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AASP-MN Announces Annual Meeting & Leadership Conference

The Alliance of Automotive Service Providers of Minnesota (AASP-MN) is pleased to announce its 2023 Annual Meeting & Leadership Conference, "New Perspectives," is scheduled for April 4 & 5 at Minneapolis Marriott Northwest, Brooklyn Park, MN. The 1 ½ day event will feature seminars, workshops, and networking opportunities to provide attendees new perspectives on the way they do business.

Here's what's planned:

Tuesday,	April 4

7:00 – 11:00 am Registration Open 7:30 – 8:00 am Coffee with Vendors

8:00 – 9:00 am Opening Keynote: <u>The Champion's Code, Part 1</u>, presented by Ross Bernstein

9:00 – 9:30 am State of the Industry Report, presented by AASP-MN Executive Director Linden Wicklund 9:45 – 11:30 am Round Table Discussions (Attendees will participate in 3 topics for 30 minutes each)

Leadership/Business General:

(1) Under Construction

(2) Inclusive Shop Culture

(3) Customer Retention & 5 Stars

(4) Hiring Students & Tech School Partnerships

(5) Small Changes with Big Returns

(6) ADAS

(7) Electric Vehicles

Mechanical-specific:

(1) Hiring an Experienced Mechanic & Other Magic Tricks

Collision-specific:

(1) DRPs & OEM Certifications – When to add or drop

(2) Negotiation Tips & Tricks

11:30 am – 1:30 pm Lunch, Annual Meeting, Special Presentation: The Why Behind Safe & Proper Repairs, by

Marcia Seebachan & Vendor Showcase

1:45 – 2:45 pm Breakout Sessions

Leadership/Business General: Wearing the C, presented by Ross Bernstein

Mechanical-specific: Profit Shouldn't Be an Accident, presented by Rick White, 180BIZ

Collision-specific: Short Pay Resolution Pathways, presented by Brian Chenvert,

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2:45 – 3:45 pm Breakout Sessions

Leadership/Business General: Preparing to Buy, Sell, or Expand Your Business, Panel

Discussion, Moderated by Brad Peterson, Sunbelt Business Advisors

Mechanical-specific: The EV Servicing Opportunity for Independent Shop Owners,

presented by Brett Kinsfather, Shopmonkey

Collision-specific: Profitable Collision Repair Plans from a Local Expert, presented by Josh

Shaw, Shannon's Autobody

3:50 – 5:30 pm Closing Keynote: <u>The Champion's Code, Part 2</u>, presented by Ross Bernstein, Vendor Showcase

& Reception and Grand Prize Giveaway

For AASP-MN Annual Meeting & Leadership Conference registration information, visit https://aaspmn.org/annual-meeting/ or contact the AASP-MN office at 612-623-1110.

AASP-MN is an association of independently owned automotive service businesses and industry suppliers dedicated to improving Minnesota's automotive service industry and the success of its nearly 700 members. For more information, visit www.aaspmn.org.

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