

Local Entrepreneurs Honored at Junior Achievement Kick-off Event, Hosted by Wayne & Marti Huizenga

November 15, 2011 (Fort Lauderdale) Junior Achievement of South Florida held the 2nd Annual Business Hall of Fame Laureate Reception at the home of Wayne & Marti Huizenga. This was a kick-off to the Business Hall of Fame celebration, an annual event that recognizes community leaders who have made a significant impact. This year's laureates are Alligator Ron Bergeron, Bergeron Family of Companies; Andy Cagnetta, Transworld Business Brokers; Gerry Greenspoon, Greenspoon Marder, P.A.; and Mike Jackson, AutoNation.

"The Business Hall of Fame Laureate Reception was a wonderful night with an intimate setting to truly honor these great business leaders," said Melissa Aiello, President of Junior Achievement of South Florida. "Junior Achievement is blessed to have supporters like Wayne & Marti Huizenga to open their home for this special event."

Guests were served remarkable food and cocktails, catered by Bob Leonardi. A live auction also took place to raise additional funds to advance Junior Achievement's (JA) cause to ensure our students are prepared to own and affect their own economic and financial success. Jim Buzzella showcased his auctioneer skills through Mike Grimme's AMC Liquidator Auction Services, helping JA raise more than \$28,000!

The main event, chaired by Tom & Maureen Shea, will be held at the JA World Huizenga Center at Broward College on Thursday, February 9, 2012, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

JA of South Florida provides quality, dynamic, free enterprise education programs to the young people of Broward and South Palm Beach Counties. The organization opened the doors of JA World Huizenga Center in October 2009. The 59,500 square foot facility is dedicated to the effective and practical teaching of business, entrepreneurship, and personal finance.

"The JA South Florida Business Hall of Fame has been a signature event for more than twenty-five years," added Aiello. "It is always a special pleasure to honor South Florida's visionary entrepreneurs, business professionals, and philanthropists, and now, we have the additional opportunity to showcase this beautiful and unique facility."

#

For more information about the Hall of Fame event, contact Anna Parker at (954) 979-7116.
Media Contact: Caren Berg, cberg@boardroompr.com

Pictures:

- 01: Gerry Greenspoon, Jamie Stiles, and Andy Cagnetta
- 02: Robin Campbell, Jim Franskousky, and Pam Grimme
- 03: Jim Buzzella, Mike Grimme, Melissa Aiello, Wayne Huizenga
- 04: Beatriz and Albert Miniaci