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Annette Thompson, Farmers Chief Learning Officer Wins Gold Learning In Practice Award From Chief Learning Officer Magazine

Leaders in Enterprise Learning and Workforce Development Honored at Awards Ceremony

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More than 40 awards were presented to the learning industry's most respected leaders during the Fall 2008 Chief Learning Officer Symposium's special awards ceremony held at Hotel del Coronado September 25.

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Annette Thompson, Senior Vice President and Chief Learning Officer, Farmers Insurance Group(R), received the Division II Gold Leadership Award in the Learning in Practice Award Category sponsored by Chief Learning Officer (CLO) magazine. The magazine recognizes industry leaders for excellence in enterprise learning. The leadership award recognized the learning executive who demonstrably extended their power and influence within their company in the last year.

"The Learning In Practice awards were established to recognize transformational and visionary leaders in enterprise education," said Norm Kamikow, president and editor in chief of Chief Learning Officer magazine. "A record number of top learning executives and solution providers were nominated by their peers. The winners are the industry leaders who truly champion innovation and transform it into learning and value for their organizations."

"This is really an honor," exclaimed Ms. Thompson. "It shows Farmers continued pursuit of learning excellence in order to serve our customers. Bringing home the top Gold award from Chief Learning Officer Magazine is testimony to the excellent curricula offered at the University of Farmers. I could not be more proud of this award and all of the instructors and associates who are so dedicated to providing world-class instruction at the University of Farmers."

The awards were broken into seven categories for top learning executives, with two divisions in each award category. (Division 1 for enterprises with fewer than 10,000 employees and Division 2 for enterprises with more than 10,000 employees). Awards were also presented to distinguish learning solutions providers.

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