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**Unitus Community Credit Union Board
Chairperson Receives White Rose Award**

PORTLAND, Ore. (May 27, 2008) – March of Dimes recently named Barbara Leonard as one of this year's recipients of their annual White Rose Award. The White Rose Award recognizes local women whose professional and charitable service has had a positive impact on the community. Five women were honored with the White Rose award at a luncheon held on May 21, 2008.

In addition to being Chairperson of the Board of Directors at Unitus Community Credit Union, Barbara Leonard has been an integral member of The Portland Chapter of The Links Incorporated, an international women's service organization. She has also served on the board at the YWCA of Greater Portland, the United Negro College Fund and Teaching and Leadership positions at the Maranatha Church.

Barbara's past awards and honors also include the *Women of Excellence* award from Delta Sigma Theta in 1994, the *Unsung Hero* award from the National Organization of Black Elected Legislators in 2004 and the Soroptomist International of Portland *Making a Difference for Women Award* in 2007. Prior to her retirement, Barbara was employed at US West Communications for over 30 years, retiring as a Project Manager and was awarded a position in the US West President's Club for her efforts.

Besides volunteering, Barbara also enjoys spending time with her loving husband Ben, her children and thirteen grandchildren as well as working in her spare time as a wedding planner and consultant. She also enjoys league and tournament bowling.

About Unitus Community Credit Union:

Unitus Community Credit Union is a not-for-profit, member-owned financial institution serving people living or working in Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas, Marion, Polk, Yamhill and Clark County. Additional information about Unitus is available at www.unitusccu.com or by calling (800) 452-0900.

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