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## Four Local Business Leaders to be Inducted into Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame

Over 600 guests expected to attend black tie event on February 21st, 2013









(2013 Laureates from left to right: Elaine E. Bedel, Donald E. Brown M.D, Albert Chen, and Rollin Dick)

[Indianapolis, IN January 17, 2013] Junior Achievement of Central Indiana, Inc. announces the 2013 Laureates for its 25<sup>th</sup> annual Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame event, presented by Crowe Horwath LLP. The Laureates are Elaine E. Bedel, Founder and President of Bedel Financial Consulting, Inc.; Donald E. Brown M.D., Co-founder, CEO and Chairman of the Board of Interactive Intelligence; Albert Chen, Chairman and CEO of Telamon Corporation; and Rollin Dick, Consultant with MH Equity Investors. The Chair of our 2013 event will be Forrest Lucas, Founder and CEO of Lucas Oil Products.

The Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame was established in 1989 by the Junior Achievement Board of Directors to honor outstanding men and women who epitomize success in the business world, high moral and ethical standards, and dedication to important civic causes, thereby improving the quality of life in our community.

The 2013 Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame Laureates will be honored at a black tie event to be held on Thursday, February 21, 2013 at the Indiana Roof Ballroom. A VIP reception will kick off the event, followed by a dinner and awards ceremony





at 7:00 pm. Junior Achievement students will participate in the evening's events, which will include introductions of the Laureates and video presentations highlighting their many accomplishments. Each Laureates will provide brief acceptance remarks.

Jennifer Burk, JA's President and CEO, said, "Our goal is two fold at the Hall of Fame event: to honor those Central Indiana business persons who are champions of free enterprise and are business role models to the youth of the community, and to spotlight the importance of providing financial literacy, work-readiness and entrepreneurship programs to today's students."

It is anticipated that approximately 600 business leaders and their guests will be in attendance at this traditionally sold-out event.

Since its inception, the event has inducted 99 laureates into the Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame.

Sponsorship opportunities are currently available; please contact Tabitha Uhlenhake at <u>Tabitha@jaindy.org</u> or 252-5900 ext. 107 for more information.

## **About Junior Achievement® (JA)**

JA is the world's largest organization dedicated to educating students about financial literacy, work-readiness, and entrepreneurship through experiential, hands-on programs. Today, more than 120 offices reach approximately four million students in the United States and JA Worldwide reaches more than nine million students in over 120 countries each year. **Junior Achievement of Central Indiana (JACI)** is best known for its on-site student learning lab – JA BizTown for 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Thousands of students visit the Gene B. Glick Junior Achievement Education Center each year for this signature program, culminating several weeks of in-class preparation. JA also offers in-school programs which bring members of the business community into K-12 classrooms to teach JA curriculum. The sequential lessons include hands-on activities that help students understand the business and economics of life. For more information, visit www.jaindy.org.

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