



News Release

Contact: Jonathan Kissell, Corporate Communication
Office: (513) 741-6062
Cell: (513) 200-3798
E-mail: jonathan.kissell@rumpke.com

July 12, 2008
For Immediate Release

Local Schools Win Recycling Awards

More Than 120,000 Aluminum Cans Recycled from April to June at Two Schools

COLUMBUS, Ohio—July 12, 2008—Rumpke Recycling and SeaWorld/Busch Gardens recently honored Trinity Elementary in Columbus and St. Michael School in Worthington as the quarterly winners of the Recycle Challenge, an aluminum can fund-raising program.

The two schools collected and recycled 3,567 pounds of aluminum cans, which equates to approximately 121,278 cans, from April to June 2008. Among the 20 participating schools and organizations, Trinity Elementary came in first place with 6.82 pounds per participant, and St. Michael School finished in second place with 3.99 pounds per participant. The schools received quarterly bonuses of \$500 for first place and \$250 for second place, along with the payback for the cans.

“Trinity Elementary and St. Michael School consistently shine in the Recycle Challenge, and Rumpke Recycling is proud to have them as participants,” said Micheal Short, Rumpke’s Recycle Challenge coordinator. “Through a solid commitment to recycling, these schools are able to teach students about the importance of protecting our environment, while benefiting financially from the Recycle Challenge.”

The Recycle Challenge is a nationwide program encouraging schools to collect aluminum cans for additional funding. Students, faculty, families and the community can contribute to a recycling container located on school property. In Columbus, 20 schools and organizations participate in the program. From April to June, the participating schools and organizations in Columbus collected 9,298 pounds of cans, or more than 316,000 cans.

Rumpke Recycling and SeaWorld/Busch Gardens sponsor the two Ohio programs in Columbus and Cincinnati. Rumpke Recycling collects the cans and pays schools according to the volumes collected. Other cities in Georgia, Indiana, Missouri and Texas currently host the program.

Interested schools must complete the Recycle Challenge application available at www.rumpkerecycling.com. More information is available by calling 1-888-786-7531, ext. 7299.

Rumpke Consolidated Companies, Inc. is one of the nation’s largest privately owned, residential and commercial waste and recycling firms. Rumpke provides service to areas of Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia. Other Rumpke divisions include Rumpke Recycling, Rumpke Portable Restrooms, The William-Thomas Group, Rumpke Hydraulics & Machining and Rumpke Ballpark. The Rumpke business began in 1932, and its regional operation is located in Columbus.

###