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AFP NORTHWEST OHIO CHAPTER HONORED AS TEN STAR CHAPTER

(Alexandria, Va.) – The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), Northwest Ohio Chapter has been named a 2009 Ten Star Chapter.

Every year, AFP, the largest association of professional fundraisers in the world, honors chapters for achieving goals that align with key objectives in its long-range strategic plan. Chapters receive the Ten Star Award for performing specific activities designed to increase professionalism within fundraising and public awareness of the importance of philanthropy. Of the 207 chapters in AFP, 89 chapters received the Ten Star Award for 2009.

“We are happy to receive this honor from AFP International Headquarters. It represents the professionalism and the dedication of our members and their leadership in our community,” says Brett Loney, President of the AFP Northwest Ohio Chapter. “Congratulations to 2009 Chapter President Jennifer Schaefer for her leadership in achieving this award.”

Ten Star Chapters are recognized at the AFP International Conference on Fundraising. Chapters also earn the privilege of displaying the Ten Star logo on their chapter page on their website, newsletters and stationary.

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“AFP is committed to the advancement of ethical and effective fundraising and educating the public about the importance of philanthropy and wise giving,” said Paulette V. Maehara, CFRE, CAE. “Our Ten Star Chapters have demonstrated outstanding programming and leadership in achieving these goals in their community. They serve as models for our other chapters, and I am pleased to recognize their leaders and members for their remarkable efforts.”

Criteria for the award are determined by AFP International Headquarters. A list of several goals is published annually, and chapters must accomplish 10 of these goals during the year and submit a nomination form for verification to be honored.

For more information on the Ten Star Award process, please visit www.afpnet.org.

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The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) represents 30,000 members in 207 chapters throughout the world, working to advance philanthropy through advocacy, research, education and certification programs. The association fosters development and growth of fundraising professionals and promotes high ethical standards in the fundraising profession. For more information, visit www.afpnet.org.

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