

**The Chicago Area Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame to Induct New Members  
and Present Special Lifetime Achievement Award**

On March 12, 2008, the Chicago Area Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame will induct 22 new members and present a special Lifetime Achievement Award to Leonard Lavin, founder of Alberto-Culver Co. as part of the annual event hosted by the University of Illinois at Chicago Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies.

The 2008 Hall of Fame Class includes:

- **Alsip, IL**
  - R. Bruce DeMent, President, Kastalon, Inc.
- **Aurora, IL**
  - Glen Mayer, Founder and COO, Control Solutions, Inc.
  - Mike McKee, CEO, Control Solutions, Inc.
- **Chicago, IL**
  - Robert Blackwell Jr., President and CEO, Electronic Knowledge Interchange
  - Robert Bowers, CEO, Soliant Consulting, Inc.
  - Gian M. Fulgoni, Chairman and Co-founder, comScore, Inc.
  - Michael Golden, Co-founder, @properties
  - Albert R. Grace Jr., President, Loop Capital Markets, LLC
  - Michael Lerner, President, MCZ Development Corporation
  - James Reynolds Jr., Chairman and CEO, Loop Capital Markets, LLC
  - Christy Webber, President, Christy Webber & Co.
  - Christopher G. Williams, Managing Director, Madison Capital Funding LLC
  - Karen D. Wolters, Founder, Global Contract Manufacturing, Inc.
  - Thaddeus Wong, Co-founder, @properties
- **Glenview, IL**
  - Sandye J. Lerner, President, Comprehensive Therapeutics, Ltd.
- **Hinsdale, IL**
  - Mark Wicks, President and former Chairman, Dependicare Home Health
- **Naperville, IL**
  - Vincent J. Bufalino MD, President and CEO, Midwest Heart Specialists
- **Northbrook, IL**
  - Al Grossman, President, Con-Tech Lighting
  - Ruth R. Tave, Principal and Founder, Tave Risk Management
- **Oakbrook Terrace, IL**
  - Saif Nazir M.D. FACEP, CEO, MEA Management LLC.
  - Daniel J. Sullivan M.D. J.D, Chairman of the Board, MEA Management LLC.
- **West Chicago, IL**
  - Mark Youngberg, President, AAA Painting Contractors, Inc.

Past inductees include: Robert J. Abt of Abt Electronics; John W. Baird of Baird & Warner; Robert W. Galvin of Motorola; Michael P. Krasny of CDW Computer Centers, Inc.; Stuart R. Paddock, Jr. of Paddock Publications (*Daily Herald*); Gordon Segal of Crate & Barrel; and Charlie Trotter of Charlie Trotter's.

Since 1985, the Chicago Area Entrepreneurship Hall of Fame has recognized innovative business leaders in Chicago's seven-county area. Each year, the Hall of Fame inducts distinguished entrepreneurs who have demonstrated entrepreneurial spirit and business talent by founding or growing their respective business.

### **About the UIC Institute of Entrepreneurial Studies**

The University of Illinois at Chicago Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies is commemorating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a year-long celebration. Founded in 1982 by Professor Gerry Hills, Coleman Chairholder in Entrepreneurship, the institute is one of the leading entrepreneurial research and professional organizations in the United States. Today, the institute has expanded its scope and depth with innovative programs serving students, business owners and the international research community.