



2009 Symposium Wrap-Up
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(The following may contain unintelligible or misunderstood words due to the recording quality.)

DAVE CARACCI: Wow. When is the last time we heard somebody say we're the best segment to be in? Huh?

AUDIENCE: Woo-hoo.

DAVE CARACCI: While we're to the close, we're done, and we're right on time. So I'd like to say a few things before we leave. First off, help us build next year's program, please. Make sure you turn in evaluation forms, 'cause we use that in our committee meetings. And our committee meetings start again in about a month, maybe six weeks. So please help us by turning those in.

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Let's see. We'll be back here May 25th and 26th next year, so we're a little later. I think they planned that because the cold rain will be gone by then, so we'll be back on the 25th and 26th. Please put that in your calendar.

I'm supposed to now say, according to the man behind the curtain, Gary McCoy, thanks for standing by us. But, in reality, I'm gonna say congratulations. Because if you think about what we've heard, we've heard the

dealerships are closing, and what we really need is an industry to jump on that. We should help the service installers, the shops, and the repair people. We should help everybody that's out there fixing cars jump on that opportunity, because we don't want them to miss that. We've heard that miles are increasing. We've heard that we're a great segment to be in. We've heard that the vehicle age is increasing. We've heard that there are 80 million new drivers appearing, called the "millenniums." When you look at it, this is a darn good place to be.

And I want to not say thanks for standing by us. I want to congratulate you on having a vision to be here, to get ready for what's gonna be one heck of a couple of years. Congratulate yourself.

Thanks for being here, and we'll see you next year.

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