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Visit our New Blog!

Visit our new blog and post a message. Get connected to the JA community by posting your comments, questions, and suggestions.

Share tips and tricks with other volunteers, teachers, educators, funders, and supporters.

We can't wait to hear from you!

Get Your Program Requests In Now!

Teachers: Request your JA programs for the **2007-08** school year now and get a jump start on planning your school year!

Let Their Success Be Your Inspiration!

Sign up today to be a JA

Dear Dave,

It's been a busy summer here at JA!

We finished up the school year with more than **21,000 students** receiving JA programs, we held our annual **Hall of Fame** induction (read more below), got our **new Blog** up and running (be sure to post a message!), and we're already busy raising money for the current school year!

These efforts give us confidence that during the 2007-2008 school year, we will be able to continue our programs throughout the community, and reach more than **23,000 local students!** In all this planning we must always remember our mission - **to provide local students with the tools and knowledge to prosper and succeed!**

Please read on, and have a happy School Year!

Congratulations to Special JA Individuals!

This summer, JA celebrated a very special evening when we inducted 14 new people to the **Junior Achievement Hall of Fame**.

The induction took place during our Annual Meeting held at Menches Bros., at Canal Park in downtown Akron, on June 20.

The event included a welcome by then Board Chair, Russell Holmes of KeyBank, and a keynote presentation by Rebecca Cacioppo, principal of Glover Elementary School in Akron (pictured to the right).

JA President Dave Best recognized the **14 award recipients** for their outstanding commitment to JA and for preparing students to make the transition from school to career.

Congratulations to all of our Hall of Fame winners, and a big **Thank You** for your dedication and commitment to JA and the students we serve!

Elementary School Consultant -
Shelly Black, Black River Educational Center
Elementary Teacher -



classroom volunteer and make a difference in a child's life!

JA provides the materials, you provide the experience and real world examples to help students transition from school to career.

Volunteers are asked to give **one hour of time a week** for 5-8 weeks. Elementary, Middle Grade, and High School programs are available.

To volunteer, please contact denice@ja-akron.org, or follow the link above for more information!

Join GoodSearch for a Great Cause!

Click the link above to help JA raise **thousands of dollars** a year just by surfing the web!

Sign up to use **GoodSearch**, powered by **Yahoo!** as your internet browser and help JA raise **one penny** every time you search the web!

If 1,000 JA supporters use GoodSearch just twice a day, that's more than **\$7,000 a year** for JA programs!

Follow the link above and sign up today to be a champion for JA!

2007 Online Holiday Auction!

Participate in our next

Patti Scalera, Woodford Elementary School

Middle Grades Consultant -

Jeff Mellen - InfoCision Management Corp.

Middle Grades Teacher -

Debbie Braden, Shreve Elementary School

High School Consultant -

Chris Jurey, Luke Engineering & Manufacturing Co.

High School Teacher -

Carm Vacca, Nordon High School

School Coordinator -

Deb Makowski, Woodford Elementary School

JA In A Day Coordinator -

Jim McMullen & Samantha Lang, FedEx Services; Katie Kline, FedEx Custom Critical

Volunteer Coordinator -

Angie Brown, HSBC

Bowl-A-Thon Coordinator -

Karla Hess & Andrea Ard, Fifth Third Bank

After School Coordinator -

Megan Carr, YMCA Green

Get Ready to Shop!



Get ready....get set....this is going to be your easiest holiday shopping season yet!

Want an easier way to shop?

How about **gifts for everyone** on your list - done! **Hundreds of items** to choose from - you got it! Shopping **right from your home** or office (don't worry we won't tell your boss!) -

no problem!

Our annual **Online Holiday Auction** will be here soon and we're busy getting ready for another awesome holiday shopping season. Mark your calendar now for **Monday November 5 - Friday November 29!**

Help us build our catalog by donating an item! Your **contribution valued at \$100** or more will get your logo and a **link to your website** on our auction page!

Click **HERE** to donate an item today - and be sure to bookmark the auction site as a "favorite" while you're there!

Shopping Has Never Been this Fun!

Start the School Year Right!

Want a JA program in your classroom this year? Now's the time to get those requests in!



JA programs correlate with Ohio state standards for education, help improve student testing scores, and give students the skills and tools to succeed in a global, capitalistic economy.

Programs are filled on a **first-come-first-served basis**, so send us your program request today.

Finding your own classroom volunteer is another great way to ensure that your students receive these valuable programs. A spouse, friend, neighbor, sibling, or one of your student's parents all make great JA volunteers! Have someone in mind? Direct them to the **Volunteer for JA** page of our website!

special event:
2007 Online Holiday Auction!

November 5-29

Shopping has never been this fun! Find **hundreds of holiday gift ideas** right on your computer!

Help us build our auction catalog and drive business to your company! **Donate online** today!

E-mail jodi@ja-akron.org or call 330.434.1875 for more information.

JA Forms Are Now Available On-line!

Teachers and Volunteers: Get all your necessary JA forms in one convenient place - our website!

Click the links below for a printable version of any form at any time!

Teacher Forms
Volunteer Forms

Donate Now!

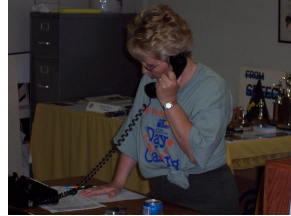
Help JA continue to provide valuable programs to the students in your school and community!

Make a **safe, secure** contribution online by following the link above.

Or contact Jacquie at jacquie@ja-akron.org or 330.434.1875 for more information.

Click [HERE](#) to link to a Program Request Form and e-mail or fax it to us today!

Akron Public Schools Go Green for JA!



It's always great to have help from volunteers. But when the volunteers come from another non-profit organization in our area, the effect is extra special!

Under **United Way's annual Day of Caring**, five volunteers from **Akron Public Schools**, including **Principal Nancy Rich** pictured to the left, spent an entire day working on projects that would have taken valuable JA staff time away from students.

During their time with JA the volunteers made thank you phone calls to our donors, and helped put together more than **60 recycled JA classroom kits** - saving more than **\$4,500** in program material costs! A big **Thank You** to all of our volunteers!

The kits were assembled from pieces left over at the end of a JA program. If you are a teacher or volunteer with **left over kit pieces**, give them to your school or company coordinator or contact our office and we'll pick them up. This is a great way to **make a little green** - for JA and for our environment!

E-mail us at staff@ja-akron.org or call **330.434.1875!**

Double Your Money-GAR Matches Funds!

Now could be your best time to donate to JA!

GAR Foundation has awarded JA a **dollar-for-dollar Challenge Grant**, matching every new and increased dollar received up to **\$17,500**.



If you make a \$50 contribution, **GAR Foundation will match it for a total gift** to area students of \$100! If you make a \$100 contribution, that's \$200 for JA programs!

To make a secure, online contribution click [HERE!](#) Or call **330.434.1875** or e-mail jacquie@ja-akron.org for more information!

And look for our **Giving For Kids** e-mail giving campaign coming soon!

A big thank you to GAR Foundation for their confidence in our mission, and to all of our contributors for their support!

Need Table Tents for Your Class?

Teachers, do you need table tent name tags for your classroom? Save a few dollars and **let us provide** them for you!

JA has lots and lots of extra table tents that we would **love to give to schools** in our area. If you are interested in getting some for your school or classroom, contact Jacquie at jacquie@ja-akron.org, or **330.434.1875!**



Visit Our Website!

www.akronarea.ja.org

Add us to your favorites list today! Or e-mail us at staff@ja-akron.org - we'd love to hear from you!

JA Programs

To request a JA program in your classroom click **HERE!**

Choose one of the following programs for your classroom!

Elementary Grades

Ourselfs
Our Families
Our Community
Our City
Our Region
Our Nation
JA Dollars and \$ense

Middle Grades

JA America Works
JA Economics for Success
JA Global Marketplace
JA Job Shadow - newly revised!
JA It's My Business

High School

JA Banks In Action - New!
JA Careers With a Purpose - New!
JA Global Business Ethics - New!
JA Presents: The NEFE High School Financial Planning Program - New!
JA Economics - Revised!
JA Personal Finance
JA Success Skills - Revised!
JA Titan - Now on CD ROM!
JA Company Program
JA Job Shadow Day - Revised!

Junior Achievement is a **solutions provider**. We strengthen our community by providing local students with the knowledge and skills necessary for them to **succeed in work and life**. We collaborate with our community on the common goals of **creating jobs**, building stable economies, and providing **higher standards of living**.

Junior Achievement engages in continuous efforts to provide free enterprise education by focusing program development efforts on **financial literacy**, **entrepreneurship education**, and **workforce readiness**. For more information on Junior Achievement programs or how to get involved, visit [Junior Achievement](#), or call **330.434.1875**.

Sincerely,

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