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Local Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA®) Society Membership Surpasses 300

Phoenix, AZ, November 10, 2008 - The Phoenix CFA Society welcomed its 300th member this week. Founded in 1959, the Phoenix CFA Society has seen its membership grow from 176 members in 1998 to its current membership of 302. The newest members to the society are local investment professionals who are in the process of achieving their CFA charter.

The Phoenix CFA Society is a local non-profit organization for investment professionals consisting of portfolio managers, security analysts, investment advisors, and other financial professionals. The society regularly hosts luncheon meetings & events about current financial issues for its members & the public. The next event will be their signature Annual Market Forecast Dinner, which will be held at the Scottsdale Doubletree Resort on February 19th.

The majority of their members have been awarded or are in the process of being awarded one of the industry's most renowned designations, the CFA charter. To be awarded the CFA charter, candidates must pass a series of three exams and have 48 months of work experience directly related to the investment decision making process.

The CFA charter is a globally recognized credential for investment analysis and management. The CFA program sets a globally recognized standard for measuring the competence and integrity of financial analysts, portfolio managers, and investment advisors. Currently, more than 98,600 investment professionals in 134 countries and territories hold the CFA charter.

For more information about the Phoenix CFA Society, please visit www.phoenixcfa.org.