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### **AMI Announces 2008 AESWave.com “Building a Learning Culture” Technician Scholarship Recipient**

*Bedford, Texas, Oct. 8, 2008* — The Automotive Management Institute (AMI), in conjunction with Automotive Electronics Service, Inc. (AESWave.com), recently announced Shane Portnoff as the recipient of the AESWave.com “Building a Learning Culture” Technician Scholarship.” The scholarship was established to assist automotive service professionals obtain the management education and technical training essential for success in today’s ever-changing industry. The recipient receives \$1,000 to be applied toward expenses to attend educational seminars offered during the Congress of Automotive Repair and Service (CARS) in Las Vegas, Nov. 5-8.

Portnoff, owner of Aliso Viejo Auto Service, Aliso Viejo, Calif., has worked in the automotive service industry for 14 years and has been a shop owner for the last two. He holds several ASE certifications and is currently working on completing the necessary requirements to earn the Institute’s Accredited Automotive Manager (AAM) designation. When not working in the shop, he contributes his time to various community and industry organizations.

“It is an honor and a privilege to receive this scholarship. This exceptional education and training opportunity will help me to survive and prosper in our current economy,” said Portnoff.

AMI was established to answer the demand for continuing education tailored specifically for the business needs of the automotive service industry. The Institute offers the Accredited Automotive Manager (AAM) designation, the first business management accreditation exclusively for the automotive service professional. To date, AMI programs have attracted more than 168,000 enrollments throughout North America. AMI is a not-for-profit educational foundation to which tax-deductible contributions can be made. For more information about the Institute, its curriculum, or

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