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Junior Achievement of Wisconsin Presents Annual Volunteer Awards

2019-2020 JA State Board Members Announced

Milwaukee, WI – Junior Achievement of Wisconsin® (JA) announces the recipients of their annual volunteer awards and the elections of Board members to their Board of Directors.

The award recipients were honored at the Junior Achievement of Wisconsin annual meeting held on September 25 at the University Club in Milwaukee. ManpowerGroup was recognized as one of the 44 organizations to receive the national 2017-2018 U.S. President’s Volunteer Service Award for providing significant volunteer resources to Junior Achievement offices during the 2017-2018 school year. The U.S. President’s Volunteer Service Award was presented nationally by Junior Achievement USA® earlier this year at the Closing Bell of the New York Stock Exchange, as part of Junior Achievement's centennial celebration and the JA Volunteer Summit, supported by American Express, in New York, NY.

In 2003, President George W. Bush established the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation (the Council) to recognize the valuable contributions volunteers make in communities and encourage more people to serve. The Council created the President's Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor individuals who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service. In 2006, Junior Achievement became an official certifying organization for this award, which recognizes corporations with a U.S. presence that provide volunteers to teach JA programs anywhere in the world.

Also recognized were statewide volunteer award recipients of organizations that provided more than 100 volunteers during the 2018-2019 school year to Junior Achievement of Wisconsin. Awards were presented to organizations who provided 150+ volunteers to Associated Bank, BMO Financial Group, Kohl’s, and Milwaukee Public Schools. Organizations who received awards for 100-149 volunteers were Rockwell Automation and University of Wisconsin – Whitewater.

"Junior Achievement volunteers are important mentors for young people, bringing our programs to life. Each year, more than 8,000 JA volunteers in Wisconsin share their experiences and skills with students while delivering our programs, teaching them how to manage their money, succeed in the workforce, or start a business that creates jobs and grows the economy," said Michael Frohna, President of Junior Achievement of Wisconsin.

The Board of Directors also elected officers and Board members at the annual meeting. Newly elected officers include former Vice Chair, Kara Kaiser of BMO Financial Group as Board Chair, and Troy Carrothers of Kohl’s as Vice Chair. They join the following officers of the Board of Directors: Sarah Lauber of Douglas Dynamics, Inc., Treasurer, and Sean Torinus of Serigraph, Inc., Secretary.
Newly elected members of the Board who will serve a three-year term include: Dr. Kaushal Chari, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee – Sheldon B. Lubar School of Business; Sam Dickman, Jr., The Dickman Company; Shannon Huot, Educators Credit Union; William R. Nasgovitz, Heartland Advisors, Inc.; and Tim Reardon, Reinhart Boerner Van Duren s.c.

The following members were re-elected for a three-year term: Christine Anderson, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP; Bruce Arensmeier, Deloitte; Jill Brzeski, Boelter + Lincoln.; Keith Burns, EY, retired; Troy Carrothers, Kohl’s; Joseph Gehrke, Kesslers Diamonds; Thomas Hauske, Marshall Street Capital, Inc.; John Howard, BMO Harris Bank; Karen Hung, Silver Rock Consulting; Matt Hunter, JLL; Sarah Lauber, Douglas Dynamics, Inc.; Charles Mellowes, Charter Manufacturing Company, Inc.; James Meyer, Huntington Bank; Wayne Oldenburg, Oldenburg Group Incorporated; Rick Parra, Pieper Electric, Inc.; Joanne Szymaszek, Johnson Insurance Services; Robert Tatterson, Xponential Ventures, LLC; and Raymond Wilson, PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, retired.

The following were elected for a one-year term to the state of Wisconsin Board to represent local JA of Wisconsin Area Boards of Directors as the Area chairperson: Yan Arsenault, Trust Point, Coulee; Chris Case, Skyward, Inc., Portage & Wood Counties; Dan Cunningham, Forward Janesville, Rock County Area; Randy Danielson, Tri-North Builders, Inc., Dane County Area; Steven Donovan, Community State Bank, Racine/Kenosha Area; Tena Hoag, Advanced Laser Machining, Inc., Northwest Wisconsin; Kyle Klotzbuecher, Northwestern Mutual, Wolf River Area; Joel Kuplack, Festival Foods, Winnebago Area; Terry Moeller, Schreiber Foods, Greater Green Bay Area; Andrew Shallow, Associated Bank, Northcentral Wisconsin; and Melissa Winter, Acuity Insurance, Sheboygan County.

"Our community working together is the key to providing students opportunities," said Frohna. “These volunteers and Board members are leaders in the effort to help JA inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy."

About Junior Achievement® (JA)
Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their future, and make smart academic and economic choices. JA programs are delivered by corporate and community volunteers, and provide relevant, hands-on experiences that give students from kindergarten through high school knowledge and skills in financial literacy, work readiness and entrepreneurship. Junior Achievement of Wisconsin has 12 area offices across Wisconsin and annually serves over 147,000 students with more than 8,000 volunteer mentors. For more information on Junior Achievement and its centennial year, visit [wisconsin.ja.org](http://wisconsin.ja.org).

Photo cutline: On behalf of Manpower Group, Nafessa Jackson, Community Investment Manager (center), accepts the 2017-2018 U.S. President's Volunteer Service Award from Junior Achievement of Wisconsin (JA) President, Michael Frohna (left), and JA of Wisconsin Board Chair, Kara Kaiser (right), at the JA Annual Meeting on September 25 in Milwaukee.

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