Jessica Huston**, *Shawnee Economic Development Council*; **Wade Kordonowy**, **Gus Lind**, *GBA-George Butler Associates.*; **Eric Loving**, *Capitol Federal Savings*; **Scott Mackiewicz**, *Kleinfelder*; **John Mathews**, *Bank of Blue Valley*; **John Mattox**, *Shawnee Fire Department*; **Barbara May**, *Pinnacle Bank*; **Candice McField**, *Merrill Lynch*; **Katie Messer**, *Northwestern Mutual*; **Jim Morgan**, *Shawnee Police Department*; **Diane Myers**, *First National Bank of Olathe*; **Leslie Stichka**, *CommunityAmerica Credit Union* and **Erich Ulmer**, *Workforce Partnership*.

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