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Gershow Recycling Donates 30 Cars for 12th Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament

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Northport, NY - In support of local fire departments, Gershow Recycling donated the use of 30 cars for the Twelfth Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament, which was held at the Northport FD's Training Grounds at Steer's Pit in Northport on May 11th. Gershow also donated the use of its Huntington facility to enable teams to practice in the week leading up to the tournament.



By Gershow Recycling Corp.

Twenty-two teams from 12 fire departments participated in the tournament, which involved groups of five 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.

Representatives of Gershow Recycling joined members of the Northport FD and local elected officials at the Twelfth Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament at Steer's Pit in Northport on May 11th. (Front row, L to R): Will Varese, Ex-Captain, Northport FD Hook & Ladder Co.; Richard D'Angelo, Manager, Gershow's Huntington facility; Damon McMullen, Mayor, Village of Northport; Mercy Smith, Trustee, Village of Northport; Robert "Beefy" Varese, Ex-Chief, Northport FD and Co-Coordinator, Twelfth Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament; Jeanne Varese, EMT, Northport FD and Co-Coordinator, Twelfth Annual Chuck Varese Vehicle Extrication Tournament; Mark Cuthbertson, Councilman, Town of Huntington; Joan Cergol, Councilwoman, Town of Huntington; and Steve Rossetti, Vice President of Special Projects, Gershow Recycling. (Back row, L to R): Jenny Varese, Will's wife; Doug Pyne, Second Assistant Chief, Northport FD; Ian Milligan, Trustee, Village of Northport; Chad Lupinacci, Supervisor, Town of Huntington; and James Gaughran, NYS Senator.

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