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CELEBRATING WOMEN IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

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Marian Wright Edelman once said, "Service is what life is all about." Service is core to the work of the Cincinnati Chapter of Las Amigas, Inc., a public service women's organization. Recently, Las Amigas saluted women in community service—women who give their time and talents to make a difference in the lives of others. At the Cincinnati Chapter of Las Amigas 2008 Orchid Award, a luncheon and celebration of women in community service, over sixty guests celebrated **Ordinary Women Doing Extraordinary Work**.

The 2008 Orchid Award salutes women in the community who give unselfishly in the quest to make a difference in the lives of others. An inspirational and empowering celebration, the luncheon keynote speaker, Faith Daniels - Mojo 100.3 fm Midday Motivator radio personality, spoke passionately on how the power of one plays a significant role to build our community and affect change through volunteering and outreach. Said Mrs. Daniels, "No matter what you have, you always have something to give....your greatest asset is to give of yourself...what you do affects the lives of other people...you will never know how many generations you yourself will affect by helping one person."

Motivated by the powerful keynote, guests engaged in the fellowship and inspiration that permeated the luncheon.

Said Mrs. Daniels, "When you step into a role of community service, you become extraordinary women. Why? Because you step outside of me land and you live in the giving place." While all in attendance were applauded for their unselfish giving to others, the 2008 Orchid Award was presented to Cynthia Zellars, Director of Admissions and Marketing at Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and a consultant and manager for Aularale Cosmetics, for her giving to the community through her inspirational work of over twenty years in the non-profit sector, volunteer work in social services, and dedication to her church and family.

The Cincinnati Chapter of Las Amigas, Inc., a professional women's public service organization, has engaged in community service and scholarship in Greater Cincinnati since 1996. The first recipient of the Orchid Award was presented in 2006 to Ms. Linnette Neely for her inspirational work and dedication to family, youth, and those touched by breast cancer.

For more information about the Cincinnati Chapter of Las Amigas, Inc., call 513.821.9769.



(shown left to right) Faith Daniels, Mojo 100.3 fm Midday Motivator radio personality, the 2008 Orchid Award luncheon keynote speaker, and Cynthia Zellars, the 2008 Orchid Award honoree.



(shown left to right) Cincinnati Chapter of Las Amigas, Inc., Orchid Award recipients, Cynthia Zellars (2008) and Linnette Neely (2006)