



News Release

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GHSP Employee Volunteerism Rate Near 100 Percent

First year for program, benefitting 84 organizations and touching many lives

Grand Haven, MI - In the fourth quarter of 2010 over 1,200 hours of service have been given by 472 Michigan GHSP employees, benefitting 84 different organizations such as schools, youth programs, American Red Cross, Feed America, United Way, the troops in the Middle East and many others in need of help. And this is just what the company found when they started keeping track.

In 2010, GHSP established a goal of 100 percent participation in "volunteerism." Achieving this goal meant that each employee participate in at least one service activity. This goal is aligned with one of GHSP's corporate values, and supported by the parent company, JSJ Corporation, to make a positive contribution to the communities in which they do business. The actions of the company's employees show this value is actively being adopted by them as well. For the fourth quarter of 2010, 87 percent of GHSP Michigan employees participated in at least one service project. Employees are asked to enter their volunteer tasks, hours and organization for which they volunteered in a database the company implemented in late 2010.

"We are proud of our employees in Grand Haven, Hart and Madison Heights for making a difference" stated Bob Mersereau, global marketing manager for GHSP. "We are delighted with our results in 2010 and hope to achieve 100 percent participation in 2011."

Throughout 2010, GHSP sponsored many opportunities in which employees could volunteer, including the sponsorship of three Feed America trucks at which GHSP employees helped distribute food, adopting a park in Ottawa County where employees helped eradicate invasive species, hosting three blood drives, and most recently, creating holiday gifts and cards for troops overseas.

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The company recently received a letter from an appreciative Black Hawk helicopter pilot serving his fifth deployment overseas.

“I cannot express to you in words how much a simple card from a random stranger (now a friend) means to us here,” said Anthony Krucberg with Bravo Company 147th Aviation Headquarters Battalion, based in Grand Ledge, Michigan.

“This kind of feedback lets us know how much our simple actions are appreciated,” states Mersereau. The letter is posted on the company’s Facebook page.

In addition to giving of their time, GHSP Michigan employees donated over \$31,000 to United Way in 2010, and this amount was matched 50 percent by JSJ Corporation for a contribution of over \$46,000. This doesn’t count the other 22 organizations who received a total of \$8,000 from GHSP last year.

GHSP’s employees in Shanghai also made a positive contribution to their community. One hundred seventy-seven Shanghai employees took part in at least one volunteer activity during 2010. The company and employees in China contributed over \$2,800 toward scholarships for high school students and toward the purchase of trees in a local park.

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