Mj's Bio- Work

Maryjane (or better known as Mj) first started working for the family business while attending high school in 1978. After graduating from high school in 1979, she attended *The* Ohio State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Ceramic Engineering. In 1984 Maryjane joined the business once again, as an Account Executive. Today, Maryjane is the President and CEO of Barnes Advertising Corporation. Along with her brother John, they own and operate 574 billboard faces, of which 10 are digital, throughout Southeastern Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Community service is an integral part of who Mj is. She served as Past President of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Ohio, past Board Member of the Muskingum Family YMCA, and served on the United Way of Muskingum, Perry and Morgan Counties Allocation Committee for seven years. Mj has served on the Boards of the Muskingum County Incubator and the Zanesville Downtown Association along with serving as a member of the Resource Development Committee of the United Way. She is a past President of her local Rotary Club and served as a Rotary International District Governor in 2021-22. Mj is a past Women of Achievement recipient, receiving The Mary Jones Funk Business Award in 2007. In addition, she was named an American Red Cross Hometown Hero in 2016 and was named a Community Service Honoree by the Zanesville Jaycees.

Currently Mj is serving as a Board Member of the Muskingum County Community Foundation along with serving on their Allocations Committee. She continues to serve her community through Rotary as an Assistant Rotary Foundation Coordinator and Co-Chair of District 6690's Peace Committee. In addition, Mj completed her 200 Hour Yoga Teacher Training in November of 2023 and is currently teaching regular yoga classes.

Mj resides in Zanesville, Ohio with her husband of 24 years along with there.... Seven cats!