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The background of the entire page is a photograph of the Venetian Las Vegas. It shows a canal with several gondolas, including one with a gondolier and passengers. In the background, the St Mark's Campanile tower is visible, along with other buildings and palm trees under a clear sky. The image is framed by large, white, geometric shapes that create a sense of depth and movement.

***VEGAS IS WAITING
ARE YOU READY?***

AAPEX 2024 KEYNOTE BREAKFAST

Tuesday Morning Huddle: The New Industry Titans

*Moderated by American Sportscaster and
Television Personality, **Erin Andrews***

***Tuesday, November 5
6:30am-8:45am***

***Reserve your table today!
tinyurl.com/AAPEX-keynote-reservation***



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MEET YOUR SPEAKERS



Bob Warnke

Bob has been delivering presentations to the industry since 1991. He is currently a consultant at Sonnax and has worked with those colleagues over his 26 years with the company to develop many unique solutions. Prior, Bob was in volume remanufacturing, education and a shop rebuilder/owner. Bob got his start at GM in the days of THM 200 and 125. Bob is also dedicated to his non-profit 501c3 organization Haven on Rice Creek (havenonricecreek.org), a retreat center dedicated to the support of grieving individuals, youth mentoring programs and sabbaticals for ministry teams and leaders.



Jim Dial

Jim has been in the transmission industry for over 40 years. He is currently a technical specialist at Sonnax working on research and development, assisting with design of transmission valve kits, developing hydro-electric tests for remanufactured valve bodies and solenoids and aiding in technical support of our products for customers. Prior to his nine years at Sonnax, Jim was a shop owner; transmission builder and worked for ATSG for 20 years, writing repair manuals, hydraulic circuit manuals and speaking at seminars.



Steve Garrett

Steve Garrett has worked in the automotive and transmission industry for 40-plus years. He is currently a technical seminar presenter for the Automatic Transmission Rebuilders Association (ATRA) and a contributing writer for GEARS Magazine. As a former service engineer and instructor for General Motors (GM), Steve is well-known in the automotive industry. He has authored industry books for GM, ATRA, and college textbook companies and has been a technical writer for multiple magazines.



Tony Gonyon

Tony, a retired U.S. Navy veteran and automotive tuning expert, is the North America Sales Manager for HP Tuners. Tony's career showcases a commitment to excellence. During his Navy tenure (1982-1998), Tony specialized as a P3C Orion Anti-Submarine Warfare Systems Operator; accumulating over 4000 flight hours. He excelled as an instructor and curriculum developer; with seven deployments worldwide. Transitioning to automotive tuning in 1994, Tony became proficient in carburetor tuning and EFI calibrations. He instructed for calibration companies from 2004, later teaching at The Tuning School until 2021. Joining HP Tuners in 2021 as a Technical Sales representative, Tony advanced to North America Sales Manager in 2022. His journey—from Navy missions to automotive tuning leadership—embodies dedication and expertise.



Bill Anthony

Bill started as an apprentice heavy duty mechanic in 1972 at a Buick Car Dealership and went on to attend and graduate from Denver Automotive and Diesel College in 1976. In the early 90s, Bill was the Director of Research & Development for Toledo Trans-it for 8 years and later rejoined them again for another 10 years. Bill is the holder of patents for his upgrades from the A604 reinforcement plate to the Hercules ring for the 4R100 units as well as written articles. In 2019, his career brought him to the Whatever It Takes family where he is currently the Director of Reman Operations for Whatever It Takes / Roadmaster Powertrain. Bill is married to his loving wife, and together they have five children, 10 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.



Francisco Moreno

Francisco holds the position of N.A. Powertrain & E-Mobility Category Manager with ZF Aftermarket. His position supports the development of products for the IAM and as a trainer, supports the growth of technicians in the independent aftermarket. Francisco has over 11 years of experience at ZF on the remanufacturing production lines in both passenger car and commercial vehicle. He is able to use his previous knowledge and experience working on the remanufacturing production line to educate technicians in the field. Francisco's priority is to engage and educate technicians in the growing IAM automotive markets. ZF is proud to be able to bring guidance and technical expertise to a larger technician population. Francisco's background includes a heavy focus on the ZF 6, 8 and 9-speed transmissions, as well as ZF Commercial Vehicle transmissions and axles.



Sean Boyle

Sean Boyle teaches Automotive Drivetrains, Automatic Transmissions, Vehicle Stability and NVH, Electric Vehicles, and Comprehensive Diagnostics courses at Southern Illinois University. He has taught for SIU since 1997 and enjoys the challenges of learning, researching, and teaching new vehicle technology. He is Master ASE certified with advanced certifications in L1, L2, L3, and L4. His studies are often published in automotive service trade journals, such as Gears Magazine.



Pepe Torres

Pepe Torres is a professional in Automatic Transmission Systems. He has vast hands-on experience in improving performance, software and cooling for transmission systems, and has focused and developed an interest for light diesel truck transmission systems. His techniques have caught attention and have been followed by other transmission rebuilders in the industry. He presents seminars at ATRA and Worldpac expos. He continues to share his knowledge and technique with other techs in the industry. Owner and transmission rebuilder of AUS-TEX Transmission since 2005.



John Parmenter

John Parmenter is a rebuilder and shop owner on Long Island, New York. John is an ASE certified master technician. His shop handles a large volume of dealer warranty work. He is a technical advisor for Precision International and handles technical service calls as well as answering questions on Precision International's website, www.transmissionkits.com. John's seminars are in demand worldwide as they are based on real world problems encountered in today's transmission shops.



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Monday 11/04

7:30am-5pm Registration Open

6pm-7:30pm AAPEX Reception

Tuesday 11/05

6:30am-8:45am AAPEX Keynote Breakfast

7am-5pm Registration Open

9am-5pm AAPEX Exhibits Open

9am-5pm Joe's Garage Demos

2pm-4pm 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10-speed Controls, Driveability Complaints and Common Failures

4pm-6pm Diagnosing Electrical Intermittents

Wednesday 11/06

7:30am-5pm Registration Open

9am-5pm AAPEX Exhibits Open

9am-5pm Joe's Garage Demos

*8am-10am Ford 6R80/10R80 Transmission Calibration Overview using HP Tuners
Software/Hardware*

10am-12pm ZF Generation IV 8HP Transmission: Overview and Comparison

12pm-2pm Shift Anatomy of Modern Transmissions

5:30pm-7pm ATRA Social & Association Address

Thursday 11/07

7:30am-4pm Registration Open

9am-5pm AAPEX Exhibits Open

8am-10am Blame it on the Tuner, Part 6

10am-12pm Tips and Tricks from the Builder's Bench