ACF Kona-Kohala Chefs de Cuisine, Inc. Receives 2008 American Culinary Federation Chef & Child Committee Little Oscar Award

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., April 22, 2008—Members of the American Culinary Federation (ACF) Kona-Kohala Chefs de Cuisine, Inc. in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, received the 2008 ACF Chef & Child Committee Little Oscar Award at the 2008 ACF Western Regional Conference held at the Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Salt Lake City, April 19-21.

The Little Oscar Award recognizes a chapter that has put forth an exceptional effort to advance the mission of the ACF Chef & Child Committee in its fight against childhood hunger and malnutrition. As this year’s Western Region recipient, ACF Kona-Kohala Chefs de Cuisine, Inc. is a candidate to receive the national 2008 Chef & Child Little Oscar Award that will be presented at ACF’s National Convention in Las Vegas, July 14-17.

Chosen for its unique combination of natural recreation and metropolitan attractions, Salt Lake City was the location of the 2008 ACF Western Regional Conference hosted by ACF Beehive Chefs Chapter, Inc. Bringing more than 400 chefs, cooks and foodservice professionals to the city, the conference provided attendees with numerous opportunities to advance their professional development and enhance their culinary skills through informative business seminars, forums, clinics and cutting-edge demonstrations. In addition, the conference offered participants the opportunity to learn about the latest cooking trends and techniques.

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apprenticeship and accreditation. In addition, ACF operates the most comprehensive certification program for chefs in the United States. ACF is home to ACF Culinary Team USA, the official representative for the United States in major international culinary competitions, and also holds the presidium for the World Association of Chefs Societies, the largest international network of chef associations with more than 8 million members globally. For more information, visit www.acfchefs.org.

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