

# SPEAKERS UNLIMITED – Supplement

Wonderful professional speakers who are not in the catalog (fees are \$5,000 or under)

## HUMAN INTEREST / MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKERS:

**Mallory Hagan (AL)** Mallory won the title of Miss America – 2013 with the platform of “Stop it Now: Child Sexual Abuse,” having faced abuse in her own family. Through her reign, she encountered heavy criticism for weight gain. Emerging then as a body positive advocate, Mallory now travels to share the message of women’s empowerment, body diversity, and facing adversity with women and girls. Today, she is a news anchor and speaker.

**Patrick Henry Hughes (KY)** Patrick has been featured on Oprah, Ellen, ESPN, Extreme Makeover Home Edition, Who Wants to Be a Millionaire, and Family Feud. Born blind and unable to walk, his is an incredible story of making the most out of life, regardless of your circumstances. He is a phenomenal pianist, vocalist, and speaker. He is fluent in Spanish as well as English. Patrick is motivational, inspirational, and unforgettable.

**Todd Huston (OK)** “Best speaker I’ve ever heard!” Leg amputee and world record mountain climber, Todd inspires audiences to overcome challenges and reach their goals. He is the only disabled person to break a world record in sports when he climbed the highest elevations of all 50 states in 66 days.....36 days shorter than the previous record holder.

**Stacy James (OH)** Stacy inspires audiences to turn adversity into victory! She proves that goals, perseverance, and faith turn challenges into accomplishments. After a paralyzing accident, she became a champion wheelchair athlete, marathoner, author, speaker, and world traveler. Learn how to live with passion and purpose and leave with practical ideas to achieve your own goals. She loves doing safety functions and Christian functions.

**Peggy O’Neill (CA)** From the soaring height of 3’-8”, she inspires and guides organizations who want to empower women, embrace diversity, and elevate performance. For 13+ years, Peggy has electrified audiences toward positive change at FEMA, Chase Bank, Texaco, US Coast Guard, dozens of schools, and hundreds of other groups. She is an award-winning keynote speaker and the author of three books...she is the “message and the messenger.”

**Rosemarie Rossetti, PhD (OH)** After a tree fell on her, paralyzing her from the waist down, she has become a superstar in getting audiences to effectively cope with change and deal with adversity. She is an advocate for universal, accessible, and green home design. Rosemarie shares her expertise on the value of disability insurance with insurance professionals. She is also a speech coach, having been a speech professor for many years before her accident.

**Jeff Steinberg (FL)** He is the 2015 Artists Music Guild “Comedian of the Year.” He is a highly sought after keynote speaker, humorist/comedian, author, and singer. Born with no arms and badly deformed legs, he offers a most unique challenge, “The least likely person can accomplish the most extraordinary things in a most unusual way!” Your audience will laugh, cry, and feel like, “A Masterpiece in Progress.”

**Kelsey Tainsh (GA)** By the age of 15, Kelsey had accomplished and suffered through more than most do in a lifetime. A champion wake boarder, she had overcome two bouts of cancer and a stroke. Ten years later, this Millennial now travels the country sharing her inspiring journey and profound wisdom with enthusiastic audiences....corporations, associations, and educational audiences.

## **OTHER MOTIVATIONAL / BUSINESS SPEAKERS:**

**Wally Adamchik, CSP, CMC (NC)** Marine Corps Pilot, Business leader, former Notre Dame mascot...knows leadership and business at all levels. High energy programs. Real ROI: Why bother having a speaker if people don't use the information? Education/inspiration without application is a waste. Wally helps association members and organization employees to develop capacity. Speaker...author...consultant.

**Elyse Archer (GA)** Elyse is a sales and leadership consultant. She has trained thousands of sales professionals and business leaders on how to create sales cultures that produce real results working with organizations, both large and small. Her sales and leadership insights have been featured on Forbes.com, InsideSales.com, and Inc.com. Her background has been as a successful salesperson.

**Lori Bruhns (NC)** Highly engaging inspirational speaker....on task (time) management, productivity, and/or conducting effective meetings. She works with organizations that want to increase profits through productivity while decreasing stress. A skilled resource for your event, she customizes each presentation to meet your specific needs. With an innovative, participative approach, Lori focuses on relevant, practical information that is result driven.

**Tim Connor, CSP (NC)** Tim is the ONLY global speaker actively speaking around the world with these credentials: 30+ years experience....author of 80 books....spoken in 25 countries (4,000+ presentations)....85% repeat business....customizes every presentation....speaks on sales, leadership, and motivation. Is one of only 2% of all speakers in the world who is a Certified Speaking Professional.

**John Formica (NC)** “If Disney Ran Your Business What Would it Look Like?” John, the “Ex-Disney Guy” and former Disney leader is your ideal, exciting speaker to show audiences how to create a **Magical Disney-like Culture!** John's high energy, variety of topics and free Disney bonuses, while sharing Disney's Success Model, will have your audience engaged, inspired, and entertained. Let's make your event the best ever

**Chuck Gallagher, CSP (SC)** Author of SECOND CHANCES, Chuck is one of America's premier speakers on ethics in the workplace. He shares his real-life story about how he learned a lesson the hard way about ethical choices and consequences. Now he helps his audiences avoid similar situations. He has been heard on CNN, CBS, or NPR radio programs....his presentation is usually entitled, “The Human Side of Ethics.”

**Nicole Greer (NC)** Nicole gives illuminating, intuitive talks. She is on a mission to energize, impact, and influence audiences to lead vibrantly through engaging what is possible. She provides strategies, systems, and smarts to make what is possible become probable. Her topics include: time management, leadership, team building, communication, sales, and coaching.

**Jerry Mills (MI)** Jerry is an acclaimed, speaker, edutainer, singer, and songwriter. He engages his audiences' minds, hearts, and emotions through his unique blend of authenticity, experience, insight, and captivating original songs. While he speaks to all types of audiences, he has spoken heavily in the education, healthcare, government and social services world.

**Karen Mills (TN)** Karen is a master at finding the funny in any situation and that didn't change when she was diagnosed with Ovarian cancer. Determined to take on the disease with hope and humor, Karen turned her pain into punch lines and in 2016 was chose to present her talk, “Cancer is a Laughing Matter” to a TEDx group in Tennessee. Her presentation relates to all audiences, but those in healthcare are riveted by her story.

**Morris Morrison (NC)** A dynamic, motivational speaker, Morris overcame the loss of his parents at an early age, yet obtained his bachelors and masters degrees. He has been extremely successful in the corporate world. Morris speaks to every conceivable type of organization. He recently authored “OVERNIGHT SUCCESS: An Inspiring Story about Culture, Results, and The American Dream.”

**Meredith Oliver, CSP (NC)** If you want to increase sales with FANtastic marketing and selling, then Meredith is the speaker to hire. She is a sales and marketing keynote speaker who helps businesses drive more traffic, leads, and sales. She is the author of three books: “CLICK POWER”.... “FANtastic Marketing”.....and “FANtastic Selling.” Meredith has fifteen years experience in creating and delivering digital marketing campaigns.

**Dr. Charles Petty, CSP, CPAE (NC)** Why have over 3,600 clients in 50 states and 15 countries invited this Hall-of-Fame speaker to share his humor and wisdom on how to “Climb the Ladder of Success and Take Your Family with You”? Because, Dr. Petty wraps life changing principles in humor. If your group needs to laugh as well as learn, take a break from technical presentations and hear something that will change their lives for the better, then invite Charles to speak.

**Matthew Pollard, CSP (NC)** Matt has over a decade of keynote speaking experience, with audiences ranging from small business owners to multi-national conglomerates. His proven growth strategies have worked for 3,500+ clients. His signature presentation is “Rapid Growth, The Lazy Way”...participants will come away with three instantly actionable techniques that lead to explosive growth.

**Therese Samudio (MN)** Therese is a proven sales expert who motivates, inspires, and coaches sales teams to outdo past performance. Her presentations include wisdom gleaned from interviewing 10,000+ business owners from all across the U.S., while she sold and coached others. A crowd pleaser, she will keep the audience laughing and learning. She is the creator of her trademarked sales program, entitled “Affirmative Selling.”

**Chad Willett (OH)** Chad has worked for three Fortune 500 companies and is an entrepreneur. He spent seven years in Los Angeles as a professional actor, appearing in several movies. His programs are high energy and unique. His main presentation is entitled “Smash the Box” where he helps his audiences think creatively and open their minds to thinking “out of the box.”

## **SPORTS / MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKERS:**

**Chuck Amato (NC)** Coach Amato played linebacker for NC State and won two ACC titles as a wrestler. He became an assistant football coach at Florida State and NC State, before becoming the head coach at NC State where his teams won four bowl games. Recently, he was an assistant coach at Akron University. His motivational presentations are dynamic, credible, and memorable.

**Muggsy Bogues (NC)** Muggsy is the shortest player (5’-3”) to ever play in the NBA. He starred at Wake Forest University, was picked in the first round for the NBA and then went on to a 14 year career in the NBA with most of those years being with the Charlotte Hornets. Since his retirement in 2001 he has coached in the WNBA and high school, as well as doing motivational speeches. His autobiography is entitled, “In the Land of Giants.”

**Keith Byars (OH)** Keith is one of The Ohio State University and Big Ten's most prolific running backs in history. He finished second in the Heisman Trophy race in 1984, after having gained 1,764 yards. In the Illinois game he rushed for 274 yards and five touchdowns. He was first team All-American and Big Ten MVP. He played 13 years in the NFL. Today, he hosts a local radio show and does motivational speeches.

**Chucky Brown (NC)** Chucky was a star basketball player at NC State and played in the NBA for over a decade including two years with the Charlotte Hornets. He has the record for playing for the most NBA teams ever....12 different teams. Since retirement, he has coached for several professional and amateur basketball teams, as well as sharing insights on leadership and motivation through his speeches.

**Chris Corchiani (NC)** Chris was a star basketball player for NC State and then went on the play professional basketball for over a decade, including stints with the Boston Celtics, Orlando Magic, and Washington Bullets. At NC State, he was the first player in NCAA D-1 to ever record 1,000 assists in his career. Since retirement, he has been extremely successful in the business world.

**Ray Frederick, Jr. (NC)** Ray is the founder of the world renowned, Bouncing Bulldogs jump ropers. He has coached the team for over 30 years. They have won most every major jump rope competition imaginable. He taught health and physical education in the Chapel Hill School System for over 30 years. The Bulldogs have been featured on the front page of the Wall Street Journal. They have also been featured on the CBS Evening News with Katie Couric.

**Mark Gottfried (NC)** Mark was a star basketball player at Oral Roberts University and the University of Alabama. He was drafted by the Detroit Pistons to play in the NBA, but spent three years touring with Athletes in Action. He then went into coaching, serving as an assistant coach at UCLA, then head coach at Murray State, Alabama, and six years at NC State. In 2017, he was an assistant coach for the Dallas Mavericks in the NBA Summer League.

**Mike Gminski (NC)** Mike was a first team All-American basketball player at Duke, drafted in the first round for the NBA, and played in the NBA for 14 years which included several years with the Charlotte Hornets. He scored over 10,000 points and had over 6,000 rebounds in his pro career. Mike was the second basketball player to ever have his number retired at Duke.

**Roy Hall, Jr. (OH)** Roy is the co-founder and president of the Driven Foundation, an organization designed to provide food outreaches for the poor in Ohio. He was a star football receiver for The Ohio State University and played in the 2007 National Championship Game. Roy played professional football for four years, but injuries cut his career short. Today, he gives motivational speeches to all types of groups, including students.

**Clark Kellogg (OH)** Clark had an illustrious basketball career at The Ohio State University where he averaged a double-double in his three year career....Big Ten MVP-1982. He was a first round pick of the Indiana Pacers and played five seasons before injuries cut his career short. He was on the NBA All-Rookie team, averaging 20 points and 10 rebounds. He has been one of the premier television NCAA basketball commentators for CBS since 1993.

**Mick Mixon (NC)** Mick has been a sports broadcaster for 36+ years. He spent 16 years as the color analyst for the Tar Heels Sports Network. Since 2005, he has been the play-by-play announcer for the Carolina Panthers. Among his many awards are: Regional Emmy Award in 2008 and North Carolina Sportscaster of the year in 1999, 2004, and 2009.

**Eric Montross (NC)** Eric was a two time All-American basketball player at UNC and played on their 1993 NCAA Championship team. He was a first round pick in the NBA and had a nine year career, playing with six different teams. A foot injury caused his career to get caught short. Today, he is the color commentator on the Tar Heels men's basketball broadcasts. He also has a major role in UNC fundraising activities and is known for his own philanthropy.

**Marques Ogden (NC)** Marques played college football at Howard University and had a five year career as an offensive lineman in the NFL (Titans, Bills, Ravens, and Jaguars). He talks about overcoming adversity.....after his NFL career he dealt with a bankruptcy after having built a successful business, alcoholism, and gambling. Today, he is a motivational speaker to students and adults. He is the author of: "The NFL....A Business and a Family."

**Andy Papa(thanassiou) (NC)** After college, he quickly got involved in the racing world in 1991 where he has been: involved with pit crews, served as personnel director for Hendrick Motorsports and was part of the Jeff Gordon "Rainbow Warriors." He also is a former Executive Director for the NC Motorsports Assn. He was NASCAR's first "pit coach" and is known as being one of the premier "pit coaches" in racing history.

**Dawn Sowell (NC/GA)** Dawn is the NCAA record holder at 100 and 200 meter dash and former fastest woman in the world. She co-founded Excel Tutoring and Personal Development Company. She empowers individuals to adopt healthy, holistic habits that help them care for the needs of their body, mind, and spirit, for life-long success. Injuries curtailed her Olympic dreams. She is the author of, "Elevate: Detoxify Yourself to Physical, Mental, & Spiritual Health.

**Beanie Wells (OH)** Beanie had a stellar college football career at The Ohio State University where, as a running back, he gained over 1,600 yards in his sophomore year and 1,200+ in his junior year playing in only nine games. He was selected in the NFL's first round and played from 2009 to 2012. In 2011, he had 1,000 yard rushing year. Injuries curtailed his pro career. Today, he is a broadcaster for a local radio station and does motivational speaking.

**Important note: We have booked over 100 different sports speakers in all fee ranges (\$1,000 to \$25,000). Thus, if you have "wish list" sports speakers in mind, just let us know who. There is a 90% chance we can provide information immediately and, if not, we usually can within 24 hours.**

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# ENTERTAINMENT

**Steve Brogan (NC)** Steve is a comic ventriloquist. Whether entertainment or entertainment with a message, Steve delivers an unforgettable, hilarious show. He's experienced with all size audiences from small corporate events to 3,000 seat cruise ship theaters. Whether you want a custom program or just a night of laughter, Steve has what it takes to make it succeed. He also great a trade shows, effectively and humorously "selling" your product(s).

**Tim Cavanagh (IL)** Clean, customized, corporate comedy, blah, blah, blah....Tim does more than that, with a ravenous appetite for information about your group....he is inventive and friendly with playful with audience involvement....a lightening quick wit that sets him apart from everyone else....plus clean jokes and funny songs. His comedy brings people together. He is a very unique comedian with heart.

**Eric Hunter (GA)** Eric's funny original, clean comedy has been a hit at corporate events, private parties, and country clubs all across the nation for the past 20+ years. His appearance on TV's "Last Comic Standing" and his segments on Sirius/XM satellite radio are testaments to his popularity. His has performed with: Ray Romano, Paul Reiser, Kevin Nealon, Jimmy Walker, Frank Caliendo, Brian Regan, and dozens more.

**Jeff Jena (OH)** Jeff is an "old school" comedian...original, clean, and willing to write for any client and occasion. His combination of clever material and quick witted improvisation has delighted hundreds of audiences. His material covers observations on relationships, kids, family, working, and everyday life. He is always appropriate and always funny.

**Freddie Pierce (NC)** Whether it be corporations, associations, chambers of commerce, schools, or otherwise, Freddie has attendees laughing and learning, as he brings home his carefully chosen messages. He does this through ventriloquism, comedy, magic, singing, audience participation, and comedy impersonations. His refreshing style and energetic delivery makes him a perfect presenter for virtually any function that wants the audience to have fun.

**Rik Roberts (TN)** Rick provides 100% clean comedy and creative keynotes to groups who need a fun and engaging program. You are a good fit if you need a program of pure fun, a productivity tune-up (based on the Andy Griffith Show), interactive keynote/workshop on customer service, or an event emcee. He grew up in a rural area and loves to include comedy about living the rural life. He also teaches comedy in workshops.

**Glen Ward (SC)** Glen has been entertaining audiences for over 25 years...from coast to coast. He is not only funny, but he does exceptional political impersonations, and is a singer. He has fascinating stories about growing up in a minister's home. If you are looking for a clean, fun entertainer and inspirational speaker, Glen is a real treat and audiences don't forget him.

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**Note:** If you are looking for something VERY unusual...ie; Elf, Santa Claus, Easter Bunny, Elvis, Uncle Sam, Stiltwalking Mermaid, Pirate, Elvis, Lucille Ball, etc.....be sure to let us know. We have contacts for almost anything and in all fee ranges.

**Note:** If you encounter names of speakers from other sources, be sure to contact us before you pursue contact with the speaker or another agency, as we have many more speakers/entertainers than are listed (over 3,000 in our database) and we have leverage with many of them. However, we can't get in the middle if contact has already been made with the speaker or their agent.

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**For availability, fees, and/or any questions, please contact:**

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