



President's Message: Ultimate exercise in democracy

What is it about the American spirit that makes volunteering not just something you see during natural disasters and times of crisis, but something we witness every single day? Volunteers reflect this nation's compassion, concern, patience and just plain goodness. You see these special individuals in Rotary Clubs, volunteer fire departments, community centers, national parks, and JA. [Read more>>](#)

Get Involved



Volunteers Needed

Eagle County students will be traveling to Denver this fall for JA Destination Success. We need volunteers to help guide them through the JA Finance Park experience. [Sign Up>>](#)

#NextGenDEN

Join members of JA's young professionals group at the #NextGenDEN event on Wed., Sept 13. Presented by Bellco and the Denver Business Journal, this event will help you learn how to manage your finances in a rising-rate environment. Use the code JA2017 to get 50% off! [Register>>](#)

Cordillera Golf Experience

JA is the Charity Partner for the Colorado Land Rover Retailers Cordillera Golf Experience. The event is Colorado's ultimate golf and leisure weekend set against the world-class backdrop of the Club at Cordillera in the Vail Valley on Sept. 16 and 17. [Learn more>>](#)

JA Charity Ascent

On Aug. 18, JA Charity Ascent participants hiked Mt. Bierstadt to help Colorado students reach new heights! Sixteen hikers raised \$4,488 to support JA programs. Huge thanks to event sponsor [Transworld Business Advisors!](#)

Race to Benefit Northern CO Students

The MKO Financial trike team took home the top trophy for the 4th year

The 5th SOC Grand Prix was held on Aug. 19 in Fort Collins. This fun event raised \$20,000 to bring JA programs to Northern Colorado and Wyoming schools.

Special thanks to event host [Schrader Oil Company](#) and event sponsor [Pepsi](#) for helping students gain hope for future success!

Steamboat Springs JA Bowl-A-Thon

The first annual Steamboat Springs JA Bowl-A-Thon, presented by the [Young Professionals Network](#), was a striking success! The Aug. 17 event raised \$11,000 to help provide JA programs to 16,000 students in Routt County.

JA Heritage Society

If you choose to include JA-Rocky Mountain in your estate plans, please [let us know](#). We value the opportunity to express our gratitude through our JA Heritage Society. [Learn more>>](#)

Your Old Car Can Empower Kids

Do you or someone you know have an old car, truck or RV to donate? [Donate online>>](#)

Enjoy the Reward Without the Risk

[JA Stock Market Challenge](#) is fun at its most competitive.

Denver's Corporate Event
Presented by [Bank of America](#)
Sponsored by [Husch Blackwell](#)
Nov. 2, 2017 | 6pm | Cable Center, University of Denver
For more information, contact [Ellie Jordan](#) at 303-628-7366.

Northern Colorado's Corporate Event
Nov. 9, 2017 | 6pm | Drake Center, Fort Collins
For more information, contact [Elizabeth Winn](#) at 970-490-1035.

In addition to attending one of the corporate events, you can also help prepare high school students to compete in the student version of the JA Stock Market Challenge by facilitating two, 45-minute classroom-based lessons. We also need event-day volunteers.

The student events will take place on Nov. 2 and 3 in Denver and on Nov. 10 in Fort Collins. [Learn more>>](#)

2018 Colorado Business Hall of Fame Laureates Named

JA and the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce are pleased to announce the 2018 inductees into the [Colorado Business Hall of Fame](#) representing the state's most distinguished cadre of business leaders from the past and present. Laureates will be inducted at the 29th Annual Colorado Business Hall of Fame Dinner on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2018.

- 2018 Laureates**
- Barbara Barnes Grogan
 - Gil E. and James M. Johnson
 - William B. Pauls
 - Richard C. Saunders
 - Joseph Kernan Weckbaugh
 - Philip and Adolph J. Zang

For details about this event or to purchase a table or tickets, please contact [Liz Johnson](#) at 303-260-6286. The event is generously underwritten by [UMB Bank](#).

Young Entrepreneurs Wanted at Denver Startup Week!

 For the first time, Junior Achievement and Young Americans Center for Financial Education are partnering with [Denver Startup Week](#) to provide exciting opportunities for youth to join the entrepreneurial movement. [Learn more>>](#)

Former Entrepreneur Inspires JA Students

As an entrepreneur, Frank enjoyed the challenges and rewards of business ownership, and after a successful career, decided to sell the business in 2006. Shifting gears and starting a new work life in real estate, Frank found he enjoyed his more flexible schedule and free time, and that's when he found JA.

Frank Pulley

[Read more>>](#)

Transamerica: Presenting Sponsor of JA Finance Park

Brian Florey, vice president of business development for Transamerica and JA board member, helps students practice making smart financial decisions at JA Finance Park

[Transamerica](#) is dedicated to helping clients "live well today and worry less tomorrow." This commitment extends beyond clients to encompass the company's dedication to empowering the next generation.

Transamerica is committed to providing middle and high school students with a real-world perspective of personal finance – one that is current, practical and easy to understand. In support of that commitment, Transamerica is now the presenting sponsor of JA's experiential program, [JA Finance Park](#), a Harvard-recognized financial literacy program that helps middle and high school students build financial skills for life. [Read more>>](#)

JA Apple Society

The JA Apple Society was created to thank and recognize our amazing classroom volunteers for their dedication to JA's mission. This exclusive recognition is earned by a steadfast commitment to inspiring 250, 500, 750, 1,000 and 1,500+ students.

This year, 76 volunteers were either newly inducted into the JA Apple Society or reached a new milestone. Congratulations and thank you to all of the JA Apple Society members!

Golden Ticket

JA provided one JA Golden Ticket for every \$50 donation made from July 1 to Aug. 24. Each JA Golden Ticket was a chance to win a pair of season tickets to attend every home game for the Broncos, Nuggets, Rockies and Avalanche.

The winning number was drawn on Aug. 31 and the video of the drawing was shared on [JA's Facebook page](#). Congratulations to the winner and thank you to everyone who participated!

JA raised \$35,000 through the JA Golden Ticket campaign, which will provide JA programs to 875 local students, giving them the opportunity to change the future and create their ticket to success.

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