



Pictured (left to right) are Gershow Manager Rich D'Angelo, Rebecca Varese and her daughter, CharlieMae Beach, Gershow Vice President of Special Projects Steve Rossetti, Northport Village Trustee Damon McMullen, Tournament Director and former Northport Fire Chief Robert "Beefy" Varese, Northport Fire Department Emergency Medical Technician Jeanne Vadasz, Suffolk County Legislator Dr. William Spencer, Huntington Town Council Members Susan Berland and Mark Cuthbertson, Northport Village Deputy Mayor Henry Tobin and Lieutenant Will Varese of the Northport Fire Department Hook & Ladder Company.

Gershow Recycling Donates the Use of 30 Cars for Ninth Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament

In support of local fire departments, Gershow Recycling donated the use of 30 cars for the Ninth Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament, which was held at the Northport Fire Department's Training Grounds at Steer's Pit in Northport on May 14. Gershow also donated the use of its Huntington facility to enable teams to practice in the week leading up to the tournament.

The tournament involved 21 teams of four to six firefighters working to extricate a "victim" from a "crash" using the Jaws of Life. Each team was judged on the amount of time it took to perform the extrication, the handling of equipment and the

safety procedures they followed. After the tournament, the vehicles were brought back to Gershow's facility, where they were shredded and recycled.

"This is a wonderful event," said Northport Village Deputy Mayor Henry Tobin. "It's prestigious for Northport, but it's also great training for our guys and other fire departments. Most importantly, it helps them determine where they need to improve to continue saving lives. We're very lucky in Northport and we deeply admire and value the men and women who devote their lives to this important line of work."

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Gershow Recycling Grants Environmental Conservation Scholarships to Local High School Students

Once again, Gershow Recycling awarded one-time scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 to 12 graduating high school seniors from Long Island and Brooklyn. As a leading environmental recycling company, Gershow awards the competitive scholarship to students pursuing a degree in environmental science or engineering.

Among the students who received the scholarship this year were Alex Frabizio (McGann-Mercy High School), Samatha DeQuarto (Longwood High School), Blake Carrara (Riverhead High School), Jeevan Vangala (Lindenhurst High School), Alexa Valentin

(Patchogue-Medford High School), Jamison Leach (Bellport High School), Sara Guagliano (Valley Stream Central High School), William Fleischer (Bay Shore High School), Anthony Polo (Herricks High School), Cameryn Miller (Freeport High School), Julia Alexandra Canigiani (Walt Whitman High School) and Brittany Hoyte (Frederick Douglass Academy VII High School).

Gershow managers were on hand at the recipients' high school awards ceremonies to present the students with their awards.



Jonathan Abrams and Alex Frabizio.



Samantha DeQuarto and Tanya Pottinger.



Blake Carrara and Peter Vaillant.



David Seiler, Jeevan Vangala and Dr. Christopher Gitz



Alexa Valentin and Tanya Pottinger.



Jamison Leach and Tanya Pottinger.



Sara Guagliano and Jason Baron.



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John Conroy and Anthony Polo.



Peter O'Donovan and Cameryn Miller.



Julia Alexandra Canigiani and Richard D'Angelo.



Brittany Hoyte and Eric Kugler.

Patchogue Lions Club Hosts “Christmas in June” for Local School Children at Boomer’s Family Fun Center *Annual Event Co-Sponsored by Gershow Recycling*

Coasting into summer



MEDFORD. In the front car, Helen Zavala, 9, left, and Alyssa Maravilla, 9, ride at Boomer's Family Fun Center yesterday. Co-sponsored by Gershow Recycling, the Patchogue Lions Club held its 16th annual “Christmas in June” for 141 students from seven elementary schools in the Patchogue-Medford district. ■ **More LI top photos:** newsday.com/topphotos

The Patchogue Lions Club held its sixteenth annual “Christmas in June” event on June 23 at Boomer’s Family Fun Center in Medford. For the eleventh consecutive year, Gershow Recycling sponsored the event by donating \$1,500.

One hundred forty-one school children from seven elementary schools in the Patchogue-Medford School District were chosen to participate in this year’s event by their respective principals. Since the Patchogue Lions Club started “Christmas in June,” more than 1,800 children have participated in this fun-filled event.

“This was a nice way to give these children an opportunity to have some fun and spend the day with their friends,” said Event Chairman and Patchogue Lions Club Past President Vito LaMonica. “It gave the children a place to enjoy themselves, especially with the school year drawing to a close.”

Children were treated to lunch and then given full access for several hours to attractions, including rides, go-carts, wall climbing, bumper boats, and arcade games.

“We were very happy in joining with the Patchogue Lions Club to make this day possible for these children,” said Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams. “They always have a great time here. With the summer season beginning, the timing couldn’t be better.” The event was covered by *Newsday*.

Gershow Helps Sayville High School SADD Teach Students about the Dangers of Drunk and Distracted Driving

Gershow Recycling donated the use of a vehicle to Sayville High School’s SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) chapter to help fellow students raise awareness on safe driving.

The junk car was displayed in front of the school during graduation week, June 20-24, 2016, to remind students of the consequences of driving while under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, as well as the danger of driving while distracted by texting or talking on cell phones. The Sayville SADD chapter thanked Gershow for its assistance and its use of the vehicle.



Sayville High School teachers Rick Caskey (far left) and Susan Censoplano (second from left), advisers for the school’s SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Chapter, pose with student representatives in front of a wrecked car, provided by Gershow Recycling to remind the community of the dangers of driving while distracted or drunk.

Local High School Robotics Teams Receive Scrap Metal from Gershow

For the seventh year in a row, Gershow Recycling opened its Medford facility to local high school robotics teams that participated in School-Business Partnerships of Long Island's (SBPLI) Long Island Regional FIRST® (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Competition (FRC) to receive free aluminum scrap. Several high school robotics teams that took advantage of the program and visited Gershow on January 23, including Bridgehampton High School, Half Hollow Hills High School, Kings Park High

School, Miller Place High School and Townsend Harris High School in Queens.

These robotics teams used the aluminum scrap and their kits of parts to help them build a 120-pound robot. They had six weeks to construct the robot and prepare for the competition, which was held on April 1-2 at Hofstra University's David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex. The teams thanked Gershow for its support.



Bridgehampton High School FIRST® Robotics Team Coach Ken Giosi and Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams.



Half Hollow Hills High School FIRST® Robotics Team Mentor Yury Wolf-Somkin and Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams.



Kings Park High School FIRST® Robotics Team Head Coach Kevin Hutchins and Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams.



Miller Place High School FIRST® Robotics Team Mentor Jeffrey Arnold (left) and Coach Mike Arnold (center) with Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams (right).



Townsend Harris High School FIRST® Robotics Team Head Coach Joel Heitman (left) and Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams (right).

Jonathan Abrams Speaks to Students at North Country Road Middle School "Career Day"



Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams (front row, right) is joined by his son, Andrew Abrams (second from left), and students from Ms. Donna Sommo's (front row, left) Family and Consumer Science class at North Country Road Middle School in Miller Place after giving a Career Day presentation.

On November 12, 2015, Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams visited Ms. Donna Sommo's Family and Consumer Science class at North Country Road Middle School in Miller Place, where Mr. Abrams' son, Andrew, is a student. Mr. Abrams described his position at Gershow, what his job entails, what other jobs are available at Gershow and the educational requirements needed for each job.

Mr. Abrams also described the types of metal that Gershow recycles and how they are recycled and made into various scrap products. He also brought in pieces of scrap metal and magnets to show the students the difference between ferrous and non-ferrous metals. He also explained how the recycling industry is very important to the U.S. economy and its economic impact worldwide. In addition to providing a history of the company, Mr. Abrams showed the students how Gershow is involved with the community.

Each student received a recyclable tote bag, magnet, folder and activity book, courtesy of Gershow.

Gershow Supports Winner of Long Island Championship Pumpkin Fling

Islip HS Catapult Team Breaks Own Long Island Record, Sets World Record

Gershow Recycling donated materials to the Islip High School catapult team so it could make improvements on its catapult, named the “Jack-O-Splatter.”

Gershow has supplied the team with much-needed replacement parts such as a steel rods and metal bearings to help launch the pumpkins further and more accurately.

The team won its division at the Long Island Championship Pumpkin Fling, which took place at the Suffolk County Farm in Yaphank on October 24, 2015, with a distance of 1,327 feet (more than 0.25 mile), breaking its own Long Island record of 1,049.9 feet and the world record in its division by almost 100 feet. The pumpkin was flung at a speed of 160 miles per hour.



Top row (left to right): Steven Walis and Ryan Maziarz. Center row (l-r): Dan Croteau, Justin Feiler, Sam Meyer, Andrew Ginnegar and Kyle Ness. Bottom row (l-r): Gershow Manager Jonathan Abrams, Jessica Abrams, Ken Phalen, Robert Phalen, Max Kurka, Jack Needham and Dave Maziarz.

Association of Long Island Recycling Officials Tour Medford Facility



Gershow President Kevin Gershowitz (center, dark green helmet) gives the members of the Association of Long Island Recycling Officials (ALIRO) a behind-the-scenes tour of the company's Medford facility.

Gershow President Kevin Gershowitz led the members of the Association of Long Island Recycling Officials (ALIRO) on a tour of its Medford facility on October 22, 2015. During the tour, Mr. Gershowitz gave a history of the company, what the company does, the types of metal that Gershow recycles and the processes by which they are each recycled.

Additionally, ALIRO members had the opportunity to view the machinery that is used to shred and separate the metals, and take out non-metallic materials from the scrap products. Mr. Gershowitz also guided the attendees through the sorting process and showed the end results of the recycled products. The tour concluded with a question-and-answer period between Mr. Gershowitz and the ALIRO members.

Gershow Recycling Donates Use of Vehicle for FDNY's 150th Summer Block Party

In support of local firefighters, Gershow Recycling donated the use of a vehicle to the New York City Fire Department (FDNY) for an extrication practice drill during the FDNY's 150th Summer Block Party in front of Engine 231/Ladder 120 in Brooklyn on September 12, 2015.

Those in attendance saw firefighters performing an extrication drill using the “Jaws of Life” to remove a “victim” from a “crash.” Gershow has donated the use of its vehicles to numerous fire departments in the metropolitan New York area and has hosted firefighters, Emergency Medical Service technicians and first responders at its locations for extrication exercises, mass casualty drills and Urban Search and Rescue training exercises.



Gershow Manager Eric Kugler (left) is joined by members of the FDNY after an extrication drill at the department's 150th Summer Block Party in Brooklyn.



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