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5th annual Tony Stewart Toy Drive to benefit eight organizations, hundreds of Indiana kids

INDIANAPOLIS – The Tony Stewart Foundation has partnered with Church Brothers Collision Repair and Indianapolis’ Orchard School to present the **5th annual Tony’s Toy Drive**, taking place now through Friday, December 18.

Well over 5000 youngsters have received gifts through earlier toy drive events, according to Foundation treasurer **Pam Boas**, a/k/a “Mama Smoke” (Tony’s mother). “And we’re hoping for even greater support this year since the need has increased substantially due to the state of the economy,” she added.

New, unwrapped toys can be dropped off during business hours at the Tony Stewart Racing retail store on the northwest corner of West 74th Street & Zionsville Road in Park 100. Toys also can be delivered to any of the six Church Brothers Collision Repair locations throughout the metro area:

- **Downtown** – 135 McCarty Street, opposite Lucas Oil Stadium.
- **Castleton** – 7650 East 88th Place, corner of East 88th Street & Hague Road.
- **Greenwood** – 155 Melody Avenue, near SR 135 & Main Street.
- **Avon** – 55 Vista Park Way.
- **Zionsville** – 4806 Northwestern Drive, near Michigan Road & 106th Street, and
- **Shadeland** – 751 North Shadeland Avenue, just north of the former Eastgate Shopping Center.

“We love having Church Brothers Collision Repair on board with us for the first time this year,” Boas said. “No matter where you might be in Indianapolis, you’re within 15 minutes of a Church Brothers location. We believe this makes contributing to Tony’s Toy Drive very convenient for everyone.”

Smoke’s out-of-town fans can participate by mailing toys or monetary contributions to: Tony’s Toy Drive, c/o Tony Stewart Foundation, 5644 West 74th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46278.

Eight organizations have been named 2009 Tony's Toy Drive beneficiaries. Each designated organization will distribute the toys among families in need prior to the holidays. The groups include the Julian Center, Sheltering Wings, Concord Center, Third Phase, and the Community Alliance for the Far-Eastside (CAFÉ), all in the metro Indianapolis area; the Columbus (IN) Firemen's Cheer Fund; the Rushville (IN) Toys for Tots, and Kokomo, Indiana's annual Kokomo Trip.

Students, parents, faculty, staff, and friends of Orchard School in Indianapolis are Tony's Toy Drive partners for the third consecutive year. They again will fill a big yellow school bus to overflowing with toy donations, and deliver them directly to the Tony Stewart Racing retail store prior to the holidays.

"Orchard School has been a fantastic Toy Drive partner, and we are thrilled to welcome them back for 2009," Boas said. "It's always a fabulous sight to see that school bus pull up outside the store because we know that hundreds of children are going to have a happy holiday season, thanks to the generosity of the Orchard family."

For more information about Tony's Toy Drive, log on at www.TonyStewartFoundation.org.

The Tony Stewart Foundation was established in 2003. Since its inception, it has awarded over \$4 million in grants to not-for-profit organizations throughout the US serving critically ill or injured children; injured, abused or at risk animals, and injured motor-sports drivers and their families. For more information about the foundation, log on at www.TonyStewartFoundation.org.

Church Brothers Collision Repair, which is celebrating its 80th anniversary in 2009, is a family-owned-and-operated business headquartered in Indianapolis. The firm has six state-of-the-art collision repair centers in the metro area - Downtown, Avon, Castleton, Greenwood, Zionsville, and its newest location at 751 North Shadeland Avenue. For more information, log on at www.church-brothers.com.