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**Baltimore SmartCEO Celebrated 40 Top Female CEOs and Executives
at the 2015 Brava Awards, July 15**

More than 400 CEOs and decision-makers joined SmartCEO in honoring female CEOs and executives at the highly anticipated, high-energy celebration

Baltimore, MD (July 16, 2015) — Baltimore SmartCEO honored the region's top female business leaders at the 2015 Brava Awards, which took place Wednesday, July 15 at the Baltimore Harbor Hotel. This year's 40 CEO and executive winners collectively generate \$1.35 billion in annual revenue and employ nearly 15,000 individuals in Baltimore.

Please see below for a complete list of winners. For more information on this year's Brava winners, visit www.smartceo.com/baltimore-brava to read their inspiring stories from the July/August 2015 issue.

“Brava winners possess hallmark qualities of successful leaders — vision, passion, compassion, dedication, perseverance. Each winner in this year's class exhibits these qualities in all facets of her life, from running her business to tending to her family and donating time and resources to philanthropic initiatives,” says Jaime Nespor-Zawmon, president of SmartCEO Events. “We are honored to recognize a group of women who are truly making a difference in the world.”

More than 400 executives, friends and family attended the high-energy celebration to honor the 2015 Brava winners and their achievements. The event kicked off with high-energy networking, followed by a video-packed awards presentation that honored each winner for their business leadership, philanthropy and mentoring.

In addition, Under Armour named Jeanne Murphy, CEO of Open Door Care, as the Game Changer Award Winner. The Game Changer Award, presented by Under Armour, is given to one winner from each of SmartCEO's signature awards programs. Game Changers possess the core tenets of entrepreneurship — they are fearless and calculated risk-takers who drive their companies forward with passion and energy with making the business and local communities a better place to work and live.





2015 Brava CEO Winners

Lisa K. Feulner, M.D., Ph.D., Advanced Eye Care & Aesthetics

Mary E. Cannon, CPA, Allen & Shariff Corporation

Vini Ehsan, Arch Systems, LLC

Tomi Bannister, Automated Resource Management Associates, Inc.

Dr. Barbara Hutchinson, Chesapeake Cardiac Care and Cardiac Signature

Morgan McLoud, Chic Communications

Beverly White-Seals, Community Foundation of Howard County (*Nonprofit Winner*)

Dana Kerr, DK Consulting, LLC

Elizabeth Weglein, Elizabeth Cooney Care Network

Pamela Gilmour, Financial Fitness

Kathy Palokoff, Firestarter

Joan Floura, PLA, LEED AP, Floura Teeter Landscape Architects

Violet M. Apple, Girl Scouts of Central Maryland (*Nonprofit Winner*)

Sandi Timmins, House of Ruth Maryland (*Nonprofit Winner*)

Renee A. Foose, Ed.D., Howard County Public School System

Jacky L. Kimmel, InfoTek Corporation

Carrie Shapiro, Innovative Insurance Solutions, LLC

Monzella S. Owings, Esq., Integrity Title & Escrow Company, LLC

Karen Osborne, Karen Renee Interior Design

Dr. Mary Teddy Wray, Laurel Bush Family Dentistry

Sharon Stover, LifeLogics, Inc.

Jennifer Charlton, Mission of Mercy (*Nonprofit Winner*)

Jeanne Murphy, Open Door Care

Firoozeh Azarbaidjani-Do, Phoenix TS

Kathleen Booth, Quintain Marketing

Sandy Pagnotti, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Baltimore (*Nonprofit Winner*)

Leah Whetzel, LNHA, RN, T J Rock Enterprises, Inc.

Annette M. Walter, Timber Industries, LLC

Jenni Utz, UTZ Properties

Diana Wolf, MA, BCBA, Verbal Beginnings

2015 Brava Executive Winners

Rina Parikh, AASKI Technology, Inc.

Carrie LeBow, Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation

Lauren Kronthal, ConnectYourCare

Kathleen Kirk, Data Systems Analysts, Inc.

Gina Abate, Edwards Project Solutions

Misti Aaronson, entreQuest

Michele Bresnick Walsh, Gordon Feinblatt LLC

Colleen Riopko, idfive

Jennifer Herson, Unleashed Technologies

Judith Tortora, Weinstock, Friedman & Friedman, P.A.





About the Brava Awards

The Brava Awards program celebrates female CEOs, nonprofit leaders and high-impact executives who combine their irrepressible entrepreneurial spirit with a passion for giving back to the community. Brava Award winners are exemplary leaders of both their companies and their communities. They encourage local philanthropy, mentor up-and-coming leaders and set their companies on the path to tremendous growth. Each year, an independent committee of local business leaders selects winners based on company growth, community impact and mentoring. SmartCEO shares their inspiring stories in the July/August issue of *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrates their success at an awards reception in July.

About SmartCEO

SmartCEO's mission is to educate and inspire the business community through its award-winning magazine, connections at C-level events and access to valuable online resources. SmartCEO's integrated media platforms reach decision makers in the Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia and Washington, DC, metropolitan areas.

For more information about the 2016 Brava Awards nomination process, email us at BAprograms@smartceo.com. For information about sponsorship opportunities, email us at Baltimore@smartceo.com.

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