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FROM THE DESK OF OUR **PRESIDENT**

As the year draws to a close, it always seems like this is a good time for reflection. I have been in this industry for well over 50 years so I have had a lot of time to reflect! It seems to me that the biggest problem in our industry over



the years has been fragmentation and mistrust of one another. This is exactly why our association is so important and this is why I am still involved in the industry. Working together is the only way we can accomplish our mutual goals and that is why, more than ever, our association is so critical. It is fair to say that WCRP would probably not exist today if not for the generous support of our sponsors. They stepped up at a critical time during the pandemic because they also understand the importance of a strong association. Their financial support and the support of their services and products are vital in keeping your association moving forward. As you interact with the sponsors listed below, please take a moment to thank them for their generosity and PLEASE SUPPORT them with your patronage! As a side note, I'd like to personally thank Chris Slack of Gandrud Parts for the generous support. They stepped up at a time when we needed the help the most. Thanks Chris!

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Dave Luehr's Elite Body Shop Solutions Presents: "Crushing It in Collision 2023!"

Nashville, TN, November 23, 2022 – Dave Luehr's Elite Body Shop Solutions announces a special 90-minute free Elite training event: "Crushing It in Collision 2023". This free workshop, taught by collision industry consultant and author of <u>The Secrets of America's Greatest Body Shops</u>, Dave Luehr, will be held on Thursday, December 8th, at 1 PM CDT.

To register, visit: https://event.webinarjam.com/channel/crushingit-2023. Those who are unable to attend the live event are still encouraged to register; a link to the replay will be sent out a few hours after the training concludes.

As the year comes to an end, savvy business owners are thinking ahead to their goals and what they want to accomplish in 2023. Dave Luehr challenges collision owners to go beyond the standard S.M.A.R.T. goals and envision what they truly want from their business.

"The first step to success is knowing the desired destination," said Luehr. "'Crushing It in Collision 2023' is about helping collision repairers develop a strategy for their next steps to get from where they are now to where they want to be by the end of next year."

For some, success means financial growth. For others, it means being able to step back a bit because their team has things under control or opening a new location / ADAS business. Whether it's time to start building an exit strategy or plan a worry-free vacation on a tropical island, Luehr will help business leaders move forward to not only know what they want but also how to get there.

Key takeaways from this special 90-minute event include:

- ✓ Understanding which financial 'prosperity' metrics to look at daily.
- ✓ What is standing in the way of finding and retaining the best employees.
- ✓ How to make customers the best source for organic business growth.
- ✓ What operational systems allow business owners find the freedom they seek.
- ✓ Much, much more.

About Elite Body Shop Solutions

Established in 2014, Elite Body Shop Solutions seeks to serve the independent collision repairer through providing a unique and inspirational portfolio of educational services designed to help them consistently reach their business goals while helping the individuals involved move closer to their true personal potential. For more information about Elite Body Shop Solutions, visit www.elitebodyshopsolutions.com.





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