



## *Gregory P. Smith*

SPEAKER INTRODUCTION

**NOTE: The introduction of any speaker is very important in setting the tone and success of the speaking engagement and your meeting. We would appreciate it if your introducer could familiarize themselves with this intro prior to the actual introduction. They are welcome to read it verbatim.**

**(Optional paragraph)** Greg Smith's educational achievements began on the doorstep of his Kindergarten ***class where he socked his teacher in the stomach.*** He then went and failed first grade. It was downhill from there. However, since those rocky beginnings, he has made a complete turn-around.

It is my privilege to introduce Greg Smith, President and “Lead Navigator” of *Chart Your Course International*, located in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. He shows individuals and business owners how to thrive in changing times, build teamwork and create good places to work that attract, motivate and retain their workforce.

Greg began his career on the front line in the U.S. Army. He worked for the Army Surgeon General as a senior consultant responsible for quality management, innovation and strategic planning for the entire U.S. Army Medical Department. In addition, he served on the Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, the nation's highest honor for business excellence presented by the President of the United States.

Greg has received many awards and honors including being listed in Harvard University's *Profiles in Business and Management*. He received the Legion of Merit from the U.S. Army. The Human Resource Executive Magazine selected him as one of the Top-Ten "Rising Stars" in the nation.

He believes the pen is mightier than the sword and is a prolific, accomplished author, evidenced by eleven books including *401 Proven Ways to Retain Your Best Employees* and his latest book, *Fired Up! Leading Your Organization to Achieve Exceptional Results*. He has appeared on numerous television and radio programs including Bloomberg Business News and PBS television.

Greg lives in Chapel Hill, NC with his wife of 40 years. He has three grown children and four grandkids. When he is not traveling and speaking, he enjoys sailing, woodworking and is an official BBQ judge for the state of North Carolina.

We're excited that he is with us. Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome...Greg Smith. .