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Ninth Annual Casino Night Raises Enough Funds to Provide Junior Achievement Programs for more than 3,200 Central Ohio Children

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - On May 10, 2018, Pepper Construction was joined by fellow presenting sponsor, Titan Electric, at the 2018 Casino Night benefiting Junior Achievement (JA) of Central Ohio.

"We chose to be a presenting sponsor this year because we believe in the opportunity that Junior Achievement provides," said Elliot Allison, President of Titan Electric "It is so important for today's youth to receive the necessary skills early-on in order to be successful in the future."

Throughout the evening, more than 250 attendees filled The Grand Event Center ballroom for an exciting evening of casino games and networking. Upon entry, guests received tokens from Black Diamond Casino Events to "bet" the odds in craps, roulette and Texas Hold'em. Winnings from the night were cashed in for raffle tickets for the chance to win prizes like a Lenovo Ideapad or an Apple TV, along with a featured silent auction boasting items such as a Chicago Cubs Skybox and one-week condo rental in Longboat Key, Florida.

Since its inception, this event has raised enough funds to help more than 7,500 students participate in Junior Achievement programs. The programs give young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their future and make smart academic and economic choices.

"The support of our sponsors and the dedication of our team is what makes this event such a success," said Paul Francois, President of Pepper Ohio. "A special thanks to everyone for helping to make this yet another record breaking year! We have truly made an impact in the youth of central Ohio throughout the past nine years."

JA recognizes the importance of developing young people's ability to succeed both professionally and personally. Their programs are dedicated to inspire and prepare students through education about workforce development, entrepreneurship and financial literacy. Last year, JA of Central Ohio's programs grew 15.6 percent to reach 25,205 elementary, middle and high school students across central Ohio.

"On behalf of more than 27,000 kids in our community who will be better prepared for success in their careers due to the funds that were provided by this event, we are very grateful!" said Mike Davis, Junior Achievement of Central Ohio President.

About Junior Achievement of Central Ohio

Junior Achievement (JA) of Central Ohio is an affiliate of JA USA – the world's largest organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan 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 kids from kindergarten to high school knowledge and skills in financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and work readiness. JA of Central Ohio was founded in 1950 as one of only nine affiliates in Ohio, maintaining a long history of leadership in the state's education community. Visit www.jacols.org for more information.

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