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**JANET CARL, WOMEN'S GOLF COACH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI RECEIVES NGCA FOUNDERS AWARD**

**CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA (January 28, 2009)** – Janet Carl, the head women's golf coach at the University of Cincinnati, recently received the 2008 NGCA Founders Award. The award is presented annually to a currently employed women's collegiate head or assistant coach and the criteria for selection is based solely on service for the past 12 months – the 2008 calendar year.

Janet's service contribution to her conference in 2008 included hosting/running of the Big East Conference Championship in April, 2008 and serving as the Vice President of the Big East Coaches Association where she spearheaded the conference championship committee to locate future neutral sites for the Big East Conference. She also made contribution to the LPGA Midwest Section by serving as the Vice President of the Midwest Section along with hosting and running of the LPGA Midwest Section Championship in August 2008.

During the previous 12 months, Janet and her teams have participated in more than 100 hours of community service to local organizations, and leading community service efforts at her school. Community service organizations that she works with include Operation School Bell, Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati, Adopt-A Family, Winton Woods School, American Cancer Society, C-PAWS and Children's Hospital. The activities that she participated in include fitting school children with uniforms and other clothing items, running auctions to raise money for various organizations, feeding and clothing a needy family for Christmas, after school tutoring in the largest housing project in the Greater Cincinnati Public School district and running children's activity zone prior to football games to aid with community service project run by C-PAWS.

She has promoted the game of golf through her work with Peggy Kirk Bell's Youth, Women's and Adult Golfers. She donated her time to local instructional clinics and junior golf program at the Golf Ranch of Burlington KY and Notre Dame Academy.

During the past 12 months, Janet has received two awards for her service oriented activities. The first was in December of 2007. The Assistance League of Greater Cincinnati awarded her the "STAR" award for her contribution of time and efforts to help that organization further their goals and mission. She was then named the "Leading Women of Greater Cincinnati in Sports" January 2008. At that National Level, Janet was named the LPGA Midwest Section Coach of the year for 2008.

**About National Golf Coaches Association**

The National Golf Coaches Association, founded in 1983, is a non-profit organization representing women's collegiate golf coaches. The NGCA was formed to encourage the playing of college golf for women in correlation with a general objective of education and in accordance with the highest tradition of intercollegiate competition. Today, the NGCA represents over 450 coaches throughout the U.S. and is dedicated to educating, promoting and recognizing both its members and the student-athletes they represent.

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