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Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota Minutes - Board of Directors Meeting December 12, 2007 - St. Anthony Village, MN

MINUTES

Call to Order: The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m. by President, Robbie Bajari. **Board present:** Robbie Bajari, Carl Genz, Mark Hortman, Keith Johnson, Rick Lemke, Dave Marofsky, Shane Rudd and Eric Schulz. Dan Brekke arrived at 7:00 p.m. **Staff Present:** Kelly Salseg. **Guests:** Chris Bickmann, R & R Auto & Metal Salvage; Derek Iverson & Robert Braun, Waddell & Reed Financial Advisors.

Derek Iverson reviewed the investment portfolio for the association and foundation for the board and executive staff. He recommended transferring some funds from our current investments to bond funds.

Johnson motioned to adopt Iverson's recommendations; Genz seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the possible tax benefits to the association of making a donation to the foundation. *Salseg to contact accountant and notify board.*

Hortman motioned to rescind previous motion until we have information from accountant; Marofsky seconded. Motion carried.

October 2007 minutes were reviewed. Marofsky motioned to approve the October 2007 minutes; Johnson seconded. Motion carried.

Association and Foundation Financials were



presented by Genz. *Marofsky motioned to approve the Association and Foundation financial reports; Brekke seconded. Motion carried.*

2008 Budget Recommendation was presented by Genz. Marofsky motioned to accept the 2008 Budget Recommendation with revisions made to MN-CAR line item (income & expense); Hortman seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Directors Report:

Membership: Reported that we have two new Full Members – Joe's Auto – Erskine, and Windy Hill Auto Parts – New London. We also have one new Associate Member – Car-Part.com – Ft. Wright, KY. Total number of Full Members 90; Total number of Associate Members 46; Total Membership 136.

Board Nominations: Chris Bickmann/R & R Auto & Metal Salvage (Litchfield) and Bud Martini/Martini Auto Parts (Avon) have both agreed to come on the 2008 ARM Board. *Genz nominated Bickmann and Martini to the 2008 ARM Board; Brekke seconded. Nominations carried.*

Schulz nominated Marofsky as board Secretary/Treasurer; Hortman seconded. Nomination carried.

Reviewed and revised board committee assignments for 2008. Board members not present will receive committee assignments at next meeting.

President's Report:

Bajari discussed the issue that had been tabled at the October 2007 board meeting of Wells Fargo requesting that ARM give their program an endorsement. After discussion, it was determined that ARM endorses any organization that we have accepted as an associate member. *Salseg to contact Bill Velin of Wells Fargo*.

A break was called at 9:15 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 9:20 p.m.

ARM News

President's Report Continued:

Bajari reported that he had a phone conversation with Sue Holmes of CARS of Wisconsin and read the contents of an email he had received from her regarding changes that CARS would like to see occur as regards the Upper Midwest Convention & Trade Show. After lengthy discussion it was determined that Bajari and Brekke should speak with Holmes and Deanna Hart, President of CARS of Wisconsin, before ARM can determine a stance on the issues surrounding the Convention & Trade Show.

Salseg to get Bajari and Brekke contact information for Holmes and Hart. Bajari & Brekke are to contact Holmes and Hart to discuss the Convention and Trade Show and report back to the board.

Minnesota Environmental Initiative/Mercury TMDL Partners Group Update (Hortman): Hortman updated the board on his participation in the Mercury TMDL Implementation Plan Stakeholder Process. He asked for ideas from the board on how the automotive recycling industry /ARM can work to reduce mercury emissions further. It was determined that ARM/automotive industry has made great strides in this area through the ELVS program, and that ARM will continue to promote participation in this program through the ARM newsletter.

Industrial Stormwater Permit Outreach Meeting (Schulz):

A date was set for the Industrial Stormwater Permit Outreach Meeting which will be hosted by AAA Auto Salvage. The date for this meeting will be Wednesday, January 9, 2008. Determined that we need to include ARM members as well as auto recyclers that are not ARM members. *Salseg and Schulz to work with MPCA on organizing and promoting this meeting*.

Committee Reports: - passed.

There being no further business, *Brekke motioned* to adjourn at 10:30 p.m.; Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Date and location of next meeting:

Friday, January 25, 2008 - 7 p.m.

Winter Outing at McQuoid's Resort in Isle, MN.

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ARM News

Message from the President By Dan Brekke

Hi! My name is Dan Brekke and I am coowner of Atlas Auto Parts in St. Paul. I will be your ARM Board President for the calendar year 2008.

In the upcoming year we should expect some changes in out Storm Water Permits. We are mon-



itoring the process closely, working with the MPCA, and will keep you posted as things develop. Do expect to hear from ARM regarding an informational meeting (we are looking at dates in early – mid January 2008) hosted by ARM between the MPCA and our members as regards this matter.

Also in January we are again hosting the ARM Winter Outing, scheduled for January 25 & 26 at McQuoid's Resort in Isle, Minnesota. You should already have received a mailing regarding the Winter Outing. If you didn't or it got mislaid, please contact ARM Executive Director Kelly Lynch-Salseg at the ARM office (612.781.5555). This gathering is going to be a lot of fun and I hope as many of you that can attend will! We really try to find things that our members will like and find useful, so if any of you ever have any good ideas please contact me or any of the ARM board members. It is always good to hear from you.

Also keep in mind the Upper Midwest Auto & Truck Recyclers Convention & Trade Show. This year the convention will be held in Hammond, Indiana at North Lake Auto Parts, May 1 - 3. Mark your calendars and plan on attending - we would like to see you there. The convention and trade show is always fun and informative.

From me and all of your ARM board members, we wish you all Happy Holidays and a prosperous New Year! Hope to see you at the winter outing and thanks!

ARM News

From the Executive Director's Desk By Kelly Salseg

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President is Dan Brekke.

owner of Atlas Auto

Parts. Dan is a long time

board member currently

in the 2nd year of his 2nd

President, Dan will serve

on all board committees.

In the past, Dan has

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The arrival of the New Year brings some changes to ARM – one of them being some new faces to the ARM Board of Directors. I'd like to thank these new board members, as well as all of the old board members, for their willingness to dedicate time, energy, and passion to the ARM association and the automotive recycling industry.

President

Parts, St. Paul

Your

Brekke,

Meet your 2008 Board of Directors:



Dan Brekke

served on the Government Relations committee and chaired and been very active on the Convention committee. Ladies – pay attention - Dan is single with no children. Dan's past times are fishing, football, hockey and racing.

term.

Immediate Past President – Robbie Bajari, Hutch Auto & Truck Parts, Hutchinson

Robbie is co-owner of Hutch Auto & Truck Parts. Having just completed his year as Board President, Robbie now becomes Immediate Past President. Robbie is in his 2nd year of his 2nd



Robbie Bajari

term. Under Robbie's stewardship, ARM made some major advances this year, in particular the addition of the MN-CAR program. As President last year, Robbie has served on all Board committees. In 2008, Robbie will serve on the Membership, Education & Events, and the MN-CAR committese. Robbie is married to Amanda, a school nurse and has a beautiful son, Hudson. Robbie's past times are hunting, fishing, riding his Harley, camping and ATVing.



Vice President – Carl Genz, U Pull R Parts, Rosemount

Carl is Manager of U Pull R Parts and has been with the company for 4 years. Carl is in the 1st year of his 2nd term. Carl has served on the Convention and Finance Committees. In 2008, Carl will chair the Membership & Education & Events

Carl Genz

committees. Carl has two sons, Carl Gerald (21) and Alexander (19). Carl's past times are motorcycling, snowmobiling, and NASCAR.

Secretary/Treasurer - Dave Marofsky, MARCO Auto Recycling, Red Wing

Dave is President of MARCO Auto Recycling. Dave is in his 2nd year of his 1st term on the board. Dave has chaired the Education/Events committee and served on the Membership committee.



Dave Marofsky

In 2008, Dave will chair the Finance committee and serve on the Membership committee. Dave is married with two daughters, ages 25 & 22. Dave's past time is street rods.

Chris Bickmann, R & R Auto & Metal Salvage, LLC

Chris is owner of R & R Auto & Metal Salvage. This is Chris's first year on the board. Chris will be serving on the Education & Events committee. Chris also sits on the board of his local Lions Club. Chris is single, with one son,



Chris Bickmann

Bradley (8 years old). In his spare time Chris plays softball, bowls and participates in Demo Derby's.

Randy Davis, B & R Auto & Truck Salvage, Mapleton

Randy is owner and President of B & R Auto & Truck Salvage. This is Randy's first year on the board. Randy will be serving on the Convention & Education & Events committees. Randy is married with two children, ages 22 & 19. Randy likes to ride his Harley and tinker with cars.



Mark Hortman

Mark Hortman, John's Auto Parts, Blaine

Mark is COO of John's Auto Parts. Mark joined the board last year. He chairs the Website committee and serves on the Government Relations committee. Mark also represents

ARM on the Partners Group of the Minnesota Environmental Initiative lead

Mercury TMDL Stakeholder Process (look for his article in this issue). Mark is married with two children, Colin (12) and Sophie (10). Mark's past

times are camping, golf, and pheasant hunting.

Rick Lemke, Metro Auto Salvage, Lakeville

Rick is co-owner of Metro Auto Salvage. This is Rick's second time serving on the ARM Board. Rick has served as ARM Secretary/Treasurer (1998), Vice-President (1999), President (2000) and Immediate Past President (2001). Rick is currently in his 2nd year of his 1st term this time around. Rick chairs the Newsletter committee, where he has been wildly creative and helpful, and serves on the Convention committee. Rick is married with children. Rick's past times are creative writing, curling, and dancing, dancing, dancing!

Bud Martini, Martini Auto Parts, Avon

Bud is with Martini Auto Parts. This is Bud's first year on the board. Bud has not yet selected the committees he will serve on.

Shane Rudd, Elite Auto, Long Lake

Shane is Manager of Elite Auto. Shane joined

the board last year. He serves on the Membership & MN-CAR committees. Shane is married to wife, Kris, and has two children, Rachel (9) and Ryan (4). Shane's past times are hunting, fishing, boating, travel and work.

Eric Schulz, AAA Auto Salvage, Inc.,



Eric Schulz



Shane Rudd

Rosemount

Eric is CFO at AAA Auto Parts. Eric has served as ARM Board Immediate Past President (2007), President (2006), Vice President (2005) and Secretary/Treasurer (2004). He is now in his 3rd year of his 2nd term

and will leave the board at the end of 2008. Eric chairs the Government Relations committee and serves on the Education & Events and MN-CAR committees. Eric also represents ARM on a MPCA committee working on storm water permits and is in the process of organizing a training seminar for ARM members with the MPCA as regards this mat-

ter some time in January 2008. Look for details to be coming your way soon. Eric also serves on the ARA – Gold Seal committee and the ARA – Salvage Solutions committee. Eric is married to wife Amy, and has two gorgeous children, Cameron (6) and Kendall (3). Eric's past times are boating, golfing, geocoaching and SCUBA diving.

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Leadership Begins at Home: How the Best Recyclers Achieve a High Level of Compliance

By David Kendziorski MN-CAR Program Manager

In addition to serving as the Program Manager for the new Minnesota Certified Automotive Recycler (MN-CAR) program, I manage compliance certification programs for automotive recyclers in five other states. As a rule-of-thumb, it seems like 10 to 15 % of the recyclers in each state achieve a very high level of performance. These high performers implement above-average best management practices (BMPs), they fully integrate these BMPs into their operations, they focus on prevention rather than reaction, and their facilities tend to be exceptionally clean and well organized. They also work hard at sharing information and ideas with their employees and with outside stakeholders: the local community, government regulators, and even other recyclers. They understand that excellent communication is an important part of high performance.

Who are these high performers? They tend to be larger companies and more financially successful than average. In most cases, the owners have adopted a "team management style", where responsibilities are shared and good organization is a top priority. Like a winning sports team, these



companies operate like a well-oiled machine where employees share common goals and support each other. The best owners also vary their management techniques as the need arises: they can be tough and demanding at times, and yet show remarkable patience and compassion.

Why do these owners strive to achieve an extraordinary high level of compliance? I surveyed more than a dozen owners of high performing recycling facilities, and found their answers to be surprisingly consistent. First and foremost, nearly all agreed that having a clean facility in full compliance is "the right thing to do" – they claim they would never run a business any other way. Second, they value the recognition that they earn from

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being one of the best. A recent study of EPA-sponsored innovative compliance programs found that *recognition* was by far the primary incentive for participation in such programs. Almost all employees at these facilities – from the owner down to the yard staff – are justifiably proud of the way the business operates. Third, owners of high performing facilities are convinced that compliance leads to improved operations that are more efficient, safer, and have fewer and less severe problems. Fourth, some owners believe that achieving a high level of compliance provides a competitive advantage over other recyclers.

The owners offered the following guidance to help other recyclers achieve a high level of compliance:

- *Step One: Active Involvement.* Set high standards and goals. Share your values and expectations with employees and show your commitment to compliance. Become actively involved in all aspects of the day-to-day operations from buy-ing and selling to dismantling and yard maintenance.
- *Step Two: Oversight.* Frequently monitor and check the actions of employees that affect compliance. Offer positive, but firm, corrections and feedback. Offer training and coaching. Create a "culture" of compliance.
- Step Three: Employee Relations. Demonstrate to employees that compliance is important to the success of the business, and each employee's role is critical. Develop trust and confidence in your employees. Make it clear that each employee has a responsibility to perform their job in a way that meets the MN-CAR standards and complies with applicable environmental and safety regulations.

The owners of high performing facilities believe that, compared with most other recyclers, they are more actively involved in their operations, they conduct more oversight, and they have better relationships with their employees.

The MN-CAR program is based on similar principles: the standards address nearly all aspects of a recycling operation, the audit program provides oversight, and relationships and good communication are essential to help raise the performance of Minnesota's auto recycling industry. Although the MN-CAR program was just launched in 2007, Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota has already reached out to establish strong partnerships with government agencies and environmental groups. Our goals are to obtain the recognition that Minnesota auto recyclers deserve, to further improve the MN-CAR program, and to provide additional member benefits. To join the MN-CAR program, contact Kelly Salseg at 612-781-5555 or autorecyclersmn@bitstream.net.

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- Improve my effectiveness as a business person and professional automotive recycler through trainings and seminars offered by ARM.
- □ To not knowingly purchase and/or sell automotive parts of questionable origin. A MN-CAR member should take pride in his industry and business, thereby enhancing quality, customer service and confidence.

I understand that as the automotive recycling industry changes, the requirements to be a MN-CAR member may also change. I agree to incorporate any such changes in my business. If I fail to do so, my MN-CAR membership will be subject to termination.

Business Owner Signature:	Date:
Staff Use Only:	

Date Received by ARM:

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ARM News

Safety Benefits Everyone!



By Trissel, Graham & Toole

Work-related injuries, illnesses and deaths are costly to everyone. A safe and healthy work environment pays, in more ways than one.

Every Minnesota worker has the right to return home safe and healthy each day. Yet **each month**, approximately 8,700 Minnesota employees are hurt at work and 5 workers dies on the job. The emotional and fiscal impact to families and employers when employees die or are hurt on the job is a threat to the financial stability of families, employers, co-workers and the state as a whole.

For Workers and Families

Work injuries and illnesses can affect every aspect of life for workers and their families. They can cause:

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- Pain and suffering
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For Employers

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Employers can save \$5 to \$10 for every dollar spent on a safety and health program. Workplaces with successful safety and health management systems reduce injury and illness costs 20-40%, according to OSHA.

For a small business, one injury can mean financial disaster. Costs to a business include:

- Production losses
- Wages for work not performed
- Increased workers compensation insurance costs
- Damage to equipment or machinery
- Hiring and/or training new employees
- Decline in product quality and worker morale
- High turnover and lost work time

The cost of workplace injuries, illnesses and deaths is much greater than the cost of workers compensation insurance alone. Insurance is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to these costs. A comprehensive safety and health program reduce workers' compensation insurance rates and improves the work environment, not to mention reducing overall injury



expense.

Safety Pays for Everyone

The cost of injury prevention is far less than the cost of an injury. A safe and healthy workplace attracts and retains quality employees. It's an asset to a community, operates more efficiently and enjoys a healthy bottom line. The business and its workers thrive in a safe, healthy, respectful and caring environment.

Safe and healthy workplaces:

- Have more satisfied, productive workers who,
 - Produce higher quality products and services,
 - Return to work more quickly after an injury or illness,
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- Establish positive community relations

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- The Minnesota Recycler is mailed out six times yearly free of charge
- Information about ARM members and events, legislative reports, business tips and market conditions. Member profiles, timely articles, announcements and advertisements.

Membership Directory

• Over 5,000 mailed annually to every insurance adjuster, body shop, mechanical repair shop and automotive recycler known to exist in Minnesota! FREE LISTING to ARM members.

Representation at the Capitol

- ARM works with local and state governing bodies on issues affecting the recycling industry.
- Provides the "eyes, ears and voice" for recyclers.

National Affiliation

• ARM is an affiliate member of ARA- the Automotive Recyclers of America.

ARM Foundation

• Developed to provide annual post-secondary educational scholarships to children of ARM Full members and their employee's children. ARM awarded \$5,000 to deserving applicants last year.

Web Site- www.autorecyclersmn.net

- An information resource for recyclers, body and repair shops, and retail customers.
- Averages over 21,000 Total Hits a month!
- Contact ARM lists all officer and management names and phone numbers.
- Calendar lists all upcoming ARM events.
- Members List provides phone numbers, email and web site links to all ARM members.
- Parts Search area provides an opportunity for ARM members to sell their parts.
- News Letters archives past issues of the Minnesota Recycler.
- Site is continually improving and expanding.

Upper Midwest Automotive Recyclers Convention & Trade Show

- Annual convention brings vendors and recyclers together in one place.
- We team up with Wisconsin and Illinois and Indiana state associations to host the best regional convention in the country.

Products

• Plastic part bags (18 x 24) are offered to ARM members at the lowest possible price!

MN-CAR Program (Minnesota Certified Automotive Recycler)

• The MN-CAR Program is designed to help members improve their performance as professional recyclers, and recognizes and certifies that enrolled members, passing an audit, meet specified general business, environmental, safety, licensing, and regulatory standards.

Educational and Social Events

- Educational seminars and trainings held on subjects of interest to recyclers.
- Social events such as the annual Summer & Winter Outing bring recyclers together with an opportunity to network in an informal and fun atmosphere.

Be a Player

- Rather than watching from the sidelines, joining ARM is an opportunity to get involved and affect change rather than being a passive non-participant.
- For the price of your cheapest transmission sale you can get your company name in front of repair shops, auto body shops, insurance adjusters, and fellow auto recyclers for an entire year!

Sign up today:

Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota Application for Membership

Company Name		
Contact Person & Title (Name in directory)		
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Whom should ARM invoice at your company?		
If different address than above, please provide:		
Phone:	Fax:	
Toll Free:	-	
E-mail:		
In business since:	No. of employees:	
Web Site:		

ENCLOSED IS MY ARM MEMBERSHIP CHECK:

□ 199.00* Full Memebership

Note: Full Membership in ARM is reserved for automotive dismantling facilities (salvage yards) whose location is within the state of Minnesota

□ 150.00* Associate Member

Note: Associate Membership is reserved for non-salvage yards, and salvage yards from outside the state of Minnesota

Rates are based on annual membership.

For federal income tax purposes, up to 9.5% of your investment in the Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota may be deductible as a necessary business expense (IRS Section 162). However, it is not deductible as a charitable contribution (IRS Section 10701).

Please return this form with your membership check to: ARM, 3333 Skycroft Circle, Minneapolis, MN 55418.

ARM News

Advice From Adolph's Converters & Cores By Brain Najdek

I have been asked lately how you as the auto recyclers could get more value out of your vehicles in the dismantling process by pulling more core parts. While there is not enough room in this article to list all prices for all parts, I will try to give you a better understanding of what the part types we are purchasing.

In general terms, not all parts are worth pulling separately for core value only. If you are pulling an engine or transmission, it is cost effective to pull the accessories off of the engine. The starter, alternator, power steering pump, and air conditioning compressor are the items that most will pull off when removing the engine. All those parts will have a minimum value even if it is just scrap value.

The scrap value depends on market conditions, but are currently going for \$1 for a scrap power steering pump to \$4 - \$5 for an alternator or starter. The items many don't think of are the mass airflow sensor on vehicles that are roughly 95 and up. While not all of them are worth pulling, a majority will be.

Carburetors on the older vehicles are becoming more valuable as they get older. Distributors on core engines are another over looked item that many don't put in the core box. Rack and pinions are worth pulling if they are truck, mini van, and GM with magnasteer, or most late model foreign or domestic cars. Water pumps, drive axles, smog pumps and 90% of the ABS systems are not worth messing with. Wiper monitors are usually worth pulling, especially the rear ones. Brake calipers are the same, rears are more likely to be worth more than fronts. They need to be late model, and the more common the car the less they will be worth. Trucks will be worth more than cars in general. Also, if there are brackets, they should be pulled with the caliper for full core credit.

ECM's are a part that are worth good money or are scrap value. Truck and foreign vehicles are in

general worth more. Many prices can change from month to month. Window lift motors are not worth pulling for core in the dismantling process. In my opinion, it is not cost effective.

Master cylinders are something that many forget to pull. Power brake boosters, unless hydro boost, are not cost effective unless older non-rusty units (60's or 70's). Power steering gear boxes would be another item to pull off. Trucks are worth more than cars. Vacuum pumps off of diesel or GM cars are worth pulling. All these items will have to be in rebuild able condition, not rusted, broken or bent.

Hopefully there were some items that you can now start to pull and help your bottom line. If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (612) 916-7623. Thanks!

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Mercury Reduction By Mark Hortman

On Oct 24th, I attended a meeting of a task force put together by the Minnesota Environmental Initiative. The task force is called Mercury Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Stakeholders. The purpose of the group is to bring together all groups that have an interest in reducing mercury emissions in the state. Groups represented varied from the Minnesota Trout Association to the Iron Mining Association of Minnesota. The group is trying to come up with self-imposed recommendations and action plans to reduce mercury emissions instead of government-imposed mandates.

Mercury is released into the environment from many sources including natural events and manmade events. Since we cannot have an impact on the natural events, the TMDL groups are focusing on reducing the amount of man-made sources of mercury pollution. The goal of the TMDL group is to reduce pollution in the state of Minnesota from 3609 lbs in 2005 down to 763 lbs in 2020.

When mercury is released into the environment, one of the trouble spots are fish. Mercury turns into methylmercury in lakes. Methylmercury is easily absorbed by fish and humans. When fish get contaminated, the methylmercury gathers in high concentrations in fish meat. When prey fish eat other fish, the concentrations get even higher. Some fish have a contamination rate 10,000 times higher than is recommended. Today there are many lakes in Minnesota



where mercury contamination has caused the FDA to recommend limitations on the amount of fish that can be safely consumed. In a state where opening fishing weekends cause statewide excitement and a large economic impact, I think that this is an issue that we can all agree warrants our attention and efforts. Fishing in Minnesota is a \$2.8 billion dollar industry.

Mercury has many health implications, especially on pregnant women and young children. "High levels of methylmercury in the bloodstream of unborn babies and young children may harm the developing nervous system, making the child less able to think and learn. In adults, mercury poisoning can adversely affect fertility and blood pressure regulation and can cause memory loss, tremors, vision loss and numbness of the fingers and toes. A growing body of evidence suggests that exposure to mercury may also lead to heart disease." (EPA website). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently reported that one in ten women of childbearing age have mercury in their bodies at levels that may adversely affect their unborn child.

Each industry has been asked to come up with solutions for how it might help reduce its own mercury pollution. In the smelting of cars and appliances alone, over 255 lbs of mercury were released in 2005 in Minnesota. That represents over 7% of the total man-made pollution that comes from our industry. If we don't change anything and other industries meet their goals, this source of mercury pollution industry would rise to being 33% of all the man-made sources of mercury released into the environment in the state of Minnesota.

In our industry there are two main sources of mercury. The majority of the mercury comes from cars which do not have the mercury switch removed prior to crushing. The cars manufacturer's recent funding of the voluntary mercury switch removal program is a great first step towards encouraging recyclers to remove the mercury before crushing vehicles. If you are not on this program, I would encourage you to do so. It only takes removal of the switches and dropping them into a 5 gallon pail, and you get paid \$1 for each switch for stopping this potential source of pollution. I would also encourage you to discuss



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this with others who are not properly disposing of these switches and explain the long term effects that mercury has on us all. We all know many people that run cars across the scales. If we all encourage these people to voluntarily remove mercury switches before the vehicles get into the scrap centers, it could save many lives and millions of tax dollars in the future. When we fail to remove these pollutants and people are harmed, children who have been poisoned by mercury wind up in special education programs, and using health care dollars that cost millions of dollars every year.

The two recommendations that the TMDL group came up with for our industry were:

- 1. Achieve higher recovery rates prior to crushing and shredding through greater con-tractor/supplier education/incentives, and;
- 2. Require mercury emission controls (on

smelters).

Fluorescent light bulbs represent another source of mercury. One hundred florescent light bulbs have the same amount of mercury as one thermometer. Minnesota requires fluorescent light bulbs to be recycled and forbids putting them in the garbage.

As auto recyclers we are one of the last and best guards to reduce these sources of mercury which already impact the way we live our lives by changing where we can fish and how often we can eat the fish. Fishing drives a large portion of our economy and affects many people's free time and hobbies. By working together we can all have a real impact on the future of our state, and simultaneously help our reputation of being leaders in the recycling industry.



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Pick up at Atlas Auto Parts in St. Paul -OR- include \$10 shipping charge per package.

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Plastic bags: 18 x 24 – 250/pkg. 3 MIL Thickness	\$35.00 + tax	\$40.00 + tax	x	K	
Subtotal					
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Check made payable to ARM or credit card information must accompany order.

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ARM Foundation Scholarship Information

In this issue of the Minnesota Recycler, you will find a copy of the ARM Foundation application for scholarships to be awarded in 2008. The deadline to apply for a scholarship is February 28, 2008. All applications must be complete and postmarked by that date or they cannot be considered.

Please provide copies of the application materials to any employees of your company who have been or will be employed for at least one-full year as of January 1, 2008. Any of your dependents or dependents of your employees who will be attending college in 2008 qualify to apply. Copies may also be downloaded from the ARM web site (www.autorecyclersmn.net)

Winners will be informed by mail and checks will be sent in April 2008. All checks will be made out to the College, Technical School or University the student will be attending. If no school has been selected, the check will be held by the ARM Foundation until the student (or parents) inform the Foundation of the College, Technical School or University to be attended.

Any questions regarding this application or scholarship should be directed to: Kelly Salseg ARM Foundation 3333 Skycroft Circle Minneapolis, MN 55418 Phone: 612-781-5555 Fax: 612-781-7052 autorecyclersmn@bitstream.net **Thank you and good luck!**



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Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota Foundation

Thank you for your interest in the ARM Foundation Scholarship Award. To file a completed application, it will be necessary for you, the applicant, to follow the steps below and to complete the enclosed forms as directed.

This scholarship is available for high school seniors who are planning post-secondary education or for current post-secondary students. Please be reminded that you may reapply for this scholarship annually, if your parent(s) remains employed by a full ARM member firm. Your Grade Point Average (GPA) plays a major role in determining your annual scholarship award eligibility. Please strive to keep your GPA high!

High School Students Only – PLEASE READ

Test Requirements. High school students must furnish the results of either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT). If you have not already done so, obtain test registration materials from your school and follow the instructions carefully.

Sending Test Results. When registering for either test, indicate that you want the results sent to the ARM Foundation. If you have taken either of these tests, use the Transcript Request Form (SAT) or the Additional Score Form (ACT) to have the results sent to the ARM Foundation. Your high school should have these forms.

If you have taken either of these tests, you may have the results sent by your high school when it sends your transcript of grades and credits (see number 1 below), or you may use the Transcript Request Form (for SAT) or Additional Score Form (for ACT) to have the results sent to the ARM Foundation. Your high school should have either of these two forms.

The following information and materials are to be sent to the ARM Foundation Board of Directors in care of the ARM office. All applications for scholarship must be completed by the applicant.

- 1. Request that your high school or college send a transcript of your academic record to the ARM Foundation office. The transcript must include grades for the 2007 fall term.
- 2. Complete the enclosed "Application Form" and the "Profile Sheet."
- 3. Obtain a letter of verification from your parent's employer indicating the starting date of employment with the firm. Your parent must have been or will be employed with a full member of the Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota for at least one year prior to January 1, 2008.
- 4. Ask your parent to complete the enclosed "Certification Form."

Social Security #

Date of Application

Name of Applicant



ARM Foundation Scholarship Application

1.	Full Name (please print	t):			
		First	Middle	Last	
2.	Home Address:	Number and Street		City	
	State	Zip (Sode	Home Phone	
3.	Date of Birth:	_// _			
4.	Expected date of gradua	ation from (please	circle one) high school/co	llege: / mo. yr.	
5.	Name of High School/C	College now attend	ling:		
6.	High School Students Only. Name, in order of preference, the three colleges you would like to attend You must indicate whether you will live on campus or commute daily.				
	College		Location (City, State)	Live at Home or on Campus	
A.					
B.					
C.					
7.	Name of parent who ha	s been employed	by a FULL MEMBER of t	he ARM for at least one full year	
8.	Parent's occupation:		Employment	start date://	
9.	Name of parent's emplo	oyer*			
			(firm)		
			(address)		

*See instructions on page one (1).

APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 28, 2008.

Profile Sheet

USE THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW OR A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER IF NEEDED.

1. State briefly what course of study you wish to pursue/are pursuing in college and what your goals are (reasons for attending college and choosing this field.)

- 2. State briefly what kind of person you think you are. What self improvements would you like to make?
- 3. How do you evaluate your academic record as compared to your ability?
- 4. List your high school/college activities:

	High School	College	Comments
Academic Honors			
Offices Held			
Music/Art			
Athletics			
Other Extra Curricular			
Community Activities			
Other			
Employment			

5. What activities have contributed most to your development? Why?

6. Please list the newspapers (daily & weekly) in your hometown area so we can send announcements to them if you should win an ARM Foundation Scholarship:

NEWSPAPER	ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIP
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CERTIFICATION

(To be completed by the parent-employee)

I certify the following to be true and correct:

- 1. The ARM Foundation Applicant is a dependent student who receives financial assistance from me.
- 2. The ARM Foundation Applicant is claimed by me individually or jointly as a dependent for federal income tax purposes.

Signature:		 	
Name (please p	rint):	 	

Date: _____

APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 28, 2008.

FULL APPLICATION SHOULD BE RETURNED TO:

ARM FOUNDATION ATTN: 2008 SCHOLARSHIP 3333 SKYCROFT CIRCLE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55418

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COCKTAILS! BEER! FOOD! FUN! Ice Fishing Contest!

Chicken Wing Cooking Contest!

All at the Automotive Recyclers of MN Winter Outing

Friday & Saturday, January 25 & 26, 2008

WITH EVERY \$25 REGISTRATION -YOU BRING A GUEST AT NO CHARGE!

where: Mille Lacs Lake Mcquoid's Resort 1325 Hwy. 47 North Isle, MN 1-800-862-3535 www.mcquoids.com

Room and ice fishing accommodations are the responsibility of attendees. McQuoid's Resort offers hotel rooms, cabins and condos, as well as a variety of sleep-in ice fishing houses at a variety of prices. McQuoid's contact info: Toll Free 800-862-3535 www.mcquoidsinn.com. When booking your accommodations make sure to mention you are with ARM. Stay in the Northern Metal Recycling Deluxe 14-Hole Fish House Friday & Saturday Nights For only \$100!!!

The Deluxe 14-Hole Fish House comfortably sleeps 5 and includes a TV, stereo, inside porta-potti, and 6 – 8 rattle reels.

If you wish to reserve a bunk in the Deluxe Fish House – the whole weekend costs you only \$100! (Two nights lodging/fishing, beverages, and all meals).

> The Deluxe Fish house will be open to all registered attendees and will also be used as headquarters for the ice fishing competition on Saturday.

Contact Kelly Salseg at (612)781-5555 to reserve your spot. First come – first served.

Behr Mason City Hospitality Suite

Friday, January 25 OPENS at 6 PM FREE cocktails, beer and appetizers.

At 7 p.m. we will hold a brief and very informal Board/Membership Meeting in the Behr Mason City, LLC Hospitality Suite.

Saturday, January 26 Open from 9–10AM for breakfast pick-up

Reopens at 5PM Free cocktails, beer, chicken wing cooking contest, burgers & brats



gers & brats Awarding of cash prizes for Ice Fishing Contest!

Wells Fargo Insurance Services of MN Shuttle Service to Grand Casino Mille Lacs

Running Saturday between McQuoid's and Grand Casino. Shuttle will leave McQuoid's at 12 noon - returning at 4PM with another run leaving

McQuoid's at 8PM returning at midnight. You must be pre-registered for the shuttle service.



Integrated Recycling Technologies Chicken Wing Cooking Contest - \$100 Prize

Saturday, January 26, 5 p.m.

Must be pre-registered to enter Chicken Wing Cooking Competition. Judging in Hospitality Suite at 5 p.m. (other food also provided) you supply your secret recipe. One winner "WING DINGIEST" receives \$100 prize and bragging rights!

Northern Metal Recycling Ice Fishing Contest \$150 in Cash Prizes!!!

Saturday, January 26th 1-4PM

\$50.00 Awarded in each of the following catagories: First Fish, Most Fish, and biggest fish (pounds)

The Northern Metal Recycling deluxe 14-hole fish house will be open for the use of all registered

participants from 3 p.m. Friday to 3 p.m. Sunday.

Registration materials also available on the ARM web site (www.autorecyclersmn.net)

Please call Kelly Salseg at (612) 781-5555 with any questions.

		Schedule of Events	
		Friday, January 25, 2008	
	3pm	Northern Metal Recycling Deluxe Fish House Open for General Use	
	6PM	Behr Mason City, LLC Hospitality Suite Opens	
	7pm	Board/Membership Meeting in Behr Mason City, LLC Hospitality Suite	
		Saturday, January 26, 2008	
	9-10am	Light breakfast available at Behr Mason City, LLC Hospitality Suite	
)	12 noon	Wells Fargo Insurance Services of MN Shuttle leaves McQuoid's for Casino (Returning at 4 p.m.)	
	1PM	Bag lunches available at Deluxe Fish House compliments of Adolph's	
		Converters & Cores	
	1-4PM	Northern Metal Recycling Ice Fishing Contest	
	5PM	Behr Mason City LLC Hospitality Suite Opens	
	6PM	Integrated Recycling Technologies Chicken Wing Cooking Contest Judging	
		& Awarding of Northern Metal Recycling Ice Fishing Contest Prize Money	
	8PM	Wells Fargo Insurance Services of MN Shuttle leaves McQuoid's for Casino (Returning at midnight)	

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ARM 2008 WINTER OUTING REGISTRATION FORM REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO ARM OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY. JANUARY 18. 2008. TWO FOR ONE SPECIAL. EVERY PERSON REGISTERED AT THE \$25.00 RATE **MAY BRING A GUEST AT NO CHARGE!** In order to help us provide a sufficient amount of food and spirits, please indicate HOW MANY you expect to attend from your company. # Friday __ # Saturday Please provide the names of individuals registering. For additional registrants please write on separate sheet. #1 Guest (\$25.00) #1 Name #2 Name #2 Guest (\$25.00) _____#2 Guest _____ (\$25.00) #3 Name ______#2 Guest ______(\$25.00) #4 Name #5 Name #2 Guest (\$25.00) TOTAL NORTHERN METAL RECYCLING ICE FISHING CONEST MUST BE PREREGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE & QUALIFY FOR PRIZE MONEY (No Age Limit/No Entry Fee) Please provide the names of individuals registering for the Ice Fishing Contest. For additional registrants please write on separate sheet. You may also register at the Winter Outing. Name Payment Method: Name have enclosed a check made Name _____ payable to "ARM" in the amount Name of \$ _____ INTEGRATED RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES CHICKEN WING CONTEST MUST BE PREREGISTERED TO PARTICIPATE & QUALIFY FOR PRIZE MONEY (No Entry Fee) Please provide a name and phone number for individuals registering for the Chicken **Company Name & Contact Person** Wing Cooking Contest. For additional registrants please write on separate sheet. They will be contacted later with further details. Name _____ Name **RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO:** WELLS FARGO INSURANCE SERVICES OF MN CASINO SHUTTLE SERVICES Automotive Recyclers of Minnesota MUST BE PREREGISTERED 3333 Skycroft Circle Please provide the names of individuals registering for Shuttle Services and indicate Minneapolis, MN 55418 whether they will require the Saturday 12 noon - 4 p.m. shuttle or the Saturday 8 p.m. Phone: (612) 781-5555 - midnight shuttle. You may also register at the Winter Outing. Fax (612) 781-7052 Email: Name autorecvclersmn@bitstream.net Name _____ www.autorecyclersmn.net

Name

INDUSTRY NEWS

"University, Company Become Partners in Tire-Recycling Business"

Kansas City Star (10/26/07) Williams, Mara Rose

Northwest Missouri State University and Carbolytic Materials have entered into a partnership to recycle tires at the Center of Excellence, which will be jointly used for business and classroom purposes. Classrooms and laboratories in a portion of the center will allow students to learn from the technology utilized by Carbolytic to transform tires into substances for rubber and plastic products. During the company's energy-efficient recycling process, the firm estimates about one gallon of oil is recovered when each tire is processed into ApexCM, a material resembling carbon black. About 300 million scrap tires are generated in the U.S. each year, according to the U.S. EPA, and approximately 130 million of those are burned for fuel. Carbolytic says that producing 1,000 pounds of ApexCM requires nearly 200



scrap tires, saves more than 350 gallons of oil, and eliminates 1,930 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions.

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"Plastics From the Junkyard" Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft (11/07)

Although cars that have reached the end of their lives are a potential source of raw materials, oftentimes these materials-particularly the vehicle's plastic—are rarely reused. This is because when cars are recycled the plastic polymers end up in the nonmetallic shredder residue along with various other materials. All of this material is then made into granulate using the SiCon process, which mixes the plastics so indiscriminately that it is usually not possible to separate them into the individual types again. However, granulated plastic could someday be salvaged and transformed into dashboards and other car parts with the help of CreaSolv, a solvent developed by researchers at Germany's Fraunhofer Institute for Process Engineering and Packaging IVV. The solvent removes a particular type of plastic from the granulate—such as the polyolefins used to make air filter housings, shock absorbers, and side panelsand leaves other types of plastic in the granulate. Researchers have been using CreaSolv for the past year to recover styrene copolymers from electrical appliances such as computers and TVs. With the help of the solvent, researchers have been able to recycle roughly 50 percent of the high plastic content in electrical appliances.

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ARA Comments on Two Proposed EPA Rules

Recently, ARA urged the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to consider comments regarding the National Vehicle Mercury Switch Recovery Program (NVMSRP) in relation to a subsection of the proposed Electric Arc Furnace rule (EAF) and the proposed Iron and Steel Foundries Rule.

In the EAF rule, the subsection states that "...facilities that use motor vehicle scrap will choose to comply by purchasing motor vehicle scrap only from scrap providers who participate in a program for removal of mercury switches that has been approved by the Administrator. The National Vehicle Mercury Switch Recovery Program (NVMSRP) would be an approved program under this proposed standard."

ARA supports this language; however, the association believes there is near unanimous agreement that the funds necessary to adequately sustain the ELVS program are not currently available. We further believe that the high number of participants in the current program has been due to a monetary incentive, without which participation would decrease and mercury-free automobile scrap could significantly decrease. The financial burden should not be the responsibility of dismantlers and shred-ding operations.

ARA believes the EAF proposed rule and the Iron and Steel Foundries proposed rule have equivalent goals and should in turn have corresponding language. Currently, there is contradictory language to the EAF rule in the mercury removal section. As an example, the NVMSRP is mentioned as an EPA -approved mercury removal program in the EAF rule, while in the Iron and Steel Foundries rule, the NVMSRP is not mentioned.

The EAF and the Iron and Steel Foundries proposed rules have multiple contradictions in the language. The two industries have similar ideas and goals to reduce their mercury emissions, yet the rules vary. ARA feels that the rules should be harmonized since the end goal is the same—reduction of mercury emissions.

Mercury air emissions are a concern to the environment and ARA is a strong proponent of addressing this issue. The NVMSRP appears to be achieving success at its initial year anniversary with the removal of over 1500 pounds of mercury from the environment. We believe, however, that this progress will only continue as long as the members are offered an adequate financial incentive from those responsible for the inclusion of the mercury into the manufactured product.

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